ANNUAL MEETING

DATE    Wednesday, May 31, 1978
         8:00 p.m.

PLACE   National Research Council
         Auditorium
         100 Sussex Drive
         (Opposite Lester B. Pearson Build-
         ing. Parking available behind the
         N.R.C., overlooking the scenic
         Ottawa River. Bus no. 3 stops
         directly in front of the building.)

TOPIC   The importance of LACAC to
         Ottawa's heritage

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC)
plays an important role in preserving the heritage of the community.
At the 1978 Annual Meeting, it is a privilege to have two guests to
speak about the work of this committee.

Alderman Georges Bedard, chairman of LACAC will give a general outline of the mandate of LACAC, and
Christina Cameron, architectural analyst with the Canadian Inventory of Historic Building, will
speak specifically about many of the buildings which LACAC has
recommended that City Council designate to be of heritage value.

This being the Annual Meeting, reports of the past year's activities will be given, and the election of the forthcoming year's
Board of Directors will take place.

LACAC NOTES

LACAC has recently been asked by several citizens to recommend that certain structures in the city be designated heritage properties under the terms of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1974. Included are the Parliament Buildings, the house on the northeast corner of Daly and Chapel streets, and the Minto Bridges.

A sub-committee has been formed to prepare a brochure which will explain to the public the designation process, and the obligations and prerogatives of owners of designated properties, and which will give advice on the renovation and upkeep of such buildings.

A recent motion was carried suggesting that bronze plaques of traditional design be affixed to properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Several properties have been so designated. In October 1976, City Council designated Lisgar Collegiate and the Armstrong house at 35 Armstrong Street. Jim Taylor, a LACAC member, has kindly supplied the following list of properties designated by City Council in 1978:

183-185 Rideau Street
149 Daly Avenue
336 Daly Avenue
168-192 Stewart Street
245 Laurier Avenue East
2087 Riverside Drive
58-54 Elgin Street
335 Laurier Avenue East
395 Laurier Avenue East
464 Besserer Street
451 Besserer Street
500 Wilbrod Street
326-328 Somerset Street West
236 Metcalfe Street
103-115 James Street
419-425 Sussex Drive

JUNE MEETING - HERITAGE OTTAWA PICNIC

DATE    Thursday, June 29, 1978
         4:30 p.m.

PLACE   The Phillips' Place, Cantley,
         Quebec

The June Newsletter will carry details of the event, and maps to assist in locating the Phillips' place.

HERITAGE OTTAWA GALLERY

"National Capital Region Heritage" continues until the end of the month at the Fraser Schoolhouse, 62 John Street. Open weekends from 1:00 until 5:00, the exhibition is a colorful collection of photographs by Ewald Richter, taken for the National Capital Commission's handsome book of the same name.
East Block passersby, attracted by a flurry of activity, may be curious to know what is happening up on the roof, behind the hoarding, and under the flying dust. Last autumn Heritage Ottawa members were treated to a tour of this historic building and a talk about the proposed restoration work; now the work is well underway.

DPW's Project Manager Bruce Lorimer talked about the progress to date in an interview in early May. That's a new copper roof one sees being installed to replace the old 1940's one, and thermal glazing (with wooden frames that copy the original ones) is taking the place of all of the old windows. Work continues on the exterior stonework -- chemical residues are being removed, often revealing cracked stones which must then be repaired.

Completion date is set for late 1979. The refurbished offices will probably be occupied by Members of Parliament and Senators and their support staff.
GLEBE HERITAGE SEMINARS

DATES Wednesday, June 7, 8:00 p.m.
               Wednesday, June 14, 8:00 p.m.

PLACE Glebe Community Centre, main hall, 690 Lyon Street

TOPIC Co-sponsored by Heritage Ottawa
               and the Land Use Committee of the
               Glebe Neighbourhood Plan, the two
               seminars will provide opportunities
               to learn more about such topics as
               the history and heritage of the
               Glebe, what has been done for the
               heritage of other neighbourhoods,
               how individuals can preserve the
               heritage features of their own
               homes, and what technical resources
               are available to provide assistance
               to home owners wanting to upgrade
               their properties.
               A panel of speakers will be present
               at each session. Discussion and
               questions will be invited. For
               further information, call the
               Glebe Neighbourhood Planning
               Office at 563-3379.

APT CONFERENCE
Heritage Ottawa is acting as host organi-
izers for this international conference to
be held September 20-24. Free accommo-
dation is needed for student participants
for four nights during the conference.
Please volunteer to billet one or more
students by telephoning Gerry White at
234-2873 (evenings).

CITY OF OTTAWA ARCHIVES

"French Canadians of Old Lowertown", an
exhibition of photographs and artifacts of
the early settlers of Lowertown will be
opened on May 29 at 8:00 at the City of
Ottawa Archives, 174 Stanley Avenue. The
exhibition will run through the summer
months, and may be visited between the hours
of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., weekdays.
Admission is free.

BOOK REVIEW

Shirley Leishman Books, 88 Metcalfe
Street, very kindly lent the following
book to Heritage Ottawa for review
purposes.

Joan Finningan with photographs by Erik
many illus., $9.95 (paper)

"I come from the Valley" is a pleasing mix-
ture of poetry, short stories, plays, and
interviews depicting life in the Ottawa
Valley at the turn of the 19th Century.
Joan Finningan, whose family comes from the
valley, grew up in Ottawa. She has been
active in teaching, theatre, television,
radio, film, research and writing. Her
intense love of the valley is especially
evident in the introduction where she des-
cribes valley humour and mannerisms using
her own happy memories.

There are numerous photographs by Erik
Christensen in the book. For reasons un-
known, they seem to be a little out of fo-
cus, granular, and overexposed...creating
a dark, harsh effect. This could have
been an attempt on the part of Mr. Chris-
tensen to achieve a desired effect, how-
ever this reader found them unpleasant.

I recommend this book as an enjoyable
learning experience of particular interest
to Ottawa Valley history buffs.

Jennifer Roddick

TOUR OF HERITAGE PROPERTIES IN THE CAPITAL

Tickets are selling quickly for Heritage
Ottawa's September 23 tour of heritage
properties in the capital. Use the form
at the end of this Newsletter to order
your tickets now. The cost of $6.50
includes lunch, a brochure detailing the
properties' historic and architectural
merits, and entrance to the following
houses: the Billings House, "Maplelawn",
the Belgian Embassy, the Davison Residence,
the Northgrave Residence, the log house
on Riverside Drive, and St. Bartholomew's
Anglican Church.

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HERITAGE OTTAWA - TOUR OF HERITAGE PROPERTIES IN THE CAPITAL

Please send ...... tickets at $6.50 each to
Name ..........................................................
Address .......................................................

Please enclose cheque or money order payable to Heritage Ottawa,
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