



## Spring Lecture Series at Grey Roots

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From tea gowns to local newspapers, and Ancient Egypt to Corn Flower glass, Grey Roots will be hosting lectures on fascinating aspects of history and culture from the very local to the most exotic with locally recognized presenters. Interesting discussions and refreshments are a part of every lecture.

History meets fashion at Grey Roots on **March 24 at 2:30 pm** with the first lecture entitled, "Tea Time: The History of Afternoon Tea and the Tea Gown." Local seamstress and costumer, Wendy Tomlinson, will show authentic antique tea gowns and accessories from 1880 to 1960. Tea time will follow the talk. As a compliment to this lecture, a tea gown from the Grey Roots Museum Collection will also be on display for the month of March.

On **March 31 at 2:30 pm**, visitors will explore Ancient Egypt with Daniel Kolos in the lecture, "The Mythology of Ancient Egypt". Daniel Kolos holds an M.A. in Ancient Egyptian Language and Literature from the University of Toronto and is the co-author of *The Name of the Dead: Tutankhamun Translated* (Benben Publications, Mississauga, 1979), a book on Ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs.

Visitors will learn about Grey County's interesting written media history on **April 7 at 2:30 pm** with Elizabeth Myers. Since retiring from the Ontario Community Newspapers Association, Elizabeth Myers has been researching the development of the business of newspaper publishing within Grey County - the publishers, the rivalries, the successes, and the failures.

Grey Roots' final lecture on **April 14 at 2:30 pm** will be an illustrated talk about the history and identification of Corn Flower glassware. Wayne Townsend, Curator of the Dufferin County Museum, will have some "hands on" examples of Corn Flower available at the talk, and also invites attendees to bring in their favourite piece of Corn Flower glass for him to identify and appraise.

### Spring Lecture Series Details:

**Dates: Tuesdays from March 24, 2009 – April 14, 2009**

**Time: 2:30 pm**

**Location: Grey Roots Museum & Archives**

**Cost: Regular admission, Members always free**

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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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