

LOCAL NEWS

Hudson's Hope Museum News — April 2018

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RUTLEDGE BUILDING UPDATE

Lots of prep remains for opening in May. The exhibit committee is finalizing the design space while writeups for trophy animals are being finished. More than 50 taxidermy animals were donated by Olive Powell and are being stored at Peace River Taxidermy. A moving blitz by trailer and volunteer muscle will follow once display spaces are ready.

SUMMER STUDENTS NEEDED

The museum is now accepting applications for summer student positions. The museum is looking for a digitization assistant and a curator assistant, from May 14 to Sept 2, 30 hours/week at \$15/hr.

Hires will collate and document artifacts to complete inventory on display in exhibition areas and outdoor cabins. Some accessioning will be needed,

along with guiding tours and working in the gift shop. Experience with data entry, working in a library or museum, is an asset. Applicants must be full-time students, returning to school in the fall. Please send or drop off a resume and cover letter by April 25.

NORTHERN HERITAGE FAIR

Like history? Enjoy free food? Judges are needed for the 2018 Northern BC Regional Heritage Fair on April 25 at Hudson's Hope School. Lunch provided to those who volunteer their time! Students are welcome to visit the museum for inspiration and info to build their projects.

HARVEST SOCIAL

More than 142 people attended the annual fundraiser on Nov. 19, raising more than \$13,300 thanks to the fundraising committee and volunteers. Board member Ross Peck presented his talk on Trutch

Days. Peck's parents, Don and Alene Peck, operated the Mile 200 Trutch Lodge as a hunting and outfitting base from 1950 to 1963. Beyond Mile Zero: The Vanishing Alaska Highway Lodge Community by Lily Gontard and Mark Kelly, is available in the gift shop.

STREET NAMES

The District of Hudson's Hope is renaming Atkinson subdivision to Lucas subdivision, after Reg Lucas and family, a farmer who joined the 1934 Bedaux expedition. With-in Lucas, Stege St and Rose Avenue honour Henry Stege, who established a three-story general store, post office, and hotel in 1934, and Rose Barkley, the first Red Cross nurse to be stationed here in 1947.

NEXT HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

April 19 at 1 p.m. in St Peter's Church Hall. Monthly meetings will alternate between 1 p.m



HUDSON'S HOPE MUSEUM PHOTO

Jamieson Street and subdivision are named after Tom Jamieson, a provincial police officer stationed in Fort St John, who led a group of settlers up the Peace in spring 1912 in anticipation of a railroad coming through from Prince George.

and 7 p.m. in 2018, depending on the month. Everyone is welcome.

The museum is always looking for help if you're interested in local history. Plenty of scanning and accessioning of materials and artifacts to be done – training is provided. Museum Volunteers contributed over

2,500 hours to the museum in 2017. For more information, please call (250) 783-5735 or email at hhmuseum@pris.ca

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