



May 2026 - News and Updates

This month's upcoming event ...



Join us for a guided tour of the **St. Alban's Church**, led by FHF member Jane Lovell, on **Wednesday May 6 at 2 pm**.

The tour will take less than an hour, depending on the depth of follow-up information sought by FHF members. Folks are welcome to explore the church and grounds independently after the tour. The Rectory Used Book Store will also be open, giving participants an opportunity to view the 1916 house too (both church and rectory were designed by Joseph Power).

Friends of St. Alban's, Adolphustown is a charity committed, in part, to the preservation of the church and the promotion of its heritage.

All are welcome!

In case you missed it ...

On Thursday April 16th, members of the Frontenac Heritage Foundation had the privilege of hearing one of their new members speak on 'Turning Historic Compliance into Value.' Delbert and his wife, Donna, own Sheffield Hardwood, which is based in Tamworth, Ontario. Their company promotes heritage wood restoration excellence. Recently they were in Europe (Dusseldorf, Germany; Prague, Czech Republic; and Vienna Austria) where they worked as restoration volunteers to learn the skills associated with heritage restoration (300-year-old plus flooring/parquet) using techniques employed by local craftsmen for centuries.

Delbert gave a history of parquet over the centuries, detailing how various designs were created and how they spread across the courts of Europe starting with Versailles and Louis XIV. Delbert highlighted techniques (animal hide glues/temperature sensitive) used in the restoration craftsmanship of wood flooring and parquet tiles. He gave insight on how these processes and techniques can be applied to benefit wood restoration in Canada. Those in attendance saw some of Delbert's local work restoring the wood floors, panelling and stairways at the host venue, The Secret Garden. Delbert's presentation is posted on the FHF website for those of you who missed this speaker series event.



2025 AGM: Sunday June 7 at The Secret Garden

Please put this into your calendar as an important meeting to attend! Meeting starts at noon.

Under our current By-Law 1, we need 20 members and four (4) directors from the Board in attendance or by proxy to have a quorum. Last year, we squeaked through with a number of last minute proxy votes. Please come out and be counted! This is critical to ensure our 'business' gets approved, including the financial audit for 2025 from Whitney Addison, which paid members will receive in advance of the AGM.

The meeting agenda will include a motion for membership approval to change the quorum for the AGM and other special meetings from 20 members to 10 per cent (%) of the membership plus a minimum of four (4) directors/officers present in person or by proxy.

Unfortunately, however for good reasons, three of our Board members are stepping back from the board and we would really appreciate members considering joining us on the board. There is space for nine (9) directors and going into 2026-2027 we will have five (5) so we can accommodate four more! If you wish to step forward, please contact Diane at contact@frontenacheritage.ca. Duties include attending monthly Zoom board meetings (approximately one hour), attending monthly events (where possible), and attending the AGM once a year.

Other Items of Interest and Opportunities

Stay tuned for our Spring 2026 FOUNDATIONS

Members will receive an email with the log in information to access our spring **FOUNDATIONS** online publication once it's available.



In case you missed it, our latest **FOUNDATIONS** is available online for FHF members! Articles include the McIntyre-McFadden Farmhouse Reconstruction 2011 to 2016, some interesting architectural details about Fairfield Gutzzeit House, a new plaque honouring the Sisters of Congrégation of Notre-Dame, an update on Home's Ferry, and so much more! Now is the perfect time to join or renew your membership for 2026 to receive the online link.

If any member wishes to write an article for **FOUNDATIONS**, we would be pleased to consider it. Please forward to contact@frontenacheritage.ca

Renew your support for heritage by joining the FHF for 2026!



Don't miss out on what we have to offer, including members-only events and tours, access to our prestigious **FOUNDATIONS** digital booklet, a monthly newsletter deliver to your inbox, and so much more.

More information at www.frontenacheritage.ca



Attention All Students!

If you have any local family members who are students or have connections to students as clients or tenants, point out the benefits of joining the Frontenac Heritage Foundation for only \$10 per year! Great events and knowledge for projects!

