

# the TOWNSITE HERITAGE DIGESTER



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## Dr Henderson, Mason

### History with Triune Lodge No. 81 (Powell River)

*We were surprised and delighted when we saw this photo of Dr. Henderson in Mason regalia, something we had not seen before, accompanied by the Mason's memoriam. "Our" Dr. Henderson was first Master of the Triune Lodge here in Powell River, which happens to have been named after his lodge in Minnesota.*

*Darryl Craig is today's Worshipful Master of the Triune lodge and is in his fourth term in this position. He has been a Mason for 12 years. He joined the Triune Lodge 15 years ago after becoming established in Powell River. The Triune Lodge has been in Powell River for a century.*

*What follows was contributed (verbatim) by the Grand Lodge of British Columbia "In Memoriam, 1853-1935" of M. W. Brother Andrew Henderson (our Dr. Henderson).*



**M**.W. Brother Andrew Henderson was probably the oldest man (82) to hold the office of Grand Master in this jurisdiction, having been born in Sorel, Quebec, 13 June 1853. This jurisdiction covered all of British Columbia and Yukon.

M.W. Bro. Henderson was initiated in Bow River Lodge, then No. 28 Grand Lodge of Manitoba, now No. 1, Grand Register Alberta on 20 October 1884, he then being 31 years of age. He became Junior Warden of his mother lodge in 1886, and Senior Warden in 1887. He took his demit therefrom on 9 April 1888. On 23 April 1889, he became a member of Summit Lodge, No. 163, Grand Register Minnesota at St. Paul. On 9 January 1891, he left Summit Lodge to become a Charter Member of Triune Lodge, No 190 in the same city. He became Worshipful Master of this Lodge in 1894, and he took his demit therefrom, 21 December 1920.

He naturally took the leadership in Freemasonry in Powell River (Triune Lodge No. 81). A number of meetings were held in which was discussed the question



*Dr (M.W. Brother) Andrew Henderson in his Mason attire*

of obtaining a charter for a lodge at that place. On 11 May 1915, a dispensation was issued by MW Bro. James Stark. Bro. Henderson became its first Master and at his request it was called "Triune Lodge" in memory of the Lodge in Minnesota (No. 190), of which he had been a member and in which he had been the

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Worshipful Master.

From the time of his acceptance of office until his death, he was the guiding spirit of his lodge. He brought it into existence, guided its infancy and as long as he lived, he watched over its maturity.

He first attended Grand Lodge in 1917 as Master of this lodge, and from time to time was ordinarily present at its meetings. In 1918, he was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for District 12, and his report in 1919 shows his faithful discharge of his duties as such. As a token of the appreciation in which he was held by his lodge and his good work therein, as a Freemason, he was made an honorary member with full rights and privileges on 22 August 1922.

Few that were present at Grand Lodge in Victoria in June 1922 have forgotten the forcible and witty speech made by Bro. Henderson in pressing the claim of Powell River as the next place of meeting. His audience was convulsed with laughter which resulted in his invitation being ac-

cepted. At the meeting there in 1929, Bro. Henderson was duly elected Junior Grand Warden. He passed through the various offices of Senior Grand Warden and Deputy Grand Master and in 1933, was elected Grand Master, at a second meeting of Grand Lodge in his home town (Powell River).

Notwithstanding his advanced years, he visited all our northern lodges, White Horse, No. 46, Yukon Lodge, No. 45 and Atlinto Lodge, No. 42. He also visited many lodges in Victoria, Vancouver, and, at the Okanagan and surrounding districts. He did not long survive his tenure of office as Grand Master, as he passed away 19 September 1935, at the age of 82 years.

A good citizen, a worthy Freemason, devoted to the Craft in every way, a charming and witty companion, MW Bro. Henderson was a man who had the affection and respect of all who had the good fortune to be numbered among his friends.

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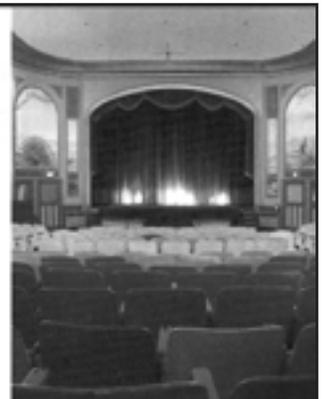


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# Townsite Heritage Society President's Message 2016

By Rebecca Vincent

**H**enderson House, as a living museum continues to evolve. We received close to full funding for our operating expenses through our Direct Access Program Grant this year, which enabled us to maintain our office hours and to complete two issues of the Digester, as planned. We would like to acknowledge the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia.

We are looking forward to liaising with the soon to be reconstructed **Townsite Merchant and Innkeepers Association**, and as well, are looking forward to welcoming the new owners of the **Rodmay Heritage Hotel** to our community in April. I'd like to say how much we appreciate all the work done by the previous owners of the Rodmay to preserve and restore this remarkable old building. Now might also be a good time to mention that a fully functional Heritage Commission has yet to be established, but we are hopeful of making significant movement forward on this project in the upcoming year.

A big thank you to **Quality Foods** for continuing their wonderful support of Blackberry Express, donating all our whipping cream. As well we very much appreciate the ongoing support of **St David and St Paul Anglican Church** every blackberry season.

We enjoyed a successful Growler partnership with

**Townsite Brewing** and have already received another of the coveted spots for this year. We have until the end of March to fill our growlers and vote for THS, in this beery fundraiser.

Heritage Week provided us a great opportunity to reach out to the community, both at the Mall and at the Complex. Listening to stories and inspiring residents with a new appreciation for our built heritage is always rewarding.

Despite some snags, Karen Southern's second book, entitled *House Histories and Heritage Vol. II - The Old Town* will be ready and for sale soon this year. We are grateful to Robert Dufour who continues his gracious support for the project. A huge thank you to everyone involved in moving us forward.

In closing, I'd like to thank my board of directors, they are the backbone of the Heritage Society. Thank you to our fearless coordinator Linda Nailer for keeping us all on track and ticking along. I'd also like to thank all of our supporters and all of our volunteers, with a special mention to Wendy and Doug Mobley, two of our most dedicated volunteers, and Andy Davis, the heart and soul of the Triangle Gardens. It's exciting for me to be working with such a committed and enthusiastic group. Here's to 2016!

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## Time to get out the paint brushes and ladder

The 23rd Annual Paint-Up campaign is just one of many activities the Townsite Heritage Society coordinates to promote pride of ownership and beautification of our Historic Townsite. A fresh coat of paint is a wonderful way for homeowners to showcase their heritage architecture. A carefully planned exterior paint scheme will further accentuate heritage features and really bring out the character of the home.

Residents can nominate themselves or a neighbour for the package of up to 20 gallons of Sico Exterior Paint at no cost—donated by PPG paints and Powell River Building Supply Ltd., the RONA Building Centre, our most generous and long-term corporate partner.

If you are interested in having your home considered, or to learn more about the program, please contact the society office at 604 483-3901 or email [thetownsite@shaw.ca](mailto:thetownsite@shaw.ca) by June 7th.

Final selections are made by Powell River Building Supply Ltd.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. House is an original Townsite home with the façade being at least 60% original
2. House is owner-occupied, not a rental.
3. House is in need of painting.
4. Owner has the personal resources to paint the house in the current season.
5. House is located in a highly visible area, and the landscaping contributes to the appearance.
6. Owner is willing to post a sign on their lawn crediting Powell River Building Supply, our local RONA building centre and PPG paints, who sponsor the donation of paint.
7. Owner is willing to have a “before and after” picture published in The Digester, the Townsite Heritage Society’s newsletter.
8. Owner is willing to consult with the Townsite Heritage Society regarding the palette of colour choices.

Part of what earned this area its distinction as a National Historic District in 1995 was having 90% of the 400-home residential section of the town almost completely intact as it was in the early 20th century. The “old town”



*Paint Up winners 2015, 5804 Maple—Rod and Erin Perrault*

Townsite was begun in 1910 and completed in 1916; the “newer” section was begun in 1920 and completed in 1931.

Until 1955, the Powell River Company, who built and owned the town, kept the homes in top-notch shape, maintaining them and painting every five years. Now, the Townsite Heritage Society helps residents learn about heritage conservation through activities and services to promote those same values.

### TOWNSITE TIDBIT

#### JOIN THE SOCIETY & YOU COULD WIN!

Come and join us! It’s only \$5 a year and we don’t bite — honest! New members joining by May 31st will be entered in a draw for a free copy of “People of the White City” by Emma Levez-Larocque. Just use the form on page 14 of this edition and bring it, or mail it to us at Henderson House Museum.

Robert Dufour

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# Digester Collection for Henderson House

## Profound message from the Powell River Company

This unique leather bound set of the early Townsite magazine spans almost a decade of consecutive Digester editions, starting with Volume 1, #1 (September 1922) through to Volume 11, #2 (February 1932). The book Joan holds in this photo is open to the very first page of the very first Digester and the very first words are as follows:

Under the photograph of the mill it reads: "Published by and devoted to the Interests of the Employees of the Powell River Company Limited and the Welfare of the Community."

Vol. 1, September 18, 1922 No. 1



Joan Astrope holds a copy of the first edition of the Digester she donated to Henderson House Museum

*To the Employees of Powell River Company. This first copy of the Powell River digester goes to you with the wish of the Directors that its publication will prove an unqualified success and that it will be the means of bringing you all into closer relationship with each other and with the management, so that our prediction may be fulfilled that*

*the Powell River Plant will be known as the best operated plant on the continent.*  
NORMAN R. LANG, Managing Director

Further along to page 3 is a list of the very first reportorial staff responsible for publishing the Digester. At the top is T. B. Medforth (Thomas B.), Editor, a distant relative to Joan Astrope through marriage. This personalized leather bound set had been the property of A.E. McMaster, who held a managerial position with the Powell River Company. After putting bits and pieces of the puzzle together, Joan believes that this set may have been given to T.B. Medforth's widow, after Mr. McMaster passed away. Over time, the books were kept safe and handed down through the Medforth family and eventually offered to Joan, who has thoughtfully presented them to us at Henderson House Museum where they can be enjoyed by all. Welcome to your new home my little darlings! May you never be lonely!



## Triune Lodge No. 81 100th Anniversary Gala Dinner and Dance

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# Townsite Home & Garden Awards

## What you need to know for 2016

This year our judges are calling for nominations from the Townsite Community for the Home and Garden awards. The nominated gardens are monitored by the judges throughout the growing season (with the exception of *Spring Fling*) and final judging is completed in early October. If you know of a deserving home or garden that fits the criteria below (yes, this could be your own home or garden) please submit your nomination by contacting the Townsite Heritage Society at 604 483-3901. (From time to time we may add a new category, or take one away. Please note that awards aren't necessarily presented in every category each year.)

### GARDEN AWARDS

#### SPRING FLING

This garden will display vibrant spring colours and continue to be in bloom for most of the spring season. Emphasis is placed on plant variety, longevity, and good garden maintenance. Different colour patterns and arrangements will be celebrated to welcome the coming of spring. Judging is held at the beginning of June.

#### MOST IMPROVED MIXED BORDER

This mixed border garden will be a noticeable improvement over previous years and is recognized for improved growth, colour and variety. The garden's condition and maintenance over time will be recognized, as well as the improved benefits to the neighbourhood.

#### BEST MIXED BORDER

This mixed border garden will be recognized for consistent growth, colour and variety during the summer season. The garden's condition and maintenance will be recognized, as well as the overall curb appeal.

#### MOST IMPROVED GARDEN

This garden will be a noticeable improvement over previous years and is recognized for improved growth, overall condition, colour and variety. Garden maintenance is considered as well as consistent colour and blooming variety during the garden season.

#### BEST GARDEN OVERALL

Probably the most prestigious garden award to recognize exemplary design, complexity, colour, variety and condition. Usually the judges consider the garden as it evolves overtime to display floribunda and beauty.

#### BEST GARDEN STRUCTURE

A slightly different category that recognizes anything unique in design and construction of garden structure. It

could be a pleasant gazebo, garden shed, vintage garage or garden pond sympathetic to our heritage architecture and detail. Creativity and good execution are the only prerequisites.

#### BEST KITCHEN GARDEN

Usually displayed in the back yard, but we'll judge it wherever we find it. Don't mind if judges are found peering over the fence. This garden is acknowledged, in most cases, for the abundance of vegetables with overall variety, good productivity and festive appeal.

#### BEST CONTAINER GARDEN

Pots, pots, pots. One can never have too many container pots or hanging baskets. This award recognizes colour, variety, pot design and placement to complement the site.

#### BEST COMMERCIAL GARDEN

Commercial properties are recognized for overall improvements, maintenance, beauty, and curb appeal. Overall landscaping and design are considered, as well as street trees, garden beds and greenspace.

### HOME AWARDS

#### GRAND GENERAL

Awarded to a well-kept home. While this home may not be recognized as 100% heritage, it does retain obvious heritage characteristics, and the exterior cosmetics finish (paint colours, siding etc.) and impeccable landscaping demonstrates pride of ownership

#### MOST IMPROVED HOME

Awarded to the owner of a Townsite home for improving the exterior appearance of a home that has been in need of attention. This home will demonstrate a turnaround from ill repair to restored and maintained. The improvements to this home may still be in progress, but consideration is given for potential curb appeal and work completed to date.

#### GRAND HERITAGE AWARD

Awarded to a well maintained/restored home that best reflects our Townsite heritage in every exterior detail, with retention or restoration of original windows, cladding, and roofing. Exterior cosmetics, heritage colours and landscaping all come into play. This house will set a good example of intact original arts and crafts design of the period.

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## We thank/honour you all

**W**e thank and honour you all! Congratulations to our Tla'amin friends and neighbours on achieving nationhood April 6th, on the unveiling and blessing of the welcome poles and the totem poles at Government House and the celebration ceremonies at the Evergreen Theatre on April 9th. It's been a long, long journey... what must have seemed like an unending marathon over an obstacle course, but it has finally seen the end of an era of colonialism for Tla'amin. A new journey towards self-determination and self-governance, free of the Indian Act at last, now begins...bravo to you all: the elders, the negotiators, the lawmakers, the counsellors, and especially to newly confirmed heghus Clint Williams, the last elected chief of the Tla'amin people, whose grandfather, Charlie Peters, was the first elected chief after the last hereditary chief, Tom Timothy.

This place we have known as Powell River, and now as the Townsite, for only the past 116 years, was known as Tees Kwat (big river) to the Tla'amin people, and was the main settlement in their traditional territory for over 4,000 years before that. In 1878, the Lieutenant Governor of BC made a land grant of District Lot 450, which encompassed all of this area, to Robert P. Rithet for \$2,775 as part of the Federal and Provincial governments' mandate to create an era of industrial expansion on Canada's west coast.

When the founders of the Powell River Company arrived on the scene thirty years later, there were already

several logging and milling businesses in place. Along with the many other first nations people up and down our coast who were displaced at this time to open up their traditional lands to resource extraction and other industries, our Tla'amin neighbours were being relocated to a small Reserve that had traditionally been a seasonal fishing village. With great generosity of spirit displayed by the Tla'amin people, a journey of reconciliation and healing has been travelled as well these past several years, with the local communities gaining greater understanding and respect for each other and leading the way to accord for other communities embarked on the same journey. As heghus Williams said on Saturday, "The Indian Act did not define us or make us Tla'amin People, it just made us indians." The opportunities provided through self-governance will support the continuing process of re-affirming cultural identity and make it possible to direct the terms of adapting to the demands of contemporary economics: the future is rich with possibility for Tla'amin.

We raise our hands to you.

### TOWNSITE TIDBIT

#### A GROWLY CHEER FOR TOWNSITE BEER

A big thank you to Townsite Brewing for including our Society in your growler program, and thanks to our supporters for choosing Townsite Heritage Society for the \$1 growler donation during January–March. Townsite Brewing supports a great number of local charities/non-profit societies throughout the year with their program, so please fill up your growlers, lift your glasses high and give that team a well-earned cheer



The Chamber is proud to acknowledge the **Townsite Heritage Society** in their outstanding endeavours, tenacity and unwavering efforts over the years.

The restoration of Dr Henderson's House, and your influence in the preservation and restoration of the Heritage Townsite, has been phenomenal.

We would also like to acknowledge the endeavours of the businesses within the Heritage Townsite, and convey our support to them in their revitalization and growth.

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## Rodmay Heritage Hotel

New owners for historic hotel



We would like to extend a warm greeting and congratulations to the new owners of the Rodmay Heritage Hotel. We are looking forward to meeting Rita Hou and her business partner Jeff Feng. We wish them great success and anxiously look forward to hearing their plans for this 'Grand Old Girl' with all her history and memories. Welcome to the Heritage Townsite of Powell River.

## MABA High Tea

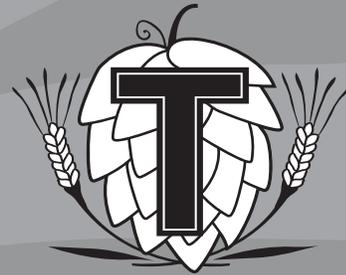
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## Maintaining the warmth and charm

So you want to be energy efficient and you are torn between maintaining the look of your heritage home or compromising its authenticity by replacing your old leaky windows with brand new vinyl ones. You might be surprised to find that conservation can be a flexible and sustainable approach that also provides ideas inspired by the building's past. Yes, you can have your cake and eat it too!

### WINDOW REUSE & REPAIR

*The information below comes from the Vancouver Heritage Foundations' "New Life Old Buildings – Green guide to heritage conservation."*

One of the most common practices in renovation is to throw away the old wood windows. Removing historic windows should be a last resort, not a first resort.

Life-cycle cost analysis has shown that replacing historic windows in order to reduce heating costs is largely a myth. The most energy-efficient window is one which is responsible for less consumption of energy across its entire life cycle, including its manufacture, shipping, time in service and its eventual disposal or recycling— not just its performance rating on the day it was installed.

If you are facing operational problems with your old wood windows, it is comforting to know that your windows can be repaired. Before phoning your local window replacement specialist, remember that traditional windows are usually maintainable—nearly anything that goes wrong with them can be fixed.

The so-called "maintenance free" windows on the other hand, will not have the traditional problems associated with historic windows, but they will introduce a host of new ones. Vinyl welds may break, proprietary hardware and other components may not be available in five years' time, the coating on the aluminum or colour of the vinyl will fade or scratch, the vinyl will emit toxic fumes if it is burned, and the seals in the insulated glass units will fail. Remember, glass and aluminum are two of the most energy-dense building materials requiring the highest use of energy in their manufacture and recycling. Vinyl is a non-renewable petroleum product and is not biodegradable.

The thermal performance of old windows can be greatly improved through simple non-invasive strategies such as weather stripping, installing storm windows, shutters and lined drapery.

### IMPROVING YOUR TRADITIONAL WINDOWS

*Following information provided by the BC Heritage Branch of British Columbia*

To upgrade the efficiency of your windows, consider repairing, retrofitting or resealing your windows. All windows require maintenance and repairs to keep them in good working order. Even new windows can become inefficient if neglected. Every year, hardware should be cleaned, tightened and lubricated, and any cracked glazing should be replaced.

To determine what kind of upgrades your windows need, inspect them for ease of operation, faulty hardware, loose joints, glazing defects, warping, worn weather-stripping, mould or rot.

Aspects of traditional designs which take into account natural airflow, heat retention and cooling mean that some historic buildings actually outperform modern buildings. Numerous green rehabilitations of historic buildings also prove that where building energy performance is lacking, it can be improved in a way that is sensitive to historic fabric.

### QUESTIONS YOU MAY BE ASKING

#### How do I know if my windows have air leaks?

Find air leaks by holding a thin piece of plastic or tissue near your windows on a cold or windy day. Movement of the material will indicate where leaks are. You can also hire a certified energy advisor to conduct a more comprehensive blower door test. Minimal repairs, such as caulking and sealing cracks and fissures, will help to minimize air leaks in windows and keep cold air out in the winter.

#### How do I improve the thermal resistance of my windows?

Augment your existing windows with exterior or interior storm windows. Storm windows can be quite attractive as well as removable, so you don't have to worry about compromising any of the character defining features of your building. (Check out the storm windows installed at Henderson House Museum). You can also add a second layer by installing energy panels of Low-E (low-emissive) glass.

#### Who can restore my heritage windows in Powell River?

Contact the Townsite Heritage Society and we will refer you to the right person.

# Setting the tone at Henderson House Museum

## Our newly-restored phonograph

A good old-fashioned thank you goes out to Paul Mitchell of Suncoast Vintage Music for volunteering his time and the parts needed to repair of our period phonographs at Henderson House Museum. I don't have a picture to prove it, but I'm quite sure that my jaw dropped to the floor when Paul walked through the door at Henderson House, introduced himself and said: "I'm here to fix your phonograph." At last we can finally



*Old school technician, Paul Mitchell with the 'Edison Home phonograph'*

listen to the joyful sounds of the old 78s on the phonograph (our portal back through time) donated by Rudy Pearson (from the original guest house in the Townsite). But wait, there's more! Just when we thought our luck couldn't possibly get any better: Paul discovered the

phonograph upstairs (on loan from the Powell River Historical Museum) and he fixed it too! Nothing can take you back to the early days in Townsite more readily than the sound of a 78 playing on an antique phonograph at Henderson House Museum.

I visited Paul's shop at 3619B Willingdon Avenue and was treated to sound samples from his stunning museum collection of various period phonographs such as Victor Edison, Polphyon Musik, Edison Home (unique with large brass horn), and fascinating player pianos such as Gulbranson and Mendelssohn. Paul also has an interesting collection of old period records and piano rolls (music for the player pianos).

Paul's interest was first piqued by player pianos in 1971 and he has dabbled in a cross section of vintage musical instruments ever since, with the main focus being on phonographs and player pianos. Paul is passionate about, as he so aptly puts it, NON-ELECTRIC equipment, and is extremely knowledgeable in the mechanical works and history of his fine collection. He has a full understanding of what is involved in restoration and repair, and Paul is of the opinion that no phonograph or player piano or old organ should be sitting in storage. Bring them out, dust them off, get them working, and enjoy their quality, beauty and sound. Most often the solution is very simple—a good cleaning and re-greasing the gears may be all that is required to bring your heirloom phonograph back to life "for another 100 years."

*Paul Mitchell owns Suncoast Vintage Music. He repairs and refurbishes classic instruments and offers piano tuning. He is at 3619B Willingdon Avenue and can be reached at 604 223-0773.*



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*Linda Nailer (left), Coordinator for the Townsite Heritage Society receives a cheque for \$500 from Valerie Carlsen, Branch Manager of Powell River's First Credit Union.*

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*Two visitors join Stewart Alsgard (at right) for a guided tour of our historic Townsite.*

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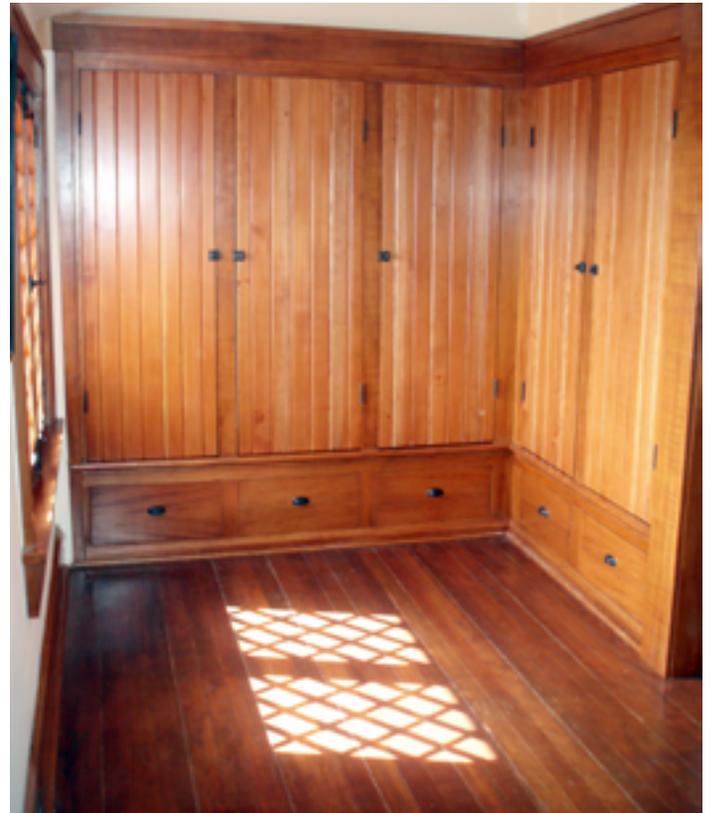
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New wardrobe for master bedroom



*Beautiful new built-in wardrobe now complete in master bedroom at Henderson House — and ready to come to life!*

We will now begin the fun part of collecting and displaying items in this beautiful built in cabinetry recreated by Don Skorey! We are focusing on what might have been found in a typical Powell River Townsite wardrobe (keeping Dr and Mrs Henderson in mind) during the early 1900s. We do have some artifacts to bring out of storage but we are also taking donations. If you think you have an appropriate period item that you are willing to donate, let us know by calling 604 483-3901. Your piece could be an important addition to our living museum. We'd love to hear from you.

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E-mail us at <thetownsite@shaw.ca>  townsiteheritagesocietyofpowellriver



Yes, I would like to be a member for 2016  \$5 MEMBERSHIP

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CASH DONATION  \$10  \$20  \$30  \$40  \$50  Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Please, sign me up to help with:

- Office Volunteer  Digester Newsletter Delivery  Blackberry Street Party  
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Or I can: \_\_\_\_\_

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