



## NANAIMO MUSEUM

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Letter to the Editor

**Dear Editor:**

As a non-profit organization it was a very difficult decision to cancel Chowder Fest, our biggest fund raiser of the year, due to bad weather. And while we were obviously disappointed that the public wasn't able to sample the culinary creations of our 10 competitors on August 7, we are very grateful to Cory Crane from the Dinghy Dock Pub for stepping up to the plate to host a mini Chowder Fest fundraiser three days later.

With four restaurants competing – the Dinghy Dock, Acme Food Co., Gabriele's Café and the Oxy Pub – the event managed to raise \$840 for the museum! Congratulations are in order for Acme Food Co. for winning the make-shift event with 44 votes, but we would also like to thank all the other restaurants for their involvement and their understanding: Amazing Thai, Bold Knight, Lighthouse Bistro, Longwood Brew Pub, Old City Station Pub and Miller's Pub. We also want to acknowledge everyone who bought tickets as well as our event sponsors for supporting this annual fundraiser: Downtown Nanaimo Business Improvement Association, Nanaimo Toyota, Island Farms, St. Jean's Cannery, Thrifty Foods, Harbour Chandler, Nanaimo Port Authority and the City of Nanaimo.

We now look forward to next year's Chowder Fest competition where we plan to secure more tent sponsorships to ensure the event goes forward no matter what the weather holds. Thanks again Nanaimo!

Mark Corbett

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