



## **Grey Roots and the Retired Teachers of Grey County to host first ever Barn Dance in Moreston Heritage Village**

### **For Immediate Release – September 25, 2008**

Kick up your heels at this traditional good-time get together! The first Barn Dance in the Moreston Heritage Village Barn will be on **October 4, 2008 from 7:30-11 p.m.** The Barn Dance features live music, a silent and live auction, refreshments, and is a licensed event. All proceeds from this fundraising event will go toward the Schoolhouse Project at Grey Roots Museum & Archives.

The Schoolhouse Project is an exciting project to provide a replica of SS#1 Derby - an area rural schoolhouse - for Moreston Heritage Village and to provide space for Grey Roots' expanding educational programs for area schools. The project is a partnership involving Grey Roots and local retired teachers' organizations - Retired Teachers of Ontario - Grey Unit and Retired Women Teachers Association - Owen Sound and area Branch.

"In the past, when rural communities needed a school, everyone got involved in the process. The same is true with this project. We've received wonderful community support including donations of materials, labour and food for our volunteer workers. Students from Saugeen District Secondary School's Construction Technology program, under the leadership of teacher Bud Halpin, framed the building during the past school year and will return in a few weeks to help with interior work. Working on the schoolhouse has been a valuable "real world" work experience for them. We are excited that students of today are helping re-create a part of the past for the students of tomorrow," says Pat Farrar, organizer of the Retired Teachers of Ontario – Grey Unit.

The silent and live auction features items such as: tickets to Leafs' games, season's pass to Owen Sound Little Theatre, signed open-edition Robert Bateman print, O.S. Attack tickets and autographed team jersey, and a night at Holly Cottage B&B. Tickets to the Barn Dance are available now at Grey Roots for just \$15.00 each.

#### **"Music in the Barn" Event Details:**

**Date:** Saturday, October 4, 2008

**Time:** 7:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

**Musical Guests:** Larry Jensen, Screaming Neckties, Bruce Grey Connection and Anam Caride

**Other activities:** Dancing, silent and live auctions and a late lunch. Special occasion permit.

**Location:** Grey Roots Museum & Archives in the Barn

**Cost:** \$15

About Grey Roots Museum & Archives: Grey Roots Museum & Archives has grown and developed into a unique facility from the County Museum's beginning in 1955 and the later establishment of a County Archives in 2000 in order to promote and preserve the heritage of Grey County. With the consolidation of the Grey County Museum, Grey County Archives, and Tourism in 2004, Grey Roots has become a multi-faceted attraction. Innovative and informative interpretive programs and demonstrations, rotating exhibits, a heritage village, archival resources and superior customer service come together to create an exciting and educational visitor experience.

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