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This is the 2nd year for Culture Days across Canada. The hope is that Culture Days will become an annual "can't be missed" event in many communities throughout the country. Gloria Renkas, Secretary of the Ituna Museum Committee, submitted this article:

Are you proud of your town and the surrounding

community? Do you know what makes this area of Saskatchewan unique? Have you volunteered your time to local projects? Have you enjoyed meeting new people and reconnecting with old friends while you were volunteering? Have you made a quilt or watched your mother or grandmother make one? Have you

churned butter, or enjoyed - perhaps even baked - a loaf of bread or a pie? Have you worked on a special woodworking project or welded something that was not only functional but beautiful too? Have you thought about the evolution of inventions when you pick up the phone, use your iphone, type at your computer, text message to

your friends? Have you enjoyed going to dances and special concerts that featured your local singers, dancers and musicians?

All of these activities and more, over the last century, have contributed to the culture of Ituna, our province, our country and our world.

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With Culture Days in Ituna only a month away, Museum volunteers are busy with some housekeeping. - Jane Chorney, "Senior Supervisor" and Marsha Jankoski are giving the doors a new coat of paint

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However, it IS special.

Everything we are and do is part of the culture of what makes our town, province and country special and unique.

That is why Culture Days was initiated as a co-ordinated and collaborative pan-Canadian volunteer movement to raise awareness, accessibility, participation and engagement of all Canadians in the arts and cultural life of their communities. The inaugural Culture Days event was held in September 2010 in over 700 communities and by all accounts, was a great success for all participating activity and community organizers and millions of Canadians who took part in their celebrations.

The 2011 Culture Days weekend will take place September 30, October 1 and 2, 2011. The annual Canada-wide Culture Days event features free, hands-on, interactive activities that invite the public to participate "behind the scenes" to discover the world of artists, creators, historians, architects, curators, and designers at work in their communities.

September is a very busy time in this part of the world, so we at the Museum

Committee have decided to limit our Culture Day to one day - Saturday, October 1, 2011.

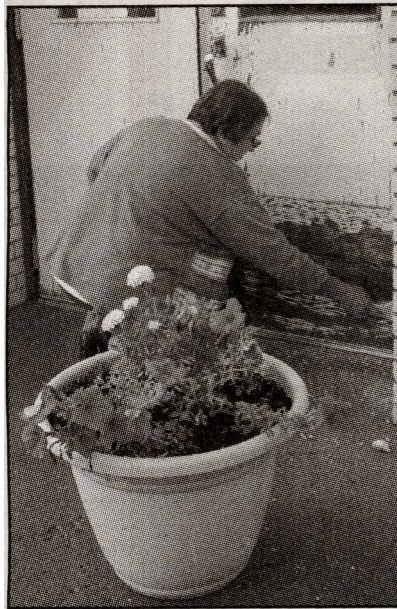
In the coming days and weeks, we will be putting up posters and asking members of our community to volunteer their time and talent to show the public how something is made, or performed or perhaps recall the history of those things we take for granted.

We also want to invite those in our community who are recent arrivals to our town and surrounding area to join us. You have your own unique talents that will only enhance and provide a valuable addition to our already wonderful and diverse culture.

In addition to our interactive schedule, we are planning a pancake breakfast to kick off the festivities with, perhaps, a street dance with live band in the evening.

All of us, as citizens of our town, province and country, owe a debt of gratitude to our forebearers to thank them for their hard work and vision. We owe it to them, ourselves and our future generations to continue to build on their legacy with our recognition of our many cultures and the appreciation of all who make this area a wonderful place to live and grow.

We invite you to put your thinking caps on, contact anyone on the Museum Committee and join us in making this day an annual and very enjoyable educational event for everyone!



**Off with the old paint....on with the new!!**



**Emily Klus was busy cleaning out the Museum closets**



**Allan Ivey and Ted Semchyshyn removed the old shingles from the storage shed**