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The Arts and Cookery Bank is now open in West Lorne, following the official opening July 17.

The Bank has been a work in progress for the last three years. The main building, on Munro Street, includes photography exhibits showcasing the history of the local municipalities, West Elgin, Dutton-Dunwich, Newbury and Southwest Middlesex. An 1883 timber-frame barn was transported, frame by frame, and attached to the Bank, and has been renovated to include a photo lab and a state-of-the-art cooking studio. The Arts and Cookery Bank will offer culinary programs, cooking seminars that promote the use of local food and visual arts programs. The facilities will also be available to rent for community events.

Arts and Cookery Bank opens up

"The single word that we hear is 'Wow', and that word describes how I feel. It far exceeded my expectations," said Grace McGartland, Arts and Cookery Bank Chair.

The first photograph exhibit, "From This to That" will be on display until the fall.

Regular summer hours for The Bank will be Tuesday-Friday 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Now that the Bank is finished, the not-for-profit centre aims to be a major attraction for food tourism and accessible rural culture.



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The Hanging

As part of the Cactus, Cattle and Cowboys event, the West Elgin Dramatics Society put on a short show, entitled 'The Hanging' on Graham Road, West Lorne, outside the newly completed Arts and Cookery Bank on July 17. The society did a show for Cactus, Cattle and Cowboys last year, and The Hanging was a sequel about an attempted jailbreak. The photo shows Carol Swick with a noose around her neck, playing the mother of an outlaw, and on the right, Tom Beharrell playing the sheriff. The play also included Joe Hughey, Nick Sawyer, Lori Milos-Ivanski, and Nancy Sawyer.