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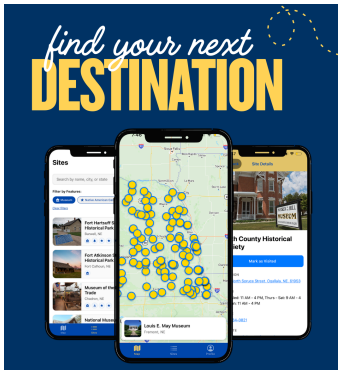
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## Explore Nebraska in a New Way with the Launch of the WanderNebraska App!



This week, we launched an exciting new way to experience WanderNebraska! **Available for FREE** on Google Play and the Apple App Store, the WanderNebraska app makes it easy to search and filter sites, map out site locations, get site-specific information and record your visits.

The WanderNebraska travel adventure program officially launches May 1, but downloading the app today gives you a **sneak peek** at all of this year's amazing stops, including more than 250 museums, landmarks and parks across the state.

Also - Don't forget to follow our NEW WanderNebraska social media channels to stay up-to-date with all things WanderNebraska throughout the season. Find us at [@wandernebraska](#) on **Facebook** and **Instagram**.

Prefer pen and paper? There's still time to preorder the 2026 WanderNebraska booklet! This year, we're asking for a \$5 donation per booklet (limit of 3 per order) to offset postage and printing costs. Travelers can also pick up free booklets at any registered WanderNebraska site starting May 1.

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# WanderNebraska on the Road: Thanking the Stops that Make It Special



Teresa shares the first look of the new 2026 booklet with Eva inside the museum's beautifully designed space.

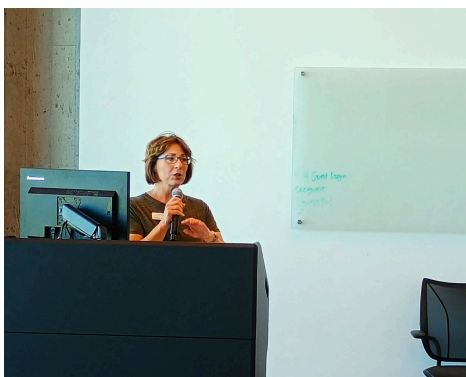
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Teresa Breazile, Development and Community Engagement Coordinator, hit the road to personally thank this year's WanderNebraska site partners, and her latest stop was full of charm and character. On Monday, April 6, she was warmly welcomed by George and Eva Neubert at the Flatwater Folk Art Museum in Brownville, where she presented them with a "hot off the press" 2026 WanderNebraska booklet.

Housed in a relocated and renovated, historic 1884 American Prairie Gothic church, the Flatwater Folk Art Museum offers a one-of-a-kind glimpse into vernacular and folk art that celebrates the creativity and traditions of everyday people. It's just one of the many unique stops waiting to be discovered when WanderNebraska launches on May 1, 2026. So, the question is: are you ready to wander?



## NMA Luncheon



The Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation was proud to support the 2026 Nebraska Museum Association conference by sponsoring Tuesday's lunch. This year's conference was the largest so far with 120 attendees, bringing museum and historical society stakeholders from across the state to Beatrice, NE.

During the lunch session, Leslie Fattig and Teresa Breazile shared several updates from the Foundation. Teresa shared more about the improvements we are making to this year's WanderNebraska travel adventure program, including a new free app, a Trail Trek partnership with Nebraska Game & Parks, and our new dedicated WanderNebraska social media channels.



## Explore Black History in Omaha on the Juneteenth WanderNebraska Adventure Tour



Join us on Friday, June 19, as we honor and celebrate Juneteenth, the anniversary of the liberation of enslaved people in the United States. This one-day WanderNebraska Adventure Tour will have pickup locations in both Lincoln and Omaha.

### What You'll Experience:

- Depart Lincoln and meet Omaha participants at UNO
- Tour Great Plains Black History Museum
- Tour Malcolm X Site/Museum
- Lunch at Big Mama's Kitchen (As seen on Diners, Drive-ins and Dives!)
- Tour Salem Baptist Church
- Tour "Green Book" and other Important sites with Kyle Chattelton from the Durham Museum
- Lincoln attendees return to Lincoln

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## Engineer Cantonment: Secure Your Spot on the Interpretive Panels



Our fundraising campaign raising \$18,000 for the turnout, interpretive panels, and Nebraska Historical Marker at Engineer Cantonment continues with great excitement! Thanks to our incredible group of supporters, we're that much closer to reaching our goal.

Thank you to our generous trustees and friends for your support of the Engineer Cantonment project: Harl and Kay Dalstrom; Ron and Judy Parks; Don Dillon; Bill and Jan Hill; Marvin Stumpf; Marty and Leslie Fattig; Bob and Carmen Shively; Sara and John Crook; Brent

Comstock; Larry Small; Brian and Dawn Rockey; Michael J and Jo McGuire. Their gifts of \$1,000 or more take us closer to our project goal, and will be permanently recognized on interpretive panels at the completed site.

We're also grateful for additional gifts from Roger and Shirlee Lempke; Jeff and Sue Barnes; J.B. and Carla Ketner and John William Irwin. With every contribution, we are closer to making this project a reality.

Special thanks to lead donors Nancy and Mike McCarthy, whose early and enthusiastic support, funding nearly half of the entire project, launched this effort and set us on a strong path to achieve our site improvement goals.

Just six \$1,000 sponsorships remain. Donors at this level will be recognized on the interpretive panels, creating a lasting legacy at Engineer Cantonment.

Join us: <https://www.nshsf.org/projects/engineer-cantonment/>



## Get Your Tickets for WanderNebraska: The Great Road Trip

We are excited to announce the date for our 2026 **WANDERNEBRASKA: THE GREAT ROADTRIP!** Mark your calendars for August 21st so you don't miss the fun.

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