

# BCHF Newsletter

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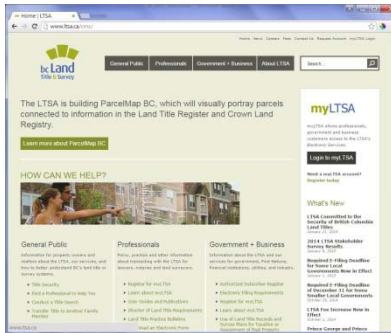
## *Land Title Authority Report*

Jacqueline Gresko, BCHF Honorary President



British Columbia Historical Federation members have heard about the inventory

and conservation work done by the Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia from my reports to the AGMs. Some members have toured Victoria, New Westminster and Kamloops offices.



The Alberta-British Columbia Boundary Commission is doing monument restoration at Elk Pass, Deadman Pass and Lake Louise.

*L TSA celebrated its 10 Year Anniversary in January 2015 and announced the development of ParcelMap BC.*

The January 7, 2015 Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting included recognition of the LTSA Ten Year Anniversary and information about mapping and boundary projects. ParcelMap BC is being developed “as a single, complete, trusted and sustainable electronic map of all titled parcels and surveyed provincial Crown land parcels in BC.”

For more information see [ltsa.ca](http://ltsa.ca).

**Jacqueline Gresko**  
Honorary President BC  
Historical Federation and  
Member Stakeholder Advisory  
Committee, Land Title and  
Survey Authority of British  
Columbia.

## *Journey to the Cariboo*

May 21–23, 2015: Journey to the Cariboo, BCHF Annual Conference

Planned activities include:

- Thursday, May 21, Opening evening reception
- Friday, May 22, a full day bus tour to Barkerville
- Friday, May 22, movie evening with socializing
- Saturday, May 23, BCHF AGM, various concurrent sessions, and the book fair
- Saturday, May 23, evening awards banquet

In addition, the BCHF is working on a bus tour from the Lower Mainland, including a pick up at BC Ferries in Tsawwassen, to Quesnel. This would leave the Lower Mainland on Wednesday, May 20th and overnight at Cache Creek. Arriving in Quesnel on Thursday, May 21st. Returning to the Lower Mainland on Sunday, May 24th.

For information contact BCHF Conference Coordinators, Ken Wuschke and Elizabeth Hunter at [conference@bchistory.ca](mailto:conference@bchistory.ca).

## *RBCM Reciprocal Membership Program*

Join the Royal BC Museum Reciprocal Membership Discount Program.

It's not too late to participate in the 2015/2016 year please register your interest by February 28, 2015 with [membership@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca](mailto:membership@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca)

The Royal BC Museum (RBCM) is looking forward to expanding its promotional partnerships with Museums and Galleries across British Columbia. They are always looking for appropriate opportunities to add value for their growing membership base. They feel that a relationship between organizations will deliver on this priority. In addition, there is the opportunity for everyone to increase interest and build new relationships.

If your organization has Gold Rush related content please let RBCM know. Their summer feature exhibition, Gold Rush! El Dorado in BC, opens on May 13, 2015 and they'd love to encourage their visitors to explore the Gold Rush trail throughout BC.

They look forward to building this partnership with you and to welcoming your members to the Royal BC Museum. Learn more: <http://royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/gold/>

## *Nominate a Historic Place!*

Chinese Historic Places Recognition Project

Do you know a historic place associated with the history of the Chinese community in British Columbia that is important to you or your community?

You don't have to be an expert to nominate a historic place. What makes a place historic or have heritage value is how it is important to people and communities. It does not have to be a grand building with significant architecture or even very old. Think about places that relate to the contribution of Chinese Canadians to the development of British Columbia's communities, culture, economy and prosperity, and history in general, and should be formally recognized as significant historic places.

Deadline for submitting nominations is February 20, 2015.

For more information about the Chinese Historic Places Recognition Project nomination process: <http://heritagebc.ca/chinese-historic-places-recognition-project>

## In Memoriam



**David Bruce Mason** of Victoria. David died December 28, 2014. He was born August 10, 1935 in Ladysmith, BC to David and Fanny Mason. David earned degrees from UBC in Arts (Latin and History) and in Library Science.

After university, he went on to a 32-year career as an archivist at the BC Archives and was the "go to" person for friends and family looking for information on BC history. David was a man of many interests including history, genealogy, computers, classical music, sports, gardening, cycling, and silly cat humour. Obituary in *Victoria Times Colonist* from Jan. 2 to Jan. 3, 2015.

## *Member Societies*



As a benefit of membership you can advertise your society's event in the calendar or talk about your projects – send me your events. Andrea Lister: [newsletter@bchistory.ca](mailto:newsletter@bchistory.ca).

## *Please Share*



Please share this newsletter with the members of your historical society.

## Upcoming Events

BCHF Member Society Events from around British Columbia

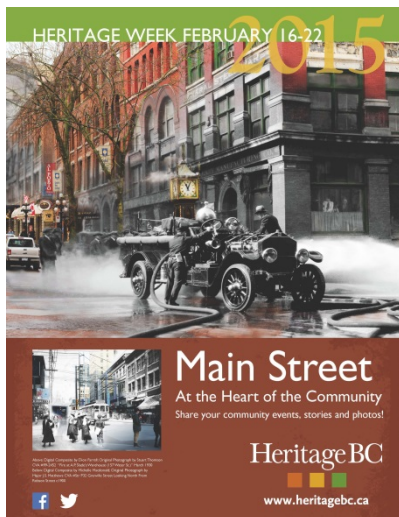
### Heritage Week

February 16-22, 2015

*Main Street: At The Heart of The Community*

[www.heritagebc.ca/heritage-week-2015](http://www.heritagebc.ca/heritage-week-2015)

This Heritage Week celebrate the history of your Main Streets and the revitalization of traditional downtowns throughout BC.



### BC Black History Awareness Society

*Black History Month*

[www.bcblackhistory.ca](http://www.bcblackhistory.ca)

*The Underground Railroad*

Saturday, February 7, 2015, 2:30 pm, Central Sannich Library

“Adam’s Journey to the Promised Land” describes the UGRR and the journey of an actual traveler as told by a fourth generation descendant.

*BC Black History & Heritage Day*

Sunday, February 15, 2015, 2:00 pm, James Bay New Horizons

Speaker, John Lutz will present the work of Grafton Tyler Brown, the first documented professional graphic artist on the west coast.

*BC Black History Presentation*

Saturday, February 21, 2015, 2:00 pm, Esquimalt Library

A descendant of the Alexander Pioneer family shares stories and information on her ancestors and other BC Black pioneers.

*Ross Bay Cemetery Tour*

Sunday, February 22, 2015, 2:00 pm, meet at Oregono’s, Fairfield Village, rain or shine

A guided tour of the graves of many Black pioneers of long-ago Victoria by Valin Marshall and John Adams.

*An Evening of Story Telling, Gospel, Jazz, Blues*

Monday, February 23, 2015, 7:00 pm, Belfry Theatre

Justin Carter presents a new one man show. The Chance Lovett Quartet performs. Admission by donation.

*Black History Month Community Recognition Awards Ceremony*

Saturday, February 28, 2015, 5:30 pm, New Horizons Centre

A light dinner will be served. After the ceremony people are invited to the closing party at the Copper Owl, \$10 cover.

**Kootenay Lake Historical Society and the SS Moyie National Historic Site in Kaslo, BC**

[klhs.bc.ca](http://klhs.bc.ca)

*KLHS AGM and Bring a Friend*

March 18, 2015, 7:00pm, Langham Theatre

Join the KLHS and find out how you can support of their essential tourism and heritage work.

**Langley Heritage Society Vancouver’s Roedde House Museum and Family**

February 24, 2015, 7:30 pm, Milner Chapel

Speaker Cam Cathcart. Stay for coffee and refreshments.

*Doukhobor Assimilation in BC*

March 24, 2015, 7:30 pm, Milner Chapel

Speaker Helen Chernoff Freeman. Stay for coffee and refreshments.

**Nikkei National Museum**

[centre.nikkeiplace.org](http://centre.nikkeiplace.org)

*Preserving Nikkei History*

Saturday, February 28, 2015, 3:00 pm, Free

Talk by Scott Owens, Collections Manager. Learn how artefacts, photographs and writings are preserved at the Nikkei National Museum. This talk includes a special behind-the-scenes tour in the collections vault, and tips on how to preserve your family’s old photos, artefacts and writings.

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