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Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation Celebrates National Plan for Vacation Day with WanderNebraska Adventure Tours

LINCOLN, Neb. (January 28, 2025) – National Plan for Vacation Day, observed this year on Tuesday, January 28, encourages Americans to prioritize time off for travel and relaxation. In celebration of this day, the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation (NSHSF) is excited to announce the 2025 WanderNebraska Adventure Tours.

WanderNebraska Adventure Tours provide exciting opportunities for fans of Nebraska History to experience all-inclusive history-focused tours across the state, led by Dr. Sara Crook. Dr. Crook is a retired Professor Emeritus from Peru State College. An avid promoter of Nebraska, its people, and its history, Crook has been involved in numerous organizations including Nebraska State Historical Society, Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation, Humanities Nebraska, Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission, Nebraska Sesquicentennial Foundation, and the Nebraska Sesquicentennial Commission. Crook co-created a college credit tour program at Peru State College called “Trails and Tales” that ran from 1996 – 2016.

“The 2024 tours were such a joy, and I’m thrilled to kick off another year of adventures,” said Dr. Crook. “There’s something truly special about sharing Nebraska’s incredible history and showcasing the communities where these stories live.”

The 2025 WanderNebraska Adventure Tours include three all-inclusive tours:

- [Pioneer Prairie](#) March 18th & 19th: this 2-day tour will make stops at places like the Mennonite Heritage Park, Stuhr Museum, Fort Kearny State Historical Park, and Crane Trust Nature Center as well as a behind the scenes tour of Museum of Nebraska Arts.

- [Wild West Frontier](#) June 9 through June 13th: this 5-day tour will cover the western part of the state with stops at Ash Hollow State Park, Chimney Rock, Fort Robinson, and Ole's Big Game Bar.
- [Gateway to the Good Life](#) August 20th & 21st: there will be stops at the John Philip Falter Museum, the Sage Museum, and the Kregel Windmill Museum.

All tours depart from Lincoln, NE, with the Wild West Frontier tour offering additional pick-up locations along I-80. Meals at local restaurants are included in the tour packages.

"We are so proud to sponsor this program again," said Leslie Fattig, Executive Director of NSHSF. "These tours provide a fantastic opportunity to explore Nebraska's historical treasures, and with Dr. Crook as the guide, participants are in for an unforgettable experience."

To learn more about the tours or to purchase tickets, click [here](#).

About Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation

The Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation raises money in support of the cause of history, including projects of Nebraska State Historical Society, a state agency. The Foundation solicits funds and support from individuals and organizations across the state and beyond, who value Nebraska's unique heritage and wish to play a personal role in ensuring that Nebraska's history will be accessible to future generations.

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