



Nahma's Bittersweet Farewell



The Watts-built vessel *Nahma* awaits transport to its new home in Ottawa on May 1st.

Community members took advantage of a unique opportunity to participate in the transfer of *Nahma*, a Collingwood-built vessel of national significance, to the Canada Science and Technology Museums Corporation (CSTMC) on April 30th and May 1st.

Sharon Babaian, Curator of Land and Marine Transportation at CSTMC, delivered an informative presentation to forty-eight participants, entitled "*Nahma*: A Skiff with a Story to Tell", at 7pm on April 30th.

Babian shared what is known of *Nahma*'s history, showcasing early photographs of *Nahma* and the vessel's various owners. In doing so she

successfully expressed the vessel's importance in creating conversation about Canada's marine heritage and the excitement that *Nahma*'s transfer has garnered on the national stage.

Early the next morning, *Nahma* was prepared for its long awaited journey to Canada's capital. Ms. Babian was onsite, alongside Mayor Sandra Cooper, Collingwood Museum staff, and advisory

committee members. Numerous community members were also present to bid farewell to this Collingwood-built icon.

Jeff Woodhouse, owner of J.A. Woodhouse Transport Ltd., designed a special resting cradle for *Nahma*. He and his staff also oversaw *Nahma*'s removal from storage and all of the necessary preparations for transport.

The Collingwood Museum would like to express its gratitude to Jeff for ensuring *Nahma*'s safe journey, and to extend a heartfelt thank-you to everyone who made *Nahma*'s transition a success. Your support has been greatly appreciated!

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Supervisor's Message

After much planning, *Nahma* set sail for the Canadian Science and Technology Museum in Ottawa on May 1st. Photographs of *Nahma*'s departure are featured on the Collingwood Museum's Facebook page. Please look us up and don't forget to "like" our page!

The Collingwood Museum has partnered with the Gaslight Tour in researching this year's exciting theme: **Launching a Legacy**. Four plays relating to the history of the shipyards will be featured during the Gaslight Tour in November 2013. Please visit www.gaslight-productions.com for additional information.

The Collingwood Museum and Craigleith Heritage Depot are celebrating **International Museum Day** by offering free admission on Saturday, May 18th. Both sites will also be participating in **Doors Open** on June 1st and 2nd. Free **walking tours** of Collingwood's downtown will be leaving from Town Hall at 11am and 2pm on Saturday, June 1st, and at 2pm on Sunday, June 2nd. Don't miss out on this opportunity to take in our town's rich history!

Museum staff has received notification that our grant application for a social media assistant through the Summer Experience Program was successful. Three summer student positions (two educational programmers and one collections assistant) are being partially funded through Young Canada Works Canadian Heritage, and funding for a third programming student has been approved through Tracks Employment and Resource Services of Georgian Bay Inc. Stay tuned for this summer's exciting program offerings, as well as collections and event updates!

Please stop by the Station to say hello!

Susan Warner, Museum Supervisor

Family Day Prize Winners



On Monday, February 18th, local and visiting families participated in a Family Day Scavenger Hunt offered by the Collingwood Museum. This year's "hunt" required participants to locate four historic panels in Collingwood's downtown and search out the answers to Collingwood's fascinating past. Three separate family prizes were awarded to these lucky participants.



The Collingwood Museum is pleased to announce the launch of its official Facebook page.

The page will be updated regularly with museum news and events. Photographs of the facility and its dedicated volunteers and members will also be featured, as well as information pertaining to the history of the Town of Collingwood and its many inhabitants. Pieces from the museum collection will appear periodically, enabling a virtual exploration of the interesting artifacts housed in our unique collection. Information on the museum's ever popular children's programming will be added in the near future, and updated as it becomes available.

To keep up to date with the Museum and its news, along with snapshots of the collection and local history, "like" us at <https://www.facebook.com/collingwoodmuseum>.



On April 24th, Mayor Sandra Cooper joined Collingwood Museum staff and advisory committee members to honour the Museum's volunteers during National Volunteer Week, April 21-27.

The Museum has an active volunteer base of nine individuals who dedicate their time to a range of activities including research, collections management, exhibit installation and preparation, and children's programming. In 2012 the Museum's active volunteer hours logged an impressive 704 hours.

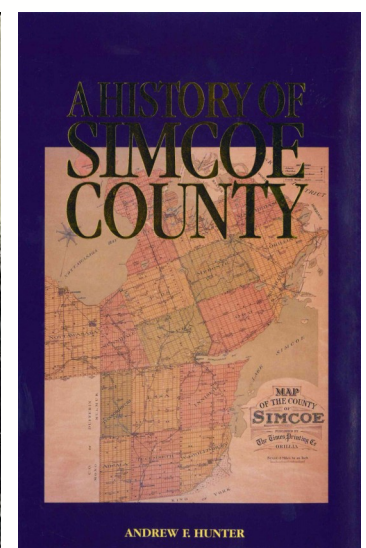
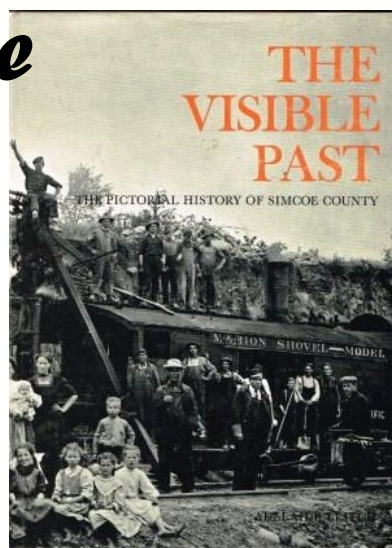
Thank you for all of your hard work!

Gift Shop Update

The gift shop shelves have been restocked with two ever-popular titles on Simcoe County's history. Stop by to get your copies today!

The Visible Past: The Pictorial History of Simcoe County by Adelaide Leitch
Regular Price: \$29.00 Member Price: \$23.20

A History of Simcoe County by Andrew F. Hunter
Regular Price: \$29.95, Member Price: \$23.96



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Membership News



Interested in receiving a green newsletter?
Send your email address to
museum@collingwood.ca and we will add you
to your e-newsletter database.

A special thank you from the staff at the Collingwood Museum to
our new and returning members:

Doug Bell, Fred & Susan Holmes, Bertha Connolly, Ray Smith,
Sandra Doyle, Don Brown, Jennifer MacNaughton, Fritz Schuller,
Canadian & World Studies Dept., Veronica Miller, Janet Trimble,
Peter Case, Michael Moir, Dale Sivell, & Chris Dobson

Hours of Operation

Monday - Sunday, 9am-5pm
Please call for holiday hours.

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