



## **Kilby's Haunted Halloween**

Abbotsford, BC (September 2008) –On October 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> come test your bravery in Kilby's 100 year old store! Hours are noon to 7pm, ideal for school groups or clubs! But no matter what your age you are bound to be a little scared and have a ton of fun!

The Kilby General Store was officially opened on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 1906 by Thomas and Eliza Kilby. Their son Acton and his wife Jessie operated the Store from 1922 until 1977. This store served as the place to shop and gather news of the area, serving the people of Harrison Mills and even as far away as Chilliwack.

Today interpreters dress in period costumes' representing the 1920's and love to answer any questions you have or even just chat about the good old days. The Post Office was located in the General Store and also used as the family's business office. The family operated the store and lived in the back, on exhibit now is the Pantry, Kitchen and Dining area. Eliza Kilby opened a hotel in the back of the store in 1908. Guests included traveling salesmen, railroad crews, farm hands, school teachers, mill hands, store clerks, new settlers and surveyors. Now you can see photographs of the Kilby family and object which belonged to them.

The Kilby General Store is always looking for more volunteers over the age of 18 to assist in various capacities during the operating of the Haunted Halloween event. If you are interested in helping, please email [info@kilby.ca](mailto:info@kilby.ca) or call 604-796-9576

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