

Hello Friends! Welcome to the third of our regular newsletters, which comes with all good wishes for Christmas and the New Year from your Committee. We would welcome contributions, articles, puzzles, museum reviews, pictures and postcards and information about events or places of interest. Our virtual museum is now available online, at [www.sleafordmuseum.org.uk](http://www.sleafordmuseum.org.uk). **Our next event on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2008 in St Denys Rooms, Market Place, Sleaford at 7.30 pm will be a talk by Dr Richard Shaw on "A journey through the Andes"** Further 2008 events will be confirmed shortly.

SMT talks are free to members, £2 to non-members, refreshments will be available at 75p and there will usually be a raffle. **Sue Titmuss, Secretary, 01526 833964**

### **Museum Review No.3 – Glenbow Museum, Calgary, Canada!** **Member - Sue Titmuss**

Having the opportunity of spending a week in Canada last month, I went to the Glenbow Museum in Calgary, which specializes in the history of the First Nations Peoples, (Native American and Canadian Indians as they were known in the past)

This was a superb museum, of international importance, and there was something for everyone, old and young, everywhere you looked. The museum covered a large area, on one floor, although on various levels, linked by gentle slopes in the floor, easily manageable for anyone. There was also plenty of seating.

The museum covered the history of these fascinating people, and included large and small scale models as well as actual artifacts, walk-in tipis and wigwams, examples of their food and cooking utensils, weapons, hunting and gathering methods and the later history of the arrival of the white people and the devastating effects this had on the indigenous people.

Their history, legends and philosophy have been passed down orally through many generations but they also kept records with painted signs and pictograms, on and in their homes and clothes and on leather and skins. There were several opportunities to hear them speak their language.

In a pattern repeated in other parts of the world, (e.g. Australia) their children were forcibly taken away from their families and put into boarding schools, their lands were confiscated and exploited for natural resources and they were enclosed into settlements and reservations, and into a way of life which went against all of their beliefs and certain knowledge that their nomadic way of life would best preserve and conserve the land and its flora and fauna. To this day, they are trying to negotiate with the Canadian Government for the return of some of their lands, they have always rejected offers of monetary compensation.

This museum is a must if you are ever in the area. Further information online.

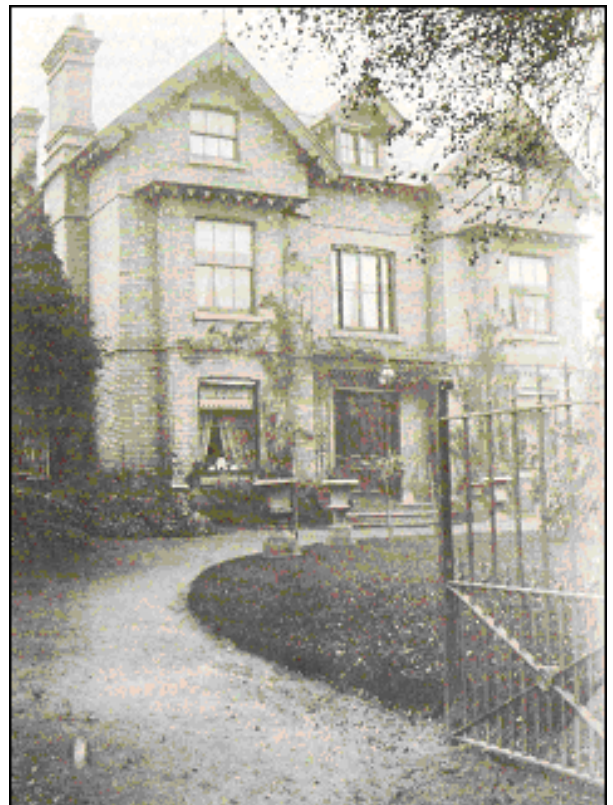
### **Advice from Oxford Companion to Music, Dr Percy Scholes**

*"When you dance in company, never look down to examine your steps and ascertain if you dance correctly. Hold your head and body upright, with a confident mien, and do not spit or blow your nose much. And if necessity obliges you to do so, turn your head away and use a fair white handkerchief" !!*

**Talk on the artists Shannon and Ricketts** – this talk was given by Christopher Micklethwaite at our last meeting. It was very interesting and illustrated with many beautiful slides of some of their work. Christopher's enthusiasm for these two artists only added to the talk, and the hour passed very quickly.

We were grateful to Dr Simon Pawley who gave generously of his time to lend and set up the projector for us.

Members enjoyed refreshments of mince pies and mulled wine on entry and the usual coffee, tea and biscuits after the talk



'The Villa' known now as Laundon House, late nursing home (maternity) and recently as Laundon Clinic. (for more info, see Valerie Dear's new book on Sleaford.

According to these three adverts from the Poacher magazine, this might be how you would amuse yourself at Christmastime in Sleaford in 1954!!

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Going to the PICTURES ?

Visit the **PICTUREDROME, SLEAFORD**  
The **SAVOY, PALACE** and **RITZ, NEWARK**  
For the **BEST** in **SCREEN ENTERTAINMENT!**

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Visit the **CORN EXCHANGE, SLEAFORD**  
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**DANCING EVERY SATURDAY FROM 7.30 p.m.**  
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## PICTUREDROME, SLEAFORD

14th—Rob Roy the Highland Rogue\*\*\*; Beer Country\*\*

17th—Is Your Honeymoon Really Necessary\*; Men From The Alazo\*

19th—Girl In Room 17\*\*\*; Ghost Ship\*

21st—Blowing Wild\*\*; Shorts

24th—Chicago Calling\*\*\*; Intimate Relations

26th—Roman Holiday \*\*\*\*; Shorts

28th—Last of the Buccaneers\*\*; Frontier Revenge\*

31st—Albert R.N.\*\*\*; Love In Pawn\*\*



### Here are the answers to the Northgate wordgame

age	great	horae	ore	toe	
anger		groan	horn	rag	toga
art	groat	hot	rage	ton	
ate	hag	nag	ran	tone	
ear	hang	nar	rang	tor	
eat	hart	nat	rat	tore	
gar	hat	natter	rate	torn	
gat	hate	near	ratter	tot	
gat	hater	neat	roan	tote	
gate	hatter	neo	roe	treat	
gear	hear	netta	rot	tron	
gen	heart	nor	tag	trot	
geo	heat	nore	tan	troth	
gnat	hen	north	tang		
goa	her	not	tar		
goat	hero	note	tea		
gone		hoar	oar	tear	
gore	hoe	oat	teat		
got	hoer	oath	ten		
gran	Hogan	ogre	throat		
grate		hone	one	throne	