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a new book

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CELLULOID DREAMS

**An Illustrated History of Early
Film at the Lakehead, 1900-1931**

*Come to the launch at The Baggage Building Mezzanine,
Prince Arthur's Landing (Marina Park)*

Saturday, September 8, at 11:00 AM

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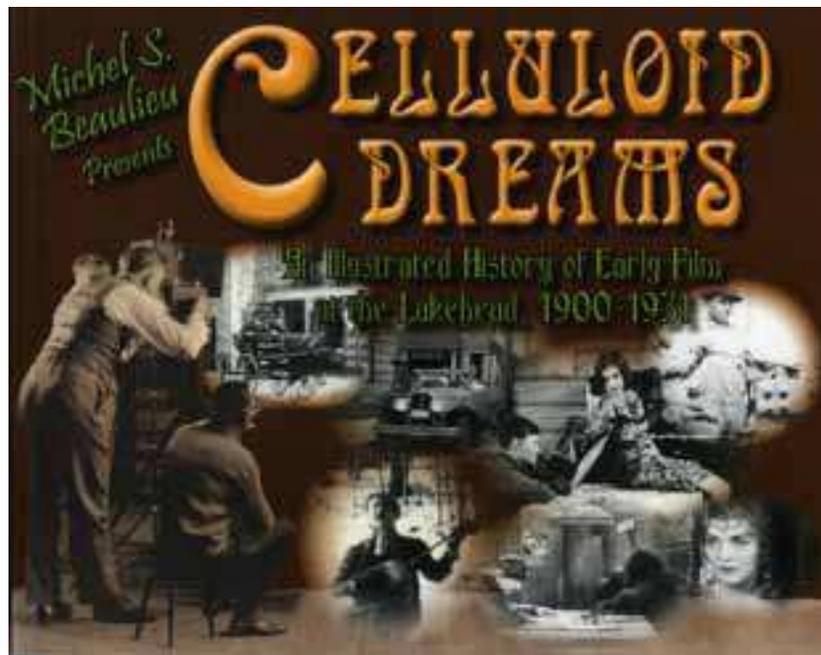
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Gift Shop

In the years between
1900 and 1931 the
Lakehead developed
a love-affair with cinema
and numerous
films were made.

Celluloid Dreams
explores how these
films got produced,
who starred in them,
and what they meant
for Thunder Bay and
for Canada's early
film industry.



Programming for Children

2012/2013 School Year

Funky Folk Art P.A. Day

Catholic Boards: Friday, September 28, 2012



We're combining ideas from our 2nd floor *Artisans Northwest* exhibit with historical & cultural handwork – and adding a little funky finesse – for a day full of crafty projects suitable for all interests!



Charles Dickens 200th Birthday P.A. Day

Public & Catholic Boards: Friday, November 16, 2012

It's A Party!!! Join us for fun Victorian-inspired activities, crafts & games as we celebrate the man who wrote such famous novels as *Oliver Twist*, *A Tale of Two Cities* & of course, *A Christmas Carol*!

Polar Bear & Penguin Party P.A. Day

Public & Catholic Board : Monday, January 28, 2013



The north & south poles collide when polar bears & penguins unite for this chilly, slippery, slide-y day of indoor wintery fun!



March Break-Out!

March 11-15, 2013

(pick a day or come all week!)

It's Movie Mayhem!!!! Each day of the Break will focus on movies old & new: from *The Wizard of Oz* to *Harry Potter*, and more fun flicks in between! Get ready for adventure, laughter & imagination.

Sci-Fi P.A. Day

Public & Catholic Boards: Friday, April 19, 2013



Are you a fan of *Star Wars*? *Star Trek*? Anything to do with space or the unexplained? You'll want to teleport over to the Museum today for all things science fiction. It'll be fascinating!



Wild Jungle Adventure P.A. Day

Public & Catholic Boards: Friday, June 14, 2013

Monkey business is the order of the day when we swing, stomp & prowl our way through a wild day of fun jungle activities!

Ages 6-12 Time 9:30 am-4:30 pm

Members \$20/day, \$90/week. Non-members \$25/day, \$115/week*

*Discounts for multiple registrations on same day.
Register Early to Avoid Disappointment

Information / Registration: 623-0801

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SHIPWRECKED:

FROM THE CUMBERLAND TO THE FITZGERALD!

The Museum is producing a traveling exhibit that will be showcased in 2013. The exhibit will focus on ships that sank either in Canadian waters or around Isle Royale. Additional material is needed on ship companies, lighthouses in the area and rescue operations such as the Coast Guard. Perhaps you are a diver or a ship expert? Or maybe you have an item that you have been waiting to donate! If so, we'd like to talk to you! Please contact Diane at community@thunderbaymuseum.com or call 623-0801.



Lectures

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7:30pm

"The Real Story Behind the American B47 Bomber that Crashed in our Back Yard in 1956"

by Herb Schafer, Fred Johnson, Elle Andra-Warner and Dave Van Wagoner

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 7:30pm

"The Introduction of European Law into North Western Ontario"

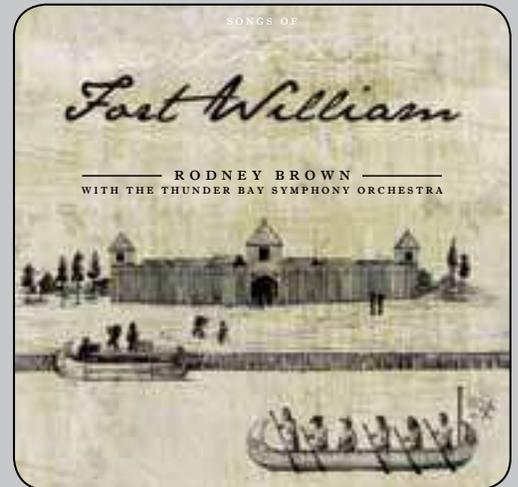
by John deP. Wright (Superior Court, Ontario)

LOCATION: the Superior Court House, Camelot Street, Main Court Room. NOTE: this lecture will take place a week earlier than usual.

Tuesday, Nov. 27, 7:30pm

"Cecelia Parker: Thunder Bay's Hollywood Diva"

by Elle Andra-Warner



McGillivray Plaque Project

Award winning musician Rodney Brown set out almost five years ago to have a new burial plaque made up for Fort William's namesake, William McGillivray. The famous North West Company fur trader died in 1825 and was buried at St. James's Church Piccadilly in England. His first gravestone was destroyed by bombs during the Blitz but on July 16, the new plaque, designed by Philip Surey, was "fixed".

Rodney will also appear with the Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra on Friday, Oct. 19, to perform songs from his new album, *Songs of Fort William*, a follow up to his well-received recordings *North Land* and *The Big Lonely*. The new album will detail the legacy of Canadian explorers, fur traders, country wives, voyageurs and First Nations at the NWC's headquarters on the Kaministiquia River over 200 years ago.



Jaimi Penney (left), a student at Lakehead University's History Department, is the recipient of a cheque for \$440, as the winner of this year's Prof. Ken Dawson Research Trust Bursary. The bursary is in support of her project "Searching for a 'Just Society', Max Saltsman and the Era of Social Change in Canada, 1964-79". Mark Tilbury is presenting the cheque on behalf of the Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society.



Right: Dr. Todd Stubbs of Lakehead University's Orillia campus gave an excellent talk on the War of 1812. Entitled "A Lost Tale of a Forgotten War: the Battle of Nottawasaga," his lecture detailed the sinking and later resurrection of the HMS Nancy. The Society's annual Taste of History dinner last spring featured food made from recipes of the 1812 era, and raised around \$2,000 for the Museum's operations.



Left: Sara Janes, board member, sells tickets at the Taste of History dinner auction. Thanks to our generous sponsors, too numerous to name here, and to all those who bought tickets, the auction raised over \$600.



On August 11, Dr. Richard Alway unveiled a National Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada plaque at Neys Provincial Park commemorating the Detention of Second World War Military Prisoners of War and Enemy Aliens sent to Canada from Great Britain. This concludes several years of work by not only the board itself but particularly by the late Frank Spence who originally proposed the plaque and who worked tirelessly to see it to fruition.

Between 1940 and 1947, there was a network of 26 permanent camps and dozens of work camps for about 38,000 prisoners across the country. Several facilities were located in the remote Lake Superior region of Northern Ontario. Hundreds of them eventually immigrating here after the war. Above, flanked by members of the Lake Superior Scottish Regiment, Dr. Richard Alway, Mrs. Lucy Spence and Mr. Paul Mengelberg, a former POW, pose around the newly unveiled historic plaque. Photo courtesy of NHSMB.

Mascot Hunt

Some of them are cute, others are just Screeepy. We're talking about Museum mascots from around the world. Just a few can be seen below. You can judge for yourself.



What is it? The Edo-Tokyo Museum's mascot.

The Thunder Bay Museum once had a mascot for a few years. In the late 1980s we created a dinosaur mascot "Albert" to aid us in our fundraising campaign. But he's now gone. Perhaps it's time to create a new mascot for our museum. We welcome your suggestions.



Left: Idle Idol, the mascot of the World Peko-Chan Museum in Japan.



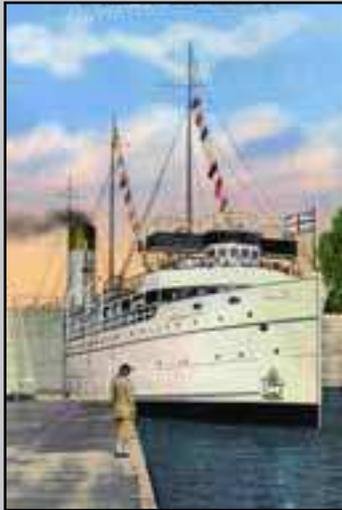
Right: A squirrel serves as the mascot for the Stamford CT Museum and Nature Centre.

Below: Cute dogs represent the Japanese Gohan Museum.





Last spring, Port McNicoll, Ont. welcomed the SS Keewatin, said to be the oldest remaining passenger ship from the Edwardian era. The ship was built for the CPR as part of its passenger fleet between Port McNicoll and Thunder Bay. Accompanied by an armada of several hundred boats, the vessel was towed into Port McNicoll 46 years after leaving upon its retirement. The old ship has spent the last



45 years as a floating museum on Kalamazoo Lake in Michigan. A Canadian investment company bought the 107-metre-long vessel and plans to turn it into a restaurant, museum, theatre and event space.

Culture Days

Join us Sept. 29 as we celebrate Culture Days. In the Museum's lobby, Ann, the Glass Lady, will discuss working with glass and demonstrate a unique, easy to create, but safe and fun project for boys and girls of all ages using smooth edged glass and a piece of wire that children can take home.



This portrait of Margaret Page was painted in 2004 by her friend Diana Gilbert (seen here). Through Captain Gordon Bucknell, Mrs. Gilbert's work has been presented to the 18th Field Ambulance as Page was their Honourary Lieutenant Colonel.



Among the groups recognizing a centennial in 2012 is the Pipes and Drums of Thunder Bay. An exhibit at the Museum helped them celebrate.

Flags & Banners

A new exhibit from the Museum's own collection will show how flags, banners and pennants have evolved from a form of communication on the battlefield into powerful symbols of both local and national pride.

Sept. 9 to Nov. 11



Canada's crest in 1907

Gift Shop

Try your skill with a challenging 3-D Wooden Brain Twister Puzzle. There are five different designs to choose from, \$7.00 ea.

Pick up a natural agate night light to create a warm, inviting glow in any room. Energy efficient. Lasts for years. Only \$9.00 (while supplies last).



Kalyn, Monika & Dani enjoy the Lollipops that they made on Candy Land Day.

Here are just three of the participants in the Museum's seven full weeks of Summer Theme Camps. Of the 408 spots available to children this year, over 350 were filled making this program an enormous success.

Congratulations to the Yahn family, winners of a year-long membership in our early-bird draw.