

Readers encouraged to become History-Related Group members

Although the South Dakota State Historical Society is a state agency, we serve not only state government and the citizens of South Dakota. We also work with our partners and for our members. As a division of the Department of Tourism and State Development, the Society has strengthened our relationship with heritage tourism promotion and encouraged historic preservation as economic development.

However, within our priorities to collect, preserve, interpret and promote the history of the people of South Dakota, we continue to have a significant educational component. Part of that piece is working with local history-related groups — archaeology groups, archives, historical societies, museums, etc. We offer staff presentations, education kits, traveling exhibitions, *South Dakota History* and new books, and staff consultations.

Visit and explore our new Web site www.history.sd.gov. While looking it over, check under “About Us,” and see if your listing is up to date under “Organizations Guide.” I also ask you and your organization to become members of the South Dakota State Historical Society. Basic Family and History-Related Group memberships are only \$45. *Hoofprints* is a benefit for history-related groups, or individuals interested in what’s happening with such groups. I hope you have found it useful, and group members help us pay for *Hoofprints* and other membership services. Our membership is one way we show support of the State Historical Society to the Governor and the State Legislature.

From the SDSHS Director



Jay D. Vogt

Again this year, our budget is being assailed, with a proposed cut of one employee and over \$30,000 in a general funds reduction. We need to demonstrate that we have constituent members, as well as having our members speak up on our behalf.

Listed on Page 2 are the current History-Related Group members of the State Historical Society. If your organization is listed, thank you. If your association is not listed, please get them to become a member. When you are at www.history.sd.gov, click on “Membership” and find out how you can join. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Mammenga, membership coordinator, at (605) 773-6000 or jeff.mammenga@state.sd.us.

Thank you for your interest in South Dakota history!

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The Brown Country Historical Society met for its annual meeting at the Dacotah Prairie Museum in Aberdeen on Jan. 30. Rod Evans discussed his recently published book *Palaces on the Prairie*, which is a history of grain palaces. 2010 officers are: President -- Sherri Rawstern; Vice-President -- Brad Tennant; Secretary -- Twila Ruden; and Treasurer -- Dennis White. Other board members are Evelyn Blum, Rose Kraft, and Jean Rahja. 2010 meetings will be held on April 10, August 14, and October 23.

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The General Federation of Women’s Clubs (GFWC) Woman’s History Club of Sioux Falls is a group of women of various ages and interests determined to reinvigorate the 131-year-old women’s club. Their focus is on community service through active volunteer and philanthropic pursuits. The group meets in an historic club house building located at 758 S. Phillips Ave. that they are in the process of restoring and renovating. The club has a committee that has begun cataloging their many decades of records. They then plan to archive the records for future use. The current club president is Lollene Schoeberl, and Cheryl Taylor is the treasurer.

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The following individuals, alphabetical by last name, are History-Group Members. All are from South Dakota, unless otherwise specified:

Mitchell Aldinger, Sioux Falls; Tom & Danielle Aman Foundation, Aberdeen; Eleanor D. Cochrane, Gary; Bruce & Rebecca Crosswait, Rapid City; Dr. James A. Evans, Rapid City; Connie Everton, Rapid City; Robin D. Fansler, Aberdeen; Donna Fjelstad, Pierre; Diane K. Greve, Minneapolis, MN; Neil Gums, Aurora; Lois M. Hall, Midland; Coralee R. Hattervig, Sioux Falls; Gary A. Heintz, Pierre; John Laird, Santa Cruz, CA; Louis A. Mack, Bandera, TX; Evelyn Nikolas, Aberdeen; Rosemary Quigley, Dalbo, MN; Gladys Reed, Custer; Harold H. & Leona Schuler, Tucson, AZ; Delores Schwan, Brandon; Joanne Stroup, Everett, WA; Dale V. Thielsen, Elkton; Joylene Tibbits, Sioux Falls; Maxwell Van Nuys, Denver, CO

The following groups or museums, listed alphabetically, are History-Related Group members:

Adams Museum & House, Deadwood; Ag Heritage Museum, Brookings; Akta Lakota Museum, Chamberlain; Badlands Natural History Assoc., Interior; Booth Society, Inc., Spearfish; Brookings County Historical Society, Volga; Brookings Historic Pres. Comm., Brookings; Brown Co./Ab. Landmark Comm., Aberdeen; Brown County Historical Society, Aberdeen; Buffalo Hist. Museum & School, Buffalo; Clay County Historical Society, Vermillion; Clay County HPC, Vermillion; Clear Lake Hist Soc/Museum, Clear Lake; Codington Co. Historical Society, Watertown; Cramer/Kenyon House, Yankton; Custer County Historical Society, Custer; Dacotah Prairie Museum, Aberdeen; Dakota Discovery Museum, Mitchell; Dalesburg Scandinavian Association, Vermillion; Days of '76 Museum, Deadwood; Deadwood Chamber of Commerce, Deadwood; Deadwood Historic Preservation Comm., Deadwood;

Dell Rapids Historic Preservation, Dell Rapids; Dunham Historical Society, Wessington Springs; Elkton Community Museum/Hist Soc, Elkton; Fall River County Historical Society, Hot Springs; Faulk County Historical Society, Faulkton;

First Presbyterian Church, Aberdeen; Frederick Area Historical Society, Frederick; Galena Historical Society, Deadwood; Gary Historical Association, Gary; GFWC Women's History Club, Sioux Falls; Glueckstal Colonies Research Assn., Redondo Beach, CA; Grand River Museum, Lemmon; Grant County Historical Society, Milbank; Great Lakes of SD Assoc., Pierre;

Gurney Redevelopment Group, Chicago, IL; Heritage Club of Platte, Platte; Hermosa Arts & History Assoc., Hermosa; High Plains Heritage Society, Spearfish; Huron Historic Preservation Commission, Huron; Hyde Co. Hist./Gen. Soc., Highmore; J.W. Parmley Historical Home Society, Ipswich; Keystone Area Historical Society, Keystone; Klein Museum, Mobridge; Lake County Historical Society, Madison; Laura Ingalls Wilder Mem. Soc., De Smet; Lyman-Brule Genealogical Society, Chamberlain; Marshall County Historical Society, Britton; Mellette County Historical Society, White River; Mellette Memorial Association, Watertown;

Miner County Historical Society, Howard; Minnehaha County Historical Society, Sioux Falls; Minnilusa Historical Association, Rapid City; Mitchell Area Historical Society, Mitchell; Moody County Historical Society, Flandreau; Mountains of History, Rapid City; National Trust for Historic Preservation, Denver, CO; New Elm Springs H.B. Inc., Ethan; Plankinton Preservation Society, Inc. Plankinton; Preserve South Dakota, Scotland; Rapid City Historic Pres. Comm., Rapid City; Scotland Historical Society, Scotland; Sioux Falls Board of Preservation, Sioux Falls; Siouxland Heritage Museums, Sioux Falls; South Dakota Air & Space Museum, Box Elder;

South Dakota Humanities Council, Brookings; South Dakota State Railroad Museum, Hill City; Spearfish Historic Pres. Commission, Spearfish; Spirit of the West History Group, Sioux Falls; Springfield Historical Society, Springfield; St. Joseph's Indian School, Chamberlain; State Historical Society of ND, Bismarck, ND; Sully County, Onida; The Midwestern Company, Pierre; Timber Lake & Area Hist Soc, Timber Lake; Twin Brooks Threshing Show Club, Milbank; Union County Historical Society, Elk Point; West River History Conference, Rapid City; Wounded Knee Museum, Wounded Knee; Yankton County Historical Society, Yankton

We welcome your submissions to *Hoofprints*. Space priority is given to those who are members of the South Dakota State Historical Society.

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The 18th annual West River History Conference is Sept. 23-25 in Rapid City. This year's conference theme is "Relative Riches." For more information contact: West River History Conference, Inc., PO Box 9276, Rapid City, SD 57709. Call (605) 343-4852 or e-mail wrhc@shebbyleetours.

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The Dalesburg Scandinavian Association of Vermillion will be giving one \$200 scholarship to an active member or their child, grandchild or great-grandchild to attend a Scandinavian language camp at the Concordia Language Village at Bemidji, Minn. Current DSA officers include: President and Membership -- Ron Johnson; Treasurer -- Connie Richards; Historian -- Pat Norin; ASI Liason -- Lorraine Carlson; Publicity -- James Peterson; Officer-At-Large -- Carol Shubeck; Website -- Brendyn Richards; and Ex Officio Officer -- Pastor Sanderson.

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The Museum at Wounded Knee, formerly, The Wounded Knee Visitor Center, is dedicated to providing truthful information and education about the historical events that have occurred at Wounded Knee in The Republic of Lakotah, the nation of the Lakotah people.

Established in 2000 by the Fire Lightning Tiospaye, the facility is a fully functioning museum that serves the Wounded Knee community, the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, the nation of Lakotah, and the world.

The Museum is on the land that was owned by Chief Fire Lightning when he agreed to allow the victims of the 1890 Wounded Knee Massacre to be buried there. The mass grave of the massacre victims and the Fire Lightning Cemetery are located on the hill directly behind the museum's round building.

Visit their Web site at www.themuseumatwoundedknee.org or contact them by e-mail at museumatwoundedknee@gmail.com