

## **From the April 2013 Beacon**

### **Community donations keep the Ploughman's Farmyard a kid-tastic part of the Brigden Fair**

The Ploughman's Farmyard at the Brigden Fair is always buzzing with enjoyable and educational kid-tastic activities, which include the intriguing *Equimania* display. This display uses interactive and static displays to teach children about horses, and it's always a popular part of the Farmyard. But to keep it going, funds are needed and the community has been generous in its support. The Shell Community Fund is one of the generous community donors who keep *Equimania* in the Ploughman's Farmyard.

*Left:* Percy Metcalf, representing the Shell Community Fund, presents a \$1,000 cheque to Kathy Myers at the *Ploughman's Farmyard* during the 2012 Brigden Fair. The donation will be used to help support the *Equimania* Farm Safety presentation. The Ploughman's Farmyard and Activity Centre also appreciates the support of Armstrong Construction, Cornish Construction, Lanxess, and the Optimist Club of Sombra Township.

Anyone interested in volunteering or donating to this worthwhile project is invited to contact Ploughman's Farmyard Committee Chair Kathy Myers at [kathy.myers@brigdenfair.ca](mailto:kathy.myers@brigdenfair.ca) .

*All of the April Heritage items were photos with cutlines. The other two photos were:*

1. The Moore and Sombra Museums have been hives of activity even through the Winter months. Visitors to the Moore Museum this year will be able to explore the *new* old general store, which is currently receiving the final details it will need to wow museum guests. The store has been meticulously crafted in the style of the stores that used to be the hub of activity for many local towns and villages, and it will be furnished with many authentic artifacts from those stores.

Above: Moore Museum volunteer Dan Hayward puts the finishing touches on the general store's postal counter. See *Around The Township*, page 7, for information about the grand opening event in June.

2. Scuba diver Tim Moran spoke to a group of about 30 people about his experiences exploring beneath the waves of the St. Clair River during the February Sombra Museum lecture series. He is shown here with some of the artifacts he has brought to the surface from various shipwrecks during his dives.