



## **Mysterious photographs, local history, and early photography techniques are unveiled in new exhibit at Grey Roots**

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*Be a Photo Sleuth*, Grey Roots Museum & Archives' newest original exhibit, opens with a formal presentation, live music, and refreshments on **Friday, February 6 at 2 p.m.** The exhibit is multi-faceted – it contains a display of local historical photos, presents photography techniques through the years, and is a call to the community for assistance in identifying some unknown faces and places in photos from the Grey County Archives.

Like many other archival repositories, the Grey County Archives has a large photograph collection. Although most are identified, over 1000 images are not. To assist with identifying these photos, the exhibit features a section dedicated solely to this activity. "We really hope that the community gets involved with this exhibit. There are so many photos that are unidentified. We need help naming people in all types of photos: sports teams, bands, military groups, family portraits, to name only a portion" says Karin Foster, Archivist from Grey Roots. Staff from the Grey County Archives led the exhibit design for *Be a Photo Sleuth*.

Artefacts from the Grey Roots Collection are included with the photos that show the development of photographic technologies. Common photograph techniques are presented including ghosts, twins, double-exposure, and touch-ups. Also included in the exhibit is a "Then & Now" section. Visitors will be able to compare and contrast landscapes and townscapes from all points in Grey County from the early 20th century to today.

*Be a Photo Sleuth* is open until May 17, 2009.

### **Be a Photo Sleuth Exhibit Opening Details**

**Opening Event Time:** February 6, 2009 at 2 p.m.

**Exhibit dates:** February 6 – May 17, 2009

**Place:** Grey Roots Theatre

**Activities:** Formal presentation, Light refreshments, and live music by the Fred Parsons Duo

**Cost:** Free with admission to Grey Roots

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### **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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Grey Roots Museum & Archives

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