

SPINDLETOP GLADYS CITY MUSEUM

By Ashley Sanders

BEAUMONT — “Up from the ground will come a bubblin’ crude.” Err, dyed water that is.

Spindletop-Gladys City Boomtown Museum is back with a bang.

Christy Marino, administrative coordinator, along with Evelyn Lord, chairman of the Spindletop-Gladys City Reopening Committee, recently announced the hurricane damaged site will reopen with fanfare Jan. 12.

“The museum was devastated by Hurricane Rita,” Marino said. “We have gone through two plus long years of construction and we are finally ready to reopen.”

The grand reopening will begin at 10 a.m. in front of the museum’s Visitor Center with a short program of speakers, including former Beaumont Mayor Evelyn Lord and Lamar University President James Simmons.

Featured speaker is Darrell Jacob, plant manager of Total Petrochemicals in Port Arthur.

More free happenings begin at 10:30 a.m. when the museum’s replica gusher will blow, complete with costumed re-enactors.

From 10:45 a.m. to 3 p.m., the “boomtown” buildings of the museum will be open for visitors to tour. Activities throughout the afternoon will include historical “skits,” an old-time piano player in the Log Cabin Saloon, continuous showings of a short film about Spindletop history, and a performance by the Spirit of Southeast Texas Chorus.

After the grand-reopening date, the museum will resume its regular hours, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. Spindletop-Gladys City Boomtown Museum is on U.S. 69 at University Drive on the Lamar University campus in Beaumont. For more information, call (409) 835-0823.

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