

Shawnigan Lake Museum

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Dear Members,

The last few months have been very busy with visitors and museum business.

The Heritage Inspire!fest on August 17th was a huge success. The weather was perfect, if not a bit warm. We had at least a dozen different demonstrators who volunteered to show craft skills from the past, including hand quilting, leatherwork, treadle sewing and much more. Old fashioned races and games induced much laughter and the dress up booth was a huge hit. This is a wonderful, slow community event. Even the music was acoustic. Hope to see you there next year.

We are finally introducing our new logo, designed by Finlayson Visual Designs, into our signage and marketing. We feel that this image captures the essence of our community and has a nostalgic feeling.

We recently added seven new images to the museum's outdoor gallery. These beautiful photos are a direct result of the money that we collect through the Thrifty Foods Smile Card fundraising Program. We are planning for more additions next year. If you would like to help fundraise for this, all you have to do is get a dedicated smile card from us, shop at Thrifty Foods and eat lots! The gallery space itself has been a labour of love for our volunteers and it looks amazing.

During the winter closure, we will be building a new display in the former furnace room. This is a very exciting project for us as we will be using a school/education theme but combining old with new. We have a grant for an interactive monitor that will allow visitors to explore some of our history in a very modern way. We do have a limited amount of school "stuff". If you



Upcoming Events

November 29

Table at Christmas Craft Fair
Shawnigan Lake Community
Centre 10-4

December 20

Last day to visit before
Christmas. Drop in for hot
apple cider and a cookie

January 31

Museum re-opens

Did you know...

*One of the artifacts from the Shawnigan Lake Museum will be featured in the February 2015 issue of Canadian Geographic Magazine ...watch for it!

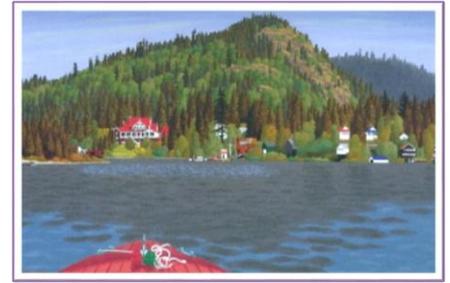
*The museum played a part in the best-selling novel, *Always Watching*, by Chevy Stevens. Chevy grew up in Shawnigan and an important part of the story is set here. You will recognize some of the locations mentioned

have things that may be of interest for this – desks, books etc. - that you are willing to donate, please email Lori at shawniganlakemuseum@shaw.ca

Thank you for your support of the museum! Membership is a big part of the success of a registered society.

Lori

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In the Gift Shop

E.J. Hughes art prints

We have lots of choice in canvas and blockmount images. There are a limited number of unframed prints and framed prints as well. There is a catalogue of what is available on our [website](#).

Shawnigan Log Kits

We have great kits to build log cabins, outhouses, Christmas ornaments and more. The kit includes everything you need to complete the project and a "Shawnigan" sign to personalize it.

Kinsol Trestle T shirts

Christmas cards for 2014



A piece of our history returns...

The cabinet in the photo above was recently donated to the museum. The message written on the back of the piece is J.L. Smith Koenig Hotel. Jim Smith was a butcher who had a shop in Cobble Hill but he also came to Shawnigan a few days each week. He had a retail space below the Kingsley (Koenig) Store on the waterfront, opposite the old Shawnigan Lake Athletic Association building. It first arrived in Shawnigan in the early 1920s and we are thrilled to have it back where it started.

