

Graphic credit: NSHSF Trustee Jeff Barnes

Tomorrow, November 29th, is Giving Tuesday! Giving Tuesday is a great opportunity to get into the giving spirit and help nonprofits around the world and in your hometown. As a nonprofit that has been supporting historical preservation efforts for the past 80 years, the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation is thankful for the continuous support of our projects.

This Giving Tuesday, we encourage our supporters to give towards the Statewide Grants Program. Donations made to this project will directly support recipients of the 2023 grant cycle. As this program is 100% donation funded, it cannot happen without your support.

Recipients of the Statewide Grants Program, or SGP, have included libraries, foundations, museums, and historical societies. Reaching all corners of Nebraska, many of these historically-focused organizations do not have the staff/volunteers, time, or resources to be able to fundraise on their own. The Statewide Grants Program provides an easy way for these small to medium sized organizations receive the money they need for programming, preservation, or other projects.

You can help these organizations by donating towards SGP today.

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Statewide Grants Program Recipient Highlight

Elmwood Public Library-2022 SGP Recipient

Elmwood Public Library received \$1,000 toward purchasing a high resolution document scanner to preserve meeting notes of the Women's Club of Elmwood, of which Bess Streeter Aldrich was a member. The documents were frail and needed to be preserved digitally to share with the public.

The library, with help of the local high school speech team, carefully scanned the fragile pages and catalogued the pdf files for generations to read and enjoy. In the process, the speech team got to learn more about their town while gaining valuable historical preservation skills.

Visit Elmwood Public Library's Website





The Pershing Mural gets a New Home



Bridge view of the mural



Bike path view of the mural

The Pershing Mural was carefully removed from the Pershing Auditorium over the summer, thanks to the fundraising efforts of a team dedicated to preserving the mural for generations to come. As announced recently, the Pershing Mural has found a new location where it will continue to be enjoyed by the public. All 763,000 tiles depicting 38 figures will be displayed on the Wyuka Cemetery Grounds, home of Lincoln's first public park.

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The mural is part of a park revitalization project which also includes pond renovation, a play area for children, and picnic tables for families. Becoming part of this historic park will ensure the mural is enjoyed for many more years to come. The NSHSF is proud to serve as fiscal sponsor of the campaign. You can support the re-installation of this Nebraska treasure by clicking on the button below!

For more information, please call Liz Shea-McCoy at 402-430-5923

Learn more about the Pershing Mural

Lincoln Journal Star article on the Pershing Mural

Check out these upcoming events at historical organizations:

Nov. 29: Giving Tuesday!
Dec. 3: Brownville Historical Society- Christmas in Brownville/ Soup Supper
Dec. 3: Cass County Museum- Christmas Tree Lighting
Dec. 3-4: The Robert Henri Museum and Art Gallery- Holiday at the Henri
Dec. 3: Lux Center for the Arts- Mimosas and Art, 10am-2pm
Dec. 4: Douglas County Historical Society- "Local Jewish Heroes" Presentation, 2pm
Dec. 4: Sarpy County Museum- Christmas Open House, 2-4pm
Dec. 10: Gage County Museum- Breakfast with Santa, 9am-11am
Dec. 10: Brownville Fine Arts Association- Tour of Homes, 11am

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If you are a history-focused organization, please send your events to the Foundation at **lfattig@nshsf.org** for promotion on our calendar.

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