

BC Farm



MUSEUM

Preserving BC's Pioneer History

Newsletter

Spring 2017



The BC Farm Museum will open for the season on Monday, April 17 !
The museum will be open daily from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm.



MUSEUM CLEANUP MORNING

Saturday - April 8, 2017

9:00 am to noon

Please come—bring a pail and some cloths—or a shop vacuum—and together we will make the entire museum sparkle in time for our opening day on April 17.

Coffee will be on and there may even be a sandwich tray!

Bring the family - many hands make light work !!

ALL Museum members are invited to attend

our **Spring POTLUCK DINNER** on

Sunday, APRIL 9 at 1:00 PM

in the Fort Langley Lions Hall

on the corner of Glover Road and 88th Avenue.

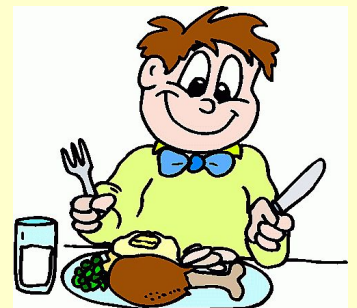
Please let Grace Muller know whether you will be bringing a casserole, a salad, or dessert.

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SEE YOU THERE !



MAY DAY — May 22

Fort Langley May Day Parade— in the morning!

Then at **2:00 pm** join us for the public opening ceremony of our **Interactive Presentation Terminals.**



Terminals content will be demonstrated.

Refreshments will be served!

We acknowledge the support of the Province of British Columbia, the Vancouver Foundation and the Chris Spencer Foundation for this project!

Thank you also for the many volunteer hours Todd Davidson and Bill Forrest have committed to this project.

Your Board of Directors
meets the third Saturday of each month
(except usually July and December)
at 10 am in the museum library.
Members welcome to attend!



Spectacular Murals UNVEILING and Renovated Workshops RIBBON CUTTING Ceremony

Saturday — JUNE 17, 2017 at 2:00 pm at the Farm Museum

Join us for the unveiling of the numerous MURALS which have been produced by local artists featuring various aspects of farming heritage and pioneer life in British Columbia!



Join us for the ribbon cutting of the Renovated Woodworking and Mechanical Workshops!

This very special occasion is made possible after several years of hard work and the support of numerous groups and individuals.

We acknowledge the support of the Government of Canada, the Province of BC, the Township of Langley, the Langley Heritage Society, the Allan and Gwendolyn Pyatt Foundation and Farm and Ranch Realty. Thank you also for the many hours museum volunteers have committed to these projects especially Syd Pickerell, Laurie Griffith, and Clarence Haasjes.

Thank You

Refreshments will be served!!



What comes down—must go back up!!



Work of art - - in progress!!!

WE HAVE APPLIED FOR A SUMMER STUDENT!

We have applied to the Government program which allows a non-profit association to hire a summer student and the government pays the minimum wage as well as the MERCS.

Should we be approved we will be looking for a student from grade 12 or college—for 12 weeks work from June 5 to August 26.

He or she would need to be a self-starter and get along well with people!! Training provided.

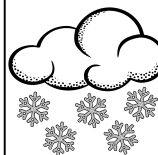
Know someone who might be interested?

CHRISTMAS ON KING STREET

was an amazing event—except for the weather !!!

Winter started with a bang - the day the Christmas on King Street event was to take place! Plans were carefully made and executed. Santa was ready to visit. The choirs sounded wonderful!

BUT the snow and cold kept people away!



Next year - new opportunities!



2017 Calendar of Events

April 8—Museum Clean up Morning - bring a bucket and some cloths

or a shop vacuum and help make the museum shine in time for our regular season opening. **9 am to noon** Coffee and sandwiches will be provided.

April 9— Spring Potluck Dinner—all volunteers and association members are invited to join in a social time to kick off the new season. Bring a casserole, salad or dessert. **1:00 pm** at the Fort Langley Lions Hall.

April 17—Museum opens for the regular season **10 am to 4:30 pm daily**

May 22—May Day parade in the morning—then at **2 pm** we will celebrate the public presentation of the **Interactive Presentation Terminals**. Refreshments will be served!

June 4— Model A Sunday

June 17—Unveiling and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony -- spectacular **murals** will be unveiled and the renovated **workshops** opened. Refreshments will be served!

July 1—Canada Day Celebrations - Celebrate Canada's 150th birthday at the Farm Museum and with our community neighbors.

July 29 - Kirkland House Truck and Tractor Show

August 7— BC Day Celebrations—among other activities—check out the Model Railroad Club.

September 4—OLD and NEW Day— see the **OLD** (heritage artifact from the museum) displayed alongside the **NEW** (modern equivalent of the item on loan from a local business) Interesting and educational!

September 9—Day at the Farm on Westham island

September—Country Celebration at Campbell Valley Park.

October 7—Closing for the season. For group or school tours during the off season please call 604-888-2273 to make a reservation and we would be happy to host your group.

October— Fall Catered Dinner— social

November— BC Farm Museum Association Annual General Meeting

December—Christmas on King Street

All these events happen only because many VOLUNTEERS give a few hours of their time. Could YOU ???



Are YOU

- interested in doing mechanical repairs?
- interested in woodworking?
- interested in helping with special event days?
- interested in working with a computer?
- interested in cleaning bathrooms?
- interested in fund-raising?
- interested in assisting the manager of the day?
- interested in people and their heritage?
- interested in- - YOU tell US!!!!

Then the FARM MUSEUM IS THE PLACE FOR YOU to volunteer!!

Do YOU have a day or two per month to assist the manager of the day?
Call John at 604-970-3676

ENDOWMENT FUND

In 1985 the Board of Directors of the BC Farm Museum Association wisely started an Endowment Fund with the Vancouver Foundation. They invested \$10,000 in this fund. The capital in this fund generates yearly interest which supports the museum.

The plan at the time was to add \$25,000 to the fund capital each of the next three years. They were unable to accomplish that goal.

For many years past president Don Merkley donated funds “in memoriam” of friends. Last year we once again started to actively promote this fund as a consistent and stable means of supporting the museum. Generous donations were received from Jim Brown in memory of his wife Jan and from Syd & Janice Pickerell. The fund capital now stands at \$18,249!

We encourage Association members and friends to consider this fund for support.

Donations can be made through the museum office or directly through the Vancouver Foundation Office...even on line!! Go to www.vancouverfoundation.ca — click on DONATE NOW -- write *BC Farm Museum Association* in the search line - and follow the prompts! Donations would be gratefully accepted in the form of “in memoriam” gifts; gifts of cash; gifts of securities; or estate gifts. **Tax receipts issued!!** For more information please contact Grace Muller— 604-534-0823 — mul0823@shaw.ca

GIFT SHOP - check out the new variety of original paintings of numerous museum artifacts which will be on sale in the gift shop this year!! The perfect gift for anyone interested in pioneer life history. We still have some 50th anniversary mugs available also! Only \$5



MEMBERSHIP DUES

are payable in November!! Have you renewed your membership yet?? Only \$10 per year !!

mail it in -- drop by the museum office any Monday morning -- bring your dues to the spring potluck dinner or to the clean-up morning --- whatever works best for YOU!

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We are grateful for the community support we receive!