

Mahone Bay Founders Society

Volunteer Committee Report 2017-2018

Submitted by: Anne Palfreyman, Chair of Volunteer Committee, on June 4th, 2018

Additional Committee Members: Lyne Allain

The Mahone Bay Founders Society board members serve the Society volunteering time and energy to keep the museum operating, such as Michael O'Connor who volunteers to manage maintenance of the museum building and grounds through regular inspections and mowing the grass, and John Perry and Gary Silliker who paint and repair inside the museum.

Heritage Recognition Awards Dinner: Anne Palfreyman chaired this event held on Saturday April 22, 2017 and worked with a group of 20 board members and volunteers to run the event. As well, Karen Pinsent organized the raffle for the fundraiser.

38th Our Best To You Food Sale was on May 27, 2017: Anne Palfreyman organized the event with 56 donors of food and 19 volunteers to set-up, prep and manage the sale.

Mahone Bay Home & Garden Tour 2017: We recognize and appreciate the efforts of Karen Pinsent to lead this event and Anne Palfreyman who coordinates the volunteers. Thanks to the 81 volunteers who hosted and organized this year's tour. Volunteer hours totaled 1400 hours. A thank-you letter was sent out to all volunteers recognizing all efforts. The Home & Garden Thanking Reception was held on August 3, 2017 at Karen Pinsent's home.

Gourmet Raffle Picnic for 4 at Capehouse Vineyard: Karen Pinsent organized this fundraiser. Karen Pinsent volunteered and provided the meal and Anne Palfreyman and Nikki Ernst volunteered with owners Andre and Jennifer d'Entremont.

Lyne Allain and Anne Palfreyman recruited and scheduled 12 volunteers to act as Fall Hosts (Sept 3 - Oct 7, 2017) at the museum and these volunteers kept the museum open Saturday through Wednesday. Volunteers worked morning and afternoon shifts 10 to 1 and 1 to 4 p.m. On the Scarecrow weekend we doubled up having 2 people on the floor for each shift. Also, Lyne organized a children activity program upstairs and volunteers assisted to run the activities. During both weekends of the Father Christmas Festival, Anne Palfreyman recruited 13 volunteers to host and run the children's activities. Linda Oikle demonstrated print-making upstairs - a delight for all.

Granny's Attic: Organized by Anne Ruel. Anne Palfreyman recruited 25 volunteers to organize the pricing and haul the donations to the yard sale site at the Medical Clinic and haul the tables loaned from the Mahone Bay Centre. Again, this was a huge effort and we appreciate all the work that was done to raise funds for the museum.

Thank you to volunteers who helped our Manager and Curator with exhibits: Gaile Maddigan, John Taylor, Peter Redden, and Roger Marsters.

Thank you to Michael O'Connor who sits on the Town's Heritage Advisory Committee representing the Mahone Bay Founders Society.

Thank you to all our volunteers!