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August 2025 - News and Updates

Members Only - Join Us!

August 11, 2025 at 11 a.m.

Tour the recently reopened Fairfield-Gutzeit House (Heritage Museum),

By Loyalist Tour Guides Simon and Ella!

Loyalist Parkway (Hwy 33), 341 Main Street, Bath

Tour the **Fairfield-Gutzeit Heritage Museum**



Join us for a 45-minute guided tour, followed by BYO lunch or visit the chip truck at Finkle Shore Park

**Monday August 11, 2025 at 11 a.m.
Highway 33, 341 Main Street, Bath, Ontario**

**Members only. Please sign up at
contact@frontenacheritage.ca**



Built in 1796, the Fairfield-Gutzeit House is one of the oldest in the province and has been a landmark on Fairfield Bay for over 200 years. The property is named after Mrs. Mabel Fairfield-Gutzeit, a descendant of William Fairfield, and her husband Dr. William Gutzeit.

As one of the few remaining pre-1800s buildings in Ontario, the Fairfield- Gutzeit House is of great interest. Today, the site functions as a historic house, depicting the life of the Fairfield-Gutzeit family throughout the years. The grounds are located along the beautiful Lake Ontario shoreline and are an ideal destination for relaxing in the summer sun or enjoying the fresh breeze.

Join in a B.Y.O.L (Bring Your Own Lunch) at noon in Finkle Shore Park (or buy burgers/fries from the food truck, FryWay 33), 697 Main Street, Bath ([just west of the village](#)).

FHF members - please let us know you are joining us by emailing contact@frontenacheritage.ca to register.

Our Proposed Upcoming Events for the Year! 

September 27, 12:20 p.m. ferry to Wolfe Island



Tour of Wolfe Island by a guide from the Wolfe Island Historical Foundation. Stay tuned for more information!

October - Date TBD

Tour of Fairbanks Farmhouse, 1553 Sunnyside Rd by FHF member Peter Lawton

Drop by anytime between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. and learn more about the history of the house and what renovations Peter has undertaken.

Please let our administrative assistant, Diane, know if you are planning on attending by sending an email to contact@frontenacheritage.ca



November – FHF Heritage Awards Ceremony

December – FHF Social

Stay tuned for more information about these upcoming events, including dates and times. If you wish to assist in planning and set up your help is appreciated!

Other News Of Utmost Importance

The owner of 2555 Hwy 38 has asked the Heritage Properties Committee (HPC) to de-designate her property. The staff report for the July 16th meeting recommended that the designation on her property remain. The FHF Board fully supports this position and submitted a letter to that effect (see link below in recently added to the website). The HPC recommended approval of the staff recommendation to keep the designation on the Davidson House and the matter will go before Council on August 12.

The property at 2555 Hwy 38 was only just designated by the City following an extensive staff review with input from the owner, then approval by the Heritage Properties Committee in January 2024, with the City by-law adopting it in

April 2024!

FHF members are encouraged to let their city councillors know how they feel about this very serious matter. Email your council member by August 8th so it is available for the meeting; contact information for Kingston city councillors can be found [here](#) and the city clerk can be cc'd for distribution to council at cityclerk@cityofkingston.ca.

In Case You Missed It ... July 11 Walking Tour



On Friday July 12, 16 people and two dogs braved the heat and humidity and were led on a fascinating tour of the North King's Town Expanded Heritage Character Area by Carl Bray. From the shoreline of the Inner Harbour, to Doug Fluhner Park and its industrial and commercial history as a nexus of the railways, up the limestone terraces into McBurney Park, Picardville and the Patrick Street neighbourhoods, we saw an eclectic mix of old and older buildings and heard about the cultural settlement of the area that fed its mix of styles and architecture.

Recently added to the Frontenac Heritage Foundation website:

- [Letter to Heritage Properties Committee regarding file R01-002-2025](#)
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Members Only - Summer Foundation Issue

Watch for the Summer Foundations edition, celebrating 10 years of the Old Sydenham Heritage Conservation District!

It's not too late!

If you haven't already **renewed your 2025 membership**, this is a friendly reminder it can be renewed at www.frontenacheritage.ca

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