

# TIME TRAVELLER'S DIARY: Attention fellow time travellers

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It appears that our  
time travelling machine has a glitch.

While we can't  
pinpoint the exact cause of the disruption, we encounter a major malfunction  
every time we try to travel back to the not so distant past.

Our collection is  
full of wonderful objects and incredible stories from over a century ago such  
as the construction of the drill shed in Town Park (1874) and the Victorian Bicycle  
Craze that rolled through Town in the 1890s, but stories from the 1970s, 80s  
and 90s are rarer than hen's teeth.

Every day at the  
Museum we hear rumours, little snippets of long forgotten stories just waiting  
to be retold.

What's the story  
behind the weekly wrestling matches at the Aurora Community Centre? How many  
horses actually fit into Town Park? Could you really buy a house in Aurora for  
less than \$25,000? But just as we get close to learning the truth, the stories  
vanish.

Stories have to be told  
or they die, and when they die, we can't remember who we are or why we are  
here.

## **Sue Monk Kidd, author**

Knowledgeable sources  
have told us that within Town limits there are tens of thousands of fellow time  
travellers, each with their own areas of interest and expertise. We are calling  
upon you to share your experiences of life in Aurora.

Write down the  
details of your journeys (500 words) and send them to us. Help us save the past  
for future generations. Be one of our contributing writers to this weekly Time  
Travellers Diary column. No story too small, every word is an essential part of  
who we are.

There's always room  
for a story that can transport people to another place.

## **J.K. Rowling, author**

We know you're out  
there. Please make contact.