

# The Humboldt Telegraph



## Humboldt and District

Fall 2011

## Museum and Gallery Newsletter



### Work begins on the Merchants Bank of Canada building

The museum board assumed stewardship of the Merchants Bank of Canada building in early 2011, and is currently developing plans to re-adapt the building to create a community venue for the arts, culture and heritage of the community.

The building was constructed in 1920 as the Merchants Bank of Canada, with an addition constructed on the west side of the building in 1964. The building was used for the Bank of Montreal from 1922 - 1931 and the CIBC from 1932 - 1989, when it was donated to the municipality. The building was designated as Municipal Heritage Property in 2011.

The museum board is currently exploring grant opportunities to aid in making the entire building accessible by installing a wheelchair elevator and constructing new washrooms. Future renovations will improve all aspects of the building to make it viable for exhibitions and programs for the city and surrounding area. The museum foundation is providing significant funds for these projects. For further information or to make a tax deductible donation to this community project, please contact the museum.



#### Humboldt & District Museum & Gallery

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#### Visit the Museum Year Round

Tuesday - Saturday 1 - 5 pm

Admission by donation.



# Humboldt Arts and Culture Day



This is your chance to explore your creative side! **Culture Days** is a collaborative pan-Canadian volunteer movement to raise the awareness, accessibility, participation and engagement of all Canadians in the arts and cultural life of their communities.

Join us at the museum on Friday, September 30, from 1:00 - 5:00 pm for an afternoon of fun participation in a variety of exciting art adventures with talented area artists! This free, interactive afternoon will showcase the following artists:

**Elaina Adams** - Elaina owns Prairie Glass in Humboldt, and will be working with fusing glass. Elaina will discuss different types of glass, show how glass is cut, and demonstrate how thin rods of glass can be shaped by the heat of a candle. Elaina will have supplies for you to create your own magnet or piece of jewelry!

**Michael Saretsky** - Mike is a professional woodcarver from Watson who will be demonstrating his wood carving techniques. You can try carving on a piece of cottonwood poplar bark, which is a very easy wood to work with. Mike will supply all necessary tools.

**Cynthia Stumborg** - Cynthia is a local visual artist who will lead a collaborative effort to create a large drawing/painting entitled "Give a Hand to Our Love of Nature." Using a variety of media, participants can create large forms from nature such as flowers and leaves, as well as smaller than life human presence - resulting in a mural expressing our connection to nature.

**Flowers of Dellwood Creek** - Marie Saretsky has been a papermaker since 1996, using fibers from different Saskatchewan plants. Papermaking is great for card making or scrapbooking. Join instructor Darlene Ford in making your own piece of handmade paper with supplies provided by Flowers of Dellwood Creek.

**Please note that there is no charge to participate in any or all of these fantastic art adventures!**

Humboldt's Arts and Culture Day is a co-production of the museum and the Humboldt Area Visual Arts Council, and sponsored by SaskCulture and Saskatchewan Lotteries.



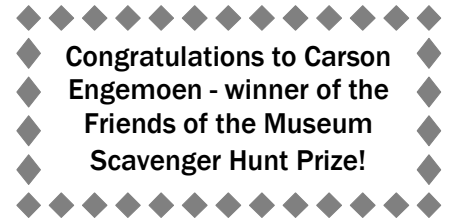
## Lieutenant Governor opens Original Humboldt site

The public access area of Original Humboldt opened in blustery winds but high enthusiasm on June 2, with His Honour the Honourable Dr. Gordon L. Barnhart as the site's first special guest. Over 200 visitors packed the tent to mark the event, which included many dignitaries and special guests, as well as a historic ride by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police dressed in period costumes. The riders placed flags at the significant heritage features on the land.

In August, archaeologists, soil specialists, museum staff and volunteers excavated and took soil samples throughout the 1885 military camp of Lt. Col. George T. Denison. Denison and his 460 soldiers camped at the site from May 1 to early July as part of the government's forces in the North West Resistance. The soldiers dug an extensive array of fortifications to protect the supplies. The results of this recent scientific work will help ascertain the extent and history of this fascinating site of Canadian history. Watch for a presentation on the findings in the upcoming months.

## Fall and Winter Fun

- Sept. 1 - Oct. 29 **Artists Showcase** - Elaina Adams
- September 27 **Friends of the Museum Meeting** - 10:00 am
- September 30 **Humboldt Arts & Culture Day** - 1:00 - 5:00 pm
- October 1 - 22 **Motion Captured, Motion Denied** - art exhibit
- October 6 **Opening Reception/Artists Talk - Motion Captured, Motion Denied Exhibit** - 7:30 pm  
Join artist Jody Greenman-Barber for a tour and hands-on activity.
- October 13 **Friends of the Museum Coffee Party** - 2:00 - 4:00 pm - Seniors Hall
- October 25 **Friends of the Museum Meeting** - 10:00 am
- Nov. 1 - Dec. 31 **Comic Art and Minimates** - temporary exhibit
- Nov. 1 - Dec. 31 **Artists Showcase** - Elaine Will
- November 17 & 18 **Friends of the Museum Festival of Wreaths Opening Reception** - Humboldt Mall
- Nov. 17 - Dec. 8 **Friends of the Museum Festival of Wreaths Exhibit** - Humboldt Mall
- December 8 **Friends of the Museum Festival of Wreaths Auction** - 7:00 pm - Humboldt Mall
- December 15 **Christmas Open House** - 2:30 - 4:30 pm at the museum
- Jan. 10 - Feb. 25 **Kiwetinohk: Rock Paintings of Northern Saskatchewan**



### **Friends of the Museum Coffee Party**

**Thursday, October 13 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Seniors Hall - 701 6th Avenue**

*Treat yourself and your staff to a special coffee break by joining the Friends from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Seniors Hall for a cup of coffee or tea and your choice of homemade breads, buns, with scrumptious jams for only \$4.00.      \*\*Bake Table\*\*      \*\*Dutch Raffle\*\**

**This newsletter is proudly sponsored by the Friends of the Museum - new members are always welcome. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 27, 10:00 am at the museum. There are a variety of fun activities to help with. Call 682-5226 for information about joining today!**

The 2012 Humboldt Regional Heritage Fair will be held on April 19 at the Seniors Hall. We invite all teachers of grades 4 to 9 students to become involved and provide their students with the opportunity to participate in this unique educational program. Please watch for further information coming to your school or visit the Saskatchewan Youth Heritage Fair website at [www.saskyouthheritagefair.com](http://www.saskyouthheritagefair.com)



**For further information about these events,  
please call the museum at 682-5226.**

