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Share Your Success Story with the BCHF!

The BCHF is looking for members' stories to share

If you have a project, program, event, photo or video of interest to BC's historical community, please send it to Caroline Ross, BCHF Web Editor, at caroline@bchistory.ca and we will share it through our website and social media channels. Let's celebrate our achievements, learn from each other, and inspire each other by sharing our good work!

Help Us Choose the 2016 Best Historical Website in BC



2015 Winners, Mike Yusko and Joe Teshima with president Gary Mitchell (center), from the BC Dairy Historical Society. Photo by Kip Wiley

Each year, the BCHF offers an award for the best website about British Columbia history. This award honours individual or group volunteer efforts in website writing and presentation.

Nominations for the 2016 award are accepted until December 31, 2016.

To learn more, or to submit a nomination, visit our website:
www.bchistory.ca/awards/best-website-award/

Notice to Members

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Number 61 is the last printed edition of the *BCHF Newsletter*.

If you have not done so already, please sign up for the email edition at:

<http://eepurl.com/l4msv>

Kudos

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BC Notaries

The Society of Notaries Public of British Columbia celebrates 90 years of incorporation. They held their first annual meeting August 12, 1926.

130th Anniversary of the RBCM

Congratulations to the Royal BC Museum on their 130th anniversary. The *Times Colonist* published a series of articles to celebrate the anniversary:
www.timescolonist.com/museum-at-130-a-great-success-evolves-true-to-its-original-vision-1.2372541

Suggest a new Stop of Interest Sign

<http://engage.gov.bc.ca/stopsofinterest/>

The BC government is looking at adding 75 new signs to the Stops of Interest inventory, providing an opportunity to highlight other people, places and events.

LTSA's Historical Research Fee Exemption

LTSA's new policy

At the request of Liza Aboud, Vice-President Customer Experience and Communications, Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia, Jacqueline Gresko, the BCHF rep on the LTSA Stakeholder Advisory Committee, to pass along the LTSA's new historical research fee exemption, based on a policy just approved regarding qualifying non-commercial historical or academic research projects.

For individual academic historians, students, local historians, and genealogists who have valid/current Direct Access Privileges at LTSA offices and are seeking an exemption from payment of the LTSA Electronic Images Administrative Fee for provision of electronic images of records contained in the vaults of LTSA for historical research purposes. This fee exemption does not apply to records accessed/available through my LTSA. www.bchistory.ca/ltsa-fee-exemption-for-historical-research/

Call for Submissions

BCHF 34th Annual Historical Writing Awards

For historical writing of non-fiction books published in 2016 by authors of BC history (reprints not eligible). Entry deadline: December 31, 2016

To enter the competition, please fill out the form on our webpage, or send an email to Second Vice President Maurice Guibord:

(writing@bchistory.ca). The letter must contain the following:

- Title of the book submitted
- Author's name and contact information
- Publisher's name and contact information
- Selling price

Authors/Publishers are required to submit three copies of their book. Maurice Guibord will provide entrants with mailing instructions.



BCHF Historical Writing Seals



Are you a past winner of an Historical Writing Award? Embossed silver and gold foil seals are now available for sale from the BCHF.

Call or email Second Vice President Maurice Guibord: for yours today:

604-771-3047

writing@bchistory.ca



Archives and Archivists



We are always on the lookout for updates and stories our *British Columbia History* readers would enjoy, from regions/repositories that we've not featured before. Anything archives-related is welcome, including descriptions of key collections or services, digitization projects, or upcoming events.

We are looking ahead to the summer 2017 issue and beyond. We need 500–600 words + 3 images OR up to 900 words + 1–2 images. Contact us at bcheditor@bchistory.ca for more information.

Please Share



Please share this newsletter with other history fans.

Upcoming Events

BCHF Member Society Events from around British Columbia

Find more events at: www.bchistory.ca/events-calendar

Burnaby Village Museum

www.burnabyvillagemuseum.ca

Heritage Christmas

November 19 – Jan 2, 2017 1:00 – 9:00 pm

Old-fashioned fun and spectacular light displays.

Kamloops Museum and Archives

www.kamloops.ca/museum/

Morris Lum: Recording Chinese Histories

Exhibition Runs until January 21, 2017, Tues to Sat: 9:30am–4:30pm

A collaboration with Morris Lum to explore the history of the Chinese Community in Kamloops.

Mackin House Museum

www.coquitlamheritage.ca

Brighten Up! A Lantern Affair Celebration of Light

Sunday Dec 4, 1:30 pm

Delicious snacks such as hot chocolate and homemade baking, as well as festive activities such as carolling and visiting Santa!

PJ Storytime in the Parlour

Dec 14, 2016, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Children can come in their PJs and enjoy hot chocolate, cookies, and a story read by the Coquitlam Public Library in the cozy parlour! This event is intended for ages 3+. Registration is required. Event is by donation.

Langley Centennial Museum

<http://museum.tol.ca/>

Pioneer Christmas

December 3, 10:00 am–12:00 pm or 1:30–3:30 pm

Explore the decorated galleries as a family while enjoying a variety of pioneer and traditional crafts. And a visit from jolly old Saint Nicholas. \$10.00 for family of 4.

Christmas on King Street

December 10, 12:00 – 8:00 pm

The Langley Arts Council, the BC Farm Museum and the Langley Centennial Museum are lighting up King Street for a Christmas arts and crafts market. Enjoy seasonal food from local vendors, pick up some last minute gifts and enjoy music, demonstrations and more. Free.

Old Cemeteries Society of Victoria

www.oldcem.bc.ca

Old Burying Ground Christmas

Sunday Dec 4, 2:00 pm

Christmas and holiday stories from Victoria of old will delight and amaze you.

Ross Bay Christmas Tour

Dec. 11, 2:00 pm

Check website for tour descriptions and locations. No reservations needed. \$5 for non-members; \$2 for members.

Revelstoke Museum & Archives

www.revelstokemuseum.ca

Brown Bag History: Connaught Tunnel

Wednesday Dec 7, 12:15 pm

Bring your bag lunch. Coffee and cookies are provided. \$5 per person.

Vancouver Historical Society

www.vancouver-historical-society.ca

Civic Politics over the Past Half Century

Thursday, January 26, 2017, 7:30
Museum of Vancouver

Gordon Price, urbanist & former City Councillor

Early Vancouver Artists: surviving while being creative

Thursday, February 23, 2017, 7:30
Museum of Vancouver

Gary Sim, author and architectural technologist

Victoria Historical Society

victoriahistoricalsociety.bc.ca/

Luncheon: Muggins, Victoria's Canine Hero of World War I

December 3, 2016 @ 12:00 pm

Sylvia Van Kirk talks about Muggins; the dog who was awarded 7 medals, presented to the Prince of Wales, and acquired an international reputation.

Member Societies and Affiliated Members can promote their events in the **BCHF News** and on the BCHF website

February **BCHF News** deadline —
January 6, 2017

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