

Heritage/Archives Newsletter
January, 2006

The first month of the new year has come and gone, and it seemed to pass so very quickly. Perhaps it was because of the non-winter like weather, and also the fact that the archives was exceptionally busy for a winter month.

Visitors to the archives were steady throughout the month with a total of nineteen people stopping by for various reasons. Mid- month, a group of nine Cubs along with two leaders came by for an historical tour of the Court House and the archives. Other visitors came by to seek out information and to do research. Along with those who actually visited the archives, several other people were assisted via the telephone and e-mail - one person was as far away as New Zealand. The comments being received by the public are very positive with everyone being very pleased that the archives is open and available for their use.

The building featured in The Victoria Standard for January was written about the former Angus B. Morrison store in the community of Englishtown. This one hundred and forty plus structure is part of the built heritage of the county. Restored and renovated it still retains most of its architectural integrity from initial construction.

Work still progresses on the built heritage site forms. Hopefully, the outstanding ones will be completed this month. There is always archival work to be done especially with regard to re-housing and indexing materials, as the archives acquire such items as newspaper clippings, photographs, and documents pertaining to the County's past.

Next month is special for heritage groups as the third Monday is recognized as National Heritage Day. This year, heritage day will be on Monday, 20th February. As is our custom here at the Municipal Archives and Heritage Department, we will be hosting an open house during the afternoon hours. Watch for advertisements with regard to this event. Of course, there will be tea and nibbles.

That is our news for January, 2006. Happy New Year everyone. We will be reporting back at the end of February.