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# **Statewide Grant Recipient**

American Historical Society of Germans from Russia (AHSGR) received a \$1250 grant from SGP and has constructed a Disaster Kit, filled with supplies to protect the museum's archives in the event of a natural disaster. Staff also has a Pocket Response Plan that they keep in their offices. The museum campus is located next to a flood plain and they did not have a preparedness plan until now.



# Annual Appeal 2023



"COLLECT, PRESERVE, AND EDUCATE - this is what historical organizations throughout Nebraska do so that future generations will learn about and appreciate the state's unique history. NSHSF raises funds to help support state and local organizations through various programs, including History Nebraska (formerly Nebraska State Historical Society).

Your support is needed; there is more Nebraska history to collect, to preserve, and generations to educate. Please

donate today to support the great state of Nebraska and its history. Thank you."

Roger P. Lempke, Lt. Gen. (Nebr.Ret.) President, NSHSF Board of Trustees

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# **WTTR Testimonial**

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"I wanted to convey my gratitude to the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation and those who donated for the beautiful Walk To the Rock trails at the iconic Chimney Rock. I visited western Nebraska nearly two weeks ago, which is one of my favorite places, and I always have to stop at Chimney Rock. This was my third time visiting the monument, and, in the past, the closest you could get to the monument is the visitor's center and, while beautiful, is some distance from the formation. I was pleasantly surprised and elated when I saw that a trail system had been completed and open to the public during my latest visit. I have to say, this was a beautiful and humbling experience to use these trails to be closer to a monument that so many before us stood in awe of and marked such an important point in

their journey west. The trails, bridges, signage, parking, etc. are tactfully planned out, well maintained, and beautiful. I want to thank you and those wonderful donors who made this experience possible. I also want to say that Nebraska overall does a great job marking historical sites and providing accessibility to those sites. I look forward to revisiting Chimney Rock and the surrounding area in the future.

Thank you for your dedication and hard work."

**Everett D. Haynes**, Assistant City Planner Planning & Engineering Department City of Derby, KS

# The NSHSF Store Is Open!

Back for 2023, the NSHSF store has everything you need for that history loving friend or family member.

Check out our inventory of wonderful books about Nebraska such as *The Better Half* by Matt Hansen and Sarah Baker Hansen or *Cut In Stone, Cast In Bronze* by Jeff Barnes.

<u>Click here</u> to get your copies today.

## Planned Giving through the Oldfield Brigade

As we begin the autumn season and draw nearer to the close of 2023, I reflect upon the beauty of nature's cycle. While leaves fall, green fades and crop harvest is overcome with the chill of Nebraska winter, it is this process of recycling and rebirth we trust in year after year to breathe life into the next season, and to ensure a lush and bountiful spring of 2024.

In the same way that each season transitions to support the health of the next, it is due to the thoughtfulness, generosity, and hard work of past Nebraska generations that we are able to understand, interpret, and reflect on our state's history today. Their efforts to safeguard and celebrate Nebraska history have afforded us the ability to know who we are and where we came from as Nebraskans in 2023. As we look towards the future, it will be up to our generation to ensure the availability and education of Nebraska history for our predecessors.

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One way to ensure the health of future seasons of Nebraska's historic preservation is by considering membership of The NSHSF's Oldfield Brigade. The Oldfield Brigade was established in 2016 as a way for the Foundation to recognize and celebrate the generosity and vision of Barney and Vada Oldfield, as well as all past and future friends of Nebraska History who remember the Nebraska State Historical Society in their estate plans.

Throughout the next couple of weeks, we will be highlighting members of the Oldfield Brigade who have considered the importance of Nebraska history beyond their lifetime. By sharing these individual's stories and what Nebraska's history means to them, we hope you might also consider how the Foundation can fulfill your vision for Nebraska's history beyond your lifetime.

If you are interested in joining the Brigade or simply learning more, please contact me at 402-435-3535 or via email at **<u>chove@nshsf.org</u>**.

Carolyn Hove Development Coordinator

## **Events:**

**Oct. 22:** A Never Event at Neihardt Center, 2 pm - 4 pm **Oct. 29:** Bi-Lingual Storytelling Festival Sunday Matinee at the Benson Theatre

For more upcoming events, visit our Events Calendar.

Have any events you'd like us to share? Email Leslie Fattig at Ifattig@nshsf.org

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