

## **PRESS RELEASE**

The time is now to book your appointment for the Antique Appraisal Weekend  
(Note: this event is appraisal only)

**When: Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> and Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 - 10am – 5pm each day.**

**Where: Little Fort Community Hall**

**Appraiser: Peter S. Blundell, Independent Antiques Appraiser, Vernon, BC**

**How to book an appointment: Call Pat at 250-672-5660 or Elsie at 250-677-4287**

**Cost: \$35.00 plus HST (\$1.44) for a 15 minute appointment – up to three items  
(the \$36.44 fee must be pre-paid)**

**To Benefit: North Thompson Valley Hospice House Society**

Have you been picking up more exciting items at the antique shows, shops, and garage sales or have inherited something really interesting and you are not quite sure what it is?? That is what Peter will be here to do. He has been invited back to Little Fort with his almost magical verbal Opinion-of-Value session to help you with these 'oddities', and to give you a value of what it might be worth if found for sale, or perhaps even for a donation to your favourite museum for a tax credit. All types of possibilities.

Blundell is coming from Vernon, B.C. and is an Accredited Art and Antiques Independent Appraiser with the Canadian Professional Appraisers.

Peter began his career in 1969 in the flea markets of Ontario, graduated to major shows in the East, then had his own antique shop in Schomberg, Ontario for many years. Blundell has been appraising in the West since 1990 and has appeared on television and radio numerous times.

This Appraisal event will have a microphone for Mr. Blundell and a microphone for the client so the interesting comments will not be missed by the audience. Also, there will be a line-of-sight video feed to show makers' marks and patterns being described. This is such a learning experience for your knowledge of fine antiques and collectibles. Mr. Blundell is always giving out learning tips for you – one tip may be worth thousands of dollars!

Peter has many specialties including furniture (has written 3 books and 1 ebook) art, silver, china, porcelains, glass, bronzes, oil lamps, pocket watches, and collectibles. If you are wishing to know more about one of your pieces of furniture, and it is just too big to carry, use your digital camera, take photos with good lighting (no flash), and if there is a drawer or loose piece, bring that, then Peter can assess the wood and where the heck this item came from. He brings along his extensive traveling library of books for reference.

Your investment is \$35.00 plus HST (\$1.44) for a 15 minute appointment – up to 3 items.

Peter does NOT look at jewellery, coins, stamps, guns, wrist watches (but pocket watches are fine). Antiquities over 400 years old are generally not assessed at this forum.

If you wish a formal house call or any other questions, call him in advance at 250-542-4540, or of course, visit his web page at [www.blundellartandantiques.com](http://www.blundellartandantiques.com).

Remember "Antiquing" is a very 'green' experience. No wastage of ingredients has occurred in your today's purchases. That was all done way back in time. Peter's motto – "Always consider old before new."

A portion of all sales goes to North Thompson Valley Hospice House Society.