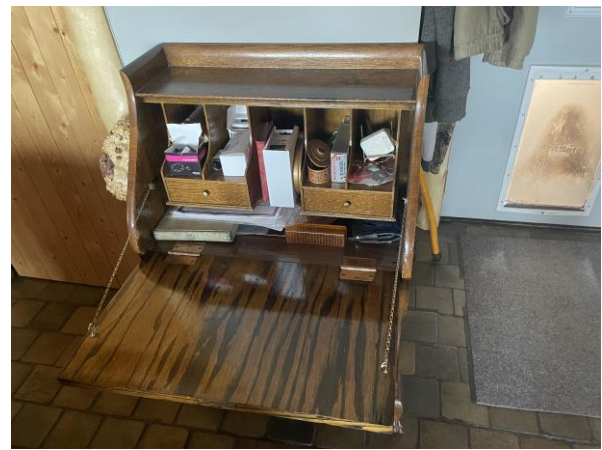


GCPS Progress Report
August/September, 2024
By Diane Sterne

- We have been privileged to receive photos of Jessie Olding-Hunter's writing desk, tea cup, and organ from her great-grandson, **Rick McGowan**. Our Web Master, Ray Boyd has added them to the website here: <https://www.granitecreekbc.ca/arc-img.html> (Scroll down the page to "Artefacts and Miscellaneous" to find the individual image links). Jessie's pump organ was a wedding gift from her husband, Hugh Hunter. It was wrapped in blankets and slung on ropes by six Chinese over the Hope Trail to Granite Creek. The delivery took two weeks. The eggshell tea cup is the last remaining tea cup from an original set of dishes that came from China on a sailing ship. The set was named "China of a Thousand Eyes". There are 500 eyes on the saucer and 500 eyes on the cup.

Thank you so much, Rick for sharing these photos with us!! This helps keep the memories of the Granite Creek pioneers alive and we are so grateful to you!



Jessie Renton Olding-Hunter's Writing Desk



Jessie Renton Olding-Hunter's Pump Organ and Tea Cup

- Great News!!! Jackie from Auto-Tac has the logos ready for stitching on shirts and hats. They look amazing. This SWAG is available by donation.



Minimum Donation:

T-shirt (the shirts are black):

- Small to 2X - \$25.00
- 3X to 5X and L to XL Tall - \$30.00
- 2X to 4X Tall - \$35.00

Hats (available in Black or Dark Blue) - \$20

Chris Goodfellow donated 18 hats to our Society to raise funds. Thank you, **Chris Goodfellow**, for your GENEROUS DONATION! We have 13 hats (6 black and 7 dark blue) stitched and available at 1841 Main Street, Coalmont.

We will be placing an order for the T-shirts once we know what everyone wants. We do not want to end up with extra items as this will cost the GCPS money. If you wish to place an order, please email me at this email address to specify sizes and how many of each. If you are ordering a hat, please specify black or dark blue.

Please make your donation for your SWAG using one of the following methods:

- PayPal. Use the Donate button at the bottom of the first page of the website: <https://www.granitecreekbc.ca/>
- cash dropped off at 1841 Main Street, Coalmont; or
- cheque written to the Granite Creek Preservation Society and mailed to 1841 Main Street, Coalmont, B.C. V0X 1W0.

The deadline to place and pay for your order is **Wednesday, October 16**. I will send out an email to let you know when the items have been printed and you can pick them up at 1841 Main Street. If you must have your order shipped to you, you will be responsible for the shipping charges.

Thank you again **Roy Roberts** and **Kerry Roberts** for the FANTASTIC job you did designing the logo!!! It is beautiful.

- I wanted to say thank you to **Ray Boyd** for keeping our website updated and user friendly. We are so lucky to have him on our team. He doesn't charge the GCPS for his work and whenever I ask him to add anything or make a change to the site, he is quick to do so. Thank you, Ray!!!
- Financial Report: 27 paid members; current bank balance \$3,264.01; PayPal \$193.60; cash on hand \$10.00; accounts payable to Ernie Rice when he builds and installs the Delprato Cabin picnic table \$800. Money owed to Diane Sterne for Delprato Cabin \$35.00. Balance is \$2,632.61.