

Mahone Bay Museum Newsletter

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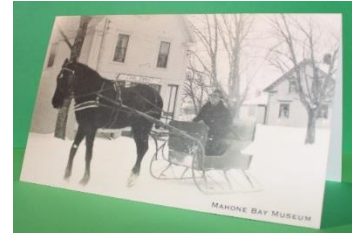
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What a year it has been!

There has been lots of activity behind the scenes of the Museum, despite Covid affecting our season. We chose to open by appointment by donation only and have been focusing on working with our collection and online content thanks to government funds and support from our community. We are thinking outside of the box to keep our involvement in our community alive!



Our children's activities were a hit during the 2019 Father Christmas Festival! This year, this event is in its 16th year and is 'drive through pick up' only to follow Covid guidelines. Special thanks to our volunteers who are busy preparing gingerbread kits and small Charlie Brown trees for children to decorate at home. **To pick up a kit by suggested donation of \$5 each, stop by between noon and 3pm on Saturday Nov. 28 or Dec. 5 at the back of the Mahone Bay Centre (45 School Street) near the Abriel Room and a kit will be delivered to your vehicle.**



Holiday Donation Card: The inside of this card reads "A donation has been made in your name to the Mahone Bay Founders Society to help support the running of the Mahone Bay Museum". Minimum donations start at \$5 each or \$2 for a postcard. Tax receipts available for donations over \$20. They can be picked up at the Museum or we can mail them for an additional mailing fee. Email us if you are interested!

Our Staff: Our Manager and Curator, Lyne Allain, returned for her 5th season and we received grants from Young Canada Works and Canada Summer Jobs for six short-term contracts for youth to work from home. Skylar worked on our Mi'kmaq exhibit, Ellen created online educational resources, Caylee updated our collections database, Sarah did research, Abby edited oral history videos, and Curtis created interpretive materials! Stay tuned for videos Curtis worked on for blacksmithing and ceramic artist Alice Hagen via our Facebook page and Youtube Channel

<https://www.facebook.com/MahoneBayMuseum/>
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCz-puBx5toj7PMIJr2RsYlg>

Our Annual Home & Garden Tour go Virtual!

A wonderful online video was organized featuring gardens and home exteriors in the Mahone Bay area. Thanks to well-known photographer Betty Meredith who provided the photos.

You can watch the video here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4cSqLV181D8&t=405s>



Do you know about Rural Riches?

Rural Riches Treasures Trove Association is a lottery that makes a difference in Lunenburg County communities. We are proud to be one of the organizations benefitting from this local lottery. For more information visit www.RuralRiches.ca

Did you renew your Membership?

You can send us an e-transfer to our email info@mahonebaymuseum.com, a cheque to PO Box 583, or by Paypal or credit card on our website under Gift Shop, then Memberships.

Going Once, Going twice, SOLD!

Grannies Attic yard sale has been renamed to Annie's Attic in honour of Anne Ruel who was a dedicated volunteer who helped run this event. This year, an online auction was organized instead due to Covid. Many items donated by members of our community and 18 items donated by local businesses were auctioned off on Oct 17th on our Facebook page. It was a big success and we are considering doing more online auctions. If you have a yard sale item you would like to donate, let us know! A big thank you to the volunteers, donators, and bidders who made this a successful event.

Parking Meter

Thanks to the support of Lynn Hennigar, we have our very own donation meter. So next time you pass by, or park nearby, how about donating your small change!



We are recruiting!

We welcomed two new Board Members this year: Doug Snyder (Treasurer) and Lettie Maloney (Fundraising). Volunteer applications are welcome from anyone in the community. Contact us for more information!

Our Accessions Committee approved a clear glass royalty memorabilia plate c.1897 previously owned by a woman from Indian Point, which is the first artifact acquisition of 2020! Stay tuned to our Facebook page to view this item:

<https://www.facebook.com/MahoneBayMuseum/>