

ATTACHEMENT 1 Street Name Inventory Additions – Volunteers and Notable Figures

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Becker	<p>Dr. Norbert (Norm) Becker (1944-2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An engineer, well-known for his volunteer contribution to Amherstburg projects by donating his time, expertise and materials to assist churches, non-profit organizations and community groups • Donated his service and championed the restoration in 1999-2000 of the Nazrey African Methodist Episcopal Church, now part of the Amherstburg Freedom Museum. “Without him, the church would not be standing” - Amherstburg Freedom Museum • Was instrumental in the 2011-12 rebuilding of the Boblo Island Blockhouse (Bois Blanc National Historic Site), donating his time and reconstruction materials. Also donated service on work to Boblo Island Stone Circle and Sailors Monument • Donated services to rehabilitate other Amherstburg historic sites including First Baptist Church National Historic Site (2013); St. John the Baptist Church; and Navy Yard Park
Bernachi	<p>Harold (1930-2011)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charter Member of the Fr. Louis Boue Assembly of the Knights of Columbus; Honorary Life member of the Knights of Columbus Amherstburg Council • Amherstburg Lions Club member since 1969 and President 1994-95 • Member of the Amherstburg Chamber of Commerce since 1963, and President 1982-84 • Honourary member of the AAM Volunteer Ambulance Service since 1970 having converted two hearses into ambulances in his body shop • Trustee of General Amherst High School • Member of the Anderdon planning Board for 8 years • Vice-Chairman of the HMS Detroit Committee • Certificate of Merit for Community Service – Government of Canada 1988 – for helping to raise \$40,000 to purchase the first Care-A-Van for Amherstburg • Guest columnist Amherstburg Echo • Amherstburg Citizen of the Year in 1988
Bezaire	<p>Elizabeth Bezaire (1926-2007)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught school in the Amherstburg area for many years and was an active member at St. John The Baptist Church • Charter member of the IOTA Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa honorary sorority for female educators • Was a dedicated member of the R.C.L. Br. 157, being active with the Poppy Fund and Colour Party

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Was the 1st female president elected at Branch 157 (1997-1998)
Burkhart	<p>Rev. John Burkhart (1937-2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 1964-2001 Chaplain of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 157 A committed champion of local history, he was a founding board member of the Amherstburg Historic Sites Association (1973), and a later president; member of Amherstburg's Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee A founding board member of the AAM Social Planning Council (1973) Served as first Chairman of Essex County Housing Authority Amherstburg Citizen of the Year in 1993, jointly with wife Shirley Burkhart <p>Shirley Burkhart (1940-2018)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Information Officer with AAM Community Services (Social Planning Council) for at least 13 years Active in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church for decades helping with nursery and Sunday school among other service Weekly "Edenburg" columnist in the Echo newspaper Amherstburg Citizen of the Year in 1993, jointly with husband Rev. John Burkhart
Cozens	<p>Reginal Cozens (1912-2005)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principal of General Amherst School 1962-69; Superintendent of Essex secondary Schools 1972-74; county school Superintendent 1974-78; School Board member for Essex County President of Ontario Teachers Federation and Ontario Secondary Schools Teachers Federation Amherstburg Town Councillor (10 years) active member/ volunteer in the following organizations: Masons (55 years); Amherstburg Rotary Club (President); Royal Canadian Legion branch 157, Canadian Cancer Society first President Wessex Unit, 1973), AAM Food Bank, Fort Malden Horticultural Society Anglican Church lay reader Amherstburg Citizen of the Year in 1992, jointly with wife Mary <p>Mary Cozens (1917 – 2001)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long-time volunteer of the Red Cross starting in World War II, and with the Canadian Cancer Society (25 years) Helped to found and develop the AAM Food Bank in 1987

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteered with Meals-on-Wheels program and the “Thursday Club” weekly meal service at the United Church Amherstburg Citizen of the Year in 1992, jointly with husband Reginald
Gagnier	<p>Sister Marie Celine (Elodia Julie) Gagnier (1906-2004)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Served the Ursuline Community, starting as a homemaker in the McGregor and Amherstburg areas in 1926; spent countless hours visiting and caring for ailing tri-community senior citizens Spiritual Advisor, Executive Council Columbian Ladies Auxiliary (1995-96) Amherstburg Citizen of the Year 1996
Gibson	<p>Florence Gibson (1902-83)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchased the former Michigan Central Railways station in 1969 and donated it to the Fort Malden Guild of Arts and Crafts for use as a gallery and cultural centre Amherstburg Citizen of the Year 1979
Hall	<p>Mary Hall (1913-2009)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteered throughout her life Served during World War II as a registered nurse caring for soldiers on troop trains Was heavily involved with the Canadian Cancer Society - Windsor Essex Chapter as President (1960-65); Supervisor (1965-78; 1984-99); Chairperson (1978-85) Was a member of the first Board of Directors for the Amherstburg Historic Sites Association in 1973 Oversaw restoration of Christ Church (1982-85) Awards and honours include: Amherstburg Bi-centennial Citizen of the Year (1996); Year-of-Volunteer Medal, United Nations (2001); the Queens Golden Jubilee medal (2002); and Eli Golden humanitarian award from Rotary International (2005)
Hertel	<p>Paul Hertel (1945-2020)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History and Social Sciences teacher and department head at General Amherst School for 32 years supported fellow teachers as branch president of Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation leader (OSSTD), multiple terms with the OSSTD Political Action Committee and working with Windsor & District Labour Council. Also helped develop local history curriculum and led student council activities Amherstburg Town councillor in 1977-84, and as Deputy Reeve in 1979-82. On Council, championed urban renewal,

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	<p>sustainable development and heritage conservation, and specifically the Kings Navy Yard Park redevelopment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Founding member of the North American Black Historical Museum (Amherstburg Freedom Museum). Also a leading member and director of the Amherstburg Performing Arts Society (President & Founding member), The Gibson House Gallery, Art in the Park, Amherstburg Family Health Team (President), Essex County Citizens Against Fermi II. - Member of the Amherstburg Heritage Committee - President Belle Vue Cultural Foundation; active member of Friends of Belle Vue, and Belle Vue Conservancy
Johnson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jennie Johnson (1871-1962) • Grew up in Amherstburg and by 1905 was a registered nurse working in Detroit • In 1917, at the age of 46, she was accepted for overseas service in British hospitals • Was the only local woman to serve at the front during WWI • In 1919 Jennie Johnson received a gold medal along with fifty Amherstburg servicemen for having “seen active service in France or at the front”
Kennedy	<p>Murray Kennedy (1918-2015)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local businessman – owner of Kennedy Motors for 30 years • Served in World War II with the Royal Canadian Air Force • Helped to start the Amherstburg Kinsmen in 1956 • Until 1997, Chairman and key supporter of Project HMS Detroit, an initiative to built a replica of the HMS Detroit battleship to be built as ab attraction to celebrate Amherstburg’s rich maritime history • Soloist and choir member of the Amherstburg United Church for 74 years • Named Amherstburg Citizen of the Year in 1991
Mailloux	<p>Melvin Mailloux (1920- 2002)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amherstburg fire chief, 1968-1990
Spearing	<p>Harry Spearing Jr. (1913-89)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor at Allied Chemical; Former Ferry Boat Captain to Boblo Island • In 1931 he rescued a person from the Detroit River near the Amherstburg marine docks • Became president of the Horticultural Society in 1937 • In 1938 he joined the fire department rescue squad and in 1945 became chief of the Amherstburg Fire Department Rescue Squad • Charter Member and first Chief of the A.A.M. Volunteer Ambulance Service in 1962. Donated financially to run and maintain the vehicles.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairman of Malden Public Utilities Commission
Stone	<p>Frances Stone (1924-1999)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veteran of WWII, having served in the R.C.A.F. Women's Division Director of the Amherstburg, Anderdon and Malden Social Planning Council (A.A.M. Community Services) in the mid 1970s – 1989. The organization brought local access to social services. Frances helped the organization through its formative years and numerous expansions including Meals on Wheels and Care-A-Van service for senior and special needs citizens. Was a member of the Amherstburg Historic Sites Association for many years
Simpson	<p>Melvin Simpson (1917-1982) and Betty Simpson (1925 -2014)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The North American Black Historical Museum and Cultural Centre (now Amherstburg Freedom Museum) is the legacy of founders, Melvin and Betty Simpson In the early 1960s the Simpsons developed a vision for a museum to “uncover and preserve the record of the rich heritage Black people have, making it available for the positive development of the Black Community and for the general educational benefit of all” In 1966 the Simpsons and others developed plans to construct a Centennial museum adjacent to the Nazery African Methodist Church. The museum was incorporated in 1975 and opened in 1981 In 1982 the Town of Amherstburg recognized the Simpson's work to promote Black history with the presentation of a plaque Melvin was also on the Board of Directors for the House of Shalom Betty served on the museum's board of directors for many years Betty received the Government of Canada's “Canada 125” medal in 1993 The Simpsons were jointly named Citizen(s) of the Year in 1982
Sutherland	<p>Charles (Bob) Sutherland (1920-2005)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long-time executive at Uniroyal Canada President of the Amherstburg Chamber of Commerce Initiated the Amherstburg Garden Tour (1985) and the A.A.M Rhododendron committee. He became known as “Rhodo Bob”

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	<p>with a plaque recognizing his contributions in King Navy Yard Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Helped develop the Kings Navy Yard Park and received recognition by Council resolution of his service in 2003• Director and member of the Executive Committee of Project H.M.S. Detroit• Named Amherstburg Citizen of the Year in 1989
Ware	<p>Rev. John Francis Ware, C.B.S. (1925-1995)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Served St. John the Baptist Parish 1969-1987• Founder of the House of Shalom Youth Centre 1971• Amherstburg Citizen of the Year 1986