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### **E-News Volume 18 – 2017**

Some months have passed since the production of our last newsletter but Friends of the Museums of Mississauga have not been idle in the interim. To bring you up to date: Last Fall we were disappointed to lose the excellent leadership of our Chair of the past several years, Becky Ryder, who for personal reasons resigned from the Board, followed by Board member and long time Chair of our Gala Committee Barb Smith for business reasons. Myra Coghlan also retired. We have been delighted to welcome some new Board members - Wanda Hall, Sue Shanly and Liz Durdan who have contributed to our fund raising events this year. The Advisory Board continues with its activities under the current Chair - Joyce Delves.

And --- we have been busy. After participating as usual with Bradley's Maple Magic celebration in March, we took part in sponsoring a major celebration of the retirement of **Mayor Hazel McCallion at City Hall**. A splendid display of all the events happening during her long term as Mayor, with many of her awards and trophies displayed.

Last June we participated in the joint celebration at Bradley Museum of **Canada's Sesquicentennial Anniversary Celebrations** and the celebration of the **50th anniversary of the opening of Bradley House**. On a beautiful Spring day, Bradley Museum opened its doors to local dignitaries, families and friends from across the City. FRIENDS distributed free Canada 150 tattoos, pencils, pins and flags at our own "Friends Raising" booth and encouraged visitors to support our fund-raising efforts by becoming a FRIEND. Using our selection of Canada 150 dress-up costumes and Canadiana items, guests were able to take "selfies". This was a great hit. We also took the opportunity to explain past, present and future Friends' history and activities with the Museums of Mississauga.

For more photographs of this event use the link:

<http://www.communitycaptured.ca/bradley-museums-50th-anniversary/>



FRIENDS with Mayor Bonnie Crombie  
& Charles Sousa MPP Mississauga South



Liz, Jenny and Wanda distribute  
Canada 150 souvenirs

### ON THE VERANDAH

From the beginning of June to the end of August we hosted “**ON THE VERANDAH**” at **BENARES HISTORIC HOUSE**. Local musicians and vocalists entertained us from the verandah. Guests brought their lawn chairs and we sold snacks and drinks. In July and August, **Many Feathers Market** added to the festivities with their food stalls, fresh produce and beer garden. Each Friday evening we were well entertained by Jazz, Swing, Choral, and Country music and even an evening with Elvis to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the death of “The King”. The money raised from our collection baskets is shared equally between performers and FRIENDS. Our portions is used to fund transportation for Peel schools who are able to bring their classes to the site for the Museum’s great educational programmes. With continued sponsorship from CRH, Samuel Son & Co. and Evergreen Retirement homes, we raised over \$8000.00 for our bussing programme. Last year we funded 40 busses.



OCTOKATS share some fine Jazz



“ELVIS” wows the crowd



## History and Hats Garden Party

On Saturday, September 9th, the Board of Directors of FOMM hosted a fund raiser, **History and Hats Garden Party** at **Benares Historic House**. The event co-hosted by Christine Batiuk and Anne Fabierkiewicz, on a glorious sunny day was a resounding success



Anne, Joyce, Stella and Christine



Jazz Plazma made music

Some 80 participants played lawn games, sampled wines and beer, and while everyone was mingling, hostesses served delicious finger food and desserts catered by Michael's Back Door. Guests were encouraged to tour Benares Historic House, view the Art Show and bid at the Silent Auction.



Guests enjoy the friendship, sunshine, food, wine and entertainment

Throughout the afternoon all were entertained by the smooth sounds of Jazz Plazma and Stella Jurgen.



We were delighted to introduce Norma Shephard and her Mobile Millenary Museum. Her talk on the history of hats was interesting, informative and well received. Guests modelled stylish and eclectic hats from across the decades, looking very glamorous in each creation.

We would like to thank all our local sponsors, especially CRH, the City of Mississauga, Michael's Back Door, Loretta Phinney, Sam McDadi, the Wine Rack for their generosity and contributions. A list of all our sponsors can be found on our website. The event was a huge success, funds raised totaled over \$5500:00.

A fund raising event cannot happen without dedicated volunteers, wonderful guests and supportive sponsors. Many thanks to all.

More photographs can be viewed on these sites:

<http://www.communitycaptured.ca/history-hats-garden-party/>

<https://southmississauga.snapd.com/events/view/1075354>

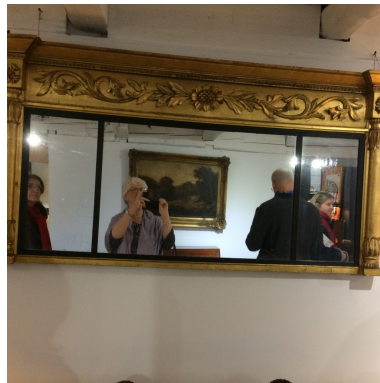
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As you can see, a small group of dedicated volunteers is responsible for many events to support and enhance the work of the Museums of Mississauga. We rely on the generosity of those in attendance, our wonderful performers and our sponsors for their generous support. In addition we do seek out those who are willing to become **FRIENDS of the Museums**. Our membership form is here for your convenience and we do hope you will take out an individual or family membership. We also welcome your extra contributions for specific needs - education, Indigenous events and for artifacts like the furniture recently (illustrated below) purchased to enhance the newly decorated Bradley Museum. The house looks great and we invite you to come and take a tour.

Our membership year begins in April at our Annual General Meeting but memberships taken now will last until April 2019. Our membership form is printed at the end of this



newsletter and we do hope you will join us in supporting our events and the Museums of Mississauga.



Tables and Mirror among items purchased for Bradley Museum

### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **Paws n' Mr. Claus Dec 2, 2017 from 11 am to 3 pm.**

A Holiday family photo isn't complete without the whole family. Or maybe your pet needs some quality time with Santa. Bring them to the Bradley Museums for some four-legged fun and have a professional photo taken with Santa. Proceeds go to support Friends of the Museums of Mississauga and Mississauga Animal Services Special Care and Resources Fund (S.C.A.R.F).  
Pet Portrait Photo Packages: One 4 x 6 = \$15, Two copies \$25

#### **Family Photos with Santa December 3, 2017 11am to 3pm**

Capture a memory by having a professional holiday family photo taken with Santa in the log cabin at the Bradley Museum. This is an annual event with proceeds going to Friends of the Museums of Mississauga.  
Professional Photo Packages: One 4 x 6 = \$15 Two copies 4 x 6 = \$25

You are also invited to support our Food bank collection with donations of packaged and canned foods to help those in need at this time of year

### **Historic Canadian Christmas ( A Museums' Event)**

#### **Benares Historic House - Saturday December 9**

Immerse yourself in the sights and smells of a traditional Christmas this holiday season. Explore our visitor centre to learn about Winter Celebrations from around the world then walk back to the Historic Benares House and be transported to Canadian Christmas past. With carollers, Edwardian Christmas activities and a live Nativity Scene, this event is fun for the whole family.

# Friends museums OF MISSISSAUGA

*invite you to become a member...*

## What do Friends do?

We fulfill our MISSION "to engage volunteers to enhance community awareness through promotion, participation, and fund-raising; and to ensure the integrity of the Museums" in these activities:

- Sponsor and volunteer at Museum events eg. Maple Magic
- Sponsor educational programs on-site and in-school
- Fund artifact acquisition, cataloguing, conservation and preservation
- Sponsor artifact exhibits throughout Mississauga
- Host "On the Verandah" at Benares Historic House
- Fund busing for students to all Museums sites
- Host Fund-Raising activities e.g. Gala, Garden Party, Receptions
- Host Photos with Santa for Pets and Families

## Benefits of Friends Membership:

- Friends E-News keeps you up-to-date with Museums and Friends
- Programs and activities exclusive to Members
- Enjoy learning at the Museums in unique volunteer opportunities
- 20% discount at Maple Gift Shop
- One vote per member at AGM

*To become a Member of Friends of the Museums of Mississauga,  
just complete the form and make your donation!*

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