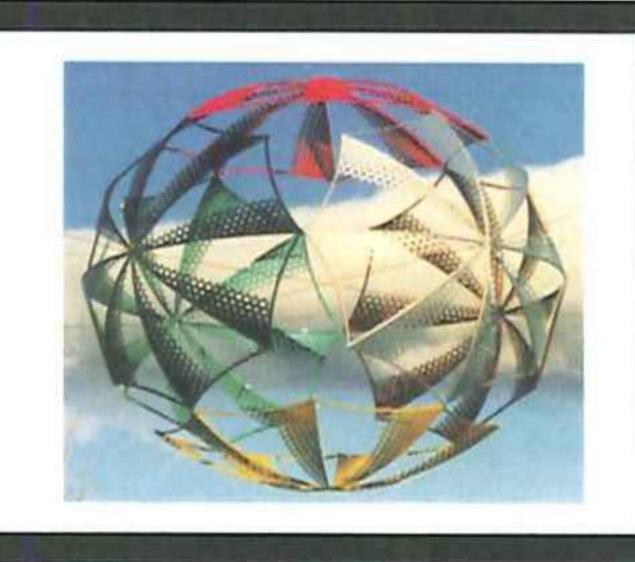
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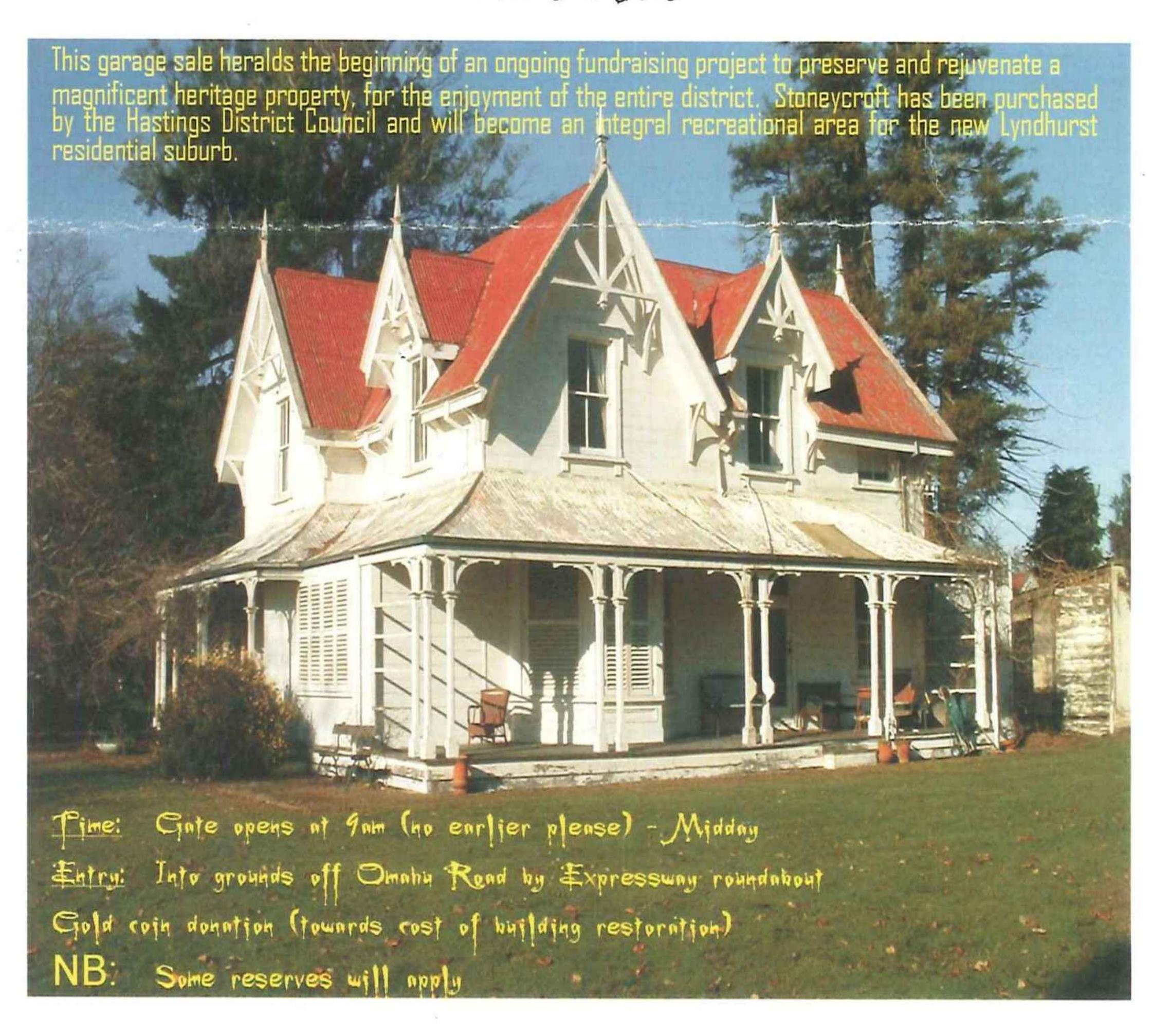
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## STONEYCROFF

GARAGE SALE

Saturday 6th May



#### "Hastings 50 years a City" Celebrations

Plans for Hastings City 50th jubilee celebrations in September are well advanced and the organising committee is extremely pleased with the level of sponsorship support offered by local businesses.

Formal celebrations will commence during the first week in September however schools will be involved in a series of competitions prior to this. A range of functions, concerts and other activities are being planned and the programme should be finalised by the end of May.

There are two exhibitions planned - A social exhibition "The Golden Years" at the HB Exhibition Centre focusing on the last 50 years in Hastings and at the Community Arts Centre Hawke's Bay artists will interpret the anniversary.





#### Some of the confirmed activities include:

- Formal dinner
- 1950s Family Fun Day (including 1950s style tabloid sports)
- · Drive in Movie
- 1950s Blossom Parade
- "A night on the tiles" with guest artist Johnny Devlin

Friday 8th Sept Sunday10th Sept

Friday 15th Sept Saturday 16th Sept Saturday 16 Sept

These are but a sample of the events that will take place so mark your diaries now for a busy time in September!

Event organizers, Hastings City Marketing, are keen to collect stories and memorabilia from the 1950s. If you would like to contribute please contact Sally Jackson or Suzy Melhuish on

#### "Landmarks = People + participation = Pride"

Landmarks owes so much to the vision of Jeremy Dwyer. A vision that sees the community as an integral part in raising civic pride in Hastings. A vision that identified the need to consider the four key areas of History, Architecture, Landscape and Public Art, and to integrate them into all projects undertaken.

His Landmarks vision was based on a belief in Hastings and its people. The Landmarks community will sadly miss his energy, his leadership skills, his sense of humour, his pragmatic ability to get to the heart of an issue.

But Landmarks still has his dream - his Landmarks vision.



Jeremy Dwyer QSO. 3.12.47 - 10.12.2005

#### SPANISH MISSION WALKS

#### Times:

John Davidson is one of three guides that conduct Spanish Mission walks around Hastings mainly in the weekends. Up to now, it has seen difficulties, but times are changing......

- walks this summer have benefited from some advertising
- The numbers have grown and the enthusiasm of the walkers has been especially rewarding to the guides
- Inclusion in the Art Deco Week Booklet led to a surge in numbers, with frequent comments such as "I didn't know Hastings also was damaged" reinforcing the perception (even at Te Papa) that the earthquake has been branded as 'the Napier earthquake alone'
- More and more tourists and locals are appreciating Hastings' very special character
- Comments about unsympathetic signage is common, as is the 'unprotected' status of many heritage buildings
- It is hoped that everyday access to the Opera House will become standard
- Peeks inside Harvey's and Kershaw's skylights and upstairs Westerman's are always popular
- Guides are considering altering the walk to possibly conclude with coffee at the Opera House
- Obtaining access to the Wesleyan Methodist Church has been a boost- the new paint and restored organ are highlights
- There is a need for more guides for next summer anyone interested please contact John Davidson Landmarks Exec

### Landmarks Bits and Pieces:

## Walking & Cycling Strategies:

- Launched March 2006
- Promotion of exercise while experiencing the natural landscape of Hastings
- Various initiatives already underway
- Council's commitment to existing and new recreational walkways
- Goal: By 2015, substantial numbers walking to shop, work or school

### CBD . Heritage Controls: Plan Change 23

- Landmarks, Hastings City Marketing and the NZ Historic Places Trust have succeeded in securing the District Plan protection over a significant portion of heritage buildings within the inner Hastings CBD.
- In addition further design controls for buildings located within the Large Format Retail Zone are to be reviewed as part of the commercial area review.
- Use of the Aesthetic Design Panel is also proving successful.

### Public Art:

- Construction of Linda Trubridge's 'Winged Walls' artwork for the Havelock North Village Green has begun.
- Fundraising continues for the Bing Dawe's 'Eels' with hopes that both will be completed by 2007.

### Hawke's Bay Opera House:

The Opera House is operating as a working Theatre now that Stage 2 of the Opera House upgrade is complete. The next Hastings CBD upgrade (Stage 4) is about to commence, involving the reconstruction of the Hastings Street block outside the Opera House. Other new developments to watch out for in the Opera House complex is the establishment of a Café in the recently refurbished courtyard buildings (ex Quinney's).



Photo: Craig Goodall - Opera House Manager

Members Reminder:

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Outstanding and new members -

### Landmarks President Joyce Barry receives Civic Honour Award:

April 5th 2006 was a big night for Landmarks president Joyce Barry. Joyce was awarded a Civic Honour for Services to the Arts and Welfare. The award recognizes Joyce's commitment to many causes including, Landmarks, Walk & Cycleways, Keep Hastings Beautiful, Cranford Hospice, Guilin Sister City relationship, Dove Financial Trust and the Hastings Croquet Club. Well done Joyce!!!