

GRANTS PROVIDED BY THE WEST VANCOUVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY FROM SALES OF "COTTAGES TO COMMUNITY"

The successful publication and sale of 3,000 copies of "Cottages to Community" was made possible by donations from many people, foundations and businesses. The profit from the sales has provided funds to the West Vancouver Archives, Library and Museum for the preservation of documents, photographs and films that were in danger of being lost because of lack of funds. Over the past 3 years the Society has provided grants for the following projects:

2012 - 2013

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School records - Pauline Johnson and Hollyburn Elementary schools

\$5,084.24 was for the preservation of photographs and documents relating to Hollyburn and Pauline Johnson Elementary schools. It is the first phase of a project involving over 7,000 photographs and 2 meters of textual records.

May Day Celebrations

\$4,822.76 was granted for the preservation of May Day celebrations, pictures and documents. May Day was a significant community event in West Vancouver from 1931 to 1971. The goal of the project was to preserve over 500 photographs, a film, a decorated register of participants, scrapbooks, speeches, organization committee records, and correspondence.

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Photograph Preservation

\$3,550.00 was granted for the preservation and protection of the Library's collection of fragile historical images. The project also increased the community's access and exposure to this special collection. It added 424 additional images which were unaccessioned and stored in assorted files, folders and boxes.

2013 - 2014

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Joseph B. Leyland Fonds

\$4,170.00 was granted for the purpose of preserving the papers and photographs of Joseph B. Leyland, Reeve of West Vancouver during the depression period from 1930 to 1941. During his time as Reeve the Lions Gate Bridge was built, the British Properties was established and West Vancouver moved from a cottage community to a residential municipality.

West Vancouver Secondary Photographs and Records

\$2,500.00 Established in 1923 in Hollyburn Elementary in 2 rooms, West Van High has

accumulated a huge store of pictures and documents that needed to be preserved. Some of these are now on line through the west van Archives website.

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Audio Visual Preservation

\$3,911.47 was granted for the preservation of Audio Visual materials that were deteriorating. Very few films exist on early West Vancouver. It was critical to digitally store those we have for future use.

2014 - 2015 (current projects)

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Len Norris Cartoon Project

\$5,500 was granted for the preservation of over 300 original cartoons by Len Norris held by the Archives. Len drew cartoons for the Vancouver Sun from 1950 to 1998. As well as being preserved it is planned to place them on the Archives website.

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Preservation of the Historical Society's Newsletter

\$2,500 was granted to preserve the newsletters and digitize them for public use. The feature articles provide in depth, well-researched coverage of community life and history that is difficult to find elsewhere.

WEST VANCOUVER MUSEUM

Preservation of Photographs and Negatives from the John Fulker Collection

\$2,000 was awarded for the preservation of John Fulker's collection that deals with west coast modern houses in West Vancouver from the 1950's to the 1970's.

THE FUTURE OF GRANTS

A total of **\$34,038.47** has been granted for the preservation of West Vancouver's history. The Society has published a second book, "Arrivals and Departures" with a goal of ensuring ongoing resources to continue the grant program. Depending on the success of sales further books on West Vancouver history are being considered.

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