

The Chronicle

NEWSLETTER OF THE QUALICUM BEACH HISTORICAL & MUSEUM SOCIETY



You'll find more than a little history...

December 2019

find us!

President's Report

On behalf of the QBHMS board I extend seasonal greetings and gratitude to members, volunteers, museum staff, and our community. All of you play such a vital role in preserving and sharing the history of Qualicum Beach.

We had a positive meeting with Town Council in December, where we shared the previous year's successes as well as plans for the coming year. We greatly appreciate the efforts of our town liaison, Councilor Adam Walker, for sharing our work and aspirations with the municipality. Many thanks to David and Susan James and the Streamkeepers, who worked very hard to install a load of gravel over the museum grounds, and will be adding more in the Spring.

On November 15th we were very honoured to attend a pole-raising ceremony at the Qualicum First Nation Childcare Centre. The poles were carved by Jesse Recalma and Karver Everson.

A reminder that our great Museum gift shop is open for Christmas shopping until December 21st. Another way to support the museum is by joining our "Friends of the Museum" program, a flexible and tax deductible way to support our work on a monthly basis. Please contact the museum office if you are interested.

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season, see you in 2020!

Chris Lemphers,
President, Qualicum Beach Historical and Museum Society



New gravel improvements

587 Beach Road
Qualicum Beach, BC
Canada V9K 1K7

MUSEUM

P: **250.752.5533**

E: **qbmuseum@shaw.ca**

ARCHIVES

P: 250.594.2524

E: **qbarchives@shaw.ca**

Chris Lemphers – President

Cliff Craven -Vice President

Vacant - Treasurer

April Steel - Secretary

Graham Beard - Director

Chris Berndt - Director

David Ireland - Director

Nadine Landa - Director

Norm Whiteford - Director

Bill Recalma - Director and

Qualicum First Nations Liaison

Councillor Adam Walker -
Town Liaison

Newsletter

Lorraine Bell - Content, Editing and
Layout

Jean Smith - Proof-reading



Visit us online at **QBMuseum.ca** Like us on 

The Chronicle

You'll find more than a little history...

Manager's Report



Getting a language lesson from Jesse

At this time of year darkness comes upon us early in the day, and the chill in the air seems to go right to the bones. As we spend more time inside, we tend to reflect, and looking back on 2019, I am filled with gratitude, joy, and pride for all we have accomplished as a group, as well as excitement for what lays ahead. We have made such progress, proving ourselves as a small yet vibrant community museum with great ideas and amazing support from the whole community.

We have built excellent relationships with organizations such as the BC Museum Association, the BC Arts Council and the Royal BC Museum, who brought us the remarkable travelling exhibit: "Our Living Languages". Thanks in great part to this exhibit we have had more school group visits this fall than all of last year. Visitors have been engaged, amazed, and profoundly moved by the struggle and perseverance of Indigenous people in BC to keep their languages alive and strong.

We are fortunate to have Jesse Recalma working on the 2nd instalment of the First Nations exhibit this winter and along with his father, Bill Recalma and cousin Mat Andreatta, to incorporate some Pentlatch language into other displays.

We are working on new displays upstairs about fishing, logging and the Qualicum College from which we recently acquired several priceless artefacts and archival documents. We will revamp the Paleontology exhibit with a particular focus on replacing the Ice Age cabinet. We are also enthusiastic to be updating our school programs, initially developed in 2009, to more closely align with the New BC curriculum. In light of this we will be hosting an "Object based Learning" workshop at the Museum on a district based Pro-D day in February, hoping many educators will attend along with museum professionals. Lorraine and I will also be attending a conference at the RBCM on Historical Thinking. We will be busy, but we are excited at the challenge of accomplishing all these great plans.

Needless to say we would not be able to do any of this without the steady helping hands of our wonderful volunteers, whom we will recognize and celebrate at our annual Volunteer Appreciation event taking place at the museum in February.

-Netanja Waddell, Manager

MARK THE
DATE!
Volunteer
Appreciation
Feb 12th, 4-6pm

Past Events

find
me!

23 people attended the Annual General Meeting which was opened with recognition to the First Nations ancestral lands on which it was held. The budget for 2020 was voted to be accepted and election for board members was held. The board will include Chris Lemphers as President, Cliff Craven as Vice-President, April Steel as Secretary, and returning directors Graham Beard, Bill Recalma, Norm Whiteford. David Ireland and Nadine Landa are newly elected to the board.



Welcoming MLA Scott Fraser

⇒ We had a visit from **the Hon. Scott Fraser, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation** on November 15th. Mr. Fraser visited the museum to take in the **Our Living Languages** exhibit.



Celebrating retro-fashion-Tea @ TOSH

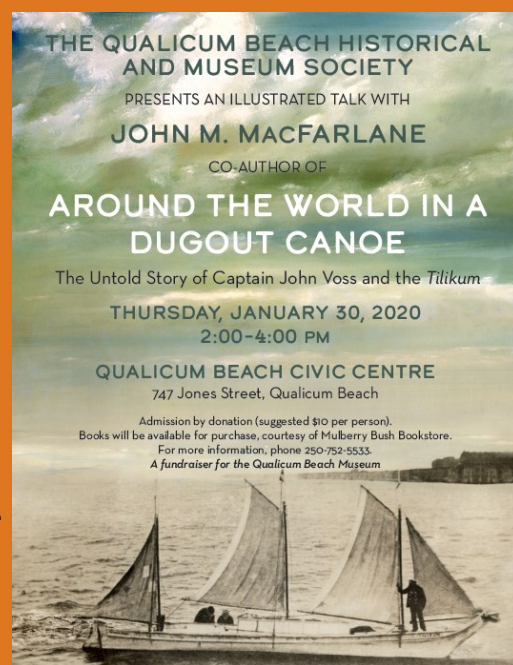
⇒ **Tea At Tosh** fundraiser on Nov. 23rd was a retro-fashion, swingin' 60's time with pieces such as a Woodstock-inspired Ralph Lauren poncho, an Avengers-style ensemble complete with bowler hat, some knee high gogo boots, leather mini-skirts and a transistor radio. Groovy!!

Coming Events

It will be a fascinating afternoon with John MacFarlane, former curator of the Maritime

Museum. He co-authored a book with Lynn J. Salmon "Around the World in a Dugout Canoe" which tells the story of Captain Voss, who circumnavigated the globe in the Tiltikum, an authentic dugout canoe. The event will take place on **January 30th at 2pm**, at the QB Civic Centre.

All proceeds will be donated to the museum.



The Chronicle

You'll find more than a little history...

Thank-you for your support

Language learning at the Museum

We enjoyed the visit of local French Immersion students and their teachers Mmes Preston and Tanner from École Oceanside. Netanja facilitated the French language learning activities and the students also had a chance to experience the Our Living Languages exhibit. We are currently learning more about how to develop object-based activities for language learners. There are some really fun and engaging ways to help students make important connections between language and culture when they visit the museum.



"Guess the artefact" or "Devine quel est cet artefact"



Volunteer Appreciation

Please join us for a special event to show our appreciation for our wonderful volunteers!

February 12

4-6pm

QB Museum

Light refreshments served

We extend our sincerest thanks to the Town of Qualicum Beach; the BC Arts Council; BC's Community Gaming Grants; The Royal BC Museum; The PQ Foundation; The Chamber of Commerce; Coombs Signs; Windsor Plywood; Courtyard Café; Quality Foods; Thrifty Foods; community and individual donors; and to all of you who support conserving and sharing of the history of Qualicum Beach.



BRITISH
COLUMBIA



BRITISH COLUMBIA
ARTS COUNCIL
An agency of the Province of British Columbia





Qualicum Beach Historical and Museum Society

The Friendship Plan Pledge Form

Please fill out this pledge form to officially designate your gift to the
Qualicum Beach Historical & Museum Society Friendship Plan

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, Province _____ Postal Code: _____

Tel: [home] _____ [work] _____

[cell]: _____ e-mail: _____

We/I hereby pledge our/my gift of \$_____ per month to be
charged to my account:

VISA/Mastercard [circle one] #

Exp: _____

CVD# [3 numbers on BACK of credit card] _____

☐ I would like my donation to remain anonymous [check box]

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Once completed, this form becomes the confidential property of the
Qualicum Beach Historical & Museum Society. This pledge may be can-
celled at **any time, in writing.**

All donations are tax deductible and receipts will be issued annually.



In Memoriam

Millicent Helen Eggersman

March 4, 1913–November 19, 2019



All who met Helen were inspired by her incredible energy and spirit. Her keen wit and delightful stories about her life in Qualicum Beach will continue to cheer and inspire visitors to the museum for years to come. She will be dearly missed.