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On exhibit until November 12

In celebration of Canada's sesquicentennial, we've created a summer exhibit entitled: 150 Years of Fashion in Thunder Bay. Though Thunder Bay has had its clothing designers, not many would consider it a fashion leader. Nevertheless, Lakeheaders have always sought to be in fashion, and the clothing they wore over the decades usually reflected the fashions of the day. In this exhibit you'll find examples of fashion worn by local people throughout our nation's history from hoop skirts and bustles to bell bottoms and pantsuits.

In the Lobby

Confederation College's 50th Anniversary

Right: College students learn programming using the latest IBM computers. (Feb. 15, 1969)

WW I Thunder Bay Centennial Project





From Vimy to Juno Sept. 12 to Nov. 12

This is a travelling exhibit, produced by the Juno Beach Centre in partnership with the Vimy Foundation, and funded by the Dept. of Canadian Heritage, that allows us to learn about Canada's role in the First and Second World Wars, drawing parallels between them.



My Story, My Tattoo until October 22

Featured on the Museum's third floor is a fascinating new exhibit from the Wellington Country Museum and Archives entitled *My Story, My Tattoo*. Large photographs of people and their tattoos are accompanied by audio files from the subjects pictured telling us, in their own voices, what inspired them to get their tattoos and what they mean to them.

Did you know that currently the proportion of our population with tattoos has reached almost ten percent?



2017 *Lectures*

Tuesday, September 26 @ 7:30pm Discovery of Tug Boat Mary Ann (1867), Underwater Archaeology in Northwestern Ontario

by Chris McEvoy

Tuesday, October. 24 @ 7:30pm Historical Stephen Leacock: What he did to History and What History did to him

by Paul and Leslie Conway

Tuesday, November 28 @ 7:30pm Tommy Horricks & Friends: Adventures in Music Through the Years

by Tommy Horricks



Ten students are busy at work this summer at the Museum. Their jobs: scanning photos, writing articles, attending our front desk and giftshop on weekends, helping out with our summer theme camps, cataloguing, and outreach. Our thanks to the Federal government employment programs: Young Canada Works and Canada Summer Jobs for funding. Their help is essential. The students are: Kate Beaulieu, Jordan Tait, Ryley Fingler, Mike Frood, Jason Feller, Jayne Alexander, Madison Maki, Syndey Maki, Olivia Jean, and Emily Tilbury.



Frank Gerry, left, presents a \$500 cheque as a donation from Sun Life to Douglas Yahn, Society Treasurer. This donation recognizes Frank's many hours of volunteer service as President of the Society.



Victorian Tea 2017

It's never too early to start thinking about the Museum's Victorian Tea. This year's tea will be held on Sunday, November 26, from 1-4pm. As usual you'll get to meet the Queen and her entourage, enjoy tea, coffee, scones, Devonshire cream, strawberry jam, and a wide assortment of baked goods. Extra scones and baking will be for sale in the lobby while supplies last. There will be entertainment and tea reading for those waiting to be seated.

On the subject of waiting, we can only seat 96 people at a time and over three times that many regularly attend the tea so, to avoid having to wait, consider coming later in the afternoon.

This year's tea will see a small increase in the price for adults and older children, to \$7. This is the first increase we've had in over a decade. so it's still great value for your money. Children under 6 can still attend for \$5.

Finally, volunteer bakers are, as always, crucial the success of the event. If you are interested, please contact the Museum at 623-0801.



Serious Outreach

It's been a busy summer for Museum outreach. We've had or will have a strong presence at the Busker Festival, the CPR Heritage Train, Brew Ha, the Westfort Street Fair, the Canadian Lakehead Exhibition, the Sesqui Panorama Movie presentation, a Scavenger Hunt, and a Thunder Bay sailing competition to name just a few. And every one of our new walking tours has sold out this summer.



Publications Coming Soon



Recipes From the Family Kitchen, Vol. 2

Our long awaited cookbook should be printed this autumn. Featuring recipes from the kitchens of families across Thunder Bay, many of which were submitted by members of our Society, it will become an excellent supplement to our first cookbook printed over 20 years ago.

Ten Generations – Then an Artist: The Susan Ross Story

Tritten by Jim Stevens, this short biography of one of

V Thunder Bay most successful artists, will be available this fall. With Jim's superb story-telling ability and impeccable research skills, accompanied by numerous colour illustrations, this book will be a must-read for the Christmas season and a book you'll want on your library shelf for years to come.



Staff Changes

his spring, after three years as our Education Officer, Catherine Caughell moved on to a new job as the Assistant Curator at the Waterford Heritage & Agricultural Museum in Waterford Ontario. We are certain she will shine there as she did at the Thunder Bay Museum.



Marissa Kuper

Tired as our new Education Officer was Marissa **1** Kuper, who is no stranger to the Thunder Bay Museum having been one of our education programmers for the past two years. Marissa has a HBA and B.Ed. from Lakehead University and has taught for the Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board and at an International Summer Camp where she taught ESL. She's also worked with St. John Ambulance. In the fall she will continue to take online courses in the

Heritage Research Management program at Athabasca University.

Teff Sumner, our Assistant Curator, retired in May. We thank Jeff for 29 years of service and especially for his tireless efforts when we moved the entire collection of artifacts from one building to another during our years of renovations. We wish him well in his retirement.

Michael deJong

aking Jeff's retirement as an opportunity to reorganize, the board has hired Michael deJong as our new Curator/ Archivist effective August 8th. (Tory Tronrud will assume the singular role of Executive Director).

Michael is a graduate of Nipissing University and the University of New Brunswick where he earned his M.A. and wrote a thesis on the subject of the Canadian War Museum. Since graduating, he has worked in various curatorial positions

at the City of St. Catharines' Department of Recreation and Community Services, the Niagara Historical Society and Museum, and Museum London. Recently he has operated his own business working on curatorial, research, and collections projects for several museums in the Niagara-Welland region.



The vegetation in front of the Museum was planted almost two decades ago and it served us well. However, after the thaw and quick freeze last January, many of the plants suffered. So, this summer, we've rejuvenated the greenery and have given the building a new look. Little Giant Cedar, a globe shaped, soft feathery bright evergreen will give a nice formal look.



And Day Lillies (below) will add colour. The plants are small at present but should grow well.







2018 Calendar

upplementing our summer's fashion exhibit is a 2018 calendar of local Ifashion throughout the past 150 years. Members will get the calendar mailed to them this fall but extra copies are now available at the gift shop for only \$10 each, while supplies last.

Culture Days

s usual, the Thunder Bay Museum will celebrate Culture Days on A September 29. Admission will be free that day and our focus will be on the new exhibit, From Vimy to Juno.