

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This has been a year of looking forward – a good deal of time has been spent planning for changes at Dalnavert and on the Strategic Planning Retreat for the Society as a whole. Now the challenge is going to be “how do we put these plans into action”.

At the 2000 Annual Meeting a motion was passed that we start fundraising immediately for a new Dalnavert Interpretive Centre. This motion was carried. It was decided that a building program should be devised for the centre.

Work has continued on this project over the winter and a draft business plan has been prepared. This plan has been shown to potential funders for their input and a second draft will soon be ready. In the year ahead we will build on this preliminary work and begin to create a fund raising group who will create support for and excitement about the plan in the community. At the time of writing there is no firm time line for this project. It would be wonderful if the building could be open for our 125th Anniversary in 2004.

The Society's Strategic Planning Retreat on March 2nd and 3rd was a success. Heather Erhard, of Erhard Associates, who also led our planning session for Dalnavert two years ago, coordinated it. Many good ideas came out of the Retreat and these have been listed in the Strategic Plan document, copies of which are available for those attending this meeting. Some of the more important things which we have already begun to act upon are the membership campaign and the web site.

A Membership Committee under Céline Kear has been at work pursuing various strategies to increase membership and they are developing a new membership brochure as well. New people are beginning to join the Society as a result of their work.

We have begun work on a new web site with the help of Brian Etkin, a professional web developer and the new site will be ready by the fall.

I was busy this year representing the Society at a number of events. I made two Centennial Farm presentations during the summer months; I was asked to introduce Carol Matas at the launch of her new historical novel for teens, Rebecca. I chaired the Young Historians awards ceremony where Joe Martin and Linda Asper handed out the awards. Jock Lehr and I went to visit Diane McGifford, the Minister of Heritage, in her office and had a good discussion about the activities of the Society and ways in which we could cooperate with her department.

The Personnel Committee, consisting of Bill Fraser, Ken Zealand and myself, met with Betty Somers, Tim Worth and Nancy Anderson and discussed revised job descriptions with them. Small increases in salary were made for our full-time staff and a plan was put in place to give annual increases tied to annual performance reviews.

In January we held a special membership meeting to discuss the developing plans for the Dalnavert expansion and received approval from the meeting to proceed with the planning. We also held a very successful Macdonald Dinner which featured Mel Hurtig as the after dinner speaker.

In March we held our Strategic Planning Retreat as well as the annual Manitoba History Conference, which took place this year at the Ukrainian Labour Temple at Pritchard & McGregor. We enjoyed a full day of papers which were notable for their variety and had a very nice lunch and a concert by the Temple's mandolin orchestra of which Brent Stearns is a member. Also in the very full month of March was the Greek Dinner, which I enjoyed very much.

A simple recounting of the events I have attended does not really indicate what a rewarding year this has been for me, because the rewards come from the people one meets and the conversations one has. I have enjoyed working with the Executive and Council very much; the members are a congenial group and we have fun while we conduct the Society's business. The second year of my service in this job will be a busy one but I am looking forward to moving ahead with our plans and to seeing at least some of our objectives met.

Jim Blanchard
President

TREASURER'S REPORT

The general operations of the Society, before taking into account net revenue from projects continued to decline this year, with the net loss of 2000-2001 being \$13,145.00 versus \$7,859.00 from 1999-2000. General revenues increased in total from \$48,601.00 to \$48,643.00 mainly in the areas of sale of publications and interest. However, donations and membership fees in total declined from \$23,165.00 to \$22,528.00. Unfortunately, expenses increased from a total of \$56,460.00 to \$61,788.00, in increase of 9.4%.

Total net revenues from projects decreased in 2000-2001 from \$14,762.00 the prior year to \$11,848.00. This was mainly due to a decline in the net revenue from the Sir John A. Macdonald dinner from \$15,241.00 to \$10,903.00. This decline was somewhat offset by an increase in the net revenues from field trips from \$2,300.00 to \$3,758.00. In addition, the Centennial Farms program and the Centennial Business Awards program continue to break even due to continued sponsorship and in the current year, the Young Historians program was also sponsored, thus reducing the deficit on that program from \$1,741.00 to \$180.00. A detailed breakdown of the project revenue is contained in Note 6 to the annual financial statements.

The operations of Dalnavert for the year showed an excess of revenue over expenses, after interfund transfers of \$13,852.00. Substantial financial support was received for the renovations to Dalnavert which exceeded \$165,000.00 during the year. Other operating expenses of Dalnavert increased from \$125,083.00 to \$133,043.00, an increase of 6.4%. Dalnavert revenues, apart from Grants and Donations increased approximately 4% with increases in admissions, merchandise sales and fund-raising all contributing to that increase. Unfortunately, program revenue was down slightly. Dalnavert continues to draw funds from the Heritage Trust Fund to support its operations, but the amount drawn from the fund continues to be less than the income earned on the fund such that the overall value of the fund continues to grow.

As indicated earlier, we continue to experience a decline in donations and membership dollars necessary to support the day-to-day operations of the Society. We are attempting to address this through the membership committee and through a revitalization of the key campaign, but the total support of the membership will be necessary to seriously reverse this past trend. We cannot leave it to a small group of volunteers to do this work for us. We must all become active in providing the means for the Society to continue to survive and to grow. To all those who have supplied that support in the last year, I extend my gratitude and I trust that your valuable support will continue in the future.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth A. Zealand, C.A.
Treasurer*

MANITOBA CENTENNIAL BUSINESS AWARDS

In 1999 we initiated the Manitoba Centennial Business Awards to recognize businesses that have contributed to the development and character of the province for over one hundred years. The program's goals are to foster public awareness of our province's business heritage; to encourage pride within companies that have played a part in Manitoba's history; to celebrate the enduring excellence of individual Manitoba businesses; and to recognize historic businesses that continue to contribute to Manitoba communities today. The awards are sponsored by Zealand and Company, Chartered Accountants.

The first year two awards were presented. They went to the Hudson's Bay Company and the North West Company, tracing their beginnings in what is now Manitoba to 1684 and 1785 respectively. Last year there were four successful applicants: Burrows Lumber Inc., started by Theodore A. Burrows in 1879; Wilson Furniture Ltd. founded by C.H. Wilson in 1883; Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company founded in Wawanesa, Manitoba in 1896; and the H.P. Tergesen store in Gimli, founded in 1899.

This year there were three successful applicants who were recognized at the Sir John A. Macdonald Dinner:

Brown and Rutherford began operations as a small planing mill in 1871 on Bannatyne Avenue and continues to operate as a wood processor on Sutherland Avenue.

Hartney Machine and Motors Ltd. is a family business that was established by Edmund Isabey shortly after he came to Canada from France. By 1899 he was operating a machine shop in Hartney, which continues today under John, Jack and Larry Isabey, grandsons and a great-grandson of the founder. It is now a Ford dealership, garage and body shop.

The Winnipeg Free Press began printing as the Manitoba Free Press on November 9, 1972 as an 8-page weekly and operates today as a daily newspaper.

The Manitoba Community Newspapers Association approached the Manitoba Historical Society in the Fall of 2000 and asked whether we would consider giving Centennial Business Awards to all the community newspapers that qualified. We welcomed the opportunity to form a partnership and jointly presented 19 awards at the Manitoba Community Newspapers Association annual dinner on April 7, 2001.

1. *Baldur Gazette-News* first edition printed 30 June 1898
2. *Birtle Eye-Witness* founded fall 1891
3. *Boissevain Recorder* first published 5 October 1899
4. *Carberry News-Express*, (*the Carberry News and Norfolk Intelligencer and Advertiser* published 5 July 1889; *Carberry Express* 1892; amalgamated 1910)
5. *Carman Valley Leader* first appeared March 3, 1898 as *Dufferin Leader*
6. *Deloraine Times & Star* published on November 10, 1887 as *Weekly Times & Turtle Mountain and Souris River Gazette*
7. *Glenboro Gazette* first issue appeared on August 25, 1892

8. *Grandview Exponent* published March 7, 1901
9. *The Guide*, Killarney, beginning November 22, 1894
10. *The Minnedosa Tribune* starting March 31, 1883
11. *The Neepawa Press* prospectus issue appeared May 28, 1896
12. *Pilot Mound Sentinel-Courier* appeared as the *Sentinel* on March 14, 1889
13. *Shoal Lake Star* began in 1899
14. *Souris Plaindealer* first appeared on April 7, 1892
15. *Southern Manitoba Review* began in January 1899 as the *Rock Lake Review*; then united with *Cartwright Enterprize*
16. *Stonewall Argus & Teulon Times* used the printing press of the *Stonewall News and Rockwood County Advertiser*, to start as the *Argus* on March 9, 1893
17. *Swan Valley Star & Times* first appeared as the *Swan River Star* on January 11, 1900
18. *The Times*, Treherne whose first edition appeared October 6, 1899
19. *Virden Empire-Advance* first appeared as *The Virden Advance* on July 9, 1885

As other community newspapers reach one hundred years we will be accepting their applications and presenting awards in this continuing partnership.

*Respectfully submitted,
Judith Hudson Beattie, Chair
(Kenneth A. Zealand, Dr. Sam Loschiavo Committee members)*

CENTENNIAL FARM AWARDS COMMITTEE

A "Letter to the Editor" to be sent to all newspapers (sent during 1980)

Dear Editor,

As settlement in Manitoba passes the century mark in many new areas each year, an exciting new program is being launched by the Manitoba Historical Society through their Centennial Home and Farm Committee. If you have property that has been in the family for one hundred years you are eligible for centennial recognition and the Society wishes to commemorate this achievement.

We invite you to send the necessary details to the Manitoba Historical Society so that a suitable form of remembrance and recognition can be planned. The committee will undertake to confirm for you the date on which your ancestor took the first step in acquiring your land from the Crown.

It is hoped that this centenary project will be a continuing one, and that in each succeeding year this commemoration will be extended to the more recently settled areas as they reach the end of their first hundred years. Of course the plan also applies in cases where the hundredth anniversary has already passed.

We hope that there will be a full response from all eligible families. Please write to the committee head, Alice Brown, (Mrs. Morley Brown) c/o The Manitoba Historical Society, 211-190 Rupert Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Head, Centennial Home
and Farm Committee
Manitoba Historical Society

The above marked the official public launch of the Centennial Farm program by the Manitoba Historical Society (MHS) in early 1980.

Twenty years later, the program is still active with 89 Centennial Farm plaques presented during the 2000-2001 year, bringing the total to 949.

The program could not be the success it is without the dedicated volunteer hours of long-time committee members Mary Perfect, Lee Treilhard, David McDowell and Corinne Tellier. This year the committee also welcomed the assistance of Jac Hiebert of Brandon, M.H.S. president Jim Blanchard and Irene Shaw of Gunton.

Manitoba Agriculture & Food and specifically Shirley Nicholson who administers the Century Farm program for the government must be thanked for their continuing co-operative working relationship with the Centennial Farm Committee.

The Centennial Farm Committee also wishes to express appreciation to the Senator N. M. Paterson Foundation for its continued financial support of this program. All of the Centennial Farm plaques presented this year bore acknowledgement of this support.

In April 2000, the committee had a display booth at Ag Expo in Morris for two days. This was an opportunity to promote the Centennial Farm program as well as other activities of MHS to the rural Community.

The Historic Resources Branch of the Manitoba Government has now completed entering all the Centennial Farms recognized by MHS in its database of historic sites in Manitoba.

The presentations began in mid-April with a pioneer family at Inglis whose land abuts the west end of Riding Mountain National Park and continued throughout the summer at family gatherings, community homecomings and centennial celebrations. The R.M. of Brokenhead marked its centennial in 2000 and two families in the Dencross Community north of Beausejour received Centennial Farm plaques. Plaques were presented to families in fifty-one rural municipalities from Bowsman to Altona.

Altona

Ben & Sharron Friesen S.W. 36-1-1 E.P.M. (1897)

Certificate K-5 Farms
SE 19-3-2 W.P.M. (1892 – 1999)
Edgar & Olga Klassen
Melvin & Margaret Klassen
Garry & Grace Klassen
Ted & Vi Klassen
Connie (Kippen) Klassen

Angusville

James & Rose Kieper } S.E. 27-21-27 W.P.M. (1900)
Thomas & Cindy Kieper }

Arnes

Finnur Bjorn Markusson S.W. 33-21-4 E.P.M. (1900)

Baldur

Marguerite & Troy Sigvaldason } N.W. 26-5-14 W.P.M. (1889)
} S.W. 26-5-14 W.P.M. (1898)

Belmont

Murray & Edith Williamson S. 26-4-15 W.P.M. (1900)

Harvey & Janet Williamson N.E. 27-4-15 W.P.M. (1893)

Birnie

James McConnell N.W. 12-17-15 W.P.M. (1884)

Boissevain

Harvey & Barbara Kyle N.W. 28-4-19 W.P.M. (1900)

Mary McCallum } N. 14-4-21 W.P.M. (1899)
Elmer & Donna McCallum }

Bowsman

Barry & Chris Stephen N.W. 17-38-26 W.P.M. (1900)

Matthew & Monica Black
S.E. 6-38-26 W.P.M. (1900)

Carman

Robert McIntyre W. 20-6-5 W.P.M. (1887)

Cartwright

Earl & Shirley McLeod N.E. 4-2-13 W.P.M. (1900)
Allan & Joyce McLeod N.W. 4-2-13 W.P.M. (1900)

Cromer

Henry & Margaret Zarn
S.E. 6-8-28 W.P.M. (1900)

Dauphin

Walter & Nellie Church
S.E. 30-25-18 W.P.M. (1898)

Jill Anne (Seale) & Wilfred Kachurovski
N.W. 6-24-18 W.P.M. (1892)
S.W. 7-24-18 W.P.M. (1895)

Deloraine

Richard & Rosilind Sexton } 12-4-22 W.P.M. (1900)
 } 1-4-22 W.P.M.

Dencross

Leonard Kolton S. W. 14-15-7 E.P.M. (1899)

Ken & Janet Paseshnik } E.N.W. 1-15-7
Derek & Holly Paseshnik } E.P.M. (1900)

Dugald

George Fredrick Van Slyck N.N.E. 26-10-4 E.P.M. (1900)

David & Christine Murray S.S.E. 35-10-4 E.P.M. (1900)

Elphinstone

Beverly (Kwiatkowski) & Nestor Leganchuk
N.W. 36-18-22 W.P.M. (1900)

Ethelbert

Eugene Ross Sanchuk } S.N.E. 30-28-22 W.P.M. (1900)
 } S.W. 30-28-22 W.P.M. (1900)

Foxwarren

John & Florence Widdicombe } S. 30-18-27 W.P.M. (1900)
Daryl & Janet Widdicombe }

Gimli

Charles & David Peiluck N.N.E. 36-18-3 E.P.M. (1900)
Peter & Kara Peiluck S.N.E. 36-18-3 E.P.M. (1900)

Glenboro

Earl & Carol-Lynn Malyon N.E. 17-7-14 W.P.M. (1897)

Goodlands

Norman & Beverley Adams N.E. 11-1-24 W.P.M. (1900)

Grosse Isle

George & Barbara Harris E.N.E. 35-12-1 W.P.M. (1899)

Bill & Norma Ridgeway } E.N.W. & S.W. 33-12-1 E.P.M. (1896)
 } N.N.W. 28-12-1 E.P.M. (1896)
 } N.E. 33-21-1 E.P.M. (1896)

Hamiota

Leonard & Evelyn Allan S.W. 19-13-23 W.P.M. (1892)

Lloyd & June Hazlewood N.E. 3-14-24 W.P.M. (1900)

Margaret (McConnell) & Jack Boyd S.E. 29-15-23 W.P.M. (1900)

Hartney

Ewen & Amy Mosby W. 31-5-23 W.P.M. (1897)

Ile de Chenes

Cyrille & Frances Carriere
L.S. 8 & PT. L.S. 1 of S.E. 5-9-4 E.P.M.
Lot 5, Plan. 31571 of S.W. 4-9-4 E.P.M.
(1888)

Inglis

Wilbert Fingas N.W. 36-22-27 W.P.M. (1898)

Kenville

Hugh & Mary Carmichael } N.W. 1-35-28 W.P.M. (1900)
John & Heather Carmichael }

Killarney

James & Colleen Nichol S.E. 16-1-16 W.P.M. (1888)

Langruth

Jonas & Lydia Johnson N.E. 14-16-9 W.P.M. (1900)

LaRiviere

James & Joyce Barron S.W. 2-2-10 W.P.M. (1900)

Libau

Artha Anderson E.N.E. 5-16-6 E.P.M. (1900)

Gus & Jean Kamke } N. W. 16-15-6 E.P.M. (1898)
David Kamke }

Lundar

Louise Erickson } N.W. 28-19-5 W.P.M. (1900)
Wanda (Erickson) Brandson }

Garnet Sigurdson S. W. 32-19-5 W.P.M. (1900)

Darlene (Bjornsson) and Stanley Skibinski
N.W. 34-19-5 W.P.M. (1890)

Melita

Delnor & Brenda Davies S.W. 30-2-27 W.P.M. (1900)

Minto

Leonard & Phyllis Wray N.E. 27-4-19 W.P.M. (1900)

Neepawa

Jim & Marion Kolesar N.E. 33-15-16 W.P.M. (1893)

Donald Murray N.W. 35-13-16 W.P.M. (1900)

Malcolm & Mary Murray S.W. 35-13-16 W.P.M. (1900)

Newdale

Bruce & Carol Dalgarno N.E. 4-16-21 W.P.M. (1887)

Neil & Hilda Davies S.E. 4-17-20 W.P.M. (1886)

Margaret (Kingdon) & Fred Howard W. 20-16-20 W.P.M. (1900)

Jean Irwin S.E. 20-16-20 W.P.M. (1881)

(certificate) N.E. 20-16-20 W.P.M. (1892)

Debby Lee } N.E. 24-16-21 W.P.M. (1878)

} S.E. 24-16-21 W.P.M. (1882)

Barbara (Rose) & Dennis Pedersen N.W. 12-16-21 W.P.M. (1881)

Gavin & Wendy St. John N.E. 9-15-20 W.P.M. (1879)

Robert & Willine Young N.W. 17-16-20 W.P.M. (1878)

E. 17-16-20 W.P.M. (1895)

Niverville

Margaret & John Stott

Jeffrey & Mona Stott

N.E. 11-7-3 W.P.M. (1900)

Ochre River

Douglas & Nora Rutley N.E. 9-23-17 W.P.M. (1897)

Petersfield

Alice (Hawrysh) & Merle Ellison

W.N.E. 12-17-3 E.P.M. (1900)

Plum Coulee

Jack & Mary Siemens N.E. 28-3-2 W.P.M. (1898)

Portage la Prairie

James Taylor S.W. 15-13-6 W.P.M. (1900)

Reston

Carol Kendrick Van Damme}

Gary Kendrick }

Wayne Kendrick } N.W.22-6-28 W.P.M. (1899)

Lynne Kendrick Walker }

Ron Kendrick }

Nancy Kendrick Curtain }

Rivers

Clayton & Rebecca Robins
 S.W. 1-12-21 W.P.M. (1891)
 N.E. 1-12-21 W.P.M. (1898)

Roseisle

Donald & Elsie Leary N. 13-6-8 W.P.M. (1900)

Rosser

John & Jean Laing S.W. 32-12-2 E. P.M. (1900)

R. M. of Lansdowne

Jack & Alfred Nelson S.W. 15-16-13 W.P.M. (1888)

R. M. of Pembina

John & Mary Ann Smith
 Don & Dawn Smith
 N.E. 8-2-7 W.P.M. (1898)

Russell

George F. "Bob" & May Glasman
 Robert & Andrea Glasman
 N.E. 22-21-28 W.P.M. (1882)

St. Claude

Louis & Rolande Sibilleau N.W. 36-8-7 O.M.P. (1894)

St. Georges

Luc & Brenda Vincent R.L. 31,18-10 E.P.M. (1900)

St. Joseph

Denis Joseph Sarrasin } N. 4-3-1 E.M.P. (1878)
 { S.W. 4-3-1 E.M.P. (1879)

Georgina Sarrasin S.E. 4-3-1 E.P.M. (1882)

Etienne & Helene Brais S.E. 22-2-1 E.M.P. (1900)

Gaetan & Jocelyne Brais N.E. 22-2-1 E.P.M. (1892)

Julien & Lise Brais S.W. 22-2-1 E.P.M. (1876)

Starbuck

Alan & Lillian Burns S.E. 9-9-1 W.P.M. (1899)

Steinbach

Arthur Schultz } S.E. 18-6-6 E.P.M. (1897)
 Raymon & Joan Schultz }

Swan River

Kathleen (Shaw) Lowdon W. 27-35-27 W.P.M. (1900)

Karen Gordon } N.E. 20-35-27 W.P.M. (1900)
 Robert & Carolyn Gordon }

Swan River Cont'd:

Donald & Lorna Spicer S.E. 18-36-26 W. P.M. (1900)

Teulon

George Peterson N.E. 4-17-1 E.P.M. (1900)

Virden

Ralph & Elizabeth Stephenson }
Murray Stephenson } W.5-11-26 W.P.M. (1899)
Noreen Stephenson Weir }
Don Stephenson }

Winkler

Dennis & Amanda Peters S.E. 27-3-4 W.P.M. (1888)

Respectfully submitted,

*Anne MacVicar, Chair
Centennial Farm Committee*

FIELD TRIP COMMITTEE

It has now become customary to offer two field trips each year, a one-day excursion in the spring and a weekend trip in the fall. This year, two trips were offered but in a break from past practice the one-day trip ran in July. This trip, to Matheson Island, which was organized by Mrs. Betty Somers and guided by Mr. Ed Ledohowski, was sold out. In response to popular demand we will be repeating this trip in 2001. The fall trip was a three-day trip to Flin-Flon, via Minnedosa, Riding Mountain National Park, Duck Mountain Provincial Park, Swan River, and The Pas. This trip also ran at capacity.

Both trips returned a modest surplus to the Society's revenues. I wish to express my appreciation to Mrs. Somers who organized and accompanied the Matheson Island trip. She also assisted in the planning, reconnaissance, and organization of the fall trip and attended to organizational and financial matters during the trip itself.

Respectfully submitted,

*John C. Lehr, Chair
Field Trip Committee*

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Prepared by Tim Worth

This year has been one of considerable evolution. Not only were there shifts in the number of active committee members but also the chairmanship of the committee changed. Following Joyce Goodhand's move out of Winnipeg the stewardship of the committee was accepted by co-chairs Irene Shaw and Ashleigh Drewett-Laird. Those who continue to serve the committee at year's end include John Gunn, Lily Stearns, Carl James, Robert Kadolph, Irene Shaw, Dave McDowell, Ashleigh Drewett-Laird, Cindy Sciberas, Dagmar Martens, and Tim Worth.

The Historic Preservation Committee is active on two fronts, through the committee work and through representation on the City of Winnipeg's Historical Buildings Committee. On the committee level finishing off the painstaking research of the Point Douglas addresses has occupied considerable time. In addition to a special meeting at the Centennial Library the members spent many individual hours pouring over the records of the "Henderson Directories" searching out the clues to the past residents of Point Douglas, along the way amassing a considerable wealth of social history.

The other facet of the Committee's involvement is with the City of Winnipeg's Historical Buildings Committee, which advises City Council on heritage issues, researches and monitors the designations of important structures and regulates proposed alterations to historic structures. By participating at this level the Society has a voice in the preservation of important Winnipeg architectural features.

The research papers created by the Historical Buildings Committee are contributed to the vertical file of information that the Society maintains in its office area. This wealth of information is utilized by those who are doing research into the backgrounds of features in our neighbourhoods and communities.

One of the matters that the committee took an active interest in is the proposed redevelopment of the Barber House in Point Douglas. Although no decision has yet been made about its future by being involved, the Manitoba Historical Society lives up to its mandate of fostering the preservation of history.

History continues to evolve you and if any member should desire to join this dedicated committee they can telephone Tim Worth (204-943-2835), who acts as a liaison person for the committee.

Respectfully submitted
Irene Shaw and Ashleigh Drewett-Laird
Co-chairs

MARGARET MCWILLIAMS AWARDS COMMITTEE

The Manitoba Historical Society would like to announce the winners of the 2000 Margaret McWilliams Competition:

Medals:

Scholarly Book

The Road to the Rapids: Nineteenth-Century Church and Society at St. Andrew's Parish, Red River University of Calgary Press, Winnipeg, 2000

Popular Book

Mistehay Sakahegan – The Great Lake: The Beauty and The Treachery of Lake Winnipeg by Frances Russell Heartland Associates Inc., 2000

Historical Fiction

A Reckoning of Angels by Stuart James Whitley
Great Plains Fiction, Winnipeg, 1999

Organizations

The People's Co-op: The Life and Times of a North End Institution by Jim Mochoruk with Nancy Kardash Fernwood Publishing, Halifax, NS, 2000

Honourable Mention:

Local History

Niddrie of the North-West: Memoirs of a Pioneer Canadian Missionary by John W. Niddrie
University of Alberta Press, 2000

Rites of Passage by Lucy B. Lindell Christian Press

Special Project

Heritage Stew by Boissevain and Morton Regional Library and Archives, 1999

The Margaret McWilliams Competition awards were presented in conjunction with the Manitoba's Writers' Guild Awards at the Theatre for Young People, The Forks, on April 28, 2001 and the Honourable Mention Certificates were awarded at the Annual General Meeting on June 9, 2001.

I would like to thank the committee members: Barry Bills, Lyle Ford, Ron Kirbyson and Anne Morton.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jim Richtik, Chair*

MUSEUMS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

DALNAVERT MUSEUM

Prepared by Tim Worth, Curator

The operation of Dalnavert Museum and Ross House Museum is dependent upon the teamwork of many people. Working together they have effectively managed two of Manitoba's important historical and cultural resources through another year. In both there have been significant accomplishments worthy of the Manitoba Historical Society.

Dalnavert Museum

Into its 26th year of operation Dalnavert Museum remains as an excellent example of the preservation philosophy that has embodied the Manitoba Historical Society for decades. In keeping with this the Society undertook a refurbishment project to ensure that Dalnavert would be around for future generations. Although the construction activity may have been a slight negative influence on attendance during the year, there were a great many people who still made Dalnavert an important part of what they did.

Volunteers

Volunteers are so often the lifeblood of an organization like the Manitoba Historical Society; Dalnavert Museum is no less different. Though the year the volunteers have conducted many casual tours of the museum for people from Winnipeg or those far from home. All of our volunteers are appreciated for their effort. Over the past year a number of individuals received special recognition. The student volunteers included: Breanne Brandt, Jenny Hall, Ala Lukow, Caroline Shields, Cara Stertz, Angela Rajifur, Delayne Toews, Joanne Holland, Brendon Blatz, Andrew Usher, Laura Jane Rempel, Emily Roscoe, Alexa Buckingham, Abi Klassen, Dara Johnson and Svetlana Kaboustianskaie. Two students who have been with the museum for awhile received five year recognition, Mathew Kolybabi and Jeff Mayo. Jean Gilson, Esther Hall, Leslie Hoffman and Yvonne Hogle were honoured by having their names added to the Twenty Year Plus Plaque, for twenty years of contribution. Ruth Palmour and Areen Mulder are amongst the few who have continued to volunteer with Dalnavert for over twenty-five years. This year the museum recognized two additional areas of volunteerism. Those who form family volunteers include the Iskierski family (Deb, Rick, Kristy, & Carly), the Olafson family (Jeanette and Martin), and the Klassen family (Karen and Abi). The Potpourri Singers and the Norwood Singers were honoured for the contribution of their beautiful voices to the special programming at Christmas and Wendy Molnar for her nine years of doing Wheat Weaving workshops.

This year two of Dalnavert students received funding for two positions through the Manitoba Youth Serves Program. Each student performed 100 hours of volunteer service and received a \$500 bursary from the provincial government. Sharene Gilchrist helped with publicity, creating posters and new brochures. Jane Conly helped with the special programming like the Birthday Party program.

The success of our volunteer program is greatly dependent upon the skilled people power of the museum's Co-ordinator of Volunteers, Barb Howie.

Carlton Lane Gift Shop

Dalnavert's gift shop adopted a new name this year, *Carlton Lane Gift Shop*. The gift shop committee intends to market it as a shopping destination, with the hope that eventually people will think of us for that unique gift or emergency present they need to rush out and buy. Re-papering the summer kitchen walls, which is the home for *Carlton Lane Gift Shop*, brought a new vitality to the area and the range of new merchandise found by Rob Inman, Gift Shop Chair, has proven to be quite popular. During the year he added an assortment of collector dolls, various lace products, cedar products, fancy hand-painted glass shaded table lamps, and a collection of food items in muslin backs printed with an image of Dalnavert, including tea, scones mix, hot toddy spices, gingerbread spices with a cookie cutter and much more. Already sales of the new items have proven a success and project to be even stronger next year.

Programming

This year Dalnavert's programming showed a variety of developments. The Birthday Program introduced last year grew in popularity to the point where there was often one every two weeks and sometimes even more frequently. The summer program **My House, Your House** ended the summer with 113 participants, thanks in part to a write-up in the Free Press. Carrying on from the success of the previous year the School of Scottish Arts again partnered with Dalnavert to produce a program of lectures for those interested in the Scottish theme. One program on hints for the visitor to Scotland proved so successful that two extra presentations had to be added. Seasonal favorites included Wendy Molnar's presentation of **Wheat Straw Weaving** in November and Richard Hurst's presentation of his annual readings of Dickens' **A Christmas Carol**.

Dalnavert staff participated in a Museum Heritage Fair along with a couple of other local museums, which was offered for French Immersion and Basic French students from the St. Vital School Division. Approximately 1,110 students were involved over a two-week period. Dalnavert was also involved in doing a one-day workshop with the Mennonite Heritage Village as part of the Heritage Fair being sponsored by Historica (CRB Foundation). There were 113 participants at the children's workshops this summer. We received a nice write-up in the Free Press. The only drawback to this year's programming was that the out-of-doors activities had to move to McFadyen Park on Assiniboine Avenue due to the construction activity on the grounds.

We received good news when it was learned that Richard Hurst would be in town for another series performances of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*.

During the year Dalnavert promotes itself and its programming in a number of different ways. The principle method has involved the distribution of lure pieces through Travel Manitoba, hotels, travel agencies and other museums. This year Dalnavert acquired a new lure piece in a joint partnership development with the Federal Department of Canadian Heritage. Dalnavert also promotes itself through the telephone yellow pages, the MHS Web Site, periodic placements in the newspapers and special interest pieces.

Special Projects

Three months of the year Dalnavert was wrapped in steel scaffolding as work on a major refurbishment was carried out. Funded by private donations, support from the Thelma and Steward Martin Heritage Trust Fund and the Province of Manitoba through their Designated Heritage Buildings Grants program, the work was guided by architect Wins Bridgman.

Alpha Masonry bid for \$183,000 was accepted as the primary contractor. Work commenced mid-August and continued through to freeze-up. Their work included re-pointing the masonry chimneys, cornice and various wall components, replacing deteriorated woodwork on the veranda and back entry, re-painting and installing new gutters and downspouts. Due to a number of factors the finish work is not being completed until 2001.

In the course of this project a brilliant new concept for Dalnavert came about. The inadequacies of the back entrance have long been recognized and thus it was decided that it was an opportune time to both resolve the entrance problem and move the multi-purpose area from the third floor attic to a ground floor space. The planned structure would also provide an enhanced Gift Shop, reception area and exhibit/resource module that would focus on the wide range of MHS programs and activities. Already our architect has accomplished a lot of introductory work and commenced the development of a Business Plan that will be a necessary element of the new development initiative.

During the year the Canadian Parks Service invited the Museums Management Committee to have a Commemorative Integrity Statement (CIS) done on Dalnavert. The intent of the CIS is to ensure that the attributes that are essential to Dalnavert's interpretation as a national historic site are not threatened. Although there is no immediate benefit down the road if we should wish to acquire some services from them the CIS would have been required. Late in the year the CIS, which had been done in partnership with Bill Fraser, Stephanie Middaugh, Nancy Anderson, Dalnavert's Assistant Curator and Tim Worth, Dalnavert's Curator, federal and provincial representatives, was approved.

In the years since the museum's collection was started the way in which collections are managed has changed. As one might expect they become increasingly dependent upon computers. This year Dalnavert commenced the computerization of its collection records, with the assistance of a grant from the Heritage Grants Program of Manitoba Department of Culture, Heritage and Tourism. Software in the form of FileMaker Pro and Virtual Collections were chosen and acquired. This is the first phase. Next comes the mind-numbing process of entering the files into the database so that the power of the software can be utilized effectively. The museum's reference library was also entered into a database.

Computer viruses are inevitable if one is on the Internet. As the result of a virus incident, which although not damaging, it resulted in an upgrading of Dalnavert's anti-virus protection. This however resulted in a reduction of the total efficiency of the computer system, necessitating an upgrading of the curator's computer. The Curator's former computer was set up in another room without an Internet function but still very useful to the museum.

Fundraising

There were three fundraising events during the year- a Garage Sale in May, a Cook Book Sale in October and Chocolate Madness in February 2001- each was attended by individuals with special interests. The May Garage Sale unfortunately did not meet with the expectations of the planning committee, however that did not deter them into not planning another sale in May 2001. The Cook Book Sale was a first for Dalnavert and its popularity suggests that it should be repeated. Since its inception Chocolate Madness has been one of the most popular fundraisers held at Dalnavert, certainly one of the most flavourful. There were a few more people than last year and more importantly the gross revenue was up. Adding the Palmist and Tarot Card reader was popular with those in attendance.

During 2000-2001 the museum staff were successful in garnering grant support in a number of different ways. The Designated Heritage Buildings Grant Program – supported the second phase of the architect's cost for the refurbishment (\$4, 125), a Young Canada Works Grant for two positions (\$3,796), a Career Start Grant (\$ 1,120) for two positions, a Career Placement grant for a third student at Ross House Museum (\$2,112); a City of Winnipeg Operational Support Grant (\$6,750), as well, an operational grant was obtained from the Province of Manitoba Museum Grant (\$3,150) and a grant (\$2,454) from the Heritage Grants Program to enable the purchase of software for the computerization of the Collection Management process.

One of the students working under a grant spent many hours in the Provincial Archives going through Macdonald family correspondence and period newspapers. The research that she developed was a welcome addition to the information known about the family.

In Memoriam Donations

During this past year Dalnavert lost a number of stalwart individuals from its ranks. They included Arlene Leslie (Coordinator of Volunteers 1980-1984 and volunteer Interpreter); Gertrude Perrin (volunteer Interpreter, Baking Committee and Telephone Committee); Florence Moore (Reception/Gift Shop desk); Gordon Curll (Reception/Gift Shop desk); Daisy Paulley (Reception/Gift Shop desk); Mary McDonald (volunteer Interpreter); and Gordon Pruden (Museums Management Committee).

In memoriam donations have become increasingly common. During this past year the amount of legacy giving amounted to \$1,665. Rather than being absorbed by the regular operating costs these donations are being directed to fund special projects.

*Respectfully submitted
William Fraser, Chair
Museums Management Committee*

ROSS HOUSE MUSEUM

The management and operation of Ross House Museum was dependent upon people from the local community, summer staff and representatives from the Management Committee. Those who represent the Point Douglas community, who helped with the Ross House garden, included Henry van Aert, Barry Hammond, Jenny Fishman and Olga Ferrier. The students who kept the doors of the museum open, toured visitors and delighted the neighbourhood children with a summer of activities included Kirsten Brooks, Vincent Champagne and Kerri McDonnell. Ms. McDonnell, for the first time, did an outreach program to lure more visitors to the museum.

Community involvement is key to the successful operation of Ross House Museum. In June students from Champlain School attended the museum to plant the vegetable garden. Over a 4½ hour period they planted the garden, visited the museum and participated in a number of other curriculum related activities.

Perhaps the most important facet of the 2000 operational year was the production and installation of the William and Jemima Ross plaque. Following a number of revisions the final version of the William and Jemima Ross plaque, in English and French text, was ordered. On July 1st Mr. Jim Blanchard, MHS President and Judy Wasylycia-Leis, MP, Winnipeg North Centre unveiled the plaque. The City of Winnipeg installed the plaque on the southern gate pillar.

Maintaining a 150-year-old house is not an easy undertaking. The Society is very fortunate to have considerable assistance from the owner of the structure, the City of Winnipeg. Without their willingness to attend to the upkeep of the facility its ongoing operation would be tenuous at best. Maintaining the interior interpretative qualities falls to the Society. It became apparent that the fifteen-year-old rag rugs were in need of replacement. Years of foot traffic had taken a toll. Finding craftsman who could reproduce rag rug carpeting was a struggle however in the end Susan Styrchak agreed to undertake the project.

*Submitted by
William J. Fraser, Chair
Museums Management Committee*

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Alan Finnbogason shared his “Memories of Eaton’s – 1905-1999” in an April, 2000 lecture at the University Women’s Club. Then Gerald Friesen concluded the program season with an address at the Annual General Meeting in June.

The Program Committee had one significant accomplishment in the 2000-2001 season, an ethnic history night in March at the Greek Orthodox Church. Vasili Mattheos spoke on the Greek Orthodox tradition in church architecture. The evening included a performance by a Greek dance troupe, a tour of the church, and a Greek dinner prepared by members of the church. Patricia Forsythe and Brent Stearns co-ordinated the event, while Nancy Anderson was in charge of publicity.

The activities of the Program Committee were curtailed this year because some past stalwarts of the committee reduced the level of their involvement. Brent Stearns resigned as chair effective at the June 2000 AGM. Alan Crossin accepted the chairmanship in March 2001. At the end of this fiscal year the committee was still in need of active and enthusiastic members. Periodic meetings resumed in March, when ideas for programs in the 2001-2002 season were placed on the table.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Brenton J. Stearns
Past Chair*

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
MANITOBA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
HERITAGE TRUST FOUNDATION FOR THE YEAR
APRIL 1, 2000 TO MARCH 31, 2001**

The Manitoba Historical Society Heritage Trust Foundation was established in June of 1984 to receive donations and administer the assets of the resulting capital fund to provide income for the operation of Dalnavert Museum and for other appropriate needs of the Society. In June of 1985 The Winnipeg Foundation was appointed custodian and manager of the capital fund.

During the past fiscal year donations to the fund totalled \$13,000.00. Interest received from all investments was \$33,789. Dalnavert Museum was paid the amount requested, \$10,000 for operating expenses.

Total contributed assets on March 31, 2001 were as follows:

On deposit with The Winnipeg Foundation	\$495,825.
Cash and short-term investments	<u>75,895.</u>
	\$571,720.

Including cash and short-term investments the total market value of the fund was approximately \$763,000.

In March of 2001 the Trustees approved payments to Dalnavert for the year 2000-2001 in the amounts of \$21,918.00 for operating expenses and up to \$20,000.00 for ongoing refurbishment projects.

The Trustees are Margaret A. Carter, Alan Crossin (Chairman), Carol Scott, Shirlee Anne Smith and Ken Zealand.

Respectfully submitted

Alan Crossin (Chairman)

YOUNG HISTORIANS COMMITTEE

This year we were very pleased to receive 130 entries from 12 schools throughout the province. A reception for the winners, their teachers, parents, brothers and sisters was held at The University Club, University of Manitoba on October 22, 2000.

The following is a list of the winners:

FAMILY HISTORY - GRADE 5

FIRST PLACE

Title: My Family History
From: Lauren Parrish
School: Linden Meadows
Teacher: Ms. Katherine McLennan

HISTORICAL FICTION - GRADE 5

FIRST PLACE

Title: The Letters of George Urquhart Hill - World War II Fighter Pilot
From: Jessica Hill
School: Linden Meadows
Teacher: Ms. Katherine McLennan

PROJECTS - GRADE 5

FIRST PLACE

Title: Marie Rose Smith - oral diary excerpts
From: Kelsey Wittebolle
School: Linden Meadows
Teacher: Ms. Katherine McLennan

PROJECTS (DIORAMA) - GRADE 5

FIRST PLACE

Title: Eastern Woodland Fishery
From: Curtis Kleinsasser
School: Concord Colony School
Teacher: Mrs. Joan Taylor

SECOND PLACE

Title: Eastern Woodlands Community
From: Valerie Kleinsasser
School: Concord Colony School
Teacher: Mrs. Joan Taylor

PROJECTS (MODEL) - GRADE 5

FIRST PLACE

Title: The Klondike Gold Rush
From: Lucien Cayer
School: St. Francois-Xavier Community School
Teacher: Ms. Betty Ann Tiltman

PROJECT - GRADE 5 (VIDEO)

FIRST PLACE

Title: The History of St. Francois Xavier
From: Chelsea Dayton
School: St. Francois-Xavier Community School
Teacher: Ms. Betty Ann Tiltman

POSTER - GRADE 5

FIRST PLACE

Title: Early Settlements in Manitoba
From: Benn Kapac
School: Linden Meadows
Teacher: Ms. Katherine McLennan

FAMILY HISTORY - GRADE 6

FIRST PLACE

Title: My Family Tree
From: Tyler Szabo
School: Ecole Ruth Betts School, Flin Flon
Teacher: Mrs. Betty Bortis

SECOND PLACE

Title: Norman McLeod Paterson - His Early Years and the Development of the Canadian Grain Industry
From: Kaleigh Paterson
School: Balmoral Hall School
Teacher: Mrs. Stephanie Bourbonnais

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: Yaffe Family History
From: Aaron Yaffe
School: Simkin Middle School
Teacher: Mrs. Rochelle Gamliel

HISTORICAL FICTION - GRADE 6

FIRST PLACE

Title: The Life and Journal of Alexander Henry
From: Laurie Permack
School: Simkin Middle School
Teacher: Bonnie Rafaeli

SECOND PLACE

Title: Chief Peguis' Journal
From: Serena Nelko
School: Simkin Middle School
Teacher: Bonnie Rafaeli

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: Miles MacDonell: A Journal
From: Aaron Yaffe
School: Simkin Middle School
Teacher: Bonnie Rafaeli

POSTER / PAINTING / MURAL - GRADE 6

FIRST PLACE

Title: L'Esprit du Voyageur
From: Chelsea Smith
School: Linden Meadows
Teacher: Ms. Katherine McLennan

SECOND PLACE

Title: How Manitoba Became a Province
From: Lisa Maskus
School: J. A. Cuddy, Sanford
Teacher: Ms. Marie Brooks

PROJECTS - GRADE 6

FIRST PLACE

Title: Assiniboia Downs
From: Katie Murray
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. S. Bourbonnais

SECOND PLACE

Title: Lower Fort Garry
From: Lauren Kemp
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. S. Bourbonnais

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: People of the Plateau
From: Cliff Juer
School: Victor Wyatt School
Teacher: Lois Mackay

RESEARCH PROJECT (COMPUTER) - GRADE 6

FIRST PLACE

Title: The Life of Lord Selkirk - 2 Disks
From: Grade 6 Class
School: Ruth Hooker School, Selkirk
Teacher: Joanne Sprange

COMPUTER PROJECTS - FAMILY TREE - GRADE 6

FIRST PLACE

Title: Family Tree
From: Chantel Miyai
School: Weston School
Teachers: Kim Gerve and Steve Broda-Milian

RESEARCH PAPERS - GRADE 6

FIRST PLACE

Title: The History of Women in the Winnipeg Police
From: Kathryn Huebner
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. S. Bourbonnais

SECOND PLACE

Title: Joseph Walter Sparling
From: Leah Gardner
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. S. Bourbonnais

THIRD PLACE

Title: Old Winnipeg 1900-1950
From: Elena Bykova
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. S. Bourbonnais

POSTERS - GRADE 7 & 8

FIRST PLACE

Title: Home Children
From: Glen & Colleen Maendel - Grade 8
School: Fairholme Colony School
Teacher: Anna Maendel

PROJECT - GRADE 7 & 8

FIRST PLACE

Title: Plains Indians in Manitoba
From: Kelvin Kleinsasser & Janita Kleinsasser
School: Concord Colony School
Teacher: Mrs. Joan Taylor

HISTORICAL FICTION - GRADE 8

Title: Each Other
From: Janita Kleinsasser
School: Concord Colony School
Teacher: Mrs. Joan Taylor

FAMILY HISTORY - GRADE S1 (9)

FIRST PLACE

Title: The Comeau Family History
From: Nicole Janssens
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: Joseph Kolt and the Czas
From: Christy Kolt
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: The Hasegawa Family
From: Cynthia Yamamoto
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

HISTORICAL FICTION - SENIOR 1 (GRADE 9)

FIRST PLACE

Title: Marie-Anne Lagimodiere
From: Rachel Walton
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

SECOND PLACE

Title: Tales of the Fur
From: Steven Charles Queau
School: River West Park School
Teacher: Gary Perrett

THIRD PLACE

Title: Emily Tells Nellie's Story
From: Julie Vincent
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: The McCulloughs: A Diary Through the Generations
From: Richelle McCullough
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: The National Dream: The Building of the Canadian Pacific Railway
From: Cecilia Davies
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. Desaulniers

RESEARCH PAPERS - S1 (GRADE9)

FIRST PLACE

Title: Escape to Freedom: The Story of Mennonites
From: Nathania van Kuik Fast
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Kay Condra

SECOND PLACE

Title: A Place to Call Home: The Japanese in Western Canada
From: Mignon Marcaida
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. Desaulniers

THIRD PLACE

Title: The Impact of Indian Residential Schools
From: Lauren Hurst
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: Japanese Canadians and World War 2
From: Christopher Wiens
School: River West Park School
Teacher: Gary Perrett

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: Wild Pilgrim: Grey Owl & Conservation
From: Lauren Coutts
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: Louis Riel: Defender of the Métis
From: Maggie MacAulay
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

PROJECTS - S1 (GRADE 9)

FIRST PLACE

Title: Lower Fort Garry
From: Carrie Rothwell
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

COMPUTER RESEARCH PROJECTS - S1 (GRADE 9)

FIRST PLACE

Title: Alex Kopi
From: Johanna Tomorsky
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Kay Condra

POSTER/PAINTING/MORAL - S1 (GRADE 9)

FIRST PLACE

Title: We Don't Want You! The Alienation of The Chinese in Western Canada
From: Delaney Vun
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. D. Nickel

SECOND PLACE

Title: The Importance of West Coast Trade in Canada's History
From: Lindsei Sarna
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. Nickel

HONOURABLE MENTION

Title: Harlequin Books
From: Amanda Joss
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mrs. B. Lucas

FAMILY HISTORY - SENIOR 3 (GRADE XI)

FIRST PLACE

Title: The Gravelines Family
From: Sarah Gravelines
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

SECOND PLACE

Title: A Life Worth Living
From: Ryan Joseph Waldner
School: Baker School, Rossendale, MB
Teacher: Frances Maendel

HISTORICAL FICTION - SENIOR 3 (GRADE XI)

FIRST PLACE

Title: 1943 - The Survival of the POW in World War II
From: Andrea Halwas
School: Portage Collegiate Institute
Teacher: James Kostuchuk

HISTORICAL FICTION - SENIOR 3 (GRADE XI)

SECOND PLACE

Title: My Diary
From: Dominika Jasiewicz
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mr. Burg

POSTER/PAINTING/MURAL - SENIOR 3 (GRADE XI)

FIRST PLACE

Title: Canada: Our True North Strong and Free
From: Hanh Huynh
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mr. Dale Swirsky

PROJECTS - SENIOR 3 (GRADE XI)

FIRST PLACE (two-way tie)

Title: Women of Manitoba's Past (Computer Project)
From: Sheena Luu
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mr. Burg

Title: Winnipeg Street Cars: A Beginning and An End
From: Maryet Batenchuk
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

SECOND PLACE (three-way tie)

Title: 54 West Gate (Video)
From: Vanessa Burrige & Laura Lussier
School: St. Mary's Academy
Teacher: Mr. Dale Swirsky

Title: Will and Mike's Excellent Adventure: A Trip Through a Decade (Video)
From: Michael Einarson
School: River East Collegiate
Teacher: Mr. Krawchuk

Title: A Window to Winnipeg's Architectural Past
From: Carla Pienaar
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

RESEARCH PAPERS - SENIOR 3 (GRADE XI)

DR. EDWARD C. SHAW AWARD

Title: Politics in the Park
From: Anna Penner
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

SECOND PLACE

Title: Fresh Footprints in Prairie Soils: The Historical Contributions and Life of Mr. Henry Kelsey
From: Ashley Dunlop
School: Balmoral Hall
Teacher: Mrs. Teresa Friesen

THIRD PLACE

Title: The Settlement of New Iceland
From: Emma Dickinson
School: St. John's Ravenscourt
Teacher: Mrs. Wendy Owen

I would like to thank my committee members: Nancy Anderson, Judith Hudson Beattie, Céline Papillon, Ann Piercy and Janelle Reynolds.

Respectfully submitted,

*Shirley Hancock, Chair
Young Historians Committee*

Fort Garry Historical Society, Inc.

The first year of the new Millenium has been a very busy one for the Society with a number of accomplishments:

1. St. Norbert Provincial Heritage Park

The St. Boniface Museum submitted a successful response to our Request for a Proposal to manage the artifact collection at the Park. In February 2001, Corinne Tellier and Leslie Roberts met with representatives of Manitoba Conservation, Historic Resources Branch of Dept. of Culture, Heritage and Tourism, and Dr. Philippe Mailhot of the St. Boniface Museum. Two alternative management options are being pursued at this time:

- 1) FGHS applied to the Dept. of Conservation and has received an operating grant to manage the artifact collection for 2001. St. Boniface Museum has agree to subcontract the cleaning responsibilities.
- 2) St. Boniface Museum will collaborate with the Dept. of Conservation and the Riel Community Committee to submit a proposal to the government Treasury Board for new funding to manage the artifact collection.

We are optimistic at this time that a resolution for our concerns about the long-term management of the artifact collection is much closer to becoming a reality.

2. The Museum Committee under Corinne Tellier's expert guidance has had another busy year in management of the artifact collection at the Park. A project, funded by a Heritage Grant, to improve the Safe Storage of some of the small artifacts is almost completed. Cindy Desrochers has once again been our very capable, seasonal Collections Manager. Unfortunately Cindy will not be available to us another year as she has now found full time employment.

3. History Gathering Committee - are to be congratulated on the successful publication of their first book of stories of early Fort Garry days: "**Fort Garry Remembered**". The book has proven to be very popular and is completely sold out. A second printing is underway at this time. Bonnie Stovel has provided strong, creative leadership for this project.

4. Other activities:

- The Cookbook project is making significant progress so watch for its publication sometime in the year ahead.
- Two Bulletins have been published with news of the Society and local history
- Pat Wheeler's hasty-notes of the Bohémier, Turenne and Delorme houses continue to be for sale.
- Future projects include: development of a display module for the Society; establishment of archives for the Society with space for storage as well; photo archives of Fort Garry.
- An event will be planned for this summer to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the FGHS.
- Introduction of a "Planned Giving" program for the Society.

*Leslie Roberts,
President*

Riding Mountain Historical Society

The Riding Mountain Historical Society operates the Pinewood Museum in the town of Wasagaming in Riding Mountain National Park. The Society strives to preserve and record the human history of the Park. The Pinewood is a venue to which the public can come, to see and learn of this history. The premises we occupy, the old Casa Loma cottage, is, itself, a heritage building.

The Pinewood Museum is open to the public from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., seven days a week during the months of July and August. We are operated strictly by volunteers, so when you come to visit our museum, you will find a friendly volunteer there, ready to help you enjoy the many artifacts, photos and displays.

During 2000, we held some fundraising events:

On **July 15**, we held a Millenium Tea on the lawn of the museum.

July 22 was our annual yard sale and silent auction of crafts made and donated by our members.

August 9, our annual outing saw 55 members of our Society take a tour of the Superintendent's cottage, an historic log building. A member of the Park's gardening staff was on hand to give us a guided tour through the gardens. A lunch, prepared by some of our members and eaten al fresco on the lawn completed a most enjoyable day.

As usual, monies from the wishing well and the fountain were collected by our member volunteers during the summer months. This money helps us to keep our museum operating.

A general meeting for members in July and our Annual General meeting in August rounded out a busy Millenium year at the Pinewood Museum.

*Brenda Hughes
Past President*

South Osborne Historical Society

Preserving the historical significance of Riverview and Lord Roberts

This past year has been an extremely rewarding one for our society. Last November, our group was provided the opportunity to participate in the Fort Rouge Legion's "Remembrance Day Service". During this ceremony, my wife and I read minutes of the Riverview Community Club's Social Committee regarding events held during the return of our local servicemen. This added some colour to the event as well as a personal connection for a few.

Recently, the South Osborne Historical Society has worked in conjunction with Riverview residents Rex Beanland and Susan Sauve of *Whitepine Productions* in the making of a video on the local history of the south Osborne communities. Work will continue over the summer and will be completed by autumn. Furthermore, our society is working on a walking tour of Riverview and hope to start another on Lord Roberts at a later date. We hope to involve students of Churchill High in this project.

The projects our society would like to be involved in are endless. The success of our society solely depends on the support provided by residents by means of attending meetings or by getting involved with our executive. If interested in joining the South Osborne Historical Society, please call 284-5604.

Members of the South Osborne Historical Society (SOHS)

Steven Place	-	President
Fred Shore	-	Vice-President
Vere Scott	-	Member-at-Large
Stu Nichol	-	Osborne South BIZ Rep.

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