

AGM ANNUAL REPORT 2020 – 2021



Photograph: Barbara Bickle

The Friends of the
Public Gardens
Halifax, Nova Scotia

Minutes - 2020 Annual General Meeting

The Friends of the Public Gardens
2020 Annual General Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2020

Due to restrictions imposed during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Annual General Meeting (AGM) was conducted by email. The procedures for the AGM and the results were as follows:

Notification of AGM, to begin on April 30th and end on May 7th, 2020, was sent to all active members and life members of The Friends of the Public Gardens on April 24, 2020.

On April 30th, 2020, all active members and life members received an email containing:

2020 AGM Directions on how the AGM would be conducted, how to ask questions, a list of 4 motions and how to vote by email on the 4 motions by May 7th, 2020

2020 Annual Report containing the Chairperson report, Committee Reports and the Financial Statements for 2019-2020

Update from Gardens Management on the Halifax Public Gardens

The Chair of the Nominating Committee, Judith Cabrita, compiled voting results on May 8th, 2020. Forty-six members responded, with 45 members voting in favour of all four motions. One member completed a reply with no message. Based on these responses, the following motions have passed:

Motion #1. Motion to approve the Minutes of the 2018-2019 Annual General Meeting

Motion #2. Motion to approve the 2019-2020 Financial Statements

Motion #3. Motion to approve the Chair report and all the Committee reports

Motion #4. Motion to approve the election of nominees to the Friends of the Public Gardens Board for the 2020-2022 term as outlined in the Nomination Report

The final results of the voting were posted on our website at www.halifaxpublicgardens.ca. These results were also summarized to the members in an email on May 8, 2020.

TFPG Report from the Chair

There are several exciting developments to tell you about this year.

Diana Statue

Foremost in developments is the [return of the statue of the Roman Goddess Diana](#) to the Gardens! Diana quietly returned to her place in Gardens in early December 2020, and come spring, Diana will be painted and ready for another 130+ years of service. **Susan Feader**, the artist who is restoring the statues, is [now working on Ceres](#), and you can expect to see Ceres back, complete with arms, later this year. Our project to restore all the statues is funded by The Friends of the Public Gardens using the remaining money donated by the public to the 2010 Victoria Jubilee Campaign and Jarvis Bequest funds.

Research Projects

When The Friends were unable to open our Horticultural (Hort) Hall desk last summer due to HRM's Covid-19 policy, we decided to have our Canada Summer Job employees pivot to work on some research projects. Working remotely, **Michael Nearing** researched the histories of people buried in the [Camp Hill Cemetery](#). From that, he created a wonderful tour and a brochure that will be available in Hort Hall and on our website. **Lauren Siteman** spent her time creating a searchable database that documents current and past [Memorials](#). Lauren and Board member **George Hearn** also created a map to help people locate memorials currently in the Gardens.

Wanting to continue employing young people during these difficult times, the Board sought out additional Canada Summer Job funding in the fall. We were able to rehire **Michael Nearing**, to work on [children-related activities and a family newsletter](#) to be distributed over the summer months. We also hired an audio producer, **Deirdre Morrison**, to create an [Audio tour of the Camp Hill Cemetery](#) that expands on the brochure tour designed earlier. Creating Audio tours of the Gardens has been a long-standing dream of many of the past Boards.

Having achieved this Audio tour success in early February, the Board decided to dip into our savings to extend our employees' time for another two months. During that time they worked on another brochure and audio tour, focusing on the [Royal Visits and Connections to the Gardens](#). The idea for this tour was inspired by research completed by the 2019 Ad Hoc Committee, [Royals in the Gardens](#), chaired by **John Yogis**. Dedicated volunteers, **Harry Popowich**, **Janet Brush** and **Judith Cabrita**, provided their time to supervise, administer and mentor our employees. Thanks to all.

Covid-safe Activities

Unable to hold our normal series of events this year, our creative Events Chair, **Milena Khazanavicius** came up with some delightful, socially distanced alternatives such as TFGP as [Live Diana statues'](#) weekly appearances courtesy of The Friends and the **Spring Garden Area Business Association**. Challenged to come up with a virtual alternative to replace our end-of-season get together in Hort Hall, Milena decided on a series of entertainments, including a [Victorian Advent Calendar](#) (special acknowledgement to Milena, **Barbara Bickle** and their many contributors) and a [Sing-Along](#) organized by Board member and Neptune employee **Laura Caswell**. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out. We hope these brought you much joy.

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Administrative Achievements

In the background, The Friends have achieved two major accomplishments; our accounting system has been converted to the accrual method under the guidance of our Treasurer, **Janet Brush**; **Joan Dawson** led a dedicated archival team who spent many hours amassing and organizing our records. Congratulations and much appreciation for solving these two long-standing issues. Finally, we would like to thank **Alan Ruffman** for the many years he provided storage space for our cache of Halifax Public Gardens books.

We want to acknowledge several long-serving volunteers who have left the Board after contributing significantly to our success.

Barbara Bickle, currently our organization's Secretary, has for many years used her graphic design skills to create beautiful posters, cards, calendars, newsletters and a myriad of other items to support our activities. She has also worked tirelessly to manage and grow our website and apply her design skills to make it so attractive. Barbara has also served for an extended period as the Board Vice-Chair, and worked on many committees: Archives, Bursary, Communications, Events and provided outstanding photography. The Board would like to thank Barbara for the many hours of her time she has donated to The Friends, and we are very grateful that she has offered to continue to manage our website.

Karen Guenther has been our Volunteer Coordinator since its inception and served in many roles including as Membership Chair. Karen developed our public outreach activities in Hort Hall, training many volunteers to service our Friends' Desk and to give guided tours. Karen is our most knowledgeable tour guides and has often donated her time for special tour requests. We thank Karen for all her contributions and we hope she will continue to provide the occasional tour in the Gardens.

Frank Streicher has been involved in developing our social media presence as our technical guru in all things digital and has used his graphic design skills to create numerous fine displays for The Friends. Frank has always lent a willing hand to assist with countless activities. We appreciate his steadfast commitment!

We thank **Janet Murray** for her leadership on behalf of the [Suellen Murray Educational Bursary](#). And to **John Yogis**, for his valuable research and connections to the The Royals. Both also provided sage and helpful advice as Board members, and we appreciate their contributions.

The Friends of the Public Gardens are also delighted to announce that **Judith Cabrita**, a long-time member and steadfast supporter of the Halifax Public Gardens is receiving a [Flora Award](#). A tribute to Judith is included in this AGM report.

We acknowledge **Heidi Boutilier**, HRM's Supervisor, Horticulture West, who will be retiring this year. We greatly value Heidi's many years of service managing the Gardens and her ongoing guidance. On behalf of The Friends of the Public Gardens, we wish her all the best as she begins her sailing adventures. We will miss you.

Respectively submitted by Barbara Carleton

Archives Committee

Members: Barbara Bickle, Judith Cabrera, Joan Dawson

Purpose/Role

To ensure an accessible, permanent, accurate and historical record of the activities, achievements and works of The Friends of the Public Gardens (TFPG).

Responsibilities

Sort, organize, categorize and preserve all materials: paper, digital and artifacts . concerning TFPG.

Activities

Sorting of documents continued, and some physical artifacts accessioned. In March 2021, the Committee completed sorting and filing all paper materials and artifacts alphabetically; listed the contents; numbered the banker boxes, each with a contents file. A master file has been retained.

Successes

In 2018 , a committee was struck to establish an the TFPG Archive. Over the subsequent years to March 2021, they met from September to June on most Wednesday mornings at the home of **Joan Dawson**, who graciously stored the materials as they completed the task. All the paper materials and artifacts are now recorded, preserved and ready for storage.

Challenges

The committee took a necessary hiatus from March 2020 to January 2021 due to protocols and restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic. In addition, there are many digital records on private computers to be organized in like manner. The committee will need to establish a system to manage these records in an accessible format and collect other relevant material for storage.

Submitted by Barbara Bickle

Bursary Committee

2020 -21 was a challenging year for everyone, and the bursary for Suellen Murray, supported by her friends and family, was no exception. We were unsure as to where the pandemic Covid-19 would take us, and some of the entrants were looking at projects which were unsuitable for an “iffy” year.

The bursary was awarded to **Tracy Jessen**, a long-time gardener at the Halifax Public Gardens, and her project was “*History of the Carpet Beds*.” The carpet beds, a Victorian element, have always been a highlight of the Gardens. Tracy has worked diligently on the project, which we hope will be an interesting addition to our web page, and perhaps make an excellent Jarvis Lecture at some time in the future. A PowerPoint presentation will be included.

The Bursary Committee has taken a hiatus as the lockdown continues.

Submitted by Janet Murray, Suellen Murray Educational Bursary

Communications Committee

Social Media

The Halifax Public Gardens has developed a social media presence by using three platforms: [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#). Throughout 2020, our online reach has steadily increased. On Instagram, our followers have increased from 274 to 599. On Twitter, our followers have increased from 2,597 to 2,717, and on Facebook, our followers have increased from 11,000 to 11,677.

2020 has seen a greater shift towards digital communication, making social media more important than ever. The Friends of the Halifax Public Gardens have continued to promote the Gardens and interact with visitors by posting photos, events, and contests on each of our social media platforms. In an age of social distancing, these platforms have allowed the Friends of the Public Gardens to maintain communication with our followers and improve our online presence.

Throughout the past year, we have promoted several contests, including the Pose as Diana Contest and the Holiday Contest. The Pose as Diana Contest encouraged visitors in the Gardens to strike a pose as the goddess Diana and post their photos using the hashtag “PoseasDiana”. The Holiday Contest tested participants on their knowledge of the Public Gardens. Both of these contests attracted significant attention and resulted in an increased number of followers and post engagements.

In December, board members **Milena Khazanavicius** and **Barbara Bickle** developed a digital Victorian history advent calendar that featured daily posts on Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. Milena was consulted to discuss accessible social media content. We have been including descriptive captions or alt text with each image for the blind and partially sighted.

Communications Committee, continued

It should also be noted that the Friends maintain a SoundCloud account, which allows for the promotion of our newly created audio tours. Since March of 2021, our first audio tour, the Camp Hill Cemetery audio tour, has received 166 listens. This number should increase with the development of our upcoming audio tours.

Submitted by Deirdre Morrison

Additional:

TFPG Website

The website can be found at halifaxpublicgardens.ca. There are a couple of new features on the website, listed below:

The Wild Bird Project 2018 – 2020

This project, conducted by **Joan Harbison** and **Gisèle d’Entremont**, documented 75 species of birds in the Halifax Public Gardens. Joan and Gisèle have created a gallery of bird photographs taken in The Gardens and a report which includes details on what time of year to expect to see the birds. To view the page go to halifaxpublicgardens.ca, and click on the menu tab “About.”

Audio Tours

The Friends of the Public Gardens is creating a library of audio tours highlighting different aspects of the Halifax Public Gardens and the Camp Hill Cemetery. The first of this series, An Historical Walk in the Camp Hill Cemetery, is available on our website, available to download to your phone or to listen to at home. To access the audio tours, visit our website halifaxpublicgardens.ca, click “Plan.”

Newsletters

We introduced a new program during the past year, publishing a series of short newsletters, each featuring a specific aspect of the Halifax Public Gardens and Camp Hill Cemetery. We plan to continue these features again this year during the off-season. Visit the home page, click on the menu tab “About.”

We are introducing a [Family Newsletter](#) for the summer months, more oriented towards children, although we hope that grandparents and parents will find them interesting too! These newsletters about The Gardens are created by **Michael Nearing** and contain lots of original drawings and interesting facts about The Gardens and games for children.

Submitted by Barbara Carleton

Events Committee

The Friends only held small socially distanced events due to Covid-19 restrictions.

#Pose As Diana contest:

The event was held from July to August 2020, as our goddess Diana statue was being completely restored by a sculptor. This social media and photo contest involved individuals entering the Public Gardens and posing as our “missing Goddess”. As judged by a panel of volunteers, the best poses, were awarded one of four \$30 local book store gift certificates. The local bookstores were: [Bookmark](#) on Spring Garden Road and [Carrefour Atlantique Emporium](#) in Historic Properties.

Contest entries were submitted to Instagram, Facebook and Twitter accounts for TFPG. We had more than 55 entries from all ages and individuals, and 4 winners were picked.

Although difficult to gauge public response to the attractions, an email from one of the Pose-As-Diana winners indicates the effect we hoped would happen, did happen for her. She wrote:

“Thank you for your email! We had so much fun preparing for the photo and also enjoyed walking through the park. These really are peculiar times, like you said, and this was a lovely thing to plan and think about. Plus, I finally learned how to post some thing on Instagram! Lol”

The event committee successfully attracted some excellent media coverage about the events and TFPG, including [CBC Evening News](#), and interviews on [CBC](#) and [95.7](#) radio stations. There was also favourable coverage in the print media.

Victorian History Advent Calendar

This was our second event, held from December 1 to 25 for all members and the general public, and was exclusively online. Each day of December on our Facebook, social media accounts, and web site, a new piece of Victorian history was revealed for viewers to enjoy and learn from; Christmas recipes, historical men and women, Christmas decorations to make yourself, and stories from the Victorian era, are just a few examples of the delightful entries. It was a great success with many compliments and shares via social media

Victorian History Trivia Contest

It was our last event directly relating to the Public Gardens. Only paid members were eligible to enter the 7-questions trivia contest. Two winners were chosen, and each received a \$50 gift card to a shop of their choice.

This contest brought new memberships and encouraged many existing members to renew their memberships as well. None of these events would have succeeded without a mighty volunteer group that I am eternally grateful for.

Respectfully submitted
Milena Khazanavicius (Events Coordinator)

Membership Committee

Purpose/Role

- To grow and maintain membership in The Friends of the Public Gardens (TFPG)
- To communicate with members
- To support membership-related services and functions

Responsibilities

- Using the Wild Apricot (WA) database, administer full membership management, communications, and event registrations.
- Follow up on lapsed members and archive where appropriate.

Activities 2020-2021

- Administer membership management.
- Assisted **Barbara Bickle** with the distribution of newsletters and emails via Wild Apricot.
- Monitored and updated marketing contact list.
- Produced new membership application.
- Updated PayPal method as the portal for payments through Wild Apricot.
- With Treasurer, **Janet Brush**, added e-transfer payments.
- Renewed Benevity and Canada Helps registrations for donations.

New Payment Options

Members may now join or renew by three methods:

1. Wild Apricot - tfpg.wildapricot.org
2. Interac e-transfer - infohalifaxpublicgardens@gmail.com
3. Cheque - mail to The Friends of the Public Gardens address

Successes

- Membership continues to grow.
- Current Membership is 380, including 102 Life Members.

Challenges

- Without a Membership Committee, growth is limited to what the potential could be.
- With Covid-19 restriction, it is difficult to engage new members in person.

Respectfully submitted by Judith Cabrita

Volunteer Committee

In 2020, the Covid-19 Virus arrival in Halifax altered the year's plans for many interactive public organizations.

Horticultural Hall was closed for part of the 2020 season to all but working HRM Staff Gardeners to provide them with a protective space for socially distanced meetings, lunch and breaks. Uncommon Grounds refreshment counter was also initially closed until a simple one-way traffic pattern for carry-out service was established. No seating was allowed inside and only limited seating on the patio deck.

With similar considerations, Volunteer Daily Hosting of The Friends' Membership Desk was suspended.

Board Members willing to be available on-site to represent The Friends and answer simple questions about Friends Membership (were available online) and orientation within The Gardens (i.e. "Is the Diana Statue nearby?" "where is the bathroom?" "How do I get to the Citadel?" "which direction is the Waterfront?") were encouraged to wear the new Volunteer badges (designed by Friends Member **Frank Streicher**) to identify themselves as Volunteers for The Friends of the Public Gardens.

Friends Volunteers stepped in when possible to assist with The Friends alternative Events and Activities while complying with NS Health recommendations and recommendations re Covid-19. To prevent virus spread and encourage social distancing, a note was on the homepage of www.halifaxpublicgardens.ca.

Volunteer Hosted **Tours of The Gardens** were also suspended with limited special exceptions. Tauck Tours, successfully conducted in 2019 as a collaboration of Tauck Tours and The Friends, who coordinated a Friends' Volunteer and an HRM Gardener to conduct each tour, were canceled for 2020, with hopes to renew in a future year.

Canada Summer Jobs employees took on particular projects and worked independently of Horticultural Hall under **Janet Brush, Judith Cabrita** and **Harry Popowich**.

At the time of this report, the continuing prevalence of the Covid-19 Virus in 2021 supports the Board's consensus that **Hort Hall is unlikely to open for 2021 before July**.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Guenther
Volunteers Chair
The Friends of the Public Garden



Audio Tours and Brochures

Beginning in Summer 2020, collaborative efforts have been underway between the Friends of the Public Gardens and recent graduates **Michael Nearing** and **Deirdre Morrison** to create a series of historical audio tours centred on the Halifax Public Gardens and the Camp Hill Cemetery. Each audio tour is accompanied by a companion brochure, which features a map of the tour for easier navigation, detailed illustrations and information, and a [QR code](#) which can be scanned via phone camera to access its respective audio tour online. Each audio tour and map can also be accessed from the Halifax Public Gardens website.

Michael graduated from NSCAD University in 2020, studying illustration and art history. Last June, he undertook research of Camp Hill Cemetery, home to many notable Nova Scotians, including Viola Desmond, Joseph Howe, and Abbie Lane, with the intent of building a foundation of information to create a tour of the cemetery. Following this, Deirdre, an audio producer with a background in sound design and production, was hired to adapt the research into an audio tour of the site, and Michael was tasked with writing and illustrating a brochure to accompany the tour.

Also consulted extensively on this project was **Milena Khazanavicius**, an advocate for the blind and partially sighted, who is blind herself. Milena was consulted to ensure audio tours provided clear directions and detailed physical descriptions for each tour stop. Deirdre and Milena also discussed the development of high-contrast braille signage to increase the accessibility of the audio tours.

This original project was a great success and has inspired a series of tours to follow, the next of which - a tour of Royal visits and connections to the Halifax Public Gardens - being near to completion. This series will be expanded further over the Summer of 2021, and eventually, will exist as a digital library of high quality, informative audio tours that can be taken at a time of your choosing and your own pace. These tours will educate listeners on the history and horticulture associated with the Halifax Public Gardens and Camp Hill Cemetery, increase awareness and enthusiasm around these historical sites, and allow enjoying the outdoors during the warmer weather.

Submitted by Michael Nearing

Summer Interns

Canada Jobs Summer Interns Project:

Our summer employees, Michael Nearing and Lauren Siteman completed their 14-week placement under the federal Canada Summer Jobs programme. Copies of their very detailed reports are on our Google docs site. Thanks to **Harry Popowich, Janet Brush, Judith Cabrita, Bill Colpitts, Milena Khazanavicius, George Hearn** and **Pam Sweet** for their support of our summer employees. Sorry if I missed anyone that helped out.

Lauren Siteman has produced a report documenting the memorials featured over the past 150+ years in the Public Gardens. She has documented over 230 memorials, of which 98 are still present in the Gardens. Along with the report and a searchable spreadsheet, Lauren and George Hearn worked on a map to locate the existing memorials.

Michael Nearing has created a comprehensive database of personal histories for notable people buried in the Camp Hill Cemetery. It makes for some fascinating reading! Michael has created a walking tour of the cemetery, about an hour in duration, that focused on ten personal stories highlighting significant parts of Nova Scotia's history. He has created talking points and background for training our volunteer guides. He also has designed a brochure for people that want to do the tour on their own.

Finance Committee Report

Our fiscal year began on March 1, 2020, so the entire year was affected by the pandemic lockdown. Horticultural Hall was closed, and income was substantially reduced. There were no tours, no cruise ship traffic, and very few local visitors.

We did obtain a grant from Canada Summer Jobs, which was used to start a library of audio and self-guided walking tours. This work will continue in 2021-22 with the help of additional grants.

Our biggest expenditure was the restoration of the Diana statue to her place in front of the Bandstand. It was paid for out of the Victoria Jubilee Trust. The two other statues, Flora and Ceres, should be restored this fiscal year.

This year, an accounting firm was engaged in implementing changes appropriate to a charitable organization, and to set up Quick Books for easier administration of restricted funds and investments. If you look at the Financial Statements, the most significant change is the separation of restricted funds such as the Jarvis Trust from the general income and expenses, and applying accrual accounting.

Any questions about the Financial Statements can be directed to the general email address: infohalifaxpublicgardens@gmail.com.

Respectfully submitted by: Janet Brush, Treasurer

The Friends of the Public Gardens

General Income and Expenses – April 2020 - March 2021

	TOTAL
INCOME	
Donations	3,023.00
HST Rebate	140.19
Interest	567.04
Memberships	1,195.00
Merchandise Sales	320.00
Total Income	\$5,245.23
GROSS PROFIT	
	\$5,245.23
EXPENSES	
Accounting Fees	1,021.28
Bank charges & Fees	133.65
Bursary Expenses	48.03
Events	1,892.09
IT	544.39
Membership Expense	263.88
Merchandise Expense	200.00
Net Payroll Expenses	1,215.96
Postage	309.59
Special Projects	60.28
Supplies	253.91
Uncategorized Expense	1,935.00
Total Expenses	\$7,878.06
PROFIT	\$ -2,632.83

The Friends of the Public Gardens

Statement of Financial Position As At March 31, 2021

	TOTAL
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
Chequing	8,823.04
Investments	0.00
Bursary GIC 0048	5,000.00
GIC 0043	27,569.76
GIC 0044	9,355.91
GIC 0046	9,397.57
GIC 0047	9,481.27
Jarvis GIC	27,350.58
TFPG GIC 0042	29,388.61
Total Investments	117,543.70
Savings	38,005.59
Shares Account	5.00
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$164,377.33
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	
Prepaid Expenses	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable (A/R)	\$0.00
Accrued Interest	829.12
CSJ Grant	0.00
GST/HST Receivable	1,337.78
Other Receivables	423.40
Wild Apricot	1,319.40
Total Current Assets	\$168,287.03
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Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
GST/HST Payable	0.00
Restricted Funds	
Bursary	7,212.08
Jarvis Bequest	28,849.96
Jarvis Trust	25,737.87
TFPG Trust	29,449.01
Victoria Jubilee Trust	7,552.37
Total Restricted Funds	98,801.29
Total Current Liabilities	\$98,801.29
Total Liabilities	\$98,801.29
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	72,273.21
Retained Earnings	-154.64
Profit for the year	-2,632.83
Total Equity	\$69,485.74
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$168,287.03

TFPG Restricted Funds

April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021

		THE FRIENDS OF THE PUBLIC GARDENS								
		STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN RESTRICTED FUNDS					APRIL 1, 2020 TO MARCH 31, 2021			
		SUELLEN	JARVIS	JARVIS	TFPG	VICTORIA	TOTAL			
		MURRAY	BEQUEST	TRUST	TRUST	JUBILEE	RESTRICTED			
		BURSARY				TRUST	FUNDS			
Balance April 1, 2020		7874.54	28,134.49	26,812.85	28,810.82	22,791.00	114,423.70			
Income: Donations		200					200			
Interest Income		110.55	294.72	537.73	577.79	238.73	1,759.52			
Accrued Interest		26.99	420.75	56.2	60.4	110.14	674.48			
Expenses: Awards		-1,000.00					-1,000.00			
Special Projects				-1,668.91		-15,587.50	-17,256.41			
Balance March 31, 2021		7,212.09	28,849.96	25,737.87	29,449.01	7,552.37	98,801.29			

		TFPG ASSET ALLOCATION				AS AT MARCH 31, 2021			
ASSET	MATURITY	ACCOUNT	JARVIS	TFPG	BURSARY	JARVIS	VICTORIA	UNRESTRICTED	
	DATE	BALANCE	TRUST	TRUST		BEQUEST	JUBILEE	FUNDS	
Gic 41	11/26/21	27,350.58	27,350.58						
GIC42	11/26/21	29,388.61		29,388.61					
GIC48	09/15/22	5,000.00			5,000.00				
						28,429.21	7,442.23	19,933.07	See notes
GIC43	05/26/21	27,569.76							below
GIC 44	05/26/21	9,355.91							
GIC46	05/26/21	9,397.57							
GIC47	05/26/22	9,481.27							
TOTAL GIC		117,543.70							
Chequing		8,823.04						8,823.04	
Savings		38,005.59	-1,668.91		2,185.09			37,489.41	
Shares		5						5	
Accrued Interest		829.12	56.2	60.4	26.99	420.75	110.14	154.64	
TOTALS MARCH 31/21		165,206.45	25,737.87	29,449.01	7,212.08	28,849.96	7,552.37	66,405.16	
NOTE 1: Accrued Interest on GICs 43, 44, 46, and 47 is prorated among the Jarvis Bequest, the Victoria Jubilee Trust, and Unrestricted Funds.									
NOTE 2: After the statues are repaired, the Jarvis Bequest and the Victoria Jubilee Fund will be closed.									

Nominating Committee Report

Board Members are elected for a two year renewable term. Half of the Board is eligible for re-election each year. A full complement Board is 15 members.

The following current Board Members will be serving the second year of their term:

- **Barbara Carleton**
- **George Hearn**
- **Milena Khazanavicius**
- **Harry Popowich**
- **Henri Paratte** - Past Chair

The Nominating Committee presents the Nominees for 2021- 2023:

Current Board members offering to serve a second term:

- **Janet Brush**
- **Laura Caswell**
- **Don Marks**

New Nominees:

1. Haruka Aoyama, Halifax

Haruka is a Legislative Assistant for HRM and a recent Dalhousie graduate with a combined Honours BA in Environment, Sustainability and Society (ESS) and Political Science and served as President of the Japanese Society. Haruka enjoys coordinating volunteers and event hosting. As a Board Member, Haruka would be interested in expanding tours, improving accessibility, providing volunteer opportunities to youth, newcomers, seniors and promoting HPG's history and importance.

2. Katherine Deturbide, Halifax

Katherine is a Research Analyst with the PEACH (Planning for Equity, Accessibility and Community Health) Research Unit at Dalhousie. She has a Master of Planning degree and undergraduate degrees in Environmental Design and Biology. Katherine has expertise in digital graphic design and video production software. As a board member, Katherine is interested in contributing her skills in graphic design, research, writing, knowledge of accessible spaces and social media management.

Nominating Committee Report, continued

3. Elizabeth (Liz) Johnson, Eastern Passage

Liz is a Library Technician at the Nova Scotia Legislative Library and has a BA from Trent University. Liz is committed to giving back to her community and has a long, impressive list of volunteer accomplishments in special schools and academic libraries in Canada and the Caribbean. Liz is computer proficient with various programs, systems and databases. She is skilled in conversational French with basic Spanish, Italian and American Sign Language.

4. Roy Johnson, Halifax

Roy has 37 years of experience in the Financial Services Industry in various management roles: Branch Manager, Director of Advisor Development and Director of Business Development, including fiduciary oversight and provincial Security's Commission compliance. His management roles frequently involved hiring, training and facilitation. Roy is particularly interested in history and historical preservation, particularly with the treasures of HPG.

5. Lynn McCallum, Halifax

Lynn is an Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director at the Spring Garden Area Business Association and has BAs in Science, Landscape Architecture and Psychology Lynn also has a CELTA certificate (Teaching English to Speakers of other languages) and was previously a freelance Video Transcription Consultant. She is proficient in payroll, membership, management, assists in program planning and planting/placement of streetscape planters. Lynn is a Volunteer Reader for Voiceprint Canada.

6. Rick Rivers, Halifax

Rick, a retired high school physical education teacher was inducted in the NS Sports Hall of Fame in 2010. He graduated from Hamilton Teachers College and has three Dalhousie degrees: BPE; MSc, administration and sport history; MED, curriculum design. Rick was President of Football Nova Scotia and VP with Football Canada, serving on their Boards for many years. Retired, Rick is a tour guide and regularly tours the HPG.

Respectfully Submitted

The Nominating Committee:

Henri Paratte, Harry Popowich, Judith Cabrita