



Heritage Update

To keep you informed about current heritage news and events, we bring to you this season's Heritage Update. We hope you will find this periodic newsletter both useful and entertaining. Your feedback is welcome!

President's Report:



In June we welcomed the City of Salmon Arm council and senior staff to the Village for their weekly council meeting. This is an annual opportunity for us to show off the progress we have made in the past year. After

the meeting, we were pleased to give members of council and staff a tour of the new building. I am certain they were all suitably impressed by the amazing progress made on the Montebello project in the short time since our ground breaking in December 2015. The building is now at the lock up stage awaiting the continuation of construction after our busy season is over. Their reactions were the same as anyone coming to the village today. It is an impressive structure and we are very excited to get started on the next stage.



The new building will raise the Haney Heritage Village to a new level. The possibilities for exhibits and events are endless. With the new building there will be a need for more

staff and even more volunteers. We are truly grateful to those many dedicated individuals who come to the village to make our numerous community events possible. We are a small organization and it is very gratifying to us that so many others, many of whom are not members, share in our vision. One of my goals as president is to increase membership in the Association. The majority of our volunteers don't come to our monthly meetings but we would welcome their input. Our meetings are not long drawn out dry affairs. We get the business over with as quickly as possible so we can enjoy the "Show and tell" presented by Curator Deborah Chapman at the end of the meeting and the refreshments provided thanks to long time member and volunteer Rosemary Wilson.

Many people are reluctant to start volunteering because they are afraid they will end up working much more than they want.

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General Manager's Update:



At the Village, we are always looking back to see our way forward and we have many things to celebrate. We have wonderful partnerships with community organizations, businesses and individuals like you who are all contributing to our successes. Your continuous support helps to keep our mission alive in the community!

The SAMHA Board of Directors and the Fund Development Committee have worked very hard on the Montebello Building. If you have not had a chance to visit and see the progress you will be in for a big surprise on your next visit. The Montebello Building will have a positive impact on the Village and the Salmon Arm Community. The building will finish the streetscape and add stories to our Village. The magnitude of the project is putting the Village into a whole new league. As the largest heritage village in the Shuswap, it will catapult us into the next stages of sustainability and create a tourist attraction for the whole community drawing visitors from far and wide. The Montebello is to the lock-up stage of construction and visitors can walk the boardwalk and peek into the windows.

R.J. HANEY HERITAGE VILLAGE & MUSEUM PRESENTS
MONTEBELLO BUILDING CLASSIC FUNDRAISING GOLF TOURNAMENT
JULY 28, 2016
 SHOOT GUN START TIME: 1:00PM AND 3:00PM

SONSEEKER'S RIDGE GOLF COURSE & R.J. Haney
 (Heritage Village & Museum)
 DINNER & AWARDS AT R.J. HANEY HERITAGE VILLAGE AT 5:00PM

A chance to win \$10,000 with a hole-in-one sponsored by the City of Salmon Arm. GM. Prizes will go to the golfer who gets closest to the pin and longest drive. In addition there will be prizes for the low score, high score and **FINN GARDNER HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZES** \$2500.

Special MC for Dinner & Awards, Patricia Haney from EZ Rock Radio

Entry Fee: \$100 per individual or \$200 for a foursome. Includes practice round, green fees, dinner & entertainment. Golf carts, food and drinks available for extra.

To register call the Village at 250-832-5243. Space is limited to 75. You will receive a complimentary copy of the book.

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 Salmon Arm BC

Over the next months we will continue with fundraising and planning the dioramas and will continue construction in the fall to have the Montebello Building ready for the grand opening on July 9, 2017. If you are interested in supporting the Montebello Building, the Village has partnered with Sonseeker's Ridge Golf Course for a fundraising golf tournament and dinner on Thursday, July 28. Alternatively, you may want to participate in the "Time Capsule Fundraiser" where you can leave a piece of your family's history behind to be opened in 25 years.

R.J. Haney Heritage Village invites you to leave behind your legacy in a community TIME CAPSULE sealed July 29, 2016 and opened July 9, 2042!

With a donation of \$10.00 you will receive a legacy package to help you write a story you want to be remembered by and passed on. Include a photo or other item in the special sealed envelope to be sealed in the time capsule for 25 years! Participate in the time capsule ceremony on July 29, 2016!

Montebello Building 100 Legacy packages are available at the R.J. Haney Village or by calling 250-832-5243.

Your contribution to the past is an investment in the Village's future.

For more information call the Village at: 250-832-5243 email: info@rjhaneymuseum.org

Donate Today!
 It takes a community to build a Village!

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That can be a problem, I know we try very hard to spread the volunteers hours around so no one is overly burdened and of course a person can pick and choose the activity and events they are interested in volunteering at. The old saying that many hands make light work is very true at the village. Our young staff members are gaining important job skills with us and they can learn a lot from the volunteers who work alongside them. I really enjoy working with them and we all end up better from the experience. Volunteers are needed for working the reception desk in the museum building and working at the many events during the season. Tasks include: assisting the chef and helpers to prepare, serve and clear up the meal for our popular dinner theatre three nights a week, working at the pancake breakfasts and barbecue lunches served at our summer events, setting up for and taking down after events, painting and other small construction and maintenance projects, gardening, spring cleaning and fall close up, helping at the popular Pie contest and auction held at Piccadilly Mall during Heritage week in February and many more jobs too numerous to list here.



When I really think of what we need for the future it comes back to members to carry on after we are gone. I have gained a great deal of personal satisfaction from my 29 years of involvement with this Association and I plan to continue for many years to come but we have to plan for the future. This is a vibrant organization and we are at a very exciting place in our history. Our monthly meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at Marjorie's Tea Room. We don't meet in July and August so staff and volunteers can concentrate on the summer events. At our September meeting we are encouraging our members to bring a friend so if you are looking for something meaningful to do with your spare time we would love to see you then.

Norma Harisch, President

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If you're looking for your summer entertainment then check out our busy schedule full of fun, family events:

-Dinner Theatre is every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday evenings until August 24. "The Dress" is a tale of intrigue, a long forgotten wedding dress, stolen love, world travel and young men going off to war. Writer and Director, Peter Blacklock, has created a story full of humor, history, song and dance. You won't want to miss it!



-The Village is partnering with Rob Sengotta for the 7th annual "Soiree an Evening at Haney with the Shuswap Chefs" on Thursday, August 4 with limited seating to this elegant event.

-The "Sons of the Louisiana Hay Ride" return for a dinner and a show on Thursday, August 25.

-We are teaming up with the Salmar to show a movie on the silver screen under the stars on Friday, August 26.

-If you are planning your fall entertainment, join the Village for the 19th annual Harvest Celebration on September 11.

R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum is dedicated to preserving and telling the history of Salmon Arm and area. By participating in our events, your money supports the extraordinary projects, restorations and operations of the Heritage Village & Museum.

For more information on donating to the Montebello Building, or to purchase tickets for any of the events, please call the Village at 250-832-5243.

Susan Mackie, General Manager



This lovely full size floral quilt was hand appliquéd by Betty Champion and machine quilted by Wendy Browne and donated to the Shuswap Quilters' Guild to be used as a raffle quilt. The Village and the Shuswap Quilters' Guild raffled the quilt at Pioneer Day on July 10, 2016. The lucky winner was Mona Parker. The net proceeds will to be used to furnish the Miss Puff's Dress Shop & Millinery in the new Montebello Block currently under construction at R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum.

It is with immense gratitude that we thank our incredibly generous donors.

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IT TAKES A COMMUNITY TO BUILD A VILLAGE.....

Preserve your family history!



Donate \$150.00 and Receive Your Montebello Legacy Time Capsule Package!

Help us raise the remaining funds for the Montebello Block!

For more information call 832-5243.



Benefits of becoming a Member: For only \$10.00, as a member, you will receive a SAMHA newsletter filled with information about Museum and Village happenings, voting privileges at the Annual General Meeting in May, an open invitation to attend monthly board meetings, a 15% discount in the Gift Shop, discount coupons, and an entry into a draw for dinner for you and five friends at Haney House!

Donations and/or Membership Form

Please fill out the information below and return it with your cheque payable to Salmon Arm Museum.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City & Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Donation: \$ _____

Project: _____

Also enclosed is my membership fee of \$10: Yes No

Date: _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Please mail to Box 1642, Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4P7 — Tax receipt for monetary gifts available upon request.



On Thursday July 21, 2016 the Village was proud to present Burger...gourmet, with all the fixings, Beer... and Prairie sweethearts Belle Plaine and Blake Burglund in concert. This event was sponsored by Crannog Ales, Save-on-Foods, Grass Roots Dairies, Prestige Har-

bourfront Resort, SASCU Credit Union and Askew's Foods. The Grant MacEwan alumna jazz singer and cowboy songwriter did not only complement each other vocally, but their onstage chemistry was infectious. Ticket holders enjoyed a wonderful evening under the stars at the Village.



On Thursday July 28 the Village partnered with Sonseeker's Ridge Golf for the "Montebello Building Classic" Fundraising Golf Tournament.

Golfers play 9 holes of golf at Sonseekers Ridge Golf and then headed to the Village for prizes, and a special dinner prepared by Haney Chef, Zach Harder.

The Montebello Building Classic Fundraising Golf Tournament is sponsored by SonSeeker's Ridge Golf Course, Ian Gray's Salmon Arm GM, EZ Rock Radio, The Salmon Arm Observer and Lakeshore News.



17th Annual Classic Antique Car Show on Sunday August 14, 2016



A favourite among car collectors and spectators from far and wide! The show features over a hundred classic and antique automobiles on display throughout the Village. Gate admission is Adults: \$7.00, Ages 5-12: \$4.00, 4 and under: FREE.

Everyone's welcome to participate. If you are interested in displaying your vehicle, free registration is from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Registered cars and trucks will receive a commemorative Car Show ribbon to display and have the opportunity to win in the "People's Choice Awards". The "People's Choice" categories include: Antique Pre 1916, Vintage Pre 1942, American-

Stock Only to 1969, American Stock Only 1970 and up, Modified (Hot Rods and Custom) and Foreign. 1st and 2nd place ribbons will be awarded in each class.

Entertaining at the car show will be the Roundhouse Jazz Band and local duo Green Room. Fun for the whole family!

Soirée an evening at Haney with the Shuswap Chefs

You are invited to spend an enchanting evening at R.J. Haney Heritage Village for the 7th annual "Soiree an Evening at Haney with the Shuswap Chefs" on Thursday, August 4. Rob Sengotta, Chef and owner of Shuswap Chefs, has partnered with the Village for this fundraising event.

The evening starts with cocktails, hors d' oeuvres and a silent auction at 4pm in the heritage Village. Dinner will be served at 5pm with a five course feast, personally prepared by Rob and paired with wine and beer donated by Ovino Winery, Larch Hill Winery, Recline Ridge Winery, Sunnybrae Vineyards & Winery and Crannog Ales. Entertaining at this chic event is local musicians and friends to R.J. Haney Heritage Village, Bruce Strachan and Peter Clark.

This event supports the extraordinary projects, restorations and operations of the Heritage Village. You don't want to miss this charming evening of music, food and fun! Seating is limited to 80 very special guests. Tickets are \$110.00 and you will receive a tax receipt for half the cost. To reserve your spot call the Village at 250-832-5243.



Volunteers have an enormous impact on the health and well-being of our community



I have the pleasure of working with a variety of special people who support this Village every year, day after day! Next year will bring a whole new experience for our community and travellers alike when the Montebello Block opens, and with this will come bigger requests for our volunteers. Help us expand our support base by introducing a friend, neighbour, or co-worker to our team. How many people do you know that would enjoy the fulfillment of giving just a few hours to help preserve the history of Salmon Arm, rewarding a child with the experience & memories of a great day here at the Village?

Bring them to the Village, have a coffee & show them all the things we do. If only 25% of the active volunteers we see come out for our events convinced just 2 people to join our team, we could ensure that the future of R.J. Haney Heritage Village will continue to thrive.

Volunteers deliver critical services such as researching & cataloging in the Archives, assisting with the all important school programs, or house sitting during an event to answer questions & interpret the home & experiences of living in that era.

Our volunteers help by attending events such as the work bee in April as we get the Village ready to open, offering support to our Gardener by assisting with keeping our green spaces, gardens & memorial trees healthy, as well as cleaning up and maintaining the Village & trail system.

Our volunteers help educate the public by assisting us with our family events, which allows us to provide a memorable experience for the local youth, as well as those who have travelled from far away. Volunteers take tickets, serve food, bus tables, park vehicles, wash dishes, prepare meals and greet visitors at our front desk. These gatherings, whether small & private or massive & public, run smoothly because of your support.

Reasons to Volunteer: It's good for you, it brings people together, you get a chance to give back & volunteering encourages civic responsibility.

Contact Tara and ask how you can help us provide these necessary programs & events at 250-832-5243



Mayor Nancy Cooper and The Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia visited the Montebello Project at the Village on May 2, 2016



Randy Brogden was the winner of the Members Dinner this year! Randy and his guests Bob Nodelyk, Astrid Varnes, John and Joyce Henderson enjoyed a special meal prepared by Marjorie's Tea Room Chef, Zach

Harder served in the 1910 Haney House on June 24. To have your name entered into next year's draw, contact Tara at 250-832-5243 and ask her about becoming a Member of the Salmon Arm Museum and Heritage Association. Membership is only \$10.00.



Check out our new exhibit:



This year’s gallery exhibit is the story of one of Salmon Arm’s Chinese hand laundries and its owner Mah Yick. Called *It’s Laundry Day Every Day*; the exhibit is the recounting of a very astute businessman.

When Mah Yick moved his hand laundry from Salmon Arm’s Chinatown to Hudson Street, he ruffled feathers on City Council but his move was strategic. Relocating his business put the entrepreneur closer to the three hotels than his competition. It was all about location, location, location.

Drawing on the Salmon Arm Museum’s teaching collection, carefully created reproduction artefacts, and help from cultural advisor Eugenie Mah, the exhibit illustrates the simple technology, hard work, and entrepreneurial spirit needed to compete in the laundry business in 1912.

Using the story-within- a-story technique, the exhibit’s narrative is also about resiliency. Mah suffered a personal loss when his wife, Jean, died two months after the birth of their second child. Unable to care for his small children, he was convinced to send his daughters to the Methodist-run Oriental School in Victoria. In spite of the miles between them, the widower succeeded in keeping his family together.

See how repealing the Chinese Exclusion Act directly affected Mah and his family. A story of triumph, this exhibit concludes with the heartwarming chronicle of Laura Mah, a motherless infant, and her place in national history.



Cutting the “clothesline” to open the exhibit . From left to right: President Norma Harisch, Cultural Advisor Eugenie Mah, Councilor Louise Wallace-Richmond, Curator Deborah Chapman



Mah Yick

Deborah Chapman, Curator

Heritage Program Assistant:

The first thing that struck me about working at R.J. Haney Heritage Village was being surrounded by a community of volunteers and staff members passionately committed to preserving our local history.

This summer I have been working under the title of “Heritage Program Assistant” which encompasses a diversity of responsibilities and experiences. I have had the opportunity to learn all the behind the scenes “going ons” of a successful non profit organization; have taken on the historical role of Ms.Vera Halpenney in our Pioneer School programs; and have played an active role in a handful of successful and unique events so far this season.

I am excited to continue learning and contributing here at the Village for the remainder of the summer. It is thanks to programs like Young Canada Works providing funding for positions such as mine that I can spend my summer surrounded by local history. I look forward to a successful season!

***Rebecca McDonald
HPA 2016***



Stilt walking with Ms. Halpenney

New Virtual Exhibit *Flight From the Flames*



Above: The Strotmann home with the Silver Creek forest fire burning menacingly in the background. Photographer James Murray c. 1998
Below: Wildland firefighter Kenny Edwards. Photographer James Murray c. 1998

Remember the summer of 1998? Where were you Wednesday, July 29th? Do you recall the lightning strike that started the Silver Creek Forest Fire and forced 7,000 of our residents from their homes?

Flight from the Flames is a Virtual Exhibit capturing that story. Officially launched on June 24th, the online exhibit is a photographic account of a massive civil evacuation. Sharing stories of courage and dedication are: the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, wildland and community firefighters, the RCMP, and the BC Search and Rescue Association.



Flight from the Flames draws on more than 276 photographs from the *Salmon Arm Observer*, *Shopper's Guide*, and private individuals, an audio account from CKXR, and a Bryan Adams penned song, *Ric-a-dam-doo*. There are 43 story pages, 73 gallery pages of photos, and text taken from the Ombudsman's report, *the Salmon Arm Observer*, *the*

Shopper's Guide, and people who experienced the fire and evacuation firsthand. The exhibit also includes interviews with the Master of the Evacuation plan, Brigadier General R'td Peter Kilby, Retired Fire Chief Ken Tebo, Fire Warden Jake Jacobson, and Retired Staff Sergeant Barry Tarr.

Funded by Virtual Museum Canada, the exhibit was

launched simultaneously in French and English. This huge task was accomplished in-house by our own Lise Ouimet. Program Officer Debra Rohac, Virtual Museum of Canada, says staff at the Salmon Arm Museum should be proud of this exhibit.

Deborah Chapman, Curator

View the exhibit online at:

English: http://www.virtualmuseum.ca/community-memories_histoires-de-chez-nous/flight-from-the-flames_fuir-loin-des-flammes/

French: http://www.museevirtuel.ca/community-memories_histoires-de-chez-nous/flight-from-the-flames_fuir-loin-des-flammes/

A word from our participants:

Excellent presentation that I will definitely share with friends!—*Radio Amateur Ron Essex.*

Thank you for sharing the links. It brings back a strange feeling – an uneasiness we felt, not knowing what would happen. —*City Councilor Alan Harrison.*

Nicely done! Thanks for including me. — *Former Premier Glen Clark.*

Let me tell you, the exhibit is very well done. It brought back some strong memories. —*Retired Staff Sergeant Barry Tarr*

When can we work on an online exhibit of the Glen Eden Fire?—*Fire Warden Jake Jacobson.*

Dinner Theatre

R.J. Haney Heritage Village is celebrating 23 years of Villains and Vittles Dinner Theatre Productions. This season the Village is proud to present “The Dress.” Hidden away in the wardrobe of the Museum is a wed-



ding dress from the early 1900’s. Every wedding dress has a story, but few can compare with the story of this dress. The bride for whom it was intended never wore it. It is a story of intrigue and betrayal, of stolen love, and hot tempers, of world travel and young men going to war. Our talented cast, Timothy Weicker, Carly Pullin, Chad Baker, and Joy Peters will take you on an amazing adventure full of song and dance that begins and ends with—a dress. Shows are every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday evening in July and August and a special matinee performance on Thursday, August 18. Reservations are a must call 250-832-5243.

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Villains and Vittles Dinner Theatre Presents...

Houseboat Vacation Raffle

Remember to purchase a raffle ticket for your chance to win a prize a 4 day/3 night vacation aboard a Genesis 66 Houseboat, comfortably sleeping 12 to a maximum of 16 guests. Sponsored by Shuswap Lake Waterway Marina and Resort! This fantastic prize is worth \$4,735.00!

Tickets are only 2 for \$5.00 or 5 for \$10.00 and the draw is on September 11th, at Harvest Celebration, so get yours today! Available for purchase from the actors or at the Museum.



R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum wishes to thank Canada Summer Jobs, Get Youth Working, Work BC and Young Canada Works for providing much needed financial support that allows us to hire our wonderful student cast and crew.