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Festive Season At the Museum



FUN WITH SANTA AT THE MUSEUM ON DECEMBER 16TH!

Are you looking for a fun and exciting way to celebrate the upcoming holiday season? Look no further than the Penetanguishene Centennial Museum. We are thrilled to announce a special event taking place on December 16th, 2023, that will surely bring joy to the hearts of children and adults alike.

The highlight of our event is none other than a visit from the jolly man himself, Santa Claus, along with his lovely wife, Mrs. Claus. There's no better way to get into the Christmas spirit than an up-close and personal visit with Santa and his wife. Your children will have a chance to tell Santa what they want for Christmas, giving them an unforgettable experience.

But that's not all! We've designed a range of activities to keep the little ones entertained and engaged. Among these is a scavenger hunt with a fun prize for each child to take home.

What's more, there's also cookie decorating, which is always a big hit with kids. We'll provide all the necessary materials, so all you need to bring is your creativity.

And let's not forget about the crafts. Children will have the opportunity to make their own holiday-themed crafts. A great way for them to express their creativity and, at the same time, make something they can take home and cherish as a memento of this special day.

The event will be taking place from 9:30AM to 12:00PM, and costs \$6.00 per child. Please note that pre-registration is required. This is to ensure we can accommodate all attendees and provide the best experience possible.

So, mark your calendars and plan to join us for this fun-filled day at the Penetanguishene Centennial Museum. It's going to be a day full of laughter, joy, and holiday cheer that you won't want to miss.

For more information about the event and to register, please visit our website at pencenmuseum.com. We look forward to seeing you and your family at the event and celebrating this joyful season together.



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FROM THE CURATORIAL ASSISTANT



Festival of Lights December 1st 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Join the Town of Penetanguishene for a Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Penetanguishene Town Dock on Friday, December 1st. The Tree Lighting activities will begin at 5:00 PM with live caroling, and a welcoming speech by the Mayor. Following the tree lighting, community members are invited to walk as a group by candle light, led by the "Snowflake Princess" to the Museum for additional activities. The Museum will have activities for all ages, including:

- ◆ Fire pits with marshmallows
- ◆ Visits with Santa
- ◆ Photo Booths
- ◆ Free hot chocolate and cookies
- ◆ Take home crafts and goodies
- ◆ Live Music
- ◆ Strolling Carnival Performers
- ◆ Face Painting

All activities are FREE to the public and events at the Museum will take place from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM.



Winter Break Activities January 2nd to January 5th 10 AM to 2 PM

Winter is a magical time of the year when the world is covered in a blanket of snow and the air is filled with the scent of hot cocoa and warm cookies. But, it's also a time when many of us find ourselves with an abundance of free time. So, what to do with all this spare time? Well, why not indulge in some fun and exciting winter break activities? And what better place to find these activities than at our local museum, which is offering a range of winter-themed crafts and activities!

We will be offering a different themed craft and activity for the week of January 2nd to January 5th. This is a drop-in program, so you may visit any time between 10 AM to 2 PM. This event is by donation (\$) and will include a visit to the museum as well.



Museum Tot Winter Session Starts January 10th \$5 per child Registration Required

Are you looking for a fun, educational, and engaging activity for your tots this Winter? Look no further! The museum is bringing back their Museum Tots program for a Winter Session. This program promises a delightful blend of play, crafts, and sensory activities curated to thrill and educate children aged 2 to 4. This 9 week program is only \$5 per child per week and requires adult supervision. Registration is required and opens on December 4th at our website www.pencenmuseum.com.



NEW ONLINE COLLECTIONS PORTAL!

Penetanguishene Centennial Museum & Archives launched PastPerfect, an online collections portal, this year that allows users to explore the museum's extensive collection of artifacts and archives from the comfort of their own homes.

PastPerfect is a web-based software program that provides access to digital records of the museum's collections, including photographs, documents, maps, and objects. Users can search or browse the collection, and view detailed information about each item to discover stories from the town's past.

This is an exciting development for the museum as we are able to share our collection, which is estimated at over 18000 items with a wider audience, and PastPerfect provides an easy and accessible way for people to learn about the history of Penetanguishene."

The launch of PastPerfect is part of the museum's ongoing efforts to make its collections more accessible to the public. The museum is committed to preserving and sharing the history of Penetanguishene and the surrounding area, and PastPerfect is an important tool in achieving that goal.

For more information about the museum or to explore the online collections portal, visit www.penetanguishene.ca/museum.

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FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM

"The Friends of the Museum would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas, and happy holidays.

We are always looking for volunteers for one or two hours for our events. The next one where we could use help is Winterama which will be February 16 - 18, 2024. The Friends will be selling Chili, and Pea Soup, hot chocolate, and coffee on Saturday, February 17 from 11:30 through to 2 p.m., although we have always sold out prior to 2 p.m. We always have room for more volunteers to help for an hour to two during this time frame.

If you are interested, please contact Irene Ashworth at irene_dean@rogers.com

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you and your children/grandchildren at Fun with Santa, and the Museum on Saturday, December 16, 2023 from 9:30 through to 12:30.

- Irene Lau,
Chair of the Friends of the Museum



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Thank you to the following who have renewed their memberships or become new members since our last newsletter. We appreciate the support that you give us during a difficult time.

John & Beth Dubeau
Claudia Cochrane

Jeanne d'Arc Howell
Wendy Crean & family

Penetanguishene Centennial Museum and Archives



Events

Festival of Lights **December 1st**

Join the Town of Penetanguishene for a Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Penetanguishene Town Dock on Friday, December 1st along with activities at the Museum. Activities at the museum will take place from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

Fun with Santa **December 16th**

Visit with Mr. & Mrs. Claus at the Penetanguishene Centennial Museum! Complete a scavenger hunt, decorate a cookie, and get a craft loot bag! \$6.00 per child. Pre-registration is required for children. Adults are free and do not have to register.

Winter Break Activities **Jan 2nd to 5th**

Come to the museum for a make and take winter themed craft and activity! Each day is a different theme. Drop in anytime between 10:00am to 2:00pm. Admission is by donation (\$).

Museum Tots **Starts January 10th**

Parents and Tots come on adventure with us as we experience our senses through play, crafts, and activities at the Museum! Wednesdays, 10:30am to 11:20am. \$5.00 per child (2-4 years old). Registration is required.

March Break Activities **March 11th to 15th**

Come the museum to make two different crafts and explore the museum through a fun scavenger hunt! Each date has different themes and registration. \$5.00 per child. Registration is required.



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