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Winterama at the Museum



Winterama at the Museum: A Day of Fun, Food and Local Artisans

Winterama Craft Show: A Showcase of Local Talent

On Saturday, February 17th, the museum will be transformed into a vibrant marketplace for the Winterama Craft Show. This event features over 20 local vendors, who will showcase their unique, handcrafted items throughout the museum. From beautiful handmade jewelry to intricately designed home decor, you'll find a treasure trove of one-of-a-kind items that are perfect for gift-giving or adding a touch of handmade charm to your home. The Winterama Craft Show will be held from 10AM to 3PM. Admission to the event is free with a Winterama Button.

Croki curl: A Fun and Exciting Winter Game

But the Winterama at the Museum isn't just about crafts. Embrace the winter season by participating in Croki curl, a game that combines crokinole and curling, on the museum grounds. This game is a fun and exciting way to enjoy the outdoors during the winter season. Whether you're a seasoned player or a beginner, you'll have a blast sliding the stones across the ice and aiming for the center of the target. Croki curl will be available from 9AM to 4PM with the purchase of a Winterama button.

Friends of the Museum Pea Soup & Chili Sale: A Warm Treat on a Cold Day

Nothing warms you up on a cold winter day like a bowl of hot soup or chili. The Friends of the Museum will be hosting a Pea Soup & Chili Sale inside the replica fire hall. This hearty and delicious food will surely warm your heart and your tummy. The sale will be from 11AM to 2PM. If you're in the mood for something different, All Saint Church in Penetanguishene will be selling hot dogs on the museum grounds.

Free Transportation

To ensure that everyone can join the Winterama at the Museum, free shuttle service is provided. If you prefer a more traditional and unique mode of transportation, horse-drawn carriage transportation to the museum will also be available. Enjoy a leisurely ride to the museum and get in the mood for a day of winter fun and festivities.

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Winterama Buttons

Winterama Buttons are now for sale at museum. They are \$3 per button before the February 17th and \$5 per button on the event weekend. Winterama buttons are required for admission to the Winterama Craft



Show and the Crockicrul and for other Winterama events throughout the Family Day weekend. For a full list of events taking place for Winterama, please visit the website at Www.winterama.ca



FROM THE CURATORIAL ASSISTANT



March Break Activities at the Museum March 11th to 15th, 9:30am to 12:00pm \$5.00 per child.

Come to the museum to make two different crafts and explore the museum through a fun scavenger hunt! Each date has different themes and registration. Pre-registration is required.

Themes:

March 11th – Under the Sea

“Right here on the ocean floor, such wonderful things surround you...” Register to make a sea animal mask and create a under the sea picture frame.

March 12th – Once Upon a Time

Once upon time in a faraway castle... Come to the museum for royalty themed crafts. Create a crown and your own sticker fairytale!

March 13th- Windy Wednesday

It's a Windy Wednesday! Create your own kite to fly in the windy skies! And stir up a tornado in a jar to check out how wild winds can get! the museum!

March 14th – Music Makers

Let's make some noise! Craft up some musical instruments to shake out some tunes throughout

March 15th – Pot of Gold

Wear green and get in the St. Patrick's festive spirit! Register to make a tasty pot of gold and more!

Write through History March 13th, 1:30pm-3:00pm \$10.00 per child.

Travel back in time at the Penetanguishene Centennial Museum! Make your own paper, try your hand at writing with a quill and ink, and other fun activities. For ages 5-12 years old. Guardians are not required to attend with their children. Pre-registration is required.



Easter Eggstravaganza March 30th, 9:30am to 12:00pm \$5.00 per child.

Visit the Penetanguishene Centennial Museum & Archives for our Easter Extravaganza. Event includes an egg hunt, visit with Easter Bunny, egg races, crafts and treat bags. Admission is \$5 for each participant (Adults are Free). To ensure that we have enough treats for all of the children, pre-registration is required. **Pre-registration** is required. Registration opens March 1st.

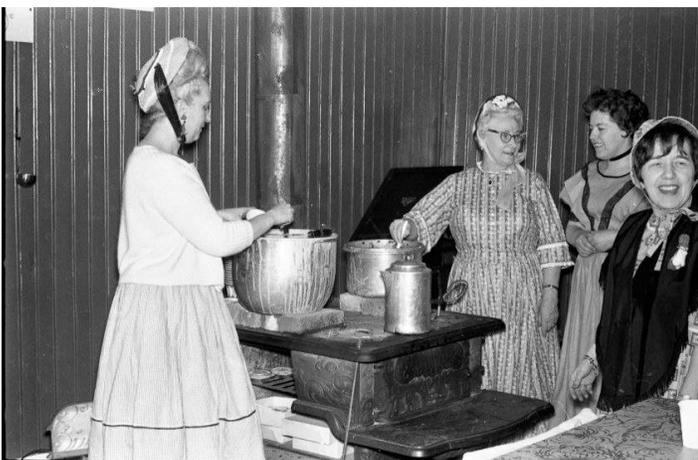


Pea Soup: A Winter Tradition

Through the many years of Penetanguishene's Winterama, there have been many traditions and activities that have come and gone but one that has remained staple to the weekend is the serving of traditional French Canadian pea soup. Why is pea soup a traditional winter tradition?

Rooted in the early 1600s, Pea Soup or Split Pea Soup holds tales of the voyageurs, French-Canadian fur traders who navigated vast landscapes. These early explorers were acutely aware of the need for sustenance that could endure harsh conditions without spoiling. Split peas are high in protein, easy to store, and versatile. When paired with salt pork, a durable protein source, this soup became a crucial nourishment source on their long journeys. This simple yet nutritious blend offered sustenance and warmth against the brutal Canadian winters. Over time, as the Franco-phone community flourished and cultures melded, the soup gained prominence in households, evolving in complexity and flavor, but always retaining its core.

The serving of Pea Soup at our Winterama is a cultural nod to the French-Canadian roots in our community and the Voyageur roots of many that live in our area. Here at the museum we take pride in serving this dish since the first year of our museum's inception in 1968. We hope you enjoy your cup this winter.



Serving of Pea Soup at the Museum in 1968.

FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM

We look forward to seeing you all at Winterama, where we will be offering pea soup/chili with refreshments in the Museum's Replica Firehall from 11AM- 2PM

For those of you who are thinking about volunteering, please consider being part of the Friends. If you have an hour or two to spare, we have 3 major celebrations each year. Also, many of the following museum activities are funded by the Friends' bingo shifts, again only one or two hours monthly.

The monies that are raised from Bingo are used for the Museum's programming/activities such as Museum Tot programs for ages 2 to 4 years old, Costume clothing for interpreters for Walking Tours and other programs, March break daily activities/crafts; Easter Eggstravaganza craft/goodie bags for the kids, Easter Bunny, Canada Day bouncy castles, face painters, and musical entertainment; Summer programming like family fun days; Meet the Spirits event; Halloween Spooktacular crafts/goodie bags and face painters; Fun With Santa craft/goodie bags and Santa Claus, Winter break activities/crafts; Research room items such as computers, Tea and Tarts summer event in the past, various exhibitions.

These are so very important to the lifeline of the museum. If you are interested, please contact Irene Ashworth at irene_dean@rogers.com.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Thank you to the following who have renewed their memberships or become new members since our last newsletter.

Bill Kissock
Jack & Joanne Scott
Peter and Elizabeth DesRochers
Bruce Missen
Jessica Sauvé

Penetanguishene Centennial Museum and Archives

WINTER



Events

Winterama Craft Show **February 17th**

Event will take place during the Town of Penetanguishene's Winterama event, the longest running Winter Carnival in Ontario. It will include over 20 vendors inside the Museum selling their creations. Runs 10:00am to 3:00pm.

Friends of the Museum Pea Soup and Chili **February 17th**

Pea Soup and Chili, coffee, hot chocolate and apple cider sold by the Friends of the Museum. Inside the Replica Firehall. Prices to be announced. Runs 11:00am to 2:00pm.

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