



Newsletter

October 2005



Million dollar target reached!

The Galt's Growing Our Legacy Campaign kicked off on September 29 with a \$100,000 cheque presented by Community Savings at a donor recognition luncheon, sponsored by the Lethbridge Lodge, to bring the total raised to date to \$1,100,500. The \$2.8 million Growing Our Legacy Campaign supports the \$8.9 million expansion project for which construction began last fall.

As the expansion project moves forward, awareness, excitement and support is building, says Ron Ulrich, CEO/Executive Director of the Galt. The Growing Our Legacy Campaign is on target, thanks to the incredible support of our funders and donors who have come on board to date, and to the efforts of the Campaign Cabinet.

The Cabinet includes Honourary Co-Chairs Don Young and Hazel Mitchell [pictured above, with Community Savings CEO Herb Der and Chair of the Community Savings Board, Bill Anhorn], Chairman Tim Greenlee, David and Judi Cassidy, Wendy Fox, Susan Giffen, Doug McLaughlin, Martin and Mary Oordt, Richard Papworth, and Keith Robin.

The work is by no means finished though! An additional \$1.7 million is required to conclude the Campaign - the first major cultural campaign in Lethbridge in twenty years. For information on how you can contribute to the Galt, please contact the Campaign Office at 320-3999 or send an email to campaign@galtmuseum.com. Grand Opening of the Galt is set for May 6, 2006.



Growing Our Legacy EXHIBIT until November 13 Park Place Centre Court

The passion and innovation of many people have seen The Galt come a long way from its early start at the Bowman School. Now, with construction nearing completion and the grand opening of the new Galt only seven months away, excitement is building! Come see what you can expect at the new Galt in this exhibit at the Museum at the Mall in Park Place.



SATURDAYS AT THE MALL

Oct 1 - Nov 19 | weekly, 1:00 ? 2:00 pm
Centre Court, Park Place Shopping Centre

The Galt's popular free weekly family program returns through November 19! Following that date, the elves at Park Place will be busy with preparations for the arrival of Santa, and the Galt's family program takes another hiatus. In the meantime, please enjoy the following activities:

Oct. 01: Treasure Balls are fun to make, and even more fun to break! Make one for yourself or as a gift.

Oct. 08: Corn Husk Characters In honour of fall, harvest and Thanksgiving, make a replica corn husk doll.

Oct. 15: Easy Bird Feeder With winter on the way, our feathered friends may need some extra help. Come make your own bird feeder.

Oct. 22: Decoupage Pumpkin So popular last year that we brought it back again ? decorate a pumpkin for your home. No carving required.

Oct. 29: Pasta Skeleton No bones about it ? this guy will be great for decorating your place for Halloween.

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SPOOKTACULAR Halloween Events!

Freaky Friday, Halloween is approaching! The Galt is ready despite being without a home, and is once again partnering with Fort Whoop-Up Interpretive Centre this year to offer two spooktacular events at the Fort:

Friday October 28 and Saturday October 29 | 7-9 pm

Halloween Haunted Fort

ages 8+ [not adult oriented]

\$3/person

Saturday October 29 | 10 am ? 3 pm

Freaky Family Fun at the Fort

All ages fun Halloween activities

\$2/person

Pay at the door. Money raised supports programs at the Galt and Fort.

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BOOHOO! Bus tours cancelled...

The Haunted Bus Tours offered by the Galt in previous years will not be offered this year, however, plans are underway for brand new Halloween events in 2006? stay tuned, details will be released when the Galt reopens in 2006!

Meanwhile, do not fret! Why not bring the history of Lethbridge, told through ghost stories, to your group event? Visitor and Education Coordinator Belinda Crowson will relate ghost stories to events, personalities, and buildings of Lethbridge past... by looking at cemetery history, epidemics and medical history, our coal mining past, and much more!

Cost: \$30 for approx. 1 hour, usually not suitable for young kids. Please contact Belinda at 320-4248 |

bcrowson@galtmuseum.com. You can also see her in action at the October 25 Lethbridge Historical Society meeting as the special guest "Our Truth Telling Spooky Speaker" at 7:15 pm at Ericksen's Family Restaurant [everyone welcome!].

NEW YEAR's EVE GALA postponed

The Friends of the Galt organizing committee for the New Year's Eve Gala, originally scheduled for December 31 this year, has decided to hold the event in 2006, when the Galt is completely operational again. For more information, please call the event chair, Mary Oordt, at 403.329-1008 or email oordt@shaw.ca.



GALT GIFT SHOP

Book signing October 29

time tba [check the Galt website mid-October for details, or call the Gift Shop]

Meet former Galt Museum Director and author **Wilma Wood** as she is on hand to sign copies of her newly released book *EDWARD FREDERICK HAGELL The Legacy of a Southern Alberta Artist*. E.F. Hagell (1895-1964) was born in Lethbridge and at an early age developed a love of the Alberta Rockies and Prairies, which inspired his work as an artist. His subjects were a personal attempt to document and preserve the early west prior to the impact of settlement. A large selection of his work is included in the Galt Collections.

Artist of the Month

Award-winning artist **Catherine Ann Abel** pursued formal training from the Vancouver School of Art, the Pittsburgh Art Institute and Disney Institute in Florida. Employed by CBC TV as a graphic designer and courtroom sketch artist, Ms. Abel has also taught a variety of art programs. Today she is known as a "Canadian Heritage Artist" able to depict in watercolors the character and authenticity of historical buildings. She has captured four significant historical sites in Lethbridge: the High Level Bridge, the CPR Train Station, the No. 1 Firehall and the Post Office. Limited edition framed and unframed prints are available at the Galt Gift Shop.

The Galt Gift Shop is located in Park Place Shopping Centre across from MasterCuts... call 320-4111 for details.

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