

## **Backgrounder Heritage Week Activities**

### **The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Heritage Week Public Lecture**

The Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport will host a public lecture by His Honour the Honourable Dr. Gordon L. Barnhart. Dr. Barnhart will reflect on the fascinating histories of the Saskatchewan Legislative Building and Government House, and will discuss how these two Provincial Heritage Properties and National Historic Sites are not only part of our collective past, but are living history that enrich the community today. The lecture is open to the public. It will take place at 7:00 p.m. on February 24, 2011 in the Henry Newlands Ballroom at Government House, Regina. A reception will follow in Sir Richard Lake Hall hosted by the Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation and Architectural Society of Saskatchewan. For details see [www.tpcs.gov.sk.ca/heritage](http://www.tpcs.gov.sk.ca/heritage)

### **Annual Heritage Forum for Municipal Officials**

On February 25, the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport in partnership with SaskCulture will host the 8th annual Heritage Forum for Municipal Officials. Designed for municipal employees and others involved in heritage, culture and community development activities, it is an opportunity to discuss issues of common interest and to build their knowledge and skills. The focus of this year's forum will be "Municipal Cultural Planning," a strategy for leveraging local cultural assets to achieve a broad variety of community and economic development goals including tourism.

The one-day forum will include a keynote address by Mr. Gord Hume, one of Canada's foremost experts on municipal cultural planning, as well as a presentation on SaskCulture's new Municipal Cultural Engagement and Planning program. Go to [www.tpcs.gov.sk.ca/MunicipalForum2011](http://www.tpcs.gov.sk.ca/MunicipalForum2011) for details about registration.

### **Heritage Saskatchewan Forum and Annual General Meeting**

Heritage Saskatchewan will gather for their annual forum and AGM on February 25 and 26. This year's theme is "Heritage...A Story to Tell." On Friday February 25, a two-day trade show will open and later that day, Ms. Anna Willey, President of Total Communications Services Ltd., a communication consulting corporation based in Saskatchewan, will deliver a keynote address on how best to tell important heritage stories.

On the morning of Saturday, February 26 there will be panel discussions on "how to tell the story" and "how to get the message out", followed by the Heritage Saskatchewan AGM. Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Bill Hutchinson will speak during the luncheon that follows. Presentations and workshops will be held in the afternoon. For more information visit [www.heritagesask.ca](http://www.heritagesask.ca)

### **Other Heritage Activities**

Heritage Week is celebrated nationally each February, with the third Monday in the month designated as Heritage Day. In addition, communities in Saskatchewan may be planning local activities. Anyone interested should contact their local heritage association or historical society to find out what is going on in their communities.