



Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation

Connecting people with Nebraska history since 1942.

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Say YES to Nebraska History!

We are excited to kick off this year's annual giving campaign for the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation! Your support plays a crucial role in preserving Nebraska's rich history and ensuring future generations can continue to learn from our past.

This year we are highlighting 5 key areas where your donations would have an impact:

- **[Programming and New Exhibits at Nebraska State Historical Society](#)** - this has always been our main priority, and we are excited about a new era of cooperation and emphasis on Nebraska History.
- **[Walk to the Rock](#)** - since opening to the public on July 30, 2023, over 4,000 people have visited from 26 countries and 50 states. Your donation will support an educational speaker series and maintenance projects in 2025.
- **[WanderNebraska](#)** - this program has become very popular with 197 museums, historical societies, and libraries participating this year and over 7,500 booklets requested.
- **[Statewide Grants Program](#)** - This spring we supported 49 organizations representing 42 Nebraska communities with grants for conservations of collections, public programming, outreach, exhibits, and school programs. Our goal is to raise an endowment fund of at least \$1 million to continue growing this program.
- **[NSHSF General Fund](#)**

We hope you will agree that donations are being used wisely toward the collection, preservation, and education of Nebraska. We are asking you to continue your support. Thank you for all you do for NSHSF.

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Statewide Grants Program Special Purpose Fall Cycle

The Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation launched a Special Purpose Grant Cycle this Fall focused on grants for special projects.

We are pleased to announce the recipients of these grants:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Albion Public Library• American Historical Society of | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Museum of American Speed• Nebraska City Historical Society |
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- Germans from Russia
- Bellevue Public Library
- Black Hills Parks and Forests fbo Agate Fossil Beds NM
- Crete Heritage Society
- Eustis Public Library
- Falls City Library And Arts Center
- Friends of the Columbus Public Library
- Harold Warp Pioneer Village Fdn
- Hastings Public Library
- High Plains Historical Society
- Historical Society of Ravenna
- Johnson County Historical Society

- Nebraska Jewish Historical Society
- Omaha Firefighters Historical Society
- Plainview Historical Society
- Polk County Historical Society
- Preserve Omaha
- Saint Edward Public Library
- Saint Paul Public Library
- Sarpy County Museum
- Saunders County Historical Society
- Sherman County Historical Society
- Tarnov Heritage Museum
- Wauneta Public Library
- White Clay Makers Space
- The Willa Cather Foundation

Grant amounts ranged from \$500 to \$1,000 for project such as speakers, educational materials and fees for student transportaion. Congratulations to all the Grantees!

WanderNebraska Adventure Tour Lewis and Clark Recap



Dr. Sara Crook and NSHSF led a WanderNebraska Adventure Tour on September 30th and October 1st that followed the 500-mile path of Lewis and Clark in Nebraska. The group stopped at historical sites including Niobrara State Park, Neligh Mills, and Genoa Indian School, the Historic Bryan House, John G. Neihardt Historic Site, the Dr. Susan La Flesche Picotte Center, and the Niobrara Museum. The last stop was at the Junto Winery for a beautiful evening with dinner and wine. Cheers to a fantastic group of travelers and to our tour guide, Dr. Sara Crook.





FREE Day at the Nebraska History Museum November 2nd



The Nebraska History Museum will have a Free Day Saturday, November 2 celebrating the Day of the Dead. The NSHSF is proud to support this new program and future initiatives.

Cleaning The Pershing Mural Tiles Check Out The Video!



Nebraska State Historical Society Annual Members Meeting



Cindy Drake, Interim Director, Nebraska



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Trail Tales: Stories From Walk To The Rock

As the weather cools and the number of Walk to the Rock visitors decreases, we wanted to take a moment to recap the 2024 season and revisit some of the photos we've shared in our Trail Tales stories.

This summer, visitors from across the globe and all 50 states hiked the trails at Walk to the Rock. We loved hearing their stories and discovering what brought them to Chimney Rock.



Our guests were also delighted by sightings of the local wildlife that call this area home.



Thanks to our event partners, [Flyover Brewing Co.](#) and [Mike's Wild Dog's](#), as well as our guest speakers, Sandra Reddish, NSHSF Western Nebraska Coordinator and [Brandon Bailey](#), our Wild West Wednesdays were a big hit.

And, let's not forget our Walk To The Rock merchandise that was added this year. If you haven't gotten yours, [click here](#) to visit the NSHSF store.

It was an exciting summer and we look forward to sharing more Trail Tales next year.

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