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Celebrate the Sharon Temple's 175th Anniversary! Saturday, August 18, 2007 at 1 pm

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Join the Sharon Temple Museum Society on Saturday afternoon, August 18th, for birthday cake and home-made lemonade on the beautiful grounds of the Sharon Temple National Historic Site & Museum to celebrate this year's 175th Anniversary of the Sharon Temple. We will launch two exciting anniversary publishing projects, a groundbreaking online exhibition — *175 Years of Hope: A Celebration of the Sharon Temple and The Children of Peace* (co-published with the Archives of Ontario and sponsored by the Canadian Museums Association) — and a commemorative book, *Rebuilding Hope: The Sharon Temple After 175 Years* (co-published with Coach House Books).

The online exhibition and the commemorative book make public, for the first time, the significant role of the Children of Peace in aiding the creation of the democratic framework for governance in Canada, and their role in creating Canada's first farmer's cooperative and shelter for the homeless.

Our honored guests are Dr. Albert Schrauwers, the curator and writer of *175 Years of Hope*, Miriam McTiernan, Archivist of Ontario, and Mark Fram, author and designer of *Rebuilding Hope*. *175 Years of Hope* will be available for viewing and *Rebuilding Hope* will be on sale in the Gift Shop. Dr. Albert Schrauwers is a professor of anthropology at York University and Mark Fram teaches architecture at the University of Toronto.

Admission to the site is free for the 175th Anniversary celebration. Families will enjoy expressive arts projects based on the 4Square theme, creating towers of hope and family flags using materials reminiscent of pioneer days, in the heritage Cook House. Contact Katherine Belrose, Program & Site Coordinator, for more information about family activities at katherine.belrose@sharontemple.ca or 905.478.2389.

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