

The Bowness Beacon

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Membership fee in the Bowness Historical Society is \$10 per year. New members are welcomed. Send your name, address and fee to the address above. All members receive the Bowness Beacon newsletter. Your fees will support the activities of the Society in recording and celebrating the history of Bowness. **Please let us record your family history or photos so that nobody is forgotten.** For more information, please call (403) 288-1737 or 288-2055.

WINTER 2012 EDITION ANNOUNCING:

- Book Launch for the Society's new book: ***"100 Years of Bowness: Past and Present"***. February 18 at the Bowness Seniors Centre, 6422 – 35th Avenue N.W. from 1:00 to 5:00
 - Formal welcoming of the public by MLA Alana DeLong and Alderman Dale Hodges - starting at 1:00
 - Refreshments will be provided
- Reprint of the Society's first book (***"Bowness: Our Village in the Valley"***), also on sale now. Purchase either or both books at the Book Launch or purchase using the Order Form at the end of this newsletter.



Take a Ride into Bowness History with the New Book

Sight-seeing streetcar used by Calgary Municipal Railway for trips to Bowness Park, 1925 – featured in the Bridges and Transportation Chapter of the new book.

The new book celebrates the Bowness Centennial (1911-2011). The price of the book is \$60. If you are unable to attend the Book Launch, book orders should be sent to Glen Bell, 106 Evercreek Bluffs Place S.W., Calgary T2Y 4Z8, or call Glen at (403) 282-7200. Out-of-town shipping costs are extra. Please check ahead.

The new book has about 650 pages featuring photos of old Bowness, some dating to 1911 and published for the first time. The book covers the changing scenes over the past 100 years highlighting Bowness homes, Soldiers' Settlement, businesses, institutions, transportation, sports, and family histories.

REPRINT OF "BOWNESS: OUR VILLAGE IN THE VALLEY"

By popular demand, the Society offers the third printing of this book – Now on sale

Price is \$60 – the 2005 price! This book can be also purchased at the Book Launch or by order form at the end of this newsletter (membership is not required). This book will be a valued companion to the new book. Contact Carole at 288-1737, Inga at 288-2055, or Glen at 282-7200.



The Bowness Seniors Centre, 6422 – 35th Avenue N.W., site of the Book Launch on February 18

The Society is still collecting photos and stories of old Bowness. Please contact the Society if you can contribute any historical or family photos to add to our growing archives and future publications. All photos will be copied and returned. Make sure your photos, memories, families and friends are properly archived and preserved for history. Contact Carole at 288-1737 or Inga at 288-2055.

NEWS FROM THE NEWSPAPERS OF OLD BOWNESS

From the Bowness Bulletin, March 16, 1949:

BOWNESS GUIDES HAVE SHARE IN CEREMONIES

Scout and Guide Week around the world began on February 20 and the Bowness Girl Guide and Brownie troops had their part in the ceremonies. There are no Scouts or Cubs in the community which has been without a Scout leader for five years.

Mrs. B.G. Mikkelsen is the Guide Leader, having taken the place of Miss Melba Crawford, who was married in December. Under her leadership are 23 Guides. Mrs. Len Glanville, assisted by Mrs. George Stotts, has a Brownie pack of 20 small girls from 7 to 12 years of age.

Recently in the Bowness Brownies a "fly-up" ceremony was held when the following girls became Guides: Jean Kerry, Joan Newfield, Joy Glanville, Andrea Mikkelsen and Joyce Hogg, who "walked-up."

There are enough small girls enrolled for two Brownie packs in the community, but for lack of leadership only one can function. As for the Scouts, it was stated that there are funds in the bank available for a troop if a leader could be found.

Church parade for the local Guides and Brownies was held on Sunday evening, February 20th, in the Bowness United Church in full dress uniform. On February 23rd they also took part in a Mother and Daughter banquet at Hillhurst United Church.

February 25th was Brownie Day and all Bowness Brownies wore their uniforms to school. This past Sunday they took part in a city-wide church parade at Knox United Church, Calgary.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY DANCE – REX THEATRE – April 1st at 10.15 p.m.

Sponsored by:

Ace-Hy Motorcycle Club

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE – Wood, \$7 cord. Mine Props, Posts and Rails. 129 Resthaven Road.

NOTICE – Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Orval Ralph, formerly of 128 Resthaven Road, please notify Lester Inman.

FOR RENT - \$15.00 per month, small house with well, light. Advance 2 months. Box 101, The Bulletin.

PIANO LESSONS - \$1.00 per hour. Calgary, Montgomery, Bowness. Apply Box 104, The Bulletin.

From the Bowness Bulletin, March 16, 1951:

One Dismissed – Others Fined

A speeding case against Les Hutt was dismissed recently by Magistrate W.B. Barnstead. Mr. Hutt pleaded not guilty to an accusation by the constable that he was driving at 34 miles an hour in a school zone. He called his wife as witness and they both swore they were only going 20 miles per hour. Their testimony was accepted by the magistrate.

The following speed violators were fined: G.E.B. Bolton, \$8 and costs for going 30 miles an hour in a school zone; D.K. Anderson, \$5 and costs for 34 miles an hour in a school zone, and \$3 and costs for not having licence plates securely attached.

P. Webster was fined \$10 on two counts of failing to come to a complete stop with his truck at the railway crossing and not having his driver's licence with him; Don Holland, \$3 and costs for not having his licence plates visible; and Jeff Orchard, \$10 for not having his driver's licence with him and not having his licence plates firmly attached.

PASSED THIS WAY

Roy Allan Trottier (1956-2012). Roy is survived by his wife Midge, mother Ruth (who is a long-time resident of Bowness), sisters Darlene (Rob) and Debbie (Steve), and many members of the extended family. Roy worked in the heavy construction equipment field where he developed many life-long friendships. Roy is remembered for his love of the outdoors, golfing and curling, and especially his famous impersonations and jokes.

REMINDER! Please renew your Annual Membership. We count on your support.

MEMBERSHIP and BOOK ORDER FORM – CLIP AND MAIL

BOOK ORDERS: Note: Please check with us to confirm shipping costs.

I WISH TO PLACE AN ORDER FOR THE SOCIETY'S:

- **FIRST EDITION OF NEW BOOK "100 YEARS OF BOWNESS: PAST AND PRESENT" and/or**
- **THIRD EDITION OF THE FIRST BOOK "BOWNESS: OUR VILLAGE IN THE VALLEY" (MEMBERSHIP NOT REQUIRED – BUT WELCOMED!)**

Order for the New Book, "100 Years of Bowness: Past and Present" – \$60 per book

No. of Books Ordered: _____ @ \$60 per book = \$_____. Payment enclosed

Order for 3rd Edition of Society's first book, "Bowness: Our Village in the Valley" \$60 per book

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2012 MEMBERSHIP (New or Renewal) – BOWNESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY: I WISH TO OBTAIN OR RENEW MEMBERSHIP IN THE SOCIETY FOR 2012

No. of Memberships: _____ each @ \$10.00 per year. Total payment enclosed: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____

Prov.: _____ **Postal Code:** _____ **Phone No./Email (optional):** _____

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www.bownesshistoricalsociety.com. Membership includes the quarterly Beacon newsletter.
