



City of
Peterborough

TO: Members of the Museum & Archives Advisory Committee

FROM: Susan Neale, Museum Director

MEETING DATE: December 9, 2010

SUBJECT: Report MAAC10-015
Peterborough Museum & Archives: Report on Activities

PURPOSE

A report to advise Committee on the monthly activities of the Peterborough Museum & Archives.

RECOMMENDATION

That Museum & Archives Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report MAAC10-015, dated December 9, 2010, of the Museum Director, as follows:

That the Museum Director's report with respect to the monthly activities of the Peterborough Museum & Archives for September, October and November 2010 be received for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

BACKGROUND

The following includes a point form summary of the main activities of the Peterborough Museum & Archives during the past three (3) months and notes upcoming events:

- Culture Days: Adventure on the Hill and Grand Re-Opening (September 26).
- New, temporary exhibition "Child's Play: a Century of Toys" (October 2010 to February 2011).
- MUSE Reception, "Score: A Hockey Musical" with director and cast (October 17).
- Legislative Assembly of Ontario, outreach exhibition (October 2010 to March 2011).
- Adventure on the Hill, book launch of "Ultimate Trains" by Peter McMahon (October 24).
- Veteran's Awareness Week, outreach exhibition at the Armouries (November 9).
- MUSE Film Series: *Nowhere Man* (November 14, 15) completed the season.
- Book of Remembrance (on long-term display at City Hall) returned to PMA site for conservation treatment (November 15).
- Professional development for Visitor Services volunteers and staff: "Building the WOW Guest Experience" workshop (November 24).
- Facility maintenance projects: asbestos removal and survey; plumbing repairs; electrical repairs; HVAC repairs.
- Website redesign in progress.
- Digital exhibition "Selections from the Balsillie Collection of Roy Studio Images" redesigned to feature winter scenes.
- The Community Museum Operating Grant program, Ministry of Tourism and Culture, has commenced a three-year assessment process to ensure clients meet the Standards for Community Museums in Ontario; the PMA must respond to a questionnaire on the first three standards – Governance, Finance and Community Information – by January 30, 2011.
- Corporate initiatives: Wall of Honour Ceremony, Hunter Street Bridge Interpretive Panels, Municipal Election, Municipal Cultural Plan, Snofest (including Santa Claus Parade), Vacant Storefront Project, United Way.

Upcoming events:

Santa Claus Parade: Saturday, December 4, 4-7 pm - "Pioneer Christmas" theme.

Adventure on the Hill: Sunday, December 5, 1-4 pm – family event, "toy" theme (Appendix A).

Limited Release Print: Mona Roy, Balsillie Collection of Roy Studio Images (Appendix B).

MUSE Film Series: Wednesday, December 8, 9 am – Winter/Spring season pass sales commence (Appendix C).

Holiday Season Open Hours: OPEN until 12 noon, Friday, December 24; OPEN Wednesday, December 29, Thursday, December 30 and until 12 noon, Friday, December 31; OPEN Sunday, January 2; regular hours as of Tuesday, January 4, 2011.

Snofest Carnival on the Hill: Saturday, January 15, 2011, 9 am - 4 pm - family event.

Submitted by,

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Appendix A Adventure on the Hill - Poster

Appendix B Limited Release Print – Brochure

Appendix C MUSE Film Series (Winter/Spring) - Brochure