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MAPLE RIDGE HERITAGE AWARDS NOMINATIONS FOR 2013

Recognizing special initiatives, accomplishments, and projects, which have advanced heritage conservation in Maple Ridge.

Award Categories:

- · Heritage Landscape
- Heritage Building
- Sheila Nickols Heritage Achievement Award for Community History and Heritage Teaching
- Heritage Project(s) by Youth
- History and Heritage Research and Publication
- Significant Contribution to the Preservation of Historical Documents

Nominations due by October 17th @ 4:00 p.m.

Award winners will be celebrated during the annual Heritage Awards event in February 2013. Everyone is welcome!

For more information and a nomination form, please go to www. mapleridge.ca and follow the tabs: Municipal Hall > Committees & Commissions > Community Heritage Commission > Heritage Awards. Or contact Lisa Zosiak at lzosiak@mapleridge.ca phone 604-467-7383.



The Billy Miner pub received a 2012 Heritage Building Award . The building, constructed in 1911, originally housed the Bank of Montreal. More photos inside.

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2012 HERITAGE AWARDS

This year's Community Heritage Awards were a great success and demonstrated the range of issues the commission is engaged in. Public art, commercial revitalization, maintaining heritage structures, heritage walking tours and my favourite is the use of social media to confirm and expand our understanding of our heritage.

Many thanks to Mayor and council for another year of unflagging support for the commission, a special thanks to Councillors Michael Morden and Bob Masse for their council liaison commitment. They always provide excellent feedback on councils needs and on issues the commission is involved with.

This year the big theme coming from those involved in preserving and defining our heritage is the need for a modern Museum and Archives. We need to tell our story and we simply don't have the facilities to do the job.

Craig Speirs, Chair

- Kathy Katona McIntosh receiving the Sheila Nickols Heritage
 Achievement Award from Facebook friend Mayor Ernie Daykin.
 Kathy created the "We Call It Haney!" Facebook page, which has
 become a wildly successful way for people to connect or re-connect
 with our community. Its almost 1300 members contribute priceless information for our museum and archives, especially when the
 people and places in pictures need identification and dating. Val
 loves this page!
- Trudi Desrocher and Steve Bentley have shown their commitment to preserving the Byrnes residence in Whonnock, a designated heritage site. When the time came to re-roof the house they chose to apply "barn shakes" just like the original. Their neighbour Reginald Friesen who owns the second heritage home on the site did the work. For their efforts they won the Heritage Building Award.
- The highlight of the evening was to recognize the Designation of the BMO built in 1911 building that has housed Billy Miner Pub since 1981, a 100 year and 30 year anniversary. The new owners Alpenhaus Restaurants Ltd. have entered into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement with the District of Maple Ridge which will protect the heritage character of this building forever. Receiving the award from Mayor Daykin is Sue Dunn, the manager of the Billy Miner and Niki Reibin the Director of Operations for Alpenhaus Restaurants.
- There is no better way to celebrate our heritage than public art.
 Bruce Walther and Ann Wilson assisted by Dylan Hartley have
 done just that by creating two more mosaics for our downtown.
 One recognizing the legacy of our first settler, Sam Robertson who
 planted our first orchards and the largest local processing facility,
 Berryland Cannery. The other the unique railway logging technique used by Abernethy & Lougheed Logging Company namesake
 of Allco park. The technique was so famous that Winston Churchill
 paid a visit to see it in action.
- St. Andrews Heritage Church was packed with an appreciative crowd of history supporters as the annual Heritage Awards were presented. Everybody enjoyed scrumptious treats and beverages while swaying to the dulcet tones of the Lava Lights with singer Catherine Barrington. A good time was had by all!











District Staff have also been recognized for their work in creating a heritage walking tour for our downtown. Michael Eng, Lisa Zosiak and Fred Armstrong assisted by Cailin Green of Avalon Design put together the tour with historical content supplied by Val Patenaude from the Maple Ridge Museum and Archives. Take the tour and become a tourist in your own town.



MEET OUR NEW COMMISSIONERS



MANDEEP BHULLER

I studied international relations and criminal justice at Douglas College and University of the Fraser Valley. I completed the Special Education Teachers' Assistant Certificate program at Ridge Meadows College.

As a community development consultant for Katzie First Nation, I developed and managed projects in youth leadership, crime prevention, recreation, early childhood education and employment training.

I also fundraise for local non-profit child/youth organizations. I have worked with aboriginal bands and urban social development agencies on development projects throughout BC focused on crime prevention and youth development.

I serve as a director of: the Ridge Meadows Child Development Centre Society, Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Youth Centre Society, past Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Arts Council and The National Young Warriors Society director.

I have also served on council committees: Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Parks and Recreation Commission Maple Ridge Advisory Committee on Accessibility Issues.

As a member of the Heritage Commission I hope to further raise the awareness of our students about the history of Maple Ridge.



CYNDY JOHNSON-MCCORMICK:

Public Servant with the Provincial Government for more than 20 years and Shop Steward for the BCGEU for 12+ years.

Volunteerism: Almost 30 years of volunteerism from conducting physical therapy on an 18 year old quadriplegic girl to 11 years on the PAC at Hammond Elementary School to Chairperson of the West Maple Ridge Community Policing Team.

Work/Interests/Hobbies: Recycling/Refurbishing/Repurposing Vintage Furniture, Gardening, Renovating my 100+ year old Farmhouse & Horses.



HERITAGE AWARDS 2012

HERITAGE BUILDING - Trudi DesRochers and Steve Bentley

Heritage Building - Billy Miner Pub & Ale House

Sheila Nickols Heritage Achievement for Community History and Heritage Teaching - Kathy McIntosh (We Call It Haney - Facebook group)

HERITAGE LANDSCAPE - Mosaics - Bruce Walther, Ann Wilson, Dylan Hartley (Artists); District of Maple Ridge Engineering Department

HERITAGE LANDSCAPE - Haney Heritage Tour Signs - Michael Eng, Lisa Zosiak, Fred Armstrong, Cailin Green