15th Annual Stayner Heritage Day

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Fabulous weather, great crowd, exciting program and entertaining parade marked the **15th Annual Stayner Heritage Day** on July 9, 2011.

Included in the parade were the participants in the **1st Stayner Heritage Classic Car Event.** They cars were on display at the Municipal parking lot.

Station Park was packed with onlookers, and ringed with food booths, crafters and kid's events.

The Beinn Gorm Highlanders set the traditional tone befitting the Scottish/Irish heritage of Stayner.



The Ballagh Bunch entertains at Heritage Day Click photo to enlarge.

The Ballagh Bunch exceeded all expectations. This talented family from Teeswater did not disappoint. Gary and Janice and Devan, 19, Michael, 17, Paige, 16, and Matthew, 11 fiddled, sang and step-danced right into everyone's heart. Many times they were doing two things at once. What a performance! Following a tour to the East Coast, you can see them at the Shelburne Fiddle Contest!

Darci Que and Emily were busy all afternoon surrounded by children making buttons, balloon animals, etc. The library also offered crafts and entertainment. Thanks to the staff. The Colouring Contest, this year featuring a drawing of "Fountain Park", was well attended. The winners of the prizes were: 5 & under - Cole Robinson and Jacob Miller; 6 to 8 - Ava Bell, Kyle, and Emily Forester; 9 and over - Grace Squire and Rebecca Patton.

The Heritage Booth was busy selling Stayner-notes, postcards and prints of Stayner Heritage buildings and raffle tickets.

This year's raffle will finish in December where winners will choose from: (1) a night at Dave Huskinson's Caboose B&B; (2) a sketch of Stayner Co-op Building by John Hindle; and (3) an acrylic painting of the Bell Tower, also by John Hindle. Tickets will be on sale at various places during the Fall, including the GNE.

Larry Culham, representing the Chamber of Commerce, sold 50-50 tickets throughout and the winner was Lynn Butler who was pleased to receive \$175.50.

During the program, Catherine Walker gave several prizes: the longest married - Dale & Stan Nixon (62 years!); The oldest person attending - Marjorie Gorden at 96 years; the person travelling the farthest - Anna Maria Tiemans (Texas); and the person having the closest birthday - Catherine Allen.

This day would not be possible without the over 100 volunteers who planned, set up, worked throughout, and took down. Thanks to all, especially to the Clearview Firefighters.



Some members of the Heritage Society: Barb Stransky, Caroline Muir, Susan Brockwell, Jacqueline Poretti, D.A. Millsap and Feerne Allen. Click photo to enlarge.

And finally, we thank the many sponsors who helped make it all possible:

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