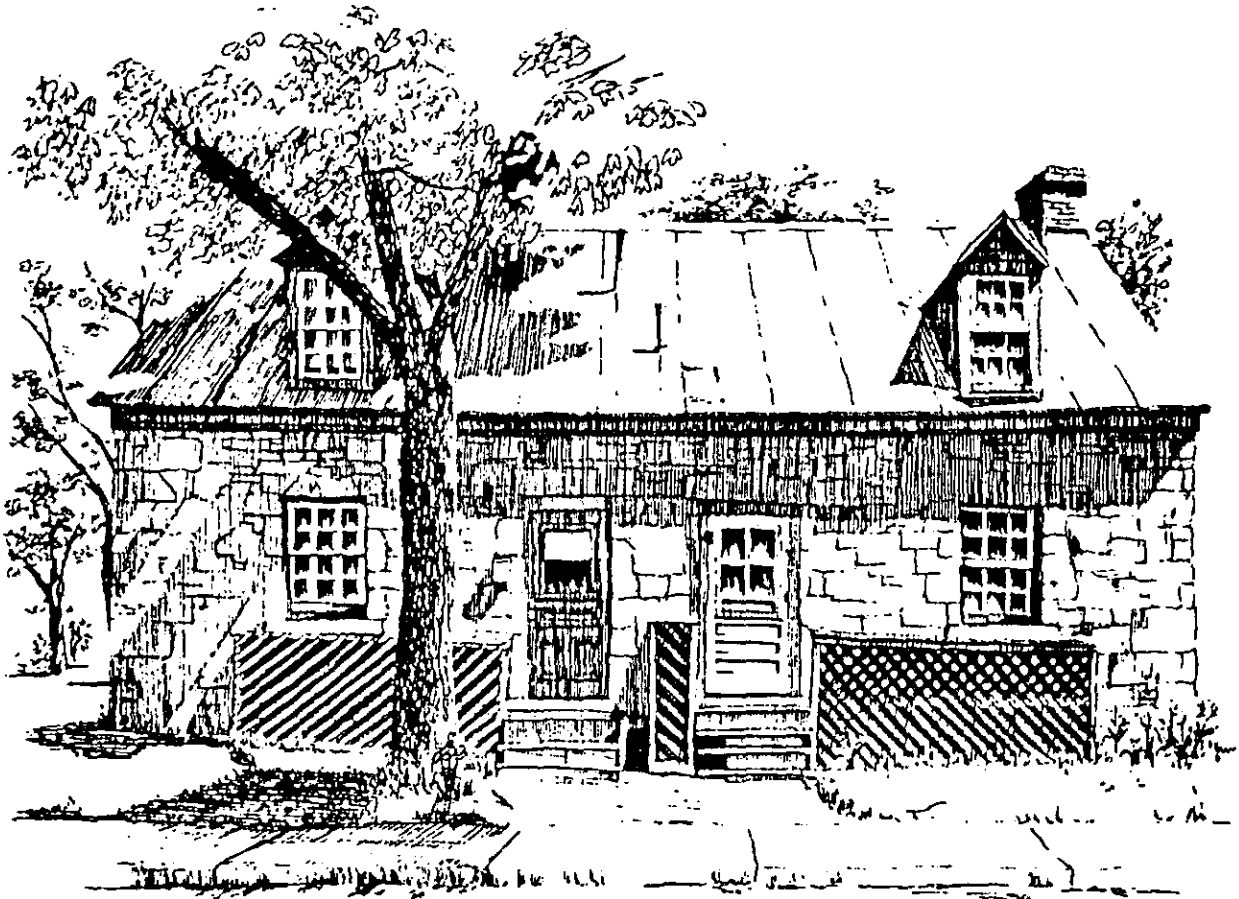


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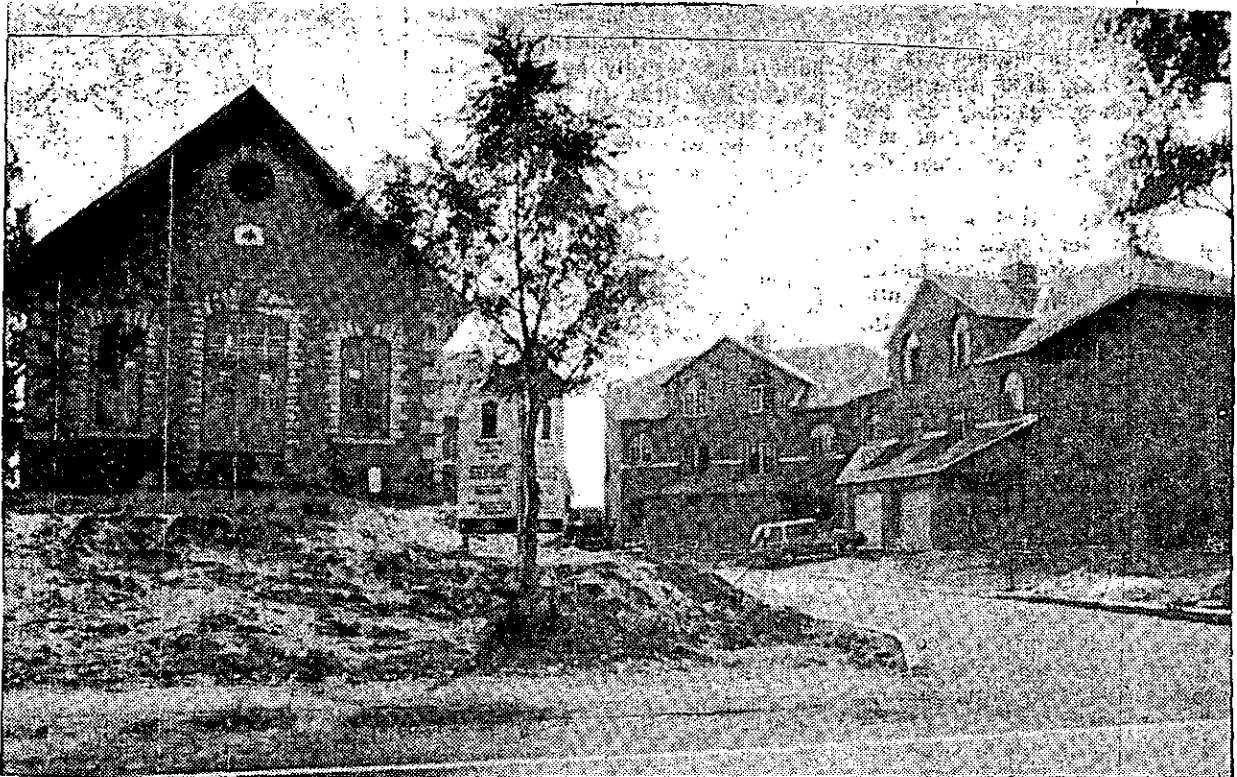
*All members*

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to a Christmas Party  
Thursday, December 5, 1985  
62 John St. (off Sussex)  
New Edinburgh  
at 7:30 p.m.

Refreshments

R.S.V.P.  
745-0551



John Major, Citizer

#### MOSGROVE SCHOOL DRAWING CARD FOR EXPENSIVE CONDOS

Billed as a "beautiful combination of old and new", Mosgrove Court is a development of six condominium townhouses on Richmond Road surrounding Mosgrove School, built in 1887 for the school trustees of Britannia Village. Built by Luxcon Developments Ltd., the condos start at \$161,000.

The school itself is being turned into a three-bedroom house and will be given a new roof with skylights, and windows and doors in keeping with the original design. Interior renovations and additions will include fan-light windows, French doors and vaulted ceilings. All this for a mere \$249,900.

The renovation may or may not be well done. What is encouraging, though, is that developers

are beginning to see the drawing power of heritage buildings--an important first step towards getting them to think renovation instead of demolition.

The key to this change in attitude, however, is a change in the tax write-offs allowed for renovations to older buildings. Marc Denhez, vice-president of Heritage Ottawa and one of Canada's foremost experts in this area, is putting together a committee to lobby for changes to the Income Tax Act. If anyone out there would like to be involved in this work--which is crucial to making heritage conservation economically viable--please call Marc at 594-8000.

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#### SMITHS FALLS TRAIN STATION OPENED AS MUSEUM

The old CN station on William Street in Smiths Falls was saved from probable destruction last year when a group of railway enthusiasts purchased the building from the CNR for \$1.00.

Built in 1914, the station served CN and then VIA-Rail until being closed in 1978. In 1982 a CN "Abandonment Notice"--usually the prelude to demolition--prompted local railway buffs to organize into what became the Smiths Falls Railway Museum Group. The CNR agreed to sell the station and to lease the land to them for \$2,000 a year with an annual rent increase of \$100.

With about 265 members from Pembroke to Brockville, the museum group began work this spring to restore the building and grounds in preparation for the opening of the Baggage Express Room on October 5, the first phase of the museum to be opened to the public. Eventually, the group hopes to refurbish the entire station and run a steam train excursion, perhaps to Chaffey's Locks.





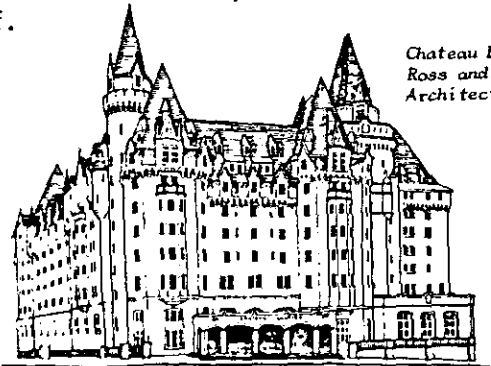
—Wayne Cuddington, Citizen

*CHEZ HENRI HOTEL, Hull: built 1929,  
renovated 1985*

I couldn't resist reproducing this photo from The Citizen of the old Chez Henri, now called Le Nouveau Chez Henri Hotel. All lit up for Christmas (the hotel, that is, and not--as in earlier days--the patrons), this once infamous Hull landmark has been completely renovated. We hope it will soon show how successful the renovation of an older building can be. Members are urged to visit the new Chez and report back.

#### CHATEAU LAURIER RENOVATIONS

Renovations at the Chateau are not yet complete, but if the entire package is anything like what's been done so far, we can breathe a sigh of relief.



*Chateau Laurier, 1908-12  
Ross and MacFarlane,  
Architects*

*from OUR ARCHITECTURAL ANCESTRY,  
John Leaning and Lysette Fortin*

A large room formerly rented out for auctions and private functions has been opened up as Zoë's (after the wife of Sir Wilfrid Laurier), a piano bar and restaurant. It's a truly grand

interior space, with ceilings at least 20 feet high. A large, Victorian-design conservatory now opens the room up to the street.

The new porte-cochère is an extension of the previous entrance. Personally, I would have preferred lighting more discreet than the penny-arcade bulbs which echo the cross-walk to the Rideau Centre, but all in all it's a handsome and thoroughly practical to this favourite Ottawa building.

#### PLACE BONAVENTURE WINTER ANTIQUE SHOW December 5-8, Place Bonaventure, Montreal

The Place Bonaventure show is among the most exciting in Canada. This year, according to its publicity, over 100 of the "best dealers in North America will offer the widest-ranging selection of antiques ever shown in Canada".

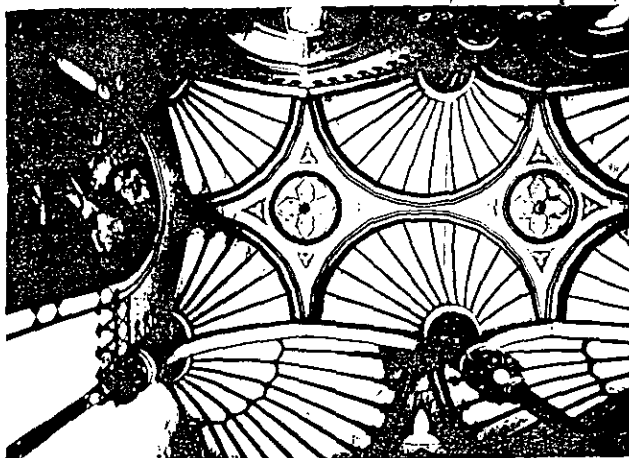
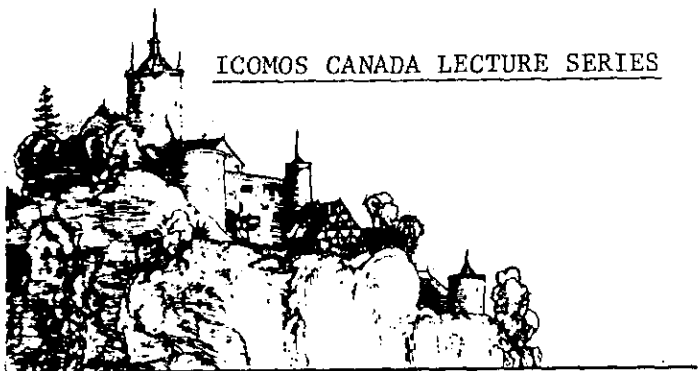
#### Hours

Thursday, Dec. 5:	1100 to 2200
Friday, Dec. 6:	1100 to 2200
Saturday, Dec. 7:	1100 to 2200
Sunday, Dec. 8:	1100 to 1800

#### Admission

Adults	\$3.00	Children	75¢
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ICOMOS CANADA LECTURE SERIES



Once again, the Canadian committee of the International Council of Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) will offer a lecture series of special interest to members of Heritage Ottawa. This year entitled "Living Heritage of the World", the series runs Tuesday evenings from January 21 to February 25 (SEE ATTACHMENT FOR DETAILS).

RIDEAU STREET CONVENT HASTI-NOTES

The Friends of the National Gallery now have for sale hasti-notes depicting four different views of the Rideau Street Convent Chapel ceiling, which--if enough money is raised--is to be installed in the new National Gallery.

The notes cost \$4.00 for a package of 8 (2 of each view), with envelopes.

Call Catherine Anderson at 746-4057 to buy these attractive cards--which make ideal Christmas gifts, and not incidentally aid the Friends in their fund-raising efforts.

GREETINGS FROM MARTIN WEIL

Martin Weil, former president of Heritage Ottawa and most recently famous for saving the Brown Derby Restaurant on Sunset Strip, sent along his best wishes with a change of address:

"Dear Stella,

Please give my regards to all my friends in Heritage Ottawa. I so enjoy following the work of the organization through the Newsletter. I have been re-elected to serve as president of the Los Angeles Conservancy. It is a very active organization with a membership of 2,300.

New address and telephone:

Martin Eli Weil  
5120 Earl Drive  
La Canada, California 91011  
(818) 790-5240"

. . . CHRISTMAS SUGGESTION

Don't forget Heritage Ottawa's T-shirts if you're looking for a fun--and useful--Christmas gift.

In navy blue with white lettering ("HUG AN OLD BUILDING!"), they come in Small, Medium, Large and Extra-Large, and cost only \$8.50.

Call 745-0551 for further information.

*HERITAGE OTTAWA 1985-86 membership fees are now due. Memberships run from October 1 to September 30. If you have not yet renewed your membership, please use the application below to do so now.*

*A tax-deductible receipt will be provided for any amount donated to HERITAGE OTTAWA over and above the standard membership fee of \$10.00. Remember that what you actually donate is what you can deduct on your income tax now--no more blanket \$100.*

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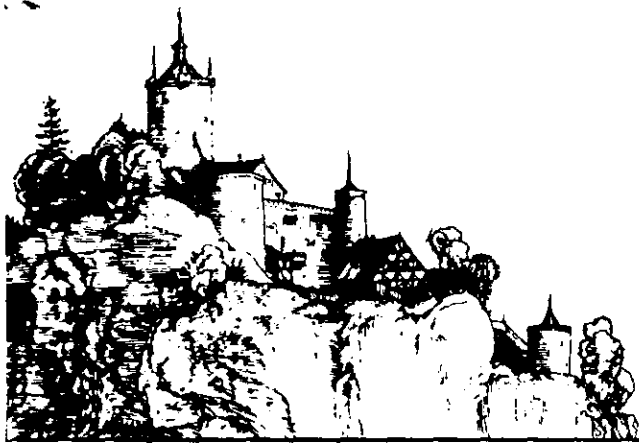
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**P R O G R A M**

**January 21 - The World Heritage Convention**

Under the direction of UNESCO, some 84 Nations agreed to list and protect certain man-made and natural landmarks which are significant for the cultural heritage of the world. Canada's extremely important contribution to the "World Heritage Convention" will be discussed.

**January 28 - The Citadel**

A number of Northern Italian fortified towns will be examined, the economic and social background of their historic development, and the circumstances under which they still flourish today.

**February 4 - The Villa—the Rural Architecture of the Medici**

This lecture will introduce the Medici Families, the source of their riches in the exploitation of the land and peasantry, their famous Villas as the seats of their political empire and the impact of the Medici heritage on the Italy of today.

**February 11 - The Historic Living Centre**

***The Heart of the City***

The development of "Main Street" as the heart of the city and its origins in the medieval market square. The heyday of Main Street in Canada, its decline and its recent revival.

***Return to Glebe - Japanese Style***

The noble downtown residential districts are in danger of being overrun by concrete towers in Japan, just like in Canada. This lecture will examine the preservation of an old residential district in a Japanese city.

**February 18 - The Estate—The Manifestation of Political Power  
in Architecture and Landscape**

The magnificent palaces and gardens of past Centuries are basically the expressions of the ego of their mighty patrons. This lecture will show the reflections of their ruler's personalities at three very different sites: The Versailles of Louis XIV, the Duke of Marlborough's Blenheim Palace and the estate of D'Annunzio, the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Italian poet.

**February 25 - The Garden in Landscape—the Genius of William Kent**

The imitation of Continental, especially French, culture was long evident in England. William Kent courageously developed a new trend in landscape design which still typifies the "English garden" today. Three of Kent's major creations will be visited: Rousham, Chiswick House and Claremont Landscape Garden.