

CHS Newsletter-March, 2022

Here's to Spring and new beginnings!

March has arrived with warmer weather and lessening pandemic conditions, but we have more mud (A fair trade!). Our updated CHS Museum is open, Caron House upgrades are continuing, in April in-person meetings may start and we have tentative plans to restart our popular Heritage Lecture Series this fall. We are also connecting with other Charleswood Community organizations for mutual support of their and our initiatives.

We do, however, face challenges as membership renewals have been disrupted. If you can't remember if you have renewed your membership, you probably haven't. There's a note in this newsletter on how you can do that. Financially, we are fine, however it's people and their ideas we need!

We need CHS members to join our Board of Directors if we wish to continue. Some of us are moving on and need to make way for new people and ideas. Two nearby historical societies have folded due to lack of volunteers. We could be next if our Board is not renewed.

From our CHS display at the Charleswood Library.



Our updated CHS Museum-welcomed Charleswood MLA and Speaker of the Legislature, the Hon. Myrna Driedger for a tour and Mayor Brian Bowman dropped a while back. How about you?

Drop in on Saturdays (2-4 pm) for a tour and renew your membership.

Groups may request tours at other times by contacting Gwen Jamieson at 204-888-2150. Just to be safe, social distancing and masks are still required at the Museum.

CHS Targets for 2022 (Conditions permitting, we hope to resume “in-person” events.)

- Doors Open Winnipeg, Charleswood Museum May 28, and Caron House-May 29
- Heritage Lecture Series-we hope to resume our Lectures this fall
- Our annual CHS Picnic in June at Caron Park
- Building Memberships and resuming in person events
- Renewing our Board and Committees
- Enhancing and preserving our valuable historic records at the Museum
- Supporting Charleswood community organizations. See the notes in Community Events (Pg. 2)
- Plus additional ideas you as Members can suggest...(but we need willing hands to help!)

CHS meeting on Zoom or in person.

Meetings on Zoom! We will resume in-person meetings in April. Zoom meeting have their use and we will keep that option. If so, CHS Members will be invited to join us on Zoom by clicking on an e-mail invitation we send. We are offering “practice sessions” so if interested, e-mail Dan Furlan at hrstrategies@mymts.net.

CHS Website (www.charleswoodhistoricalsociety.ca)

Spring Cleaning! Have you been stuck at home or sorting out those old boxes of papers and pictures! We welcome historic pictures for our Picture Gallery and will post links to other history websites. Thanks to Myron Hutmacher and Ken Stevens, plus the Provincial Heritage Grants Program.

Old Toys!-Visiting children love playing with sturdy old-time toys so donate them if you have them.

A Request to all CHS Members-Our Challenges.

1-Rebuilding our Membership

The pandemic has prevented many Members from renewing their memberships. Unlike other historical societies that have folded, previously we have shown the ability to increase our membership, plus attract people to events and fund raisers which enable us to provide services.

To rebuild our memberships and bounce back we ask you to,

- Renew your Membership if you have not already done so, and remind others as well
- Encourage your friends to join. (They can come with you to events!)

We will send you a reminder note if you have not renewed.

Here are the options to renew your membership for 2022,

- ✓ On-line electronic funds transfer (e-mail Treasurer, Dan Furlan, hrstrateges@mymts.net),
- ✓ Drop in to the CHS Museum, 2-4 pm Saturdays,
- ✓ By mail to Charleswood Historical Society (5006 Roblin Blvd. R3R 0G7), or,
- ✓ Contact either Doug Sheppard (204-832-0810) or Dan Furlan (204-232-0903)

Members Only: In 2022, we are planning a number of special tours such as, the Royal Aviation Museum of Western Canada and Jim’s Vintage Garages Museum in Headingley. More to come, but it’s Members only.

2-Renewing our Board and Committees

Our Executive and Board of Directors needs new Members with new ideas to join us. Many are willing to continue, but it is time for some of us to move over so others may step in. We still have Board spots open, plus a Vice-Presidency, and our current Treasurer has other obligations arising and will step down in Spring, 2022 (but can stay on as a coach). Our Annual General Meeting is planned for June.

Here are the Committees who would welcome new members:

- Finance-a Treasurer or two Committee members
- Communication-1 person to send out notices and/or 1 to prepare the Newsletter
- Website-1 person to update Charleswood community events and support local groups
- Membership-1 person to keep up our membership list.

Qualifications?-A willingness to work with others.

Note: We're not big on long meetings but do have some short ones from time to time.

Please consider helping with a Committee or the Board. We need new people to help out. The following Executive and Board Members can be contacted at:

Eileen MacDonald-204-489-0482	Lois Caron 204-837-3155	Dan Furlan 204-232-0903
Gwen Jamieson 204-888-2150	Doug Sheppard-204-832-0810	

On our website-We are planning to enhance the website with,

- A virtual **"Welcome to CHS"**, a visual introduction to the Charleswood Historical Society.
- A virtual **"Tour of the Museum"** to highlight key artifacts and displays plus invite visitors.

Community Events
Charleswood Legion (Branch 100)
Beginning April 2, 2022, every Saturday in April, we will welcome children 5 and older who are fully vaccinated to come and join us at the Legion. Come meet the families of our members and join us in some fun and games.
Easter Bunny Class-Legion Members are invited to join us April 2, at 12:30 pm for an Easter Bunny making class. Only \$25.00 and you get to make 2 bunnies like the ones shown. Register at the bar before March 31. Complimentary muffin and coffee. Bar opens at 1:00pm.
Easter Bake Sale -Join us on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 2:00pm for our Easter Bake Sale., 6003 Roblin Blvd.
Charleswood Garden Club (Est. 1910)
Annual Spring Plant Auction -May 25 & 26, 2022-7:00 - 9:00 pm
*In recognition of the Year of the Garden 2022 members of the club and residents of Charleswood are encouraged to grow a red flower bed or planter this summer. For some ideas on red plants check out the Plant Red list on their website.