



*Sault Ste. Marie
Municipal Heritage Committee*

Municipal Heritage Committee 2006 Heritage Award

Linda Burtch

Linda Burtch was an active member of the Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee from 1998 to 2004, serving as Vice-Chairperson from 2000-2003 and Chairperson in 2004. Doors Open Ontario was a community event that welcomed over 10,000 visitors to our local heritage sites and Ms. Burtch was a driving force behind the City's involvement.

Ms. Burtch's contributions to heritage have been expressed in a number of ways including; creating a text and photographic inventory of local plaques and monuments, creating a photographic inventory of local headstones, preparing of publication 'Historic Sault Ste. Marie – a Guide to the Historic Plaques and Monuments in Sault Ste. Marie', 'Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario – Heritage Buildings', and 'The 1923 Pilgrimage of History Plaques' which was a millennium project of the Municipal Heritage Committee.

As a reference librarian and archivist, Ms. Burtch has been able to obtain valuable documents, preserving them for the community.

With much success, Ms. Burtch was retained in 1991 by Great Lakes Power Limited to prepare a historical brochure and in 1992 carried out restoration work on a number of hundred-year-old survey plans of areas of the Town of Steelton and Townships.