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Witness the Restoration of a Kaap's Candy Counter and Booth at the Neville Museum

Green Bay, WI---July 11, 2014---The Neville Public Museum is pleased to announce the public restoration of a historic Kaap's Restaurant booth and candy counter, which will be on display in the museum's Century of Discovery exhibit. Restoration of the booth and candy counter will be performed by accomplished furniture maker, antique restorer, and the owner of Encore Restorations, Bill Robillard. Mr. Robillard, a graduate of the National Institute of Wood Finishing, often works in the restoration shop of the United States House of Representatives, and continues his studies with a retired Smithsonian furniture conservator.

In 1907, Otto Kaap made his first batch of chocolates. Seven years later, in 1914, he opened Kaap's Restaurant on N. Washington St., which soon became a Green Bay institution. The building remained unchanged for over 60 years until it was torn down in 1980. Over the coming months, July 12, 2014 through October 26, 2014, Bill will restore the original booth and candy counter to their original conditions, while engaging with the public on select days about the restoration techniques being employed.

Come meet Bill Robillard and learn about the restoration process of the Kaap's Booth and Candy Counter on the following dates and times:

Saturday July 12 : 2pm—6pm
Wednesday July 16 : 2pm—6pm
Saturday July 19 : 2pm—6pm
Wednesday July 23 : 2pm—6pm
Saturday July 26 : 2pm—6pm
Wednesday July 30 : 2pm—6pm
Saturday August 2 : 2pm—6pm
Wednesday August 6 : 4pm—8pm

A schedule of future dates will be announced in the forthcoming weeks.

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