



HERITAGE WINNIPEG

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HERITAGE WINNIPEG EVENTS

Heritage Winnipeg Fall Fundraiser Thursday, December 1, 2011

Kantor House, 218 Roslyn Rd.

5:30 pm to 8:30 pm, tickets \$100. Includes catered appetizers, entertainment, and a house tour.

This ornate 1901 Georgian Revival-style home, previously owned by ballet artiste Mademoiselle Grandpierre, is one of the last remaining mansions from the bygone era when Roslyn Road was an exclusive neighbourhood for the elite of Winnipeg. By attending this event you support our work in preserving Winnipeg's heritage. **Please call the office to reserve tickets.**

Money Talks: Tales from Bankers' Row

Millennium Library, Carol Shields Auditorium

Monday, December 5, 12:10 pm - 1:00 pm. Free event!

RELIGIOUS STRUCTURES UPDATE

St. Matthew's Anglican Church

641 St. Matthew's Ave.

This West End church is being converted into 25 low-cost apartments. The \$6 million project has received \$2.2 million in government funding and is raising another \$1 million. The project will include worship space along with housing and a public atrium which features the children's play structure from the old airport terminal. The project website: www.thewestendcommons.ca



Holy Trinity Anglican Church

256 Smith St. (National Historic Site)

Holy Trinity was built in 1884 in the High Victorian Gothic style. It will soon be getting a new roof, paid for by Parks Canada and insurance due to wind damage.

Old Kildonan Presbyterian Church

201 John Black Ave. (Provincial Heritage Site)

Friends of Historic Kildonan Church (FHKC) are very excited to announce plans for stabilizing and restoring Old Kildonan Church. The Selkirk Settlers arrived in 1812 from Scotland but had to wait until 1851 for a minister, Rev. John Black. Under his leadership Kildonan Presbyterian Church was built in 1854 in Gothic Revival style. It was the first Presbyterian Church in Western Canada and is one of the oldest stone churches left in Winnipeg. FHKC are seeking people who have expertise in accounting, fundraising, architecture or engineering and an interest in the restoration of heritage buildings and their history.



If you are interested in helping with this project, contact June Thompson at (204) 667-7876.



Former Normal School

210 Rue Masson (Designated)

The St. Boniface Normal School, built in 1902 and enlarged in 1928, stands as a symbol of the determination of francophones to sustain their language and culture through education. The stately though modest structure was initially dedicated to the preparation of French-speaking teachers who were needed as a result of the 1896-97 Laurier-Greenway compromise allowing bilingual instruction in public schools. Its Neo-Classical styling was designed by H.S. Griffith. Heritage Winnipeg, Entreprises Riel, Heritage St. Boniface, and other stakeholders have been working together to determine options for reuse that are heritage sensitive and economically viable. The original goal was to integrate the historic 1902 building and important interior elements as part of a seniors' housing project. However, the economic feasibility of this project for the owners remains uncertain. More info to come.



ADVOCACY UPDATES

Milner House - 51 Balmoral St. (Designated)

This house is protected from demolition while people seek solutions. HW will be working with West Broadway Development Corporation and the owner, Great-West Life, to find a viable reuse for the Dutch Colonial house.

Former Shanghai Restaurant Building

228 King St. (Historical Buildings Inventory)

The Chinatown Development Corporation (CDC) wants to demolish the 128-year-old Shanghai building and replace it with a seniors' home. It was built in 1883 as one of the city's first mixed-use buildings. For three years it functioned as Winnipeg's first city hall. It is not on the Heritage Conservation list because lack of maintenance has left it with structural problems. The city refused an initial request to demolish it for surface parking, but if the CDC files a redevelopment plan then demolition may go ahead to make way for the seniors' home.

