From the Executive Director

Looking Forward to an Exciting New Year

After a very successful 2017, with record breaking attendance, staff and volunteers are getting ready for another busy year. 2018 is shaping up to be a year of exciting projects, engaging exhibits and memorable events! We continue to work in partnership with Parks Canada and are offering free admission for children and youth during 2018 Canada-China Year of Tourism.

As many of you know, we said farewell to Carina Harris our Events & Volunteer Coordinator who is pursuing a career in education. We wish Carina the very best in all her future endeavours.

Trish Falkstone our Farmers’ Market Manager will continue to manage the Market and will be taking over as Events Coordinator. Trish has years of experience in the entertainment industry and I am confident that she will create some remarkable experiences. Likewise, Senior Heritage Interpreter Tara Miller will fill the part-time position of Volunteer Coordinator. Tara has been part of our team now for almost a year, and will be working with our very valued volunteers. We welcome both Trish and Tara to their new positions.

As we move into 2018, I invite you to drop by the Cannery to attend events and openings or just to say hello and see what’s new. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to seeing you soon.

Very best regards,

CHAR (CHARLOTTE) MURRAY

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - APRIL 21, 2018

Please join us for the Gulf of Georgia Cannery Society’s Annual General Meeting on Sunday April 21st at 1pm in the Boiler House Theatre. Following the AGM is an exclusive members-only guided tour of the new Pacific Herring: the fish that feeds the coast exhibit and viewing of the new Virtual Museums of Canada online exhibit, From Tides to Tin.

New Volunteer Coordinator Tara Miller (left) and Market and Events Coordinator Trish Falkstone (right) enjoy the view on our Parks Canada Red Chairs.
From the Archives: Martinolich Fishing Films

A couple years ago we received an exciting donation of eleven 8mm films from Glenn Martinolich. The films range in date from 1955 to 1976 and feature footage of salmon and herring fishing up and down BC’s West Coast. The Martinolichs are well known in the fishing industry as a family of “high liners,” as they were responsible for catching record amounts of fish on many occasions throughout the years.

Up until recently, due to the format and fragility of the films, we had not been able to view them. However, thanks to a bit of extra funds, we have finally been able to digitize these valuable records of the industry and share them with you.

For now, the films are accessible though our Collections page of our website at: http://gulfofgeorgiacannery.org/experience/collections. Be sure to check them out!

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Public Programs

New Pacific Herring Exhibit

When we think about fish that are important to British Columbia, herring is not usually the first species to come to mind. Salmon tend to capture that honour. And yet, the humble herring deserves our attention as well. So, our next exhibit will focus on this important forage fish that provides a vital link between the energy stored in phytoplankton and the rest of the food chain along the BC coast.

Pacific Herring sustain not only the ecosystem, but also support the economy and nourish the cultures of BC. Pacific Herring: the fish that feeds the coast will use large-scale photographs and a beautiful film to share the importance of herring with visitors as they enter the herring reduction plant.

Members are welcome to join an exclusive guided tour of the new exhibit on Saturday April 21st directly following the Annual General Meeting.

The Society will be launching a second exhibit at the AGM. From Tides to Tins is an on-line exhibit about BC’s salmon canning industry. The Virtual Museums of Canada project documents each of the 200+ salmon canneries that dotted the west coast of BC and includes an interactive map, industry timeline, and videos of the canning process. Members will receive a virtual tour of this exhibit during the AGM.

SHANNON KING
Easter at the Cannery

Bring the kids to the annual family-friendly Easter at the Cannery event from Friday March 30th to Sunday April 1st. In addition to the “Easter Salmon” Egg Hunt, there will be games, crafts and chances to take photos with the Easter Salmon throughout the weekend. The egg hunts will begin each day at 10:30am and be repeated every 30 minutes until the last hunt at 4:30pm -- all hunt participants will go home with an Easter treat.

Admission for Easter at the Cannery is $4.90 for Youth (2-17) and $3.90 for Adults. Free admission for Society members!

Fishermen’s Memorial

On Saturday April 28th, the National Day of Mourning, a ceremony to remember those who have been lost in the fishing industry will be held from 12 noon at the Fishermen’s Memorial in Garry Point Park. Following the ceremony, please join us at the Cannery for some light refreshments, coffee and tea.

TRISH FALKSTONE

The Pull of the Net: A Multicultural Celebration

The Pull of the Net: A Multicultural Celebration returns again this year in a celebration of the diverse cultural communities connected by Canada’s west coast commercial fishing industry.

The celebration takes place on Saturday May 5th, and will be free admission for all to enjoy.

TRISH FALKSTONE

The Nauticapped: BC’s Boating History on Sale

Nauticapped is a series of four volumes, covering the history of British Columbia’s boats. Volume One lists the histories of 1,170 of British Columbia ships and boats built before 1960, some that are still afloat! Volume Two covers 1960-1965, Volume Three 1966–1970 and Volume Four 1971 to 1975. Th books truly are an indispensable reference guide to BC’s floating heritage. Regularly $24.95, they are now on sale for $16.99 each!

ROB HART
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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 16-29: Spring Break  Weekdays - themed programs and machine demos.
March 30-April 1: Easter at the Cannery  “Easter Salmon” egg hunts and fun! Free admission for Society members.
April 21: Society Annual General Meeting 1pm in the Boiler House Theatre, followed by new Pacific Herring exhibit tour and From Tides to Tin online exhibit presentation.
April 28: Fishermen’s Memorial  12pm at Garry Point Park; reception at the Cannery to follow (free parking passes provided for Cannery parking lot).
March 11 & 25, April 8 & 22: Cannery Farmers’ Market  Sundays 10am to 3pm.

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