# The Heritage Times

#### THE LUTZ MOUNTAIN HERITAGE FOUNDATION



A Garden Tea

Saturday, August 17th, 2019

## Ioin us for this special Summer fundraiser!

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## Message from the Board

Our volunteers are the backbone of our organization along with those who faithfully attend our fundraising functions and donate financially to the Lutz Mountain Heritage Foundation Inc.

At our April 10 Volunteer Appreciation evening we recognized our many faithful volunteers. One such volunteer is **Juanita "Neta" Trites** who was interviewed and recognized for her 44 years service as a Lutz Mountain Heritage volunteer. She shared stories of her past and of the Heritage Foundation. Thanks to George Somers who videoed the Interview for historical record.



The new display area is open thanks to all who contributed in the transformation from "old office" to a Church Display Room. Two organs and two pews, pulpit and other items from four area churches are displayed there. You will also see a television mounted on the wall; it is our desire to use this screen to show what is in the display areas that aren't handicap accessible.

Thanks to **George Somers** for the technical work and equipment he has set up and/or provided in this room and other areas so that this can be accomplished in the future.

## Message from the Board (cont.)

Thanks to **Dale Weldon** and **Gerry Gillcash** for installing track lighting in the Church display area, hallway stage area and the work they did in the Barn Room display area downstairs.

In the last few years we've seen many positive growing changes here at the Meeting House, but change does come with some learning curves and letting go of how we think it should be done and be open to new ideas. Such as not always thinking we must do things certain ways because it was always done that way. We live in an age where technological change for instance is happening rapidly so we as an organization need to adapt if we expect to have young volunteers come forth.

If any of you are interested in preservation of our historic building, local history and artifacts that have been donated we'd love to hear from you. Check out our website <a href="www.lutzmtnheritage.ca">www.lutzmtnheritage.ca</a> or <a href="www.facebook.com/lutzmtnheritage">www.facebook.com/lutzmtnheritage</a> for more information on background and events and the **search for an Executive Director**, one who can lead the Heritage Foundation into the 21st century. If you know someone tell them to apply.

Drop in and to see the Museum or to search your roots. We'd love to see you.

#### Betty Lutes, Chair of the Board

The Lutz Mountain Heritage Foundation is run by an elected Board of Directors. Currently we have twelve directors but our constitution does allow up to fifteen directors. The Heritage Board can add new members at any time prior to the next Annual General Meeting to fill vacant positions or to increase to the full fifteen members. Board members serve on committees of the Board and volunteer to help with Board functions such as fundraising.

Interested in joining the Board? Come along to our next Board Meeting to find out more.

## A Garden Tea

The Lutz Mountain Heritage Foundation will be holding a special fundraising Garden Tea on Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019. We are raising funds to support the continuing work of the Foundation. The Tea will be at the home of Gerry and Judy Gillcash at 26 Lower Mountain Road, just off the Homestead Road in Steeves Mountain.



#### The Garden

Following retirement from the Air Force in 1994, Gerry and Judy purchased this property, built their house and relocated here from Greenwood, NS in 1996. Shortly thereafter, Gerry was asked to join the Lutz Mountain Heritage Board of Directors and has been actively involved ever since.

Being an avid gardener and with support from his wife Gerry and Judy have transformed their 2 ½ acre property into a beautiful oasis with multiple flower beds, a pergola with grape and kiwi vines, a vegetable garden, a hidden garden with a water feature, an orchard, a knot garden and one of the favorites a Petunia tree. Hundreds of perennials and literally thousands of annuals adorn this sanctuary with color and fragrance.



#### The Tea

Our volunteers are well known for presenting a delicious array of sandwiches and sweets to satisfy the palate. We will be serving homemade scones, jams, cookies, and squares from local kitchens add to the variety. A variety of teas are part of the menu served in china cups and saucers. Coffee will also be available.

Please join us for a wonderful day in the great outdoors and support your local Museum. Please feel free to wear your best hat or fascinator! Fancy and colorful is good. Hope to see you there on Saturday August 17<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm with a rain date of Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$20.00 and must be purchased in advance.



A very big thank you to Gerry and Judy and the Lutz Mountain Meeting House volunteers for putting on this special event. Do not miss it!

## Museum Tour

We have been busy this winter upgrading the Lutz Mountain Heritage Museum. If you have been to any events at the Meeting House recently you will have already seen the changes to the 'old office'. We now have a beautiful Church Room dedicated to our Second Baptist Church origins as well as artefacts and pictures from other churches in the community.



We have new energy efficient lighting in the Church Room as well as on the Stage. The lighting really highlights the artifacts. The picture below shows our seasonal display celebrating 100 years of CN. Thank you to everyone who has loaned items for our display and special thanks to Resurgo Place and the CN Pensioners for their support.



## Museum Tour (cont.)

We have also made changes to our basement display area to better show off artifacts such as the counter from the former McSweeneys department store.



We have created several new 'zones' like our sewing display (pictured below) and upgraded the barn room. Thank you to everyone involved, especially Miriam McArdle and Gerry Gillcash.



We hope you will be able to take time to tour the Museum this summer! The Museum will be open from June 10<sup>th</sup> to September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

## A Tale of Two Stations

Visitors to the Museum will be familiar with the bench in the main entrance to the Meeting House, which comes from the former railway station in Berry Mills. Above the bench hangs a watercolour painting of the former CNR station.



Imagine our surprise when we were given a photo of another building in Berry Mills also believed to be a station. The building in question is now a home but it was originally built in the 19<sup>th</sup> century to serve as the Intercolonial Railway station at Berry Mills (formerly known as Berry's Mills). We do not know its exact age but we do know that the building pre-dates 1878 as a document dated that year was found under the floor boards. With help from Art Clowes from the New Brunswick Railway Museum in Hillsborough, we were able to piece together the story.

In the days of the Intercolonial Railway (ICR) there were essentially two separate railways approaching Moncton from the North. Sandford Fleming was responsible for the ICR from downtown Moncton northward. The line built by Sandford Fleming then ran in a fairly straight line up to *The Handshake* (The point near the junction of Pacific Avenue & the Berry Mills Road was known as *The Handshake* since it was stated if each railway had an engine near that point, the crews could shake hands as they rolled by!) and then onto the alignment of the Berry Mills Road (Route 128). This road is on the original ICR roadbed. It basically keeps this alignment and then extends northward through Berry Mills east of the present National Transcontinental Railway (NTR) to Catamount.

From Catamount it uses the original alignment north to the Miramichi and onward to Campbellton and Quebec, via Mont-Joli. This railway construction took place following the Canadian Confederation and was completed in 1875. In time the NTR was extended from Edmundston across New Brunswick to near Berry Mills (later identified as Pacific Junction). From Pacific Junction a new NTR rail line was constructed to the east of the ICR/CNR line from Pacific Junction towards Moncton. By 1919, the old intercolonial railways had been incorporated into the Canadian National Railway Company.



Photograph of the Berry Mill's Station by Mendel Greenblatt. This photo of this Intercolonial Railway Station taken probably about 1920 after the 1916 abandonment / merger of this ICR line with the NTR.



Our Intercolonial Railway Display Summer 2019.

## A Tale of Two Stations (cont.)

It is not clear when the building became used as a home. Before it did, the house was rotated clockwise through 90 degrees and moved to the back of the property away from the old ICR roadbed. The platform section was also removed. If you look closely at the photograph donated by the Killam family, it is possible to make the faint outline of the name 'Berry's Mills' painted on the wall.



The original ICR stations were painted mid-grey with maroon trim.

From the outside, the house is unrecognisable as a former station. And although there have been many changes to the interior, the distinctive tight circular stairs remain. This type of staircase is typical of ICR stations, such as in the one at the Orangedale Railway Museum in Cape Breton. The curved wall upstairs is another feature typical of the period.



Many thanks to Evelyn & Paul Killam for sharing the story of their home with us.

## Mysteries at the Museum Day Camp

The Mystery at the Museum camps will be returning this summer. A museum has all kinds of secrets to discover. Come and spend the day figuring some of them out! These camps are suitable for those entering grades 4, 5 & 6. Contact the Office on (506) 384 7719 for more details

Tentative dates: July 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18 & 25<sup>th</sup> and August 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> (Thursdays)



## Lutz/Lutes Family Scholarship 2019

Congratulations to Andrew Johnson from Kentville, Nova Scotia. Andrew is looking forward to joining the Electronic Engineering Technician Program at Kingstec, the Nova Scotia Community College in Kentville.



## We Are Hiring This Summer!

We are hiring four Museum Assistants this summer. We have funding through Young Canada Works, Canada Summer Jobs\_and from the Province's Community Museums Summer Employment Program.

Museum assistants carry out a variety of day-to-day tasks from interpretive tours to office duties as well as summer programming; collections work and genealogy research. There are plenty of opportunities to use your skills (photography, cooking, gardening or using social media) at the Lutz Mountain Heritage Museum. Interested? Or know someone who is?

Call us at (506) 384 7719 or by email <u>lutzmtnheritage@rogers.com</u> for more information.

Please note that jobs under Canada Summer Jobs are now open to any young person and not just returning students.

## Charitable Donations

Thank you to our faithful volunteers and financial donors. Much has been accomplished here at the Lutz Mountain Heritage through the giving of your time, talents, material resources and financial donations.

We have expanded our facility and **special thanks to George Somers** for his financial expertise as treasurer as we grow. George also provided equipment, updates and technological advances in the new offices, library and new display room.

As a Registered Charity we can give Charitable Receipts when you donate to us, this can be used for your benefit when you file your Income Tax return.

Charitable donations attract both federal and provincial tax credits. For the federal you get 15 % for the first \$200. of annual charitable donations. The rate is even higher for donations above \$200. it jumps to 29%.

On the provincial side New Brunswick has a similar credit. The rate for first \$200 is 9.6% credit and then it jumps to 17.95% on the cumulative donations above \$200. As an example, when you file your 2018 return and you donated a \$1000. to the Lutz Mountain Heritage Foundation Inc., you can expect to receive a combined Federal and Provincial tax credit of \$425.00, your out of pocket from the \$1000. donation is \$575.00.

Business' that make charitable donations can also benefit so it is worth your while for you to check with your accountant to see whether it is best to donate personally or from your business.

Other benefits are naming the Heritage Foundation in your will as it is a way of reducing your estate's tax burden on your death. You can also name the Lutz Mountain Heritage Foundation Inc. as a beneficiary in a Life Insurance policy as there are benefits now or at the time of your death.

Thanks to all who use our facility and support in anyway in helping us achieve our goal of serving our community in preserving the past for the future.

## Facility Rentals

Lutz Mountain Meeting House is a unique and welcoming venue for workshops; business meetings; office parties, bridal / baby showers, or family functions. We offer convenient parking; fully accessible meeting room and washrooms: and professional kitchen facilities. Lutz Mountain Meeting House is also a great place for art exhibitions and for small musical events.

Call Miriam McArdle on (506) 384 - 7719 or use our online booking form <a href="https://lutzmtnheritage.ca/rental/">https://lutzmtnheritage.ca/rental/</a>

**Hourly** Corporate - \$25.00/hour. Not-for-profit - \$20.00/hour. *Members Rate - 10% discount.* \$18.00/hour.

**Daily** – Corporate - \$200.00/day. Not-for-profit – 150.00/day *Members Rate* – 10% *discount*. \$135.00/day (Based on 9 hours from 8 am to 5 pm. After 9 hours, hourly rates take effect)

### Wedding Package - \$300.00 package

Includes Ceremony time, 2 hours for Rehearsal, 2 hours for Photography and access for wedding guests to visit the other Museum areas during photography time after the Ceremony.

Photography Location - \$25.00 per hour.

Kitchen - \$ 50.00 for the use of equipment such as dishwasher, stove, fridge, oven, heating oven and/or dishes. Preparation of food not involving these items, no charge

Projector and Screen - \$30.00/day

Rental Fees: Effective January 1, 2018

## Director Profile

#### Christine Barkhouse



Born in the Albro Lake district of North Dartmouth, NS, Christine Barkhouse spent her early years in Nova Scotia. After completing a secretarial course in 1961, she began working in the library at the Naval Research Establishment, Dartmouth. Five years later she married and moved to Fredericton. In 1966 Christine started working in the Reference Department of the University of New Brunswick (UNB). In the early 1970s she took charge of the Biology Library before taking time off her career to raise her family. She went back to UNB in 1979 and worked there for the next 24 years. During her time at UNB, she was on the Board of the College Hill Credit Union; the University Health & Safety Committee and the UNB Employees Association. Christine finally left UNB in 2003 to be with her husband. Her husband died in 2008.

Christine has always been a volunteer from a young age. She canvassed for the Walter Callow Foundation; Cancer Society; Alzheimer's Society; Kidney Foundation; and Heart & Stroke. She also helped out at the Lincoln School and served as both Secretary and Treasurer for the Lincoln Cemetery Association.

Christine remarried in 2012 and moved to Moncton. Her two sons live in Lincoln on the property she and her husband and grandparents owned. She has two grandchildren.

## Upcoming Events at Lutz Mountain Meeting House 2019\*

Sat.	May 11th	Spring Salad Supper	4:30 pm & 6:00 pm
		Take-outs	5:00 pm
Wed.	May 29th	Muriel's Tea	11:30am – 2:00pm
Mon.	June 10th	Museum Opening	10:00am - 5:00pm
Wed.	June 26th	Muriel's Tea	11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Wed.	July 10th	Strawberry Social	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Wed.	July 31st	Muriel's Tea	11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Sat.	Aug 17	A Garden Tea	11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Wed.	Aug 28th	Muriel's Tea	11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Sat.	Sept 7th	Fall Fest/Flea Market	9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sat.	Sept 14th	Museum Closes	5:00 pm
Wed.	Sept 25th	Muriel's Tea	11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Thurs	Sept 19th	Fibre Arts begins	10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sat.	Oct 19th	Fall Supper	4:30 pm & 6:00 pm
		Take-outs	5:00 pm
Wed.	Dec 4th	Christmas Tea	11:30 am - 2:00 pm
Wed.	Dec 11th	Christmas Concert	7:00 pm

#### \*This is a tentative Calendar of Events

Please check our events board, our Facebook page or website (www.lutzmtnheritage.ca) for any updates.

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The Lutz Mountain Heritage Foundation Inc. was incorporated in 1975. The Corporation is managed by a 15 Member Board of Directors.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership is open to all.

Bronze: Single \$15.00, Family \$25.00 Silver: Single \$25.00, Family \$40.00 Gold: Single \$75.00, Family \$90.00 (Gold includes tax receipt for \$50.00)

**Donations** are always gratefully accepted anytime and tax receipts can be issued for any donation over \$10.00.

#### **FUNDING SPONSORS**

The Lutz Mountain Heritage Foundation wishes to acknowledge our sponsors:

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City of Moncton;

Private Donors; and

Community Supporters.

## Interested in Volunteering?

We are proud of the Foundation's accomplishments over the years and seek your ongoing support and encouragement. We invite you to consider volunteering – act as a tour guide; be a server for Muriel's Tea; sign up for an hour a month to maintain the flower garden; start up or suggest a special interest program; display your collections; or lend a hand in the kitchen.