

PART OF local history was lifted from its place late last week by Ivan Strome Moving employee Rocky Johnson, above. An old linotype machine, once an important piece of equipment of the Alaska Highway News, but in recent years used as an ornament by the now-former Mighty Peace Motel, was moved and stored by the Historical

Society. The machine became obsolete on November 28, 1968 when the newspaper converted to offset printing. It was on display at the newspaper office until 1980 when it was acquired by the owners of the Mighty Peace Motel.



THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY received its operating funds this week. From left are society treasurer Dorothy Snippa, local executive assistant to the

MLA June Davidson presenting the \$5000 Cultural grant on behalf of Hon. Bill Reid, and Historical Society president Jane Haugen.

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## Society readies for Christmas

The monthly meeting of the North Peace Historical Society was held Nov. 14.

A very generous donation was received from the Fort St. John Senior Citizens' Association, Branch 58, for \$2,000 to go into the Museum expansion fund. The Historical Society is most grateful to this group for their generosity.

A committee from the Historical Society will be judges for the Christmas Light Up contest. Judging will take place Dec. 12 to 19. Anyone wishing to enter the competition may obtain forms from the Chamber of Commerce office.

The Society will be holding its annual Pie Sale and Sing-Along at the Co-op on Nov. 26, from 11 a.m. to

3 p.m. Come along and sing with us—it's great fun and the pies are a delicious treat for supper. We will also have a booth at the Christmas Legacy of Cheer, to be held in the former Pat's Home Furniture building.

The Annual Christmas Tea at the Museum will be held at the Museum Dec. 7 from 2-7:30 p.m. There will be a bee on Monday, Dec. 5 to decorate the "old fashioned" Christmas tree and the tree for the lobby. Other decorations will be made on Dec. 6 at the Museum.

A visit was made by Georgina Keddell to the Museum to assist the staff in a display to honour her mother Margaret (Ma) Murray, which will be placed at the Fort St. John Airport Terminal Building. A no-host dinner was held at the Pioneer Inn for those who wished to renew acquaintences with Mrs. Keddell.

The date for the Annual General Meeting of the Society has not been officially set, but anyone who would like to be involved in this worthwhile Society, which is dedicated to the preservation of our local heritage, can contact the Museum at 787-0430 or any member of the North Peace Historical Society.

We have a well stocked gift shop, which handles many local craft articles which are ideal for Christmas giving. There is also a very good display of books, many by local authors.

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