



**46<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE  
FRONTENAC HERITAGE FOUNDATION**



**Key Note Speaker: Sue Bazely**

**Charles F. Gibson: Events of a Military Life in Kingston**

**Wednesday, June 6, 2018  
Agnes Etherington Art Centre, 36 University Avenue**

*Since 1972, committed to the awareness and promotion of heritage buildings and structures of architectural merit in Kingston and area.*

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Founded in 1972, the Frontenac Heritage Foundation (FHF) is a not-for-profit organization created to promote the preservation of buildings that contribute to the heritage of Kingston, Frontenac County, Loyalist Township, Gananoque and Leeds and the Thousand Islands. Managed by a voluntary Board of Directors who are elected by the members at an annual meeting, the FHF is financed by membership fees, investments, profits from property sales, tax-deductible bequests and financial contributions.

Under the direction of the Board of Directors, the Foundation supports and promotes the conservation and awareness of the region's built heritage. The FHF has acquired and restored a number of historic properties over the last thirty years. Through a generous bequest from the late Dr. David Hall, the FHF presently owns an early commercial building in downtown Kingston, located at 62, 64, 66 Brock Street.

The work of the Foundation includes the presentation of annual awards for heritage preservation in Kingston, Frontenac County and Loyalist Township, Gananoque and the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands. The FHF sponsors public talks and seminars, hosts workshops on practical aspects of heritage restoration and provides financial and other assistance with the publication of books and articles about the region's built and cultural heritage environment.

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Margaret Angus	1972 – 1976
Helen Finley	1976 – 1979
Margaret Angus	1979 – 1981
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Susan Tindal	1989 – 1992
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George Muirhead	1994 – 1996
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Douglas Slack	2002 – 2005
Paul Christianson	2005 – 2010
Andrew Hill	2010 – 2011
Floyd Patterson	2011 – 2014
Edward Grenda	2014 – 2016
Shirley Bailey	2016 –

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## Frontenac Heritage Foundation: Annual General Meeting

### AGENDA

Wednesday, 6 June 2018, 7 p.m.

Agnes Etherington Art Centre, 36 University Avenue

1. Welcome and introductions – Shirley Bailey
2. Minutes of the 45<sup>th</sup> AGM, May 11, 2017 – **Motion** to receive and approve
3. President's Report – S. Bailey – **Motion** to receive and approve the President's Report
4. Treasurer's Report – David Shurtleff – **Motion** to receive and approve audited financial statements for the year ending 31, December 2017
5. Committee reports to Members: Detailed reports available in the AGM handout
  - Foundations Report-Floyd Patterson
  - Membership Report – Shirley Bailey
  - Property Report – Ron Tasker
  - Projects Report – Shirley Bailey
  - Programme Report – Shirley Bailey and Penny Sharman
  - Nominations Committee Report – Malcolm Norwood
  - Coalition of Kingston Communities – Karen Pagratis
  - Watch Committee Report – David Shurtleff
  - Awards Report – Paul Christianson**Motion:** To receive and accept the FHF 2017-2018 Committee Reports
6. Nominations Committee Report – **Motion** to approve the renewal of Edward Grenda and Floyd Patterson and the addition of the new board member, Paul Allison.
7. **Motion:** To approve all actions appointments and motions by the FHF Directors since the previous Annual General Meeting held on May 11, 2017
8. Other Business – Questions of the Board
9. Adjournment of Business Portion
10. Presentation by Sue Bazely

**FRONTENAC HERITAGE FOUNDATION**  
**Minutes of the 45th Annual General Meeting**

**Thursday, 11 May 2017**

**285 Queen Street, Renaissance Event Venue**

In Attendance:	Shirley Bailey, Paul Christianson, Ed Grenda, Brian MacDonald, Bryan Nourry, Malcolm Norwood, Gus Panageotopoulos, Floyd Patterson, David Shurtleff, Ron Tasker, Lynne Warren, Joanne McCallan, (administrative assistant) Gillian Moss (accountant) David Bull (property manager)
Regrets:	Karen Pagratis

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Commencing bidding on the Silent Auction
2. Introduction of Board Members, with a total of 32 members in attendance – S. Bailey (7:05 p.m.)
3. Presentation by Alan Gummo regarding Heritage Conservation in Brazil
4. Acceptance of the Agenda (Agenda is fixed for AGM – no motion to approve)
5. 2016 Minutes from AGM approved  
**Moved by Pierre DuPrey, Seconded by Floyd Patterson - Carried**
6. President's Report, by S. Bailey

*This year, while there are many other anniversaries being celebrated, the Foundation turns 45, and tonight, we have two of the founding members, Helen Finley and Jennifer McKendry, in attendance. It is great to see you here. Someone asked me this week how successful the Foundation has been as an organization. I had to shake my head - how do you put a value on the volunteer work that the Foundation has done over all these years. The city has benefited enormously from having an organization like this one – and it is hard to imagine what the city would look like now, if it wasn't for the Foundation's work over the last 45 years. So, thank you for all your perseverance over this time.*

*This year, you will see in the program a list of past presidents, and from that list, I see Helen Finley, Doug Slack, Paul Christianson, Floyd Patterson and Edward Grenda. Again, thank you for your devotion to the cause.*

*I want to reassure the members that the board has kept faith with the original goals – dedication to preserving historic buildings, monuments and artifacts in Kingston and the surrounding region. Not all decisions we've made at the board this year have been easy.*

*For me, the last year has been very memorable. Being President has been a great honour, and I thank the members for your support in our advocacy role. You also need to know that the board is very committed to the organization- some have more time to do the work of the Foundation than others, but that is the same with any volunteer organization. I want to especially thank Past President, Edward Grenda, for being so helpful to me this past year – his knowledge of the Foundation and of procedural matters has been very helpful, and he has taken many calls when I have started the sentence with – Ed, I need your help with this. The officers include Malcolm Norwood, as Vice, Edward Grenda, as Past President and Secretary, and Dave Shurtleff as Treasurer, and our board members include Paul Christianson, Brian MacDonald, Bryan Nourry, Karen Pagratis, (who is out on the campaign trail somewhere tonight) our new board member Gus Panageotopoulos, Floyd Patterson, Ron Tasker and Lynne Warren.*

*We have three great staff members: Joanne McCallan is our administrative assistant, Gillian Moss is our accountant, and David Bull has taken on the role of Property Manager for us. All three have been most reliable, and we as an organization have been able to depend on their help.*

*The major work item for the board has been the appeal of the Capitol Development application. The appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board was lodged last October, and a pre-hearing was held on February 27. While we pushed for mediation, the applicant and their legal counsel have not agreed to mediation. Thus, a full hearing is expected either late in 2017 or early next year. Three other appellants are also involved and the groups are working together to organize our case, to raise funds to cover the costs of the hearing, and to raise the consciousness of the need to protect our historic core. It is important to emphasize that the Board is not fighting the principal of development, but objects to the height and footprint of the building, and its impact on the streetscapes. In one year, our membership has increased from 74 to 90 members – primarily because of the role we are playing in this appeal.*

*Otherwise, this year has been a busy one for the Foundation. As you all know because you have received my monthly newsletters, we have taken positions, provided comments and generally stirred the pot on several issues, including the highlights set out in your AGM report. Review of development applications and policy matters, and of course continuing maintenance on the Brock Street property are all priorities. I want to highlight the following items listed in the report:*

- 1. Comments were provided on the City's Official Plan, and a number of development applications when they affected heritage districts or heritage structures, the Outer Station, the Kingston Penitentiary, the North King's Town Secondary plan, etc.*
- 2. A petition was gathered to emphasize to City Council that the Foundation objected to the interpretation of the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act as it relates to Heritage Districts*

3. *Delegations were presented to Committees and Council with respect to the interpretation of the heritage legislation, and a subsequent letter was sent to the Minister of Tourism Culture and Sport recommending clarification of the heritage legislation*
4. *A meeting to the local MP, Mark Gerretsen was held in January to indicate our support for Bill C 323, a private members bill which may introduce a tax credit for certain heritage properties;*
5. *Board members represented the FHF on a number of committees – the Historic Properties Working Group, the KP/POH Visioning Group, the North King’s Town Secondary Plan, etc.*
6. *Assisting Peter Gower with the production of his new book – ‘Kingston in 150 Pictures’, which will be one of the Foundation’s efforts to recognize Canada’s sesquicentennial – a book launch will be organized to celebrate that event*
7. *The Foundation is collaborating with Dry Stone Wall Association of Canada, the Barriefield Village Association and St. Mark’s Church in holding a Dry Stone Festival in Barriefield in the fall of 2017 to rebuild the entranceway walls of St. Mark’s Church, a landmark in the province’s oldest heritage district.*

*New initiatives for this year include:*

8. *Creating a social media presence with a Facebook group (open to the public) which has proven to be quite popular (we have about 150 members on-line, and only a handful are actually paid members, but I feel that shows you the level of interest in built heritage in this city)*
9. *Setting up a Twitter account to monitor events and send out messages of our events and also comment on other people’s messages*
10. *Developing a new website and review of the FHF Logo which will be used to increase our presence across our jurisdiction.*

*We continue raising the consciousness of the members and the general public by holding monthly events – a list is included in your report. The Foundations continues to be published about three times a year, and the FHF promotes heritage protection with its annual awards ceremony. Volunteers for any of these activities are always welcome – you need only step forward and say the word.*

*Finally, I want to thank Paul Fortier for his unwavering support for the Foundation. He has provided the venue for tonight’s AGM, and also the food. Thank you, Paul. We really appreciate your support.*

**Moved by Edward Grenda, Seconded by Malcolm Norwood, Seconded by Lynne Warren – “That the President’s report be received and accepted as presented”– Carried**

11. Treasurer’s Report – FHF Treasurer David Shurtleff

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Finance Committee, I am pleased to present to the members of the Frontenac Heritage Foundation, the audit financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016. The following is a summary of the highlights.

The statement of financial position shows total assets of \$630,674 which is made up of current assets of \$38,697, investment in guaranteed investment certificates of \$288,451



and rental property stated at its appraised Value in 2001 when it was acquired of \$303,616. The liabilities total \$20,707 which leaves equity of \$601,057.

Revenues remain comparable to the previous year totalling \$85,051 with memberships and donations of \$6,486 and rental revenue of \$70,217.

Expenditures totalled \$71,669. Two larger items worthy of comment were the allocation of \$5,000 toward our share of the expenses relating to the OMB hearing application for the Capitol Development project and repairs and restoration to the rental properties of \$14,336 which included a replacement air conditioning unit, and; the installation of heating cables to eliminate the risk of icicles falling from the roof onto Brock Street.

This results an excess of revenues over expenditure of \$13,382 and year and fund balances of \$610,057.

**Moved by David Shurtleff, Seconded by Paul Christianson “That the Treasurer’s report for the 2016-17 fiscal year be received and accepted.” Carried.**

**Also, Moved by David Shurtleff, Seconded by Steve Arnold “That the firm of Withey Addison LLP be appointed as the FHF auditors for the 2017 fiscal year.” Carried.**

12. Committee reports to Members (Brief highlights were referenced in the President’s Report with detailed reports available in the 2016 - 2017 AGM handout.)

Awards – Paul Christianson  
Property Report – Ron Tasker  
Projects Report – Shirley Bailey  
Foundations Report – Floyd Patterson  
Programme Committee – Shirley Bailey  
Membership Report – Shirley Bailey  
Nominating Committee – E. Grenda, B. MacDonald, M. Norwood

**Motion “That the committee reports be received and accepted as reported in the 2016-17 AGM handout.” Moved by Edward Grenda, and Seconded by Floyd Patterson - Carried.**

13. **Motion:** Nominations Committee Report

The Nomination Committee is comprised of Edward Grenda, Malcolm Norwood and Brian MacDonald.

In accordance with the Foundation's Constitution, members of the Board of Directors "shall be elected by members at the annual meeting of the Corporation." Terms of office "shall be for three years" and, upon completing his or her term, each "shall be eligible for re-election."

The By-Laws of the Foundation further provide that "the Board shall have the power to fill any vacancy in office occurring...between annual meetings of the Corporation." In this connection, Gus Panageotopoulos joined the FHF board in January 2017. The Frontenac

Heritage Foundation maintains a staggered series of terms for members of the Board of Directors, with the current status being as follows:

**TERMS ENDING IN 2017:**

Malcolm Norwood  
Brian MacDonald

**TERMS ENDING IN 2018:**

Edward Grenda  
Floyd Patterson  
David Shurtleff  
Lynne Warren

**TERMS ENDING IN 2019:**

Ron Tasker  
Bryan Nourry  
Paul Christianson  
Karen Pagratis  
Shirley Bailey

**APPOINTED Since the 2016 AGM:**

Gus Panageotopoulos

All members of the current Board have indicated a willingness to continue to serve, except for Brian MacDonald who will be stepping down at the end of his term:

The Nominations Committee recommends the following candidates for election:

Malcolm Norwood and Gus Panageotopoulos

Our by-laws provide that the Board may be composed of up to twelve (12) Directors. We would welcome additional nominations from the floor at this year's AGM.

Respectfully submitted, Edward Grenda, Malcolm Norwood and Brian MacDonald.

**Moved by Brian MacDonald, Seconded by Doug Slack, following a call for additional nominations from the floor, that Malcolm Norwood and the addition of the new board member, Gus Panageotopoulos be confirmed on the slate of members for the FHF board. Carried**

14. **Motion (Omnibus Motion):** To approval all actions, appointments and motions by the FHF Directors since the previous Annual General Meeting held on May 31, 2016.

**Moved by Floyd Patterson, Seconded by Paul Christianson. Carried**

15. **Other Business**

Jennifer McKendry raised the issue of the Kingston Penitentiary and the Portsmouth Olympic Harbour and suggested that attendees take a copy of the brochure commissioned by the board. Paul Christianson asked that anyone with suggestions for the Awards ceremony to contact him directly with that information. Gus Panageotopoulos announced that the Loyalist Township Heritage Committee is holding an event on May 26 for the Ham House in Bath, with a talk being given by owner, Ron Tasker.

16. **Motion to Adjourn by Donna Ivey, Seconded by Edward Grenda, Carried – 10:05 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted, Shirley Bailey, May 19, 2017

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Two major undertakings consumed the 2017 calendar year.

Firstly, was the appeal of the Capitol development proposed at 223 Princess Street, and the second was the Dry Stone Wall Festival which was organized for Barriefield for the fall.

The OMB hearing for the Capitol development project has proven to be a major time commitment. Two pre-hearings were held on the matter, and at the second prehearing on May 23, the dates for the ten-day hearing were confirmed to start on March 26, 2018. The participants' statements were organized, fundraising options were reviewed, and organized, and various specialists were retained. Silent auctions at events in 2017 were organized, and direct requests for donation happened through 2017 and continue in 2018. Members have been very generous with their time and money, as many took part as participants at the hearing. The Foundation's board felt it was critical to protect the longstanding heritage-zoned area in the city core. The decision is not likely to be released for several months.

The second major work item was the Dry Stone Wall Festival which was organized by Andrea Cross, Gus Panageotopoulos and myself, in conjunction with Dry Stone Wall Association of Canada, St. Mark's Anglican Church, and the Barriefield Village Association. When Dry Stone Canada approached the Foundation early in 2017 to ask for recommendations for a festival in the Kingston region, the obvious choice was Barriefield. Barriefield not only is the oldest heritage district in the province, but also has many stone walls. This event was to celebrate the Foundation's 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and also the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary for St. Mark's Church. Many permissions were needed from the city, including a heritage permit for the work, a tree permit, and an exemption for an encroachment permit.

On the last weekend of September, a group of about 30 wallers, many of whom work in this area professionally, came from as far away as Connecticut and Vermont to take part in the Barriefield festival. These experts assisted a group of fourteen 'newbie' participants who paid to take the weekend workshop. This made for a busy hub of activity along the wall which measures about 100 feet in total, not including the bookend extensions. In addition, village and church tours were organized for visitors, and a children's workshop was set up on the church grounds. The task proved to be too much to finish in one weekend, so a group of 20 wallers volunteered once more to complete the job later in October. Our thanks go to all those who helped, and all who came to enjoy the event. One of the Foundation's longstanding members, David McCallum, produced an excellent video of the festival which is posted on the Foundation's website. Supporters included Upper Canada Stone House Group Ltd., St. Mark's Anglican Church, Pittsburgh Community Benefit Fund, Community Foundation for Kingston and Area, Tourism Kingston, and many individuals.

Other highlights for 2017 include the following:

- Our 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary was a good time to update the Foundation's look, so the board retained a communications expert to assist with a new website and a new logo, and also with our social media presence, which now includes a public facebook page, a twitter account, and an Instagram account.
- I want to acknowledge the ongoing support by Helen Finley, Edward Grenda and Don Taylor in their volunteer work over several years on the Heritage Properties Working Group. This group researches information on properties, and this material is advanced to the Heritage Kingston Committee. In particular, after the Vision for the Kingston Penitentiary and Portsmouth Olympic Harbour was endorsed by City Council in July 2017, the Working Group was given the task to develop the designation by-law under the *Ontario Heritage Act* for the Kingston Penitentiary property. The work continued well into 2018 and has still to come forward to the Heritage Kingston Committee.
- Continuing support for Bill C-323, which had its second reading in Ottawa on February 19, with support from the NDP and the Conservatives.
- A presentation (along with many others) made in May to the Historic Sites and Monument Board of Canada regarding the concerns about moving the remaining Outer Station former train station structure away from its original location. To date, a decision has still not been on this matter by the federal government.
- Completion of one City of Kingston Heritage Grant application for Peter Gower's latest book, and signing another application for a book by Dorothy Farr regarding terracottas in Kingston.
- Monitoring major development applications in Kingston, including most recently the two towers (17 and 19 storeys) proposed by Homestead Holdings in the North Block close to City Hall, and the 20 storey tower proposed at 55 Ontario Street, on the property where the Marine Museum was located.
- In terms of major expenditures, the Board endorsed a donation of \$5,000 each year for three years to fight the Capitol development project, and the board also endorsed a donation of \$1,000 to the Community Foundation of Kingston & Area endowment fund for The Spire, which is at 85 Sydenham Street.
- The position of Executive Director was advertised and the board held interviews in December, and hired a new Executive Director, Penny Sharman, who has proven to be a wonderful addition to our Foundation.
- And last, but not least, Gillian Moss has continued in her role as accountant for the Foundation, and we are very grateful for her assistance.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Finance Committee, I am pleased to present to the members of the Frontenac Heritage Foundation, the audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017. The following is a summary of the highlights.

### **Statement of Financial Position**

The statement of financial position discloses assets of \$640,334. The major items are the rental property which is historically valued at \$306,616 and investments including accrued interest of \$299,117.

## **Statement of Revenue and Expenditures**

Total revenue increased to \$102,836. This represents annual dues and donations of \$7,710, interest income of \$6,266 and rent of \$70,100. In addition there was revenue from a book grant of \$3,000, revenue to support the Dry Wall Festival of \$10,573 and revenue to support the OMB hearing of \$4,023. These last three items have been used to fund the specific activities that they were received to support and are included in expenditures for the year.

This has resulted in an excess of revenue over expenditures of \$12,889 and has increased the total fund balances to \$622,946.

Respectfully submitted, David Shurtleff

### ***FOUNDATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT***

We strive to do research that provides your booklet with inspiring flashbacks to the days before now. Heroes, founders, citizens live again in their buildings and sites, in their architecture, market places, streetscapes, green spaces, the classical and commonplace that speak to us as we pass by. We leave the imprint of our endeavors that become the thrilling discoveries of history. FOUNDATIONS, a gift to members of Frontenac Heritage Foundation, in 2017 included these articles:

- Women's Prison, a \$880,825 Queen's Purchase still awaiting its Purpose,
- Bill C 323 – a Financial Boost to Conserving Heritage Sites?
- The Power of a Heritage-Aware Public at the Central Library,
- Peter Gower Reviews Options to Conserve 1856 Grand Trunk CN Station,
- Before the Train, the Bus and the Automobile, we Hopped on the bone-shaking Stage Coach to head for Toronto,
- Acclaiming Sydenham Heritage Conservation District,
- Peter Milliken's 22 years as an MP, including a Record 10 years as Speaker of the House of Commons, saluted at Frontenac Heritage Meeting
- Thriving Frontenac Heritage Foundation Remembers its Founders
- Thanks to Pierre Du Prey, we discover the Oxford Dictionary of Architecture,
- 150 Years Ago,
- Many Islands, Many More Names,
- David Bull Remembered,
- Another Kind of Block House,
- The McIntyre-McFadden House Renovation,
- Portsmouth Visioning,
- An Unreligious Conversion,
- Advancement in Loyalist Township Heritage Conservation,
- Exceptionally New,
- Gone, but Forgotten Too?
- Just A Memory: Conservatory and Carriage House of the Warden's House,
- Famous Wrecks in Kingston's Water Commemorated,
- Newboro Remembers Workers Who Died Building the Rideau Canal,

- Dry Stone Festival: Skilled Dry Wallers Replace Stone Walls at St. Mark's Church, Barriefield,
- Historic Sydenham Street United Church Celebrates its New Identify,
- Brigantine St. Lawrence II – Character-Building on a Tall Ship,
- Grand Trunk Railway Station: Part of Kingston's Industrial and Transportation History,
- Macdonald's Last Victorious Campaign, Overture to his Last Rite,
- Historic Tunnel in Brockville Officially Opened to the Public,
- FHF Celebrates 35 Years of Heritage Awards,

Editors: Floyd Patterson, Lynne Warren

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Memberships continued to increase through 2017, largely because of the campaign to generate donations for the OMB appeal on the Capitol Development project. This hearing was held over ten days in March and April 2018, so throughout 2017, the message was conveyed to the membership that funds were being collected to help pay for witnesses and legal counsel. Those who donated became members of the Foundation. In 2017, there were 100 members, and currently, membership stands at 97 members.

Respectfully submitted, Shirley Bailey

### **PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT**

62, 64 and 66 Brock Street in Kingston represent the Foundation's income earning land holdings. It was built by the 1830's and is quite possibly the last remaining example of a wood frame structure of a combined commercial and residential building in downtown Kingston.

Dendrochronology testing has dated existing sleeper beams of the main floor to 1819 which coincides nicely with an 1818 lease auction of the lands by St. George's Church. At present the building houses two on-street storefronts and three rental residential apartments on the second and third floors.

All spaces are fully rented. The board has authorized a property management company to care for the property and moving forward on this awaits resolving sanitary drain problems under the basement slab of 66 Brock Street that has caused several backups in the last year.

Respectfully submitted, Ron Tasker

## **PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Foundation supported Peter Gower in the publication of his latest book “**Kingston in 150 Pictures**” to celebrate Canada’s 150 birthday. Peter and the FHF board were successful in receiving a grant for \$3,000 from the City of Kingston Heritage Fund. A book launch was held at Sir John’s Public House on November 7, just in time for holiday purchases.

The board collaborated with Dry Stone Canada, the Barriefield Village Association and St. Mark’s Church to hold a **Dry Stone Festival in Barriefield**. The first weekend was September 30 – October 1 to rebuild the stone walls flanking the entrance to the St. Mark’s Church on Main Street in Barriefield, and the second weekend to finish the work was October 21-22. Applications for grants were received from the Pittsburgh Community Benefit Fund (\$5,000) and also the Community Foundation fund (\$4,000). The Pittsburgh Community Benefit Fund donated \$5,000 to the Festival, and the Community Foundation announced that the FHF will receive a grant of \$4,000. Money remains for a plaque at St. Mark’s Church.

Work started on the 2018 project, a book about Terracottas in Kingston, by Dorothy Farr, a much-anticipated publication.

Respectfully submitted, Shirley Bailey

## **PROGRAMME COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Two special events were held during 2017.

On August 13, board members and members from Thousand Islands Area Residents Association assisted Cynthia Tyler in the organization of a Celebration of Life for her brother, David Bull. David died suddenly on June 11; he had been our dedicated executive director since 2012. People came great distances to attend, and many wonderful stories were told about life with David.

In October, the FHF Awards Ceremony was held at the Renaissance Venue Centre, sponsored by Jessup’s Food and Heritage Ltd. Paul Christianson, has, for 12 years, organized the printing of the awards, and their presentation.

### **REGULAR FHF EVENTS**

The board attempts to hold an event once a month, and while it would be desirable to hold these events on a regular day of the month, often this cannot happen because of the schedules of the speakers. The following events were held during 2017:

- On January 5, Peter Gower presented a detailed PowerPoint presentation about the Grand Trunk Railway Station, referred to as the Outer Station. Comments on the issue were due in February, and a panel from the Historic Sites and Monuments Board came to Kingston

to hear submissions at the end of May. Many people gave submissions that day: to date there has been no determination on that matter.

- On January 31, Peter Milliken made a presentation about his time as Speaker of the House. Few people have any appreciation for how busy his days were in that role.
- On February 21, a panel discussion of local heritage professions was organized to celebrate Heritage Week. The panel included Dr. Carl Bray, Mark Gladysz, Dr. Jennifer McKendry and Dr. Marcus Letourneau. A delicious “Heritage Week Cake” was also served, all taking place in St. George’s Great Hall.
- On March 21, Ask the Expert a panel of local heritage experts answered questions about windows, paint, roofing, insulation, and so forth. The panel included Bruce Downey, Mac Gervan, Patrick Jenkins, and David White.
- On April 19, a meeting was held to have a tour of the Queen Street United Church, 221 Queen Street and now called *The Sanctuary*. Ben Pilon, the developer, and the architect, Ray Zaback provided a talk about the conversion of the church into communal offices.
- On May 18, an award ceremony was held at the Anna Lane development at 121 Queen Street to give the award to the architects and builders of that development, as they were not available to attend the awards ceremony the previous fall.
- On Sept. 30 – Oct. 1 and October 21-22, the Dry Stone Wall Festival was held in Barriefield, including a Children’s Workshop, and tours of the Village by Maureen Farr-Egan.
- On Nov. 7, the book launch for Peter Gower’s new book “**Kingston in 150 Photos**” was held at Sir John’s Public House, now renamed the Public House.
- On Nov. 21, Dianne Lake spoke about the process that led her to research the life and times of pioneer women of Central Frontenac Township, and how that research evolved into a book called “**150 Years, 150 Women, 150 Stories**”.

The board welcomes recommendations for speakers at any time – just pass on your suggestions to any board member.

Respectfully submitted, Shirley Bailey and Penny Sharman



## **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

The Nominations Committee is comprised of Edward Grenda, Malcolm Norwood and Karen Pagratis.

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Floyd Patterson  
David Shurtleff  
Lynne Warren

### **TERMS ENDING IN 2020:**

Malcolm Norwood  
Gus Panageotopoulos

### **Appointed Since the 2017 AGM:**

Paul Allison

### **TERMS ENDING IN 2019:**

Ron Tasker  
Paul Christianson  
Karen Pagratis  
Shirley Bailey

All members of the current Board have indicated a willingness to continue to serve, except for David Shurtleff and Lynne Warren, who will be regrettably stepping down at the end of their respective terms.

The Nomination Committee recommends the following candidates for election and re-election: Paul Allison, Edward Grenda, and Floyd Patterson.

Our by-laws provide that the Board may be composed of up to twelve (12) Directors. There are currently 6 returning Board Members, and 3 proposed for election & re-election. We would welcome additional nominations from the floor at this year's AGM.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Nominations Committee,

Malcolm Norwood

## **COALITION OF KINGSTON COMMUNITIES REPORT**

This has been a very busy year for the Frontenac Heritage Foundation in terms of civic engagement. Not only did FHF act as an appellant in the recent OMB Hearing regarding the Capitol Condo challenge but it was also a participating organization in the Coalition of Kingston Communities (CKC). The CKC is “dedicated to improving the processes of civic engagement and accountability of City Council and City Staff, in order to further the wellbeing of Kingston.” It is made up of a wide variety of community associations and groups that support the goals of transparency and due process in the workings of municipal government.

Founded approximately 2 years ago, the CKC has been consistent in its message to Council and Staff. Specifically, that true public engagement requires the public to have a reasonable opportunity to make itself aware of issues brought to Council, from the beginning of the procedure, and then be allowed to have input in the decision-making process at the committee level in a timely and meaningful way. These are procedures that often affect heritage concerns very directly.

In recent months the CKC has enjoyed success in some areas. CKC representatives have been invited to attend meetings with the City Commissioner /Deputy CAO to identify and implement some changes in the City’s operational practices. For example: staff reports and other information about a planning application that is coming to Planning Committee for a decision will be made available to the public earlier than it is currently offered:

- That all materials (including technical reports, peer reviews etc.) related to a planning application be posted;
- That meetings of the Planning Advisory Working Group will be listed on the City website and held in a public and accessible space and
- That the public is provided with an opportunity to offer comments at the end of that meeting.

Your Foundation is engaged with the City of Kingston and its Council and Staff and will continue to be so. Through the CKC, along with many other efforts, FHF is fighting for the protection and promotion of our built heritage.

Respectfully submitted by:

Karen Pagratis, CKC Representative on the FHF Board

## **WATCH COMMITTEE REPORT**

**555 King Street West - Kingston Penitentiary and Portsmouth Olympic Harbour –** Consultation process continued on a Vision for this and the Portsmouth Olympic Harbour site. The Mayor had indicated that this was high on his priority list for 2017. The FHF continued to oppose the demolition of the POH building and using that parkland for residential development. The Emerging Vision was seriously faulty on examining the number and complexity of the heritage buildings on the KP Site. The FHF

continued to object to demolition of the Portsmouth Olympic Harbour building and using that parkland for residential development. A new group was pushing for a sailing centre on the Kingston Penitentiary site. FHF's Position Paper was circulated to Mayor and Members of Council, and a delegation was made to Council, to no avail.

**Ongoing Concerns about Ontario Heritage Act Implementation** - Concerns continue with the manner that Part V alterations are dealt with compared to Part IV alterations. A letter was sent to the Minister of Tourism, Culture & Sport to express concern. Most recently, a longstanding member (with property in a district) and their agent had to speak to their application as members of the public. This is deplorable. Very few people on the HK committee are providing on-line comments on applications, and this puts more pressure on the few built heritage experts to provide comment.

**792 King Street West Provincial Campus – Secondary Plan** (Official Plan Amendment, Zoning amendment and Plan of Subdivision) - The Minutes of the public meeting held August, 2016 by Planning Committee indicated that staff had received two letters – the minutes did not indicate the content of the letters - one of which was a detailed letter from the FHF expressing concerns about of the Secondary Plan – the eight-storey proposal for Mixed Use development along King St. W, how the city would use the cultural heritage landscape surrounding the heritage buildings on the property, the content of the heritage impact studies, etc. While several residents also had concerns about the development proposal, the planning approvals went ahead, with approval by Kingston Council in September 2017. There were no appeals to the Ontario Municipal Board.

**Outer Station – 810 Montreal** – A proposal by Hank Doornekamp to move the original 1855-6 train station structure to the site of the Woollen Mill or in Doug Fluhrer Park, which location was not clear. The Foundation organized an event on January 5, 2017. Comments were due to Minister of the Environment and Climate Change by February 24, and a presentation was made to the panel of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board in May.

**Pump House Steam Museum** – Archaeological work appears not to conserve artifacts on the site (specifically a 24-inch old water intake pipe, the iron in which originally came from Scotland). In response to local concerns, the City is negotiating with Queen's University to keep relevant artifacts for study. The question raised was whether the City is respecting its own Archaeological Master Plan.

**North King's Town Secondary Plan** – The visioning report was released late in 2016, and the local community objected strenuously to it – both the content and the fact it was done so poorly. A revised report was released April 2017 for comment. The project deals with the Outer Station, the Wellington Street Extension and the St. Lawrence Ward (and possibly another) proposed heritage district. Nearly 300 properties are being considered as culturally significant. Work continued through 2017 and into 2018 on the project.

**Federal Customs Building** – This project was monitored to ensure that the proper techniques are used to restore the stone work.

**Old Post Office Building** – Work has begun on the restoration of the stonework. This was monitored as for the Customs Building.

**9 North Street - Industrial Warehouse** – The condition of this building is continuing to worsen, and this was reported to city staff for action under the Property Standards By-law.

**Barn on Pittsburgh Library Branch on Gore Road** - This building is reportedly of heritage significance and is being allowed to deteriorate by being neglected. The city was made aware of this within the last two years and they utter plans of moving it to Grass Creek park site but nothing has happened.

### **News in Loyalist Township**

The owners of the Ham House at Bath faced development charges exceeding \$50,000. In the fall of 2017, the Heritage Committee recommended that council support this project by providing some form of relief. Council viewed relief as a form of bonusing, and after lobbying, council adopted a staff report to provide temporary relief by deferring impost fees until the project is complete and occupancy takes place. Kudos to Ron Tasker and Gus Panageotopoulos.

### **News in Gananoque**

**Town Hall** - Concerns have been expressed about the renovations going on at this location. Local councillors have expressed concerns about the cost of the renovations. The FHF has not taken a position on the matter.

**Blinkbonnie Inn** - Once again the Blinkbonnie is in the news, and is for sale. The MacDonald Stone Foundation has been founded to save this historic building and preserve and restore. Most recently, the town decided not to designate the property.

**Waterfront Development** - On a more positive note, the Town of Gananoque, with a population of 5,159 people has developed their waterfront by building parks, the Arthur Child Heritage Museum, and the Gananoque boat museum, all on the water with condominiums being built back from the community area. This development is worth a visit and may be deserving of a heritage award for their efforts.

Respectfully submitted David Shurtleff and Shirley Bailey

## AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

The FHF gave one set of awards for the conservation of heritage properties in 2017. No appropriate work had been done in 2015-2016 to give awards jointly with **Downtown Kingston** for properties in the downtown area. In October, the **Frontenac Heritage Foundation** gave its own awards as recommended by the Awards Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. My thanks to fellow Committee members Karen Pagratis and Lynne Warren for their help.

### Frontenac Heritage Foundation Awards 2017

#### 117 Earl Street, Kingston

**Certificate of Commendation:** Owner

**Certificates of Appreciation:**

J. B. Masonry, Masonry

D. J. White Restoration, Woodwork



117 Earl Street/ Paul Christianson 2017

This elegant stone house from the 1840s has received careful conservation. The stucco added in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century has been removed to reveal lovely stone walls. The stonework was repointed and new voussoirs of Kingston limestone have replaced the decayed wooden frames inserted when the openings were enlarged. The wooden front porch had suffered a good deal of decay, but enough of the original material remained for an exact restoration of the original.



161 Earl Street/ Paul Christianson 2017

#### 161 Earl Street, Kingston

**Certificate of Commendation:**

Stuart Reid and Sabina Sladic, Owners

**Certificates of Appreciation:**

Lyman Potts Construction Ltd.,  
Contractor

D. J. White Restoration, Woodwork  
Ovibiu Barbu, Painter

The recent conservation and restoration of this structure—including a careful reconstructed woodwork, including brackets, balustrades, and intricate fretwork—has assured that it remains one of the most impressive late Victorian porches in Kingston.

**The Sanctuary: 221 Queen Street, Kingston**

**Certificate of Commendation:**

BPE Development; Owner

**Certificates of Appreciation:**

Shoalts and Zaback Architects Ltd.,  
Architects

BPE Development, Contractor

Steven Boyd Stained Glass, Stained Glass Windows



The Sanctuary/ Paul Christianson 2017

The Sanctuary is a new office and events venue located in the former worship space of Queen Street Methodist Church (United Church from 1925). The exterior stonework was repointed and cedar shake shingles used on the tower and above the entrance. All of the heritage frames around both the stained glass and the more conventional windows have been carefully conserved and, where needed, restored. The interior provides working space for budding entrepreneurs without intruding too much upon the space originally used for worship. Most of the offices are defined by dividing walls that rise from the main floor to create private spaces while allowing the heritage ceilings to soar above.



Grace Centre; East Façade/ Paul Christianson 2017

**Grace Centre, 4295 Stage Coach Road, Sydenham**

**Certificate of Commendation:**

Southern Frontenac Community Services Corporation,  
Owner

**Certificate of Appreciation:**

Edgewater Stonemasons, Stonework

The Southern Frontenac Community Services Corporation has done a great service by repurposing what was built as Grace Methodist Episcopal Church in 1861 as a busy hub of community services. They conserved the exterior, retained the interior worship space, refinished its wooden floor, and used spaces in the addition and basement for other purposes. The recent conservation of its exterior consisted of a major repointing and in a few places replacing of the stonework.

**Margaret Angus Award for Heritage Conservation**

No Award was given in 2017.



**Downtown Kingston and Frontenac Heritage Foundation Heritage Week Awards 2017**

**Northside Espresso and Food: 281 Princess Street**  
**Building Owner: Keystone Property Management Inc.**  
**Business Owners: Jess Huddle and Kaydee Pentland-Boyce**  
**Contractor: The Anglin Group**



281 Princess Street/ Paul Christianson 2017

The exterior work on this 19<sup>th</sup> century building conserved the heritage cast iron pillar at the corner of the ground floor, the heritage pillars and window mantles beside and above the windows on the second floor, and the heritage brackets just below the roofline. The interior work conserved the heritage baseboard, chair rail mouldings, and the diagonal wainscot at the lower level and the heritage pressed tin panels above. The latter are one of the most impressive ensembles of pressed tin wall and ceiling mouldings still existing in Kingston.



The Sanctuary Interior/ Paul Christianson 2017

**The Sanctuary: 221 Queen Street, Kingston**  
**Building Owner, Business Owner, and Contractor: BPE Development**  
**Architects: Shoalts and Zaback Architects Ltd.**

By creating new, innovative office and event space within a significant heritage building, the Sanctuary provides a model of heritage conservation and repurposing in downtown Kingston

Respectfully submitted Paul Christianson