

# Cabbagetown Preservation Association Newsletter

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“preserving the architectural integrity and historic character of our neighbourhood”

## Notice of Annual General Meeting

May 24, 2001

Meeting House, Riverdale Farm

### Agenda

6:30 to 7:00 Munch and Mingle  
(Coffee and sweets)

7:00 to 7:30  
Highlights of past Year  
(President Kathy Farrell)  
Presentation of Restoration  
Award (John Court)

7:30 to 8:00 Guest Speaker:  
**Myron Boyko, Urban Designer,  
City of Toronto.**

Topic: "How the City Plan will affect  
Cabbagetown"

8:00 to 8:15 Stretch break

8:15 to 9:30 Association Business

- 1) Approval of previous annual general meeting minutes
- 2) Year-end financial report
- 3) Vote on Constitutional amendments
- 4) Nominating Committee Report
- 5) Election for next year's Board

Farewell

## CPA Restoration Award Nominees -2001-



36 Metcalfe Street

56 Spruce Street



386 Sumach Street  
south side of  
Winchester Cafe

413 Wellesley Street



68 Winchester Street

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# CPA News

## Notice of Annual General Meeting

This year's annual general meeting will be held at the Meeting House at Riverdale Farm on Thursday, May 24th, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. In addition to the annual election and a guest speaker, the Board is proposing some constitutional amendments that it believes will enhance the association's effectiveness. At a Board meeting on April 11, 2001, the Board agreed to recommend that the membership endorse the following changes:

### **That the Board be expanded from 10 to 12 members.**

A few years ago, the geographic boundaries were expanded and membership has now reached an all-time high of about 500. The Board is keen to offer additional services to the community, and unanimously agrees that the expansion is desirable.

The Board proposes that Section 4(1) be replaced with: *"The membership shall elect twelve Directors to serve on the Board of Directors, each to serve a two-year term, with six of the two-year terms to begin in the Board year 2001-2002, and the remaining six in the following Board year."* The intent is that one-half of the twelve positions on the Board would be open for election each year.

Two related proposals are that Section 4(8) be amended to *"Any four Directors may instruct the Secretary to call a meeting of the Board of Directors"* and Section 4(9) to *"At any meeting of the Board, six members shall constitute a quorum"*.

The proposed expansion would require a minor adjustment in

this year's election process. As only six people can be elected to serve a two-year term, and as three current Directors are entitled to serve the second year of two-year terms, it would be necessary to elect the remaining three to serve for a one-year term.

**That the Board be permitted to appoint Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer).** The current process of asking the membership to elect officers is cumbersome and can be divisive. Today, many other organizations use a more cooperative approach: after the members have elected the Board, the membership entrusts the Board to appoint the officers. The Board believes this process is more in tune with the spirit of teamwork that is vital to any Board's well-being.

The Board proposes that Section 4(3) (which was reserved for future use) state: *"Each year, immediately following the annual general meeting, the Board shall meet to appoint the following four officers for a one-year term: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer"*; that, in Sections 5(1), 5(2) and 5(3), the phrase "elected annually at the general meeting" be amended to *"appointed annually by the Board"*; and that, in Section 2(2)(d), the words "and Officers" be deleted.

**That voting rights be defined as "one vote per membership"**. At recent elections, there has been confusion as to whether there should be "one vote per member" or, in the case of family members, "one vote per membership". The Board interprets the Constitution to intend "one vote per membership", regardless of the number of family participants, and proposes Section 1(1) be amended to change *"anyone"* to *"any family or indi-*

*vidual"* and Section 1(2) be amended to change *"persons"* to *"families and individuals"*. The Board also proposes Section 2(4) be amended to state *"Every paid-up member shall be entitled to cast one vote and, in the case of a family member, the vote shall be cast by the individual selected by the family."*

**That the length of time the Past President is able to sit on the Board be changed.** Section 4(11) says that "Each past president of the Association shall, by virtue of that former office, be a member of the board of directors of the Association for a period of one year following the end of his or her term of office as president." In some situations, the Board may wish the past president to serve longer. The Board proposes adding *"If the current President is appointed to serve additional one-year terms, his or her predecessor may be invited by the Board to continue to be as a member of the Board for additional one-year terms."*

I would like to emphasize that the proposed changes are intended to enable the Board to operate more effectively, while still retaining the democratic spirit of the both the nomination and election process. As always, nominations from the membership are welcome. The procedure, as defined in the Constitution, is that nominations must be made by two members of the Association, received not later than one week before the annual general meeting, and include the written assent of the nominee. Please fax any nominations, with assents, to me at 416-966-2036 or drop them off at 403 Sackville Street by May 17th.

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual General Meeting on May 24th.

Kathy Farrell, President.





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CPA Honours  
Our VOLUNTEERS  
Volunteer Week 2001  
International Year of the Volunteer



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Ann Ames  
George Ames  
Neil Andrews  
Douglas Anweiler  
Victoria Armstrong  
Katherine Ashenburg  
Stephane Attal  
Mike Bailey  
William Barrie  
Kathy Bates  
Guy Bethell  
Richard Bishop  
Stephen Boddy  
Virginia Booth  
Ann Bowlby  
Patricia Ann Braithwaite  
Loretta Brewer  
Marilyn Brooks  
Randy Brown  
Lisa Cameron  
Shannon Carson  
Penny Cohen  
Kennedy Coles  
Barbara Corder  
Judy Court  
Alyson Court  
Mary Rose Daigle  
Jenny Davey  
Gina Dineen  
Ilone Eurchuk  
Madleine Favre  
Alison Fowles  
Amy Francis  
Victoria Fraser  
Hienz Gebers  
Sally Gibson  
David Grant  
Victoria Hadden  
Mary Harlan  
Janice Hebert

Joan Heney  
Martha House  
Ronald Huybrechts  
Lloyd Ilkeys  
Chrystal Jackson  
George Kierstead  
Paula King  
Katie Kurtin  
Claire Kurtin  
Sue Langton  
Simone Lee  
Pam MacIntyre  
John Maillard  
Angela Maillard  
Mark McBurney  
Margaret McBurney  
Jeff McCanna  
Rodger McLennan  
Joann McLennan  
Victoria McVean  
Susan Meech  
Sarah Meech  
Kym Morton  
Sandy Morton  
Cynthia Mulligan  
Rollo Myers  
Joan O'Roark  
John Orton  
Ian Paterson  
David Pretlove  
Jim Rawson  
Danise Regan  
Jill Richardson  
Steven Riddell

Carol Robb  
Emmet Robbins  
Gordon Robinson  
Samantha, Char-lee & Olivia Rolf  
Anne Ross  
Linda Ross  
Rosemary Ross  
George Rust-D'Eye  
Richard Saylor  
Arianne Schaffer  
Jo Schwartz  
Brian Simpson  
Carol Snead  
Theresa Spence  
Angus Stilbert  
Robin Sudsbury  
Carla Swansberg  
Mark Tateishi  
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Pat Tipe  
Chris Tracy  
Judy Trogadis  
Abby Trowell  
Diana Tyszko  
Virginia Van Vliet  
Kees Van Altena  
Brad Walker  
Kathy Wardle  
Nancy White  
Anita Whyte  
Richard Wilson

Thank You

And our current Volunteer Board of Directors

Kathy Farrell, President	966-0493	Ray Barton, Marijan Bayer,
Sheila Schirmer, Vice-Pres.	923-9022	Christopher Dew, Ted Gzebb,
Kiely Gates, Treasurer	928-7405	Fran Walsh, Alan Waterhouse
John Court, Secretary	921-5634	Peggy Kurtin, Past President

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*It is distributed to Cabbagetown homes by volunteers coordinated by Ray Barton (416 929-6388).*





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## Streetscape in Bloom

**The fifth annual Streetscape in Bloom competition is calling for nominations from the people of Cabbagetown.**

When you see a garden you'd like to nominate - whether it is yours or not - please call 416-967-6432, and leave a message. You don't have to leave your name.

The judges this year will be Stephen Boddy, Kathy Farrell, Peggy Kurtin and last year's winner Richard Spence from 419 Wellesley St. They will visit each of the nominated gardens three times, once each month. The final day to nominate the garden of your choice is May 25.

**The winner will be presented with a water-colour portrait of their garden at CPA's Fall meeting.**

## The Metcalfe Street Heritage Conservation District Study



- is progressing slowly

In Feb. of 2000, CPA turned the research over to the Preservation Board for the final report. In Dec. of 2000, the Preservation Board hired a Heritage writer, Richard Unterman, to prepare the report. He has finally started and the city is calling a meeting in June for all the owners of property in the Metcalfe Street area to hear Mr. Unterman's report.

- **Each homeowner in the area will get an invitation from the city to attend the meeting.**

## Some Final thoughts

### According to Ron Brown in Toronto's Lost Villages

- The oldest building in Don Vale is the Charles Parsons house at 85 Winchester - built in the 1850's.
- The site of the repulsive Lamb "glue factory", at the east end of Amelia Street, is now a pleasant park and the common front yard for a row of 1900's townhouses.
- A few workers' cabins [Lamb "glue factory"] yet stand on Amelia Street east of Sumach.

### From Touring Old Cabbagetown - CPA 1992

- The British bought the land upon which Toronto, and of course Cabbagetown, is built from the Mississauga Indians in August 1788, for money and goods equal to 1700 English pounds.

## CPA Membership/Volunteer Application

Your support is critical to the health of the Cabbagetown Preservation Association. Your membership fee, along with revenue from sales of our books, t-shirts, mugs and other items, is our main source of funding. Please mail or drop off this form to Ted Gzebb at 292 Sackville Street, Toronto, Ontario M5A 3G2.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

One Year \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Three Years \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Five Years \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_

Family \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please call me about Volunteer Opportunities \_\_\_\_\_