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15 APPOINTED TO HERITAGE COUNCIL

Fifteen new members have been appointed to the Manitoba Heritage Council, Culture, Heritage and Recreation Minister Bonnie Mitchelson has announced.

"The council plays an important role in preserving Manitoba's heritage," Mitchelson said. "The experience and expertise of the new members will be a major contribution to the council's work."

The council provides advice to the minister and recommends which people, places, objects and events should be designated as historically significant to Manitoba.

New appointments for a two-year term are:

- * Chairperson, Bill Neville of Winnipeg, executive assistant to the University of Manitoba president;
- * Vice-Chairperson, Ruth Christie, a Glenboro teacher;
- * Gilles Lesage of Winnipeg, executive director, St. Boniface Historical Society;
- * George Lalor, a Winnipeg writer and historian;
- * Sam Sims of Stonewall, chairperson, Stonewall Heritage Advisory Committee;
- * Alf Kennedy, a Brandon financial consultant;
- * Ed Rea of Winnipeg, a history professor;

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- * Muriel Wells of Winnipeg, member, Manitoba Historical Society;
- * Jim Weselake, a Winnipeg architect;
- * Colleen Cutschall of Brandon, assistant professor of Fine Arts and Native Studies;
- * Dr. Helen Marsh, a Dauphin writer;
- * Eveline Holtmann, a Winnipeg management consultant;
- * Sandy Beardy of Cross Lake;
- * Dorothy Choy of Winnipeg, active with the Chinese Historical Museum and a member of the Manitoba Multicultural Resources Centre.

Reappointed members are Jock Bates, Dr. Jean Friesen, Ellen Lee, Dr. John Lehr, Dr. E.L. Syms, all of Winnipeg and Sharon Whitaker of Erickson. Provincial archivist Peter Bower and Donna Dul, director of the department's Historic Resources Branch, continue to serve as ex-officio members.

The minister welcomed the returning and new members who bring with them a variety of experience and expertise in the heritage field, and also thanked outgoing council members for their hard work and dedication over the years.

The outgoing members are Bernie Duffy, Emma laRocque, Anne Bawden, Jau-Nan Cheng, Lorraine McKay, Sidney Allen, Marvin Prochyshyn, Roseline Usiskin, Steve Prystupa, Helene Brignon, Ken Osborne, Stewart Thompson and Osmund Anderson.