The Log Cabin at Bradley Museum Opens!

Saturday, December 15th was a cold and snowy day at the Bradley Museum when several hundred people gathered to celebrate, and to say thank you to the many individuals

and companies who helped to save the Port Credit Log Cabin from demolition. It is now fully completed and already being booked for meetings, small social gatherings, and sleepover badge programs for Scouts, Cubs, Guides, etc. Go to page 2 for more on the Log Cabin Opening!



Our Log Cabin Heroes from FRAM and SLOKKER:

Frank Giannone, President, FRAM Building Group; Pat Mullin, Councillor Ward Two; Mayor Hazel McCallion; Annemarie Hagan, Museums Manager; Carmine Castellano, Dani Gesualdi, Project Manager, FRAM; Bruce Kerr, SLOKKER Real Estate; Peter Del Fatti, Project Manager, FRAM.

See the application on the back page.

You're invited to join the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga! Lots of benefits, meet great people, help support, strengthen and promote the Museums and have fun.



Clarkson Celebrates 200 Years!

A year of village tours, lectures, events and activities

In 2008, Clarkson Village is celebrating its 200th anniversary – the first land grant was issued in December 1807, and the first actual settlement began in Merigold's Point in 1808. We'll be celebrating all year long at the Museums, with walking tours of Clarkson Village sponsored by the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga and a lecture series at the Benares Visitor Centre exploring various themes in the history of Clarkson. See the back cover for more details on the walking tours, the lecture series, and all our events and activities! *And plan to join us on Saturday, June 21 for the big celebrations!*

For more info go to www.clarkson1808celebration.ca

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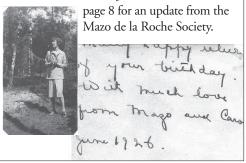
Maple Magic: Maple Syrup Festival at the Bradley Museum!

Horse and Wagon Rides; Crafts; Pancakes; Tours of the Sap Line! Saturday March 8th to Sunday March 16th. Weekends: 10 to 4 PM Weekdays: 12 to 4 PM



Benares Collection

Mazo de la Roche gave this photo to Mary Harris of Benares on the occasion of her birthday, signing it "With much love from Mazo and Caro, June 1926". Go to



More from the Log Cabin Opening Celebrations



How to Save a Log Cabin Annemarie Hagan, Museums Manager

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world. Indeed it's the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead

Perhaps saving a log cabin from destruction falls short of changing the world, but it does stand as a symbol of the inspiring difference we can all make by taking a stand and getting involved in our own community.

In March 2002, "a group of concerned citizens" -- Paul Dennis, Brian Dinsdale, Michael Duquette, Susan Duquette, David Kennedy, Jack King, Thomas McIlwraith, Barb Murck, John Sabiston, Tom Valentick "... and others" -- gathered together and submitted "A Proposal Regarding the Port Credit Log House" to the City of Mississauga. The cabin was in a deteriorating condition, and there were rumours circulating that Scouts Canada, who owned the building, was going to have it demolished. The group argued that the building was "a significant cultural artefact" for a number of reasons, including the fact that it is a work of fine craftsmanship; it stimulates public reflection; it holds personal memories for many citizens; and that it "offers promise of fulfilling a valuable civic service" with a focus on "cultural and educational experiences."

Although some dismissed the historic significance of the building because it had been moved from its original location near Orangeville, this group suggested the opposite, "that a log building, by its structural nature, is portable, and may gain significance through demonstrating that by being movable it survives."

They clearly saw the cabin as being much more than just the fabric of the building itself: "Societies live by their stories. The Port Credit log house tells a compelling story of many generations of use, rejection, adaptation, and rejuvenation. This is a story of persistence and the continuing utility of a rudimentary, vernacular art form, and incorporates into the lives of real people living today. The fact that this building has moved in order to survive is no different from that of a family emigrating from Ireland in 1847 or Afghanistan in the 1990s. It's about changing context and seeking opportunity, and about the celebration of achievement. Providing the opportunity to tell an important Mississauga story is the reason for this proposal."

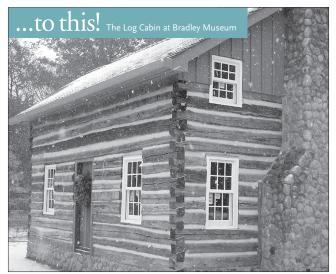
The citizens who originally gathered together to prepare the 2002 report, clearly hoped that the cabin would be saved – and that it would remain in Port Credit. However, despite everyone's best efforts, as time passed and various options and possibilities were considered, it became apparent that there wasn't a viable location for it there. It is to the credit of this original group of citizens that they were open to supporting the idea of the cabin being moved to the Bradley Museum site.

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From this...

Originally built in Mono Mills, near Orangeville, the log cabin was moved to Port Credit as a Scouts and Rovers Centennial Project in 1967. For many years it was used by the 4th Port Credit Scouts and Cubs, and also as a base for the annual Salmon Contest.





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Comments from the Log Cabin Opening Ceremony, December 15th 2007.

John Pegram, Chair Log Cabin Task Force, Friends of the Museums of Mississauga

We hope we have delivered a product that exceeds your expectations. I think we the Log Cabin Task Force exceeded our own expectations, We did so by combining a clear mandate from Annemarie Hagan, the fund raising efforts of the community, and the extremely valuable generosity of the trades people in Mississauga. Some said it could not be done or that it would cost too much. Yes we did have a pre-construction budget that was more than we felt we could raise in cash, so we did tailor our plans accordingly. However as the planning progressed it became possible to approach the pre-construction budget because of the exceedingly generous contributions of time and materials.

On opening day we were pleased that so many people and organizations were recognized.

The other important supporting factor was the strong "Mississauga" community spirit we all experienced at all stages of the project since it started in Port Credit late in 2002.

Mrs. Claus and Santa enjoying a quiet moment before photos started in the refurbished log cabin. They both commented on how lovely and warm the cabin is now compared to what it was like in Port Credit!

4th Port Credit Cubs and Scouts members accept a thank you plaque.



Ron Lenyk, Publisher of the Mississauga News and Chair of the Fundraising Campaign speaking at the opening; John Pegram, Chair of the Log Cabin Task Force and Ward Two Councillor Pat Mullin are in the background. The Mississauga News provided unprecedented support for the cabin project over the years, culminating in a Special Commemorative Edition of the Booster to mark the log cabin opening!







Bob Collinson, one of the original Scouts who rebuilt the log cabin in Port Credit in 1967 with the amazing gingerbread-house log cabin made and donated by La Villa Bakery in Port Credit.

How to Save a Log Cabin (continued)

In June 2003 Mississauga City Council endorsed the project, based on the condition that the funds required to dismantle, move and rebuild the cabin be raised in the community. The Bradley Advisory Board, and later the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga, with Ron Lenyk, publisher of the Mississauga News as the Fundraising Chair, took on this challenge. Inspired by the original group of concerned citizens, and with support from other citizens as well as the local business community, they raised over \$150,000 cash and an equal value of donated goods and services. The Log Cabin at Bradley Museum opened to the public on December 15th, 2007, thereby ensuring many new chapters will be added to story of this little cabin.

Many thanks to EVERYONE who joined together to give the Port Credit Log Cabin a new life at Bradley Museum!

Log Cabin Task Force:

John Pegram, Chair; Fred Durdan and John Van Camp, *Friends of the Museums*

Frank Giannone, Peter Del Fatti, and Dani Gesualdi, FRAM Building Group

Ron Lenyk, Fundraising Chair, and Anita Albanese, *Mississauga News*

Annemarie Hagan, Museums Manager and John Crewe, Facilities, City of Mississauga



















More thanks— to everyone who donated goods and services to the Port Credit Log Cabin at Bradley Museum!



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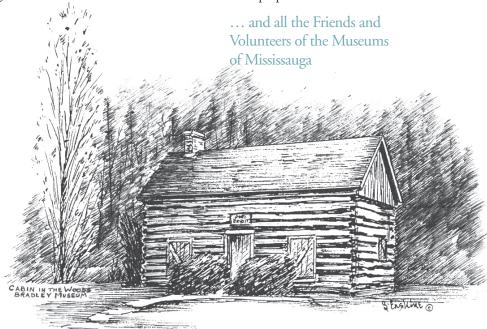
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2002 proposal to save the cabin

Celebrate Family Day & Heritage Day with the Museums of Mississauga on February 18th, 2008!

"Hands-on History from the Museums of Mississauga" at Clarkson Community Centre from 10 am to 2 pm. Join us for some exciting games, crafts & activities from bygone times.

Clarkson Community Centre is located at 2475 Truscott Drive.

For more information on Family Day with the Museums of Mississauga, visit our website at www.museumsofmississauga.com



Cabin in the Woods by Shirley Erskine

Many thanks to Shirley for allowing us to use her sketch of the cabin in our fundraising campaign!

Official Log Cabin Opening

Bradley Museum - Dec. 15th, 2007



Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive for Log Cabin 'Photos with Santa' Below: Mayor McCallion happily accepts the official Log Cabin key from John Pegram (Log Cabin Task Force Chair).

A view upstairs of the Log Cabin at the Bradley Museum that will be used for children's programming.

Front Door detail

of the Log Cabin

Gingerbread House donated by La Villa Fine Foods & Bakery Visitors arriving at the Log Cabin at the Bradley Museum. Below, from left: Councillor Pat Mullin, Fred Durdan, Mayor Hazel McCallion, previous co-chairs of the Starlight and Candlelight Gala Wendy Davies and Kathy Munkley, and Museums Manager Annemarie Hagan.



Below: Joe Vetrone from Petro Canada with

in Port Credit.



Above right: Riley MacDonald poses for his very first photo with Santa Claus. Below: The Log Cabin awaits Santa's arrival.



Left: Laura Piette, Frank Buckley (City staff) and Councillor Pat Mullin.



Below: Dani Gesualdi and Carmine Castellano from FRAM Building Group pose in their new log cabin attire.



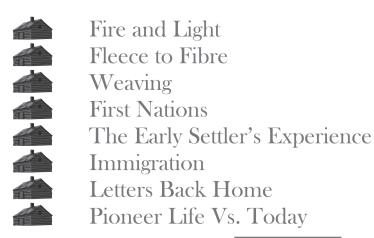
Come Join the Fun!! The Log Cabin at Bradley Museum Offers a Variety of Badge Programs for all Groups

Book an exciting hour long hands-on program. Create your own program by adding one, two or three of the 1/2 hour long components below:











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Update from the Mazo de la Roche Society Fran Goddu, Chair

It's been a very successful inaugural year for the Mazo de la Roche Society. We've enticed almost 20 members from around the world to join the Society and bring it to fruition. The year has primarily been administrative, with establishing the incorporation and bank accounts, etc. -- all the things needed to make it a viable organization.

Membership is for the calendar year so it's time to renew or join for 2008 – it's just \$10! If you visit the website at www. mazo.ca there is an application form that can be completed and sent in. And while you're there you can look at some of the research information that we've posted on the website about the

relationship between Mazo and the Harris family of Benares. The documentary evidence certainly seems to suggest a close, warm relationship, as we've already understood based on the oral tradition. What more proof do you need?

Going forward in 2008, with the support of Bianca de la Roche and Barbara Larson, we're organizing a Symposium on April 10th to 13th, 2008. Again, check the website for the registration form. At the Symposium, we'll be highlighting the influences of the Clarkson years on Mazo's life and writings – this fits nicely into the celebration of Clarkson 200.

A Co-op Student's Experience at the Museums of Mississauga

Milica Bulic, Erindale Secondary School

Hello everyone. You might have seen me helping around the museums not knowing who I was, my name is Milica Bulic, and I have been helping around the Museums since October. I am a co-op student from Erindale Secondary school, shadowing the Museum's Community Program Supervisor, Kelly Kubik.

As my journey comes to an end in mid-January, I find it hard to believe how fast the time has passed, and I think of all that I have learned and experienced while here. I have observed some amazing people working together to create successful events. This experience has taught me much about teamwork and what people can accomplish when they work together. I will never forget being part of the official Log Cabin Opening at Bradley. Seeing the event unfold made me think about all of the joint effort that had gone into creating it.

I want to thank the staff and volunteers at the Museums of Mississauga for this opportunity and experience; you have all

been very kind to me. I want to specifically thank Kelly for undertaking me, even with her busy schedule, and teaching me things that I could not have learned any other way. I enjoyed my time here very much and will definitely be coming back to volunteer for the events.

Milica with Fred Durdan, Chair of the Friends of the Museums on Log Cabin Opening Day.





Friends of the Museums of Mississauga Update

Fred Durdan, Chair

As the year draws to a close, it is the ideal time to take stock of progress during the last year and prepare preliminary plans for the upcoming 2008. The Friends have just concluded a most successful and historic year highlighted by the grand opening of the Log Cabin on December 15, 2007. Much of this is reported elsewhere in this Museums update, however I would be amiss if I did not recognize the contributions of John Pegram, Chair of the Log Cabin Task Force, Annemarie Hagan, Museums Manager, and Fram Building Group and their many friends and subcontractors who all contributed to the successful completion of this project.

The Friends year was also highlighted by the very successful Gallery in the Garden at Benares Historic House to be repeated in June 2008. As well, the contribution of the Friday Night "On the Veranda" series during the summer at Benares. Shakespeare in the Park, Maple Magic, Fall Fair and Doors Open were other events supported by the Friends and many Museums volunteers and staff.

The Friends were pleased to support the continuing efforts of restoration and preservation of historic artifacts through the purchases of equipment, and underwriting of the cost of outside processing of documents etc. as requested by the Collections staff. Similarly the Friends supported the programming and educational activities provided by the staff through the purchase of needed items and materials used in the programs, adding to the authenticity of everyday life in the 1880's. In both cases these funds enhanced the museum activities over and above funds provided through annual budgets.

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Friends Update (continued from page 8)

Looking forward to 2008, another busy year is anticipated beginning with a sold out Starlight and Candlelight Gala in February – a major fundraising event followed by Maple Magic.



As the year closes and 2008 begins we are requesting Friends to renew their membership support or join Friends as individuals or as a family. A clip out coupon to renew or join is included in this bulletin. We will enjoy your support and provide you with an opportunity to be a Friend and support the Museums.

Lewis Bradley Pioneer Museum Opening Day Re-Visited

Many thanks to Kay Hobbs and Doris Bodley for letting us know that that there were two errors in identifying the members of the Toronto Township Historical Society who attended the June 11th, 1967 opening of the Lewis Bradley Pioneer Museum. Here is the correct listing:



Left to Right: Mary Fix, Doris Bodley, Betty Grenius, Margaret Lerry, Evelyn McGee, Margaret Duke, Janet Downie and Alleen Fletcher

Collections Corner

Stephanie Meeuwse, Collections and Exhibit Coordinator

Hello Dollies!

Dolls are unique artifacts in that they are common to all cultures and time periods. The Canadian doll market started in the early 1900s with accelerated growth during and immediately after WWI when dolls were no longer available from Europe. The most successful Canadian doll manufacturer was The Reliable Toy Company started in 1920. It was the largest doll-making business in the British Empire by 1930. Reliable sold many popular dolls during its life span including Shirley Temple, Maggie Muggins, and the Barbara Ann Scott doll. Reliable made dolls until 1990. Another successful doll manufacturer was The Dee and Cee Company established in 1938. They specialized in composition dolls that were known for their beautiful clothing. Mattel Inc. bought Dee and Cee in 1962 after the decline of composition once new plastics were introduced.

Mrs. Margaret Miller née Martin donated a number of dolls and doll accessories in 2007. Among them is a Shirley Temple doll made by The Reliable Toy Company and a few dolls from The Dee and Cee Company. Margaret grew up in the Annex area of Toronto where her and her sister Dorothy played with these dolls. Dorothy made many of the clothes that were donated. In later years Dorothy worked as a missionary in the Philippines and Margaret had a career as a teacher and later as a receptionist for the Ontario Government. She has lived in Mississauga

since 1970.



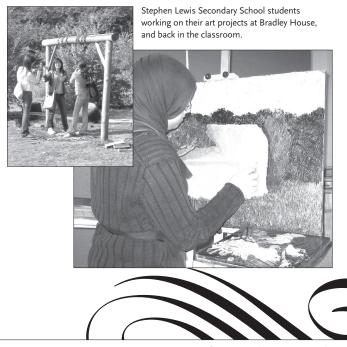


These dolls are typical of toys that were available in Mississauga and are a wonderful addition to the Bradley collection.

Dee & Cee Doll (2007.4.4) Margaret and Dorothy Martin in 1934.

Self & Surroundings: A Student's Perspective

Self & Surroundings: A Student's Perspective is a new exhibition at the Bradley Museum in the Anchorage starting February 3rd and running to June 15. This exhibition is a collection of work done by grade 9-11 art students from Stephen Lewis Secondary School. The students explore how they see themselves and their surroundings through photography and painting with some poignant results. The students visited both Benares and Bradley at the end of September to work on-site taking photographs and making sketches. They also visited local landmarks like City Hall and the Port Credit Lighthouse. Head of the Arts at Stephen Lewis Secondary School, Amie Tolton, worked with Museum staff to come up with relevant themes and ideas and incorporated them into the school curriculum; an awesome way to inspire all the art students to look at their community and each other. For more information please call the Museums at 905-615-4860.



Collections Corner (continued from page 9)

Domestic Servitude at Benares

Domestic Servitude at Benares is a small display that explores the life of domestic servants and their work at Benares. While we know much about the Harris Family, their customs and practices, there is very little information about their servants. What information we do have is shared along with general information on the duties performed in similar households as domestic servants were common in households such as Benares, right up until the Second World War. This exhibit is featured at the Benares Visitor Centre and will run to February 24th, 2008.



Young Canada Works Grant – Collections Assistant

Lindsay MacDonald

I began working at the Museums as a summer student, to assist with a collections inventory, under the Young Canada Works in Heritage Organizations. Working exclusively with the collection stored at the Anchorage, it was my task to verify that each artifact had been accessioned, photographed and entered in the database with the appropriate description, history and measurements. The Museums have a large collection of textiles ranging from undergarments and dresses to lace and blankets. The newest acquisition has been a large addition of doll clothes from Mrs. Margaret Miller. This donation adds some fun and colour to the textiles as it boasts wonderful handmade outfits and accessories, adding a very personal touch to the collection. To date, the textile collection, almost in its entirety has been entered into the database!

YCW extended my contract until the end of the year and I have been able to move on to the larger pieces in the collection. These have included; tools, furniture, books and art work. These pieces present different challenges as they can be more difficult to store and are made up of a variety of materials. I will continue to work on these pieces until the year end, and I hope to have the majority packed, recorded and stored! Once completed this project should allow easy access to the collection through the database as well as in the storage room itself.

Thank you very much to Stephanie and Tracy, it was great working with you both! I hope to have the opportunity to work with Museums of Mississauga again in the future.

MUSEUM NEWS 10 SHEDDING LIGHT ON THE PAST 10

Did you know?

Joe Zammit, Chair, Collections and Storage Sub-Committee, Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee

- Did you know that the Museums of Mississauga has recently crossed the milestone of 10,000 artifact records entered into our artifact database?
- Do you also know that the Museums of Mississauga has created a committee to oversee the short and long term collection and storage of all of these artifacts?
- The primary mandate of the newly created Collections and Storage Subcommittee will be to evaluate study, determine and recommend to the Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee (MOMAC) the proper procedures in the collection and storage of artifacts for the near and distant future.
- Our Museums are rich with the history of our past. But the long term stability of our collections and our storage facilities require careful consideration and planning. It is recognized that in order to continue to be the trustees of our history our stewardship in their proper storage requires us to develop and implement a method of storage and protection based on our current and future needs.
- The first task of the Sub-Committee was to embark upon a preliminary feasibility study to best determine

- not only what we currently have in terms of a wide range of artifacts but to also determine what physical space requirements will best preserve and protect this collection.
- Also, since late spring, the Sub-Committee has concurrently been working with the Region of Peel and other jurisdictions to determine the best possible methods of storage, available space and even exploring exciting opportunities and different methods of housing our collection.
- The effect of both of these initial ventures will allow us to review a wide spectrum of approaches and manners of preserving our collection and making it readily accessible to the generations of citizens that will reap the great benefits of being acquainted with artifacts of our past.
- But the work does not end there, as this committee is determined to continue to work diligently and in the best interests of preserving and protecting all that we have from our past. The Collections and Storage Sub-committee has been up and running in an effective and decisive manner advising MOMAC along the way and helping to forge a clear path toward the best possible approaches to meet our "collective" objectives.

Clarkson's 200 Years

- 1700 Mississauga people move into area
- 1805 British crown and Mississauga nation sign Treaty 13a land purchase
- 1806 Samuel Wilmot surveys Mississauga Purchase
- 1807 Henry Gable, Clarkson's first resident, receives land patent
- 1808 Gable, Greeniaus, Merigold, Thompson families settle in
- 1819 Warren Clarkson moves to village that will someday bear his name
- 1824 First "residents" of Chamber's Spring Creek Burial Ground
- 1830 Bush's Inn becomes stop on York-to-Hamilton coach line
- 1835 Warren Clarkson opens general store

- 1843 Canada's first telegraph line extended through Clarkson
- 1855 Great Western Railway begins service to "Clarkson's Corner"
- 1856 Cpt. Edward Sutherland begins shipping strawberries to market by rail
- 1859 Clarkson Methodist Episcopal, first local church
- 1861 Census reveals first decline in population in Toronto Township
- 1875 "Clarkson" becomes an official postal address
- 1878 Queen's son-in-law, Marquis of Lorne, appointed governor-general
- 1879 Toronto Park Association opens amusement park in Lorne Park
- 1886 Lorne Park Amusement Park closes, cottagers move in

- 1890 Ernest Thompson Seton begins bird sanctuary at Thompson's Woods
- 1892 Albert Shaver opens first general store in Lorne Park
- 1898 Alex "Dad" Durie opens general store opposite Clarkson family store
- 1907 Clarkson-Lorne Park Women's Institute holds first meeting, at Benares
- 1915 James Pengilley hires female "farmerettes" to pick strawberries
- 1916 Simpson's president, Harry Fudger, builds mansion near Rattray Marsh
- 1925 Fred and Florence Livesay move to "Woodlot" on Spring Road
- 1927 Mazo de la Roche's novel, Jalna, wins \$10,000 award



Watch for Part Two of this timeline covering 1927 to the present day in the next issue of Museum News!

Museum News 11 Shedding Light on the Past 11

What's Happening at the Museums!

FEBRUARY

Self & Surroundings: A Student's Perspective An exhibit by Stephen Lewis Secondary School students Anchorage, Bradley Museum Opens February 2nd to June 15th, 2008

Celebrate Family Day & Heritage Day with the Museums of Mississauga! Join us for "Hands-on" History from the Museums of Mississauga" at Clarkson Community Centre on February 18th, 2008 from 10 am to 2 pm. Take part in some exciting games, crafts & activities from bygone times. For more information, please visit our website at museumsofmississauga.com

Heritage Mississauga -Heritage Awards Thursday, February 21st, 7 pm; Tower Garden Restaurant, Mississauga Civic Centre. Call Heritage Mississauga at 905-828-8411 or visit www. heritagemississauga.com for more information and tickets.

9th Annual Starlight and Candlelight Gala at Bradley Museum 7 pm Friday, February 22nd SÔLD OƯT Hosted by Friends of the Museums of Mississauga

Clarkson Village Historic Walking Tour Meet in front of Wowy-Zowy Toys, 2 pm, Saturday, February 23rd Sponsored by the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga for Clarkson's 200th Anniversary

MARCH

Maple Magic: Maple Syrup Festival at the Bradley Museum Saturday March 8th to Sunday March 16th, 2008 Weekends: 10 to 4 pm Weekdays: 12 to 4 pm

Illustrated Lecture presented by Museums of Mississauga & Heritage Mississauga: The Architectural & Landscape Heritage Resources of Clarkson & Lorne Park; Paula Wubbenhorst and Mark

Warrack, 7 pm, Thursday March 27th, 2008 Benares Visitor Centre, 1507 Clarkson Road North

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APRIL.

Mazo de la Roche Symposium April 11th to 13th. Visit www.mazo.ca for details.

2nd Annual Peel Regional Historica Fair, Mississauga Civic Centre April 23rd

Clarkson Village Historic Walking Tour Meet in front of Wowy-Zowy, 2 pm, Saturday, April 26th Sponsored by the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga for Clarkson's 200th Anniversary

MAY

Mother and Daughter Tea, Pre-Registered Program May 3rd and 10th, Benares Historic House Call 905-615-4100 to register.

Illustrated Lecture presented by Museums of Mississauga & Heritage Mississauga, Thursday, May 29th, 7 pm Benares Visitor Centre, 1507 Clarkson Road North

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JUNE

Gallery in the Garden June 8th, 2008, Benares Historic House

Clarkson Village: 200 Years of History Exhibit at Anchorage, Bradley Museum June 19th to December 31st, 2008

Celebrate Clarkson's 200th Anniversary! Saturday June 21, Clarkson Village

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Museum Hours

Guided Tours for Drop-In Visitors Wednesdays and Sundays, 1:00 to 5:00 pm (Wednesday to Sunday during the Summer)

Admission to both Museums: Adults \$5; Students and Seniors \$3.00; Children \$1.50; Family \$12

Exhibits in the Anchorage at Bradley Museum and Benares Visitor Centre: Free, Monday to Friday 10 to 4

Both Museums are also available for pre-booked tours and programs 7 days a week, 14 hours a day

Ask about curriculum-based educational programs, meeting rooms and wedding photography! Call 905-615-4860 ext. 2107

Museums of Mississauga

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Benares Historic House 1507 Clarkson Road North, Mississauga, ON

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Benares Historic House was donated to and restored by the Ontario Heritage Foundation by the descendants of Captain James Harris — Geoffrey Harris Sayers, Dora Sayers Caro and Barbara Sayers Larson. Bradley House was preserved, restored and first operated by the Mississauga Heritage Foundation. The Museums are now owned and operated by Recreation and Parks, Community Services, City of Mississauga. The Museums are grateful to the Ontario Ministry of Culture for operating funding under the Community Museums Operating Grant Program.

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