

Spencerville Mill News

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Spencerville Mill Foundation

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2009 Best Year Yet

Yet again the Mill proved it could beat the odds. With other historic sites in the area dealing with a decrease in visitation, the Mill had a record-breaking season. A total of 4114 people visited the mill during the season and for special events. That is a dramatic increase over the previous record of 2964 set in 2006.

The strong season started with record attendance at the Canoe Poker Run in May, and ended with astounding visitation (nearly double 2008) at the annual A Country Christmas Remembered event.

To keep the momentum from last year, the 2010 schedule has been packed with fun and educational events that will entertain the whole family. For complete event details please check our website at www.spencervillemill.ca.



Heritage Camp leaders (Back, from left) volunteer Molly Faessen, Board of Directors Chair Louise Burchell (Front, from left) Summer Students Marieka Ouimette, Erin Wynands, and Alyssa Moore.

Upcoming Annual General Meeting

The Spencerville Mill Foundation would like to invite the community to attend its Annual General Meeting. The meeting will be held on April 29th at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at the Township of Edwardsburg-Cardinal Municipal Office, Spencerville.

2010 Special Events

May 15 Canoe Poker Run

May 24 Run of the Mill 5km Fundraiser

May 29 & 30 Pottery Plus

June 19 & 20 All Things Fibre Art Show & Sale

June 26 Heritage Golf Tournament

July 8, 15 & 22 Music at the Mill

August 13 Summerfest, Dinner & Entertainment

December 4 & 5 A Country Christmas Remembered

Volunteers Needed

With another year of exciting events planned for the Mill, we are once again reaching out for volunteers. The Mill operates through donations, Bingo proceeds, and the money it raises at special events. We are in need of dedicated volunteers who would be willing to work either regularly or occasionally at Bingo, and share driving from the Spencerville area. Bingos are the 4th Sunday of the month starting at 8 pm and the 1st Tuesday of the month starting at 5pm. We need volunteers who are experienced or are willing to learn.

More volunteers would lighten the load for all of our special events, gardening, maintenance tasks, as well as occasional tour guides. If you could volunteer, please email Laura at:

marketing@spencervillemill.ca or call 613-658-5885.

If you can help with Bingos, please contact Lyle at lylehenderson@cogeco.ca or 613-342-1745.

Setting the Pace for 2010

The 2010 season will be kick-started by a very busy month of May. A new event, the Run of the Mill 5km Fundraiser will be fun for everybody, whether you are an avid runner, or would rather enjoy a leisurely walk on the shorter Family Walk route. Registration and donation forms will be available on the Spencerville Mill website.

Our Mill Survives on Your Support

The Spencerville Mill is a non-profit, charitable organization. All of our funding is from grants, and the support of the community. Without this support we would not be able to run our special events, keep our gardens beautiful, or do any of the regular maintenance required. Most importantly, without private donations we would not be able to continue with our ongoing restoration work that will ensure the Mill is preserved for future generations.

Donations can be made by check or credit card, or online at www.canada-helps.org.

Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$20 or more.



The Mill will take part in Doors Open Ontario on May 29th Photo By Barry Fawcett

Did you know...?

Although the Mill depicts the busy feed processing mill as it was in the 1930s, it continued to operate until 1972.

Another Great Year for A Country Christmas Remembered

A Country Christmas Remembered, which takes places at various sites around Spencerville, had a very successful 5th year. With people coming from across Ontario, the numbers show that the festival continues to grow. The Mill had over 820 visitors for the Children's Shopping Emporium and Crafts. Children were able to shop for everybody on their list thanks to donations from the community, and the Spencerville and District Optimist Club. Gift items are being collected for 2010. If you have items to donate, they can be dropped off at the Spencerville Branch Library or the Augusta Township Public Library. Items should be in like-new condition, and include toys, games, Christmas decorations, ties, hats, etc. There is always a shortage of items for men and children. Please, no clothing or books.



Gabrielle Gulh comes out of the Children's Shopping Emporium with gifts for friends and family. Photo By Carolyn Thompson.

Help Us Communicate

and keep our mailing costs down!

To receive regular newsletters and information on up-coming events please send us your email address. We will not share our email list with any other parties. Send your email address to either:

lylehenderson@cogeco.ca or to marketing@spencervillemill.ca

We Want Your Feedback

Send us your comments and you will be entered to win a gift basket valued at over \$80.00 just in time for Mother's Day.

Comments can be sent by e-mail or postal mail. Please include your name and phone number.

Email:

marketing@spencervillemill.ca

Mail: PO Box 215

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All comments must be received by April 30th. The draw will take place on May 3rd, 2010.



Local musician Judson Levere entertains at last summer's Music at the Mill.



Help us kick off the season with the Canoe Poker Run, May 15th

Endowment Fund

The Spencerville Mill Foundation has established an Endowment Fund to ensure the ongoing care and preservation of the mill, park and collection. You may choose to donate at any one of three levels; an in memorium, a larger donation to honour an individual or family, or a Named Endowment to support a specific project named for your family. To receive a brochure contact marketing @spencervillemill.ca or call 613-658-5885

Drop In For A Tour

The Mill is open to the public from June 15th through September 7th, Wednesday through Sunday 10am- 4pm. Turbine demonstrations are held twice a week, depending on water levels. Please phone for times and details.

Group tours can be arranged for any time, and the mill and park can be rented for weddings, family reunions, and other special events.

613-658-5885



Children get signed in for the Children's Shopping Emporium

Thank You

The Mill Foundation would like to say thank you to the community for the ongoing financial and volunteer support. The Mill would not be able to offer its many programmes and events without your help.



The 2009 golf champs show off their prizes.

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