



**Special Newsletter
September, 2014**

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*The Board usually meets the last Tuesday
of the month at 7:00 pm.*

**CASS COUNTY HISTORICAL
SOCIETY FOUNDATION**

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*The new logo at the top of this page was
designed by Carl Reichart*

From the President's Desk.....

The year has flown by, the Full Harvest Moon is waning and the Full Hunter's Moon soon to rise on October 8th. Farm harvest has begun with bountiful crop production anticipated. September has been a good month for Cass County and for our museum. The Harvest Festival, held in Plattsmouth earlier this month, was very well attended. We were pleased that our museum, cabin and caboos had many visitors. Our Historical Society should be proud of our volunteers who always rise to the occasion, whether it be baking delicious pies, selling used books, giving tours of the cabin and caboos or any number of other tasks assigned throughout the year. We are truly blessed.

Something that I have noticed when I've worked at the Cook Cabin is that Millennials, those persons in the 18-34 year age group, seem to be extremely inquisitive about the early history of our county. They seem hungry for this knowledge. This is heartening to me because it will be that talented generation that will need to carry the "torch of Cass County History" for us in years to come. The directors of the Cass County Historical Society are well aware of this also and encourage the youth in our county to embrace our mission and specific goals. Our history is rich and the museum's collection makes that history so tangible. Thank you members for your on-going support. Please join us at our annual banquet if you can. The food is always delicious and the entertainment enjoyable.

ENJOY AUTUMN IN CASS COUNTY NEBRASKA

--Douglas V. Duey

Mission Statement: *The Cass County Historical Society shall collect, preserve, and study materials to document, interpret and present the history of Cass County Nebraska to the public.*

Temporary Exhibits

Throughout the year, we rotate exhibits in our Davis Conference Room and highlight different aspects of our Collection and County History.

“Harvest and Festival Memories” through October 26, 2014

In conjunction with the Plattsmouth Harvest Festival, we are exhibiting photographs and memorabilia from past Korn Karnivals. Photos of farm life and harvesting are also on display.

“Cass County Nebraska Archaeology” through November 1, 2014

September is Nebraska Archaeology Month. Archaeology exhibits and programs are taking place across the state. We are displaying a selection of archaeological items collected by Dr. George Gilmore, Col. H.C. McMaken, and Alvin McReynolds.

“World War I: Photographs and Memorabilia” November 4, 2014-January 24, 2015

July 28, 2014, marked the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I. We will honor those who served from Cass County with an exhibit of photographs and uniforms.

“Paintings and Drawings”

November 4, 2014-January 24, 2015

An exhibit of oils, watercolors, pastels and penmanship drawings.

Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day Saturday, September 27, Free Admission

Cass County Museum will join thousands of other museums nationwide for the annual Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day. If you have friends or relatives who are not members of the museum, invite them to visit on September 27. FREE ADMISSION FOR NON-MEMBERS ALL DAY.

Brown Bag Programs

The programs begin at 12:00 noon. They are free and open to the public. You are welcome to bring your sack lunch; coffee and cookies will be served.

Tuesday, September 23

"Archaeology & Steamboat Wrecks on the Missouri River" Speaker: Sandra Barnum

Ms. Barnum is an archaeologist with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Her powerpoint presentation will deal with historic steamboat wrecks on the Missouri River

Tuesday, October 14

Basketmaking Demonstration by Nancy Schultz

FRIDAY, October 24

Fossil Collecting Speaker: Del Stites

In conjunction with our Archaeology exhibit, board member and amateur archaeologist, Del Stites, will tell us about his fossil collection.

Tuesday, October 28

Antiques Show and Tell Speaker: Don Gappa

Bring an antique from home and Mr. Gappa will tell you more about it.

Tuesday, November 11

World War I Collection Speaker: Tony Moreno

Rock Bluffs School Open House Sunday, October 19, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Annual Hot Dog Roast

Have a hot dog, chips and drink, tour the school and enjoy the beautiful Fall scenery. Admission is free, but donations are accepted to help with maintenance and repairs.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

<http://www.casscountynemuseum.org/>

By September 15, our new website had 8,369 visits!

Memberships...Special Donations... Memorials

Received between July 11 and September 16, 2104. Donors live in Nebraska unless otherwise noted

2015 CORNERSTONE CLUB

Sandstone

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Paul & Nancy McManis
Fred & Pat Meisinger
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and
Anonymous cash donation

Thank you Members!

Is the date highlighted on your address label? If so, your membership is due. Please fill out the form on the back and mail or deliver with your check to:
Cass Co Historical Society
646 Main Street
Plattsmouth, NE. 68048

(If you are receiving your newsletter via e-mail, there will be a separate e-mail when your membership is due.)

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In memory of

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Erin Macri, CA

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SCHOOL

in memory of

Ona Graves Thimgan

Connie Diggs

If you have e-mail and would prefer to receive the newsletter electronically, please send us an e-mail at ccoahsm@windstream.net and in the subject line put "electronic newsletter".

Update on Log Cabin Roof Fund

Thanks to a generous donation from Marjorie Bock, a great-great-granddaughter of Joseph and Mary Cook, we have raised enough to replace the roof and also do other needed repairs on the cabin.

A total of \$8,280 has been donated. In addition, we have a pledge of \$1,000 from the Plattsmouth Conservancy which we will receive when the project is completed.

**Cruizin' Main
Friday, October 3
4:00 to 9:00 p.m.**

The museum will be open until **8:00 pm** on Friday, October 3, during Plattsmouth's Cruizin' Main Antique Car Show. Hundreds of cars will line Main Street for this annual event, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and Plattsmouth Main Street Association.

Please note: there will be no parking in front of the museum on Friday, October 3, due to the car show.

**Annual Membership Meeting
Thursday, November 6**

Mark your calendars for the Annual Meeting on Thursday, November 6.

At the meeting, revised Bylaws will be presented for approval by the membership. The Bylaws Committee, Sandra Allgeier, Pat Meisinger, Harlan Seyfer and Margo Prentiss, has been working for over a year to update the Society's Bylaws. Copies are available at the museum for review prior to the meeting.

Watch for more details about the meeting in the Fall Newsletter.



**The
Questers**

Preservation - Restoration - Education

**LEARN MORE ABOUT
"THE QUESTERS"
Monday, September 29, 7:00 pm.**

Do you enjoy finding forgotten treasures, researching their stories, and sharing your findings? Do you share the love of learning about antiques or have an interest in history? Do you enjoy meeting new people and creating new experiences? If so, THE QUESTERS is for YOU?

Join us at the CASS COUNTY MUSEUM on Monday, September 29th at 7:00 PM to learn more about THE QUESTERS, enjoy a Questers' study program, and light refreshments.

THE QUESTERS is an international organization of lovers of antiques, collectibles, and history who encourage an appreciation for antiquities and the preservation and restoration of historical landmarks.

In local chapters, Questers research antiques, share their discoveries with fellow Questers, help to preserve and restore buildings and historic sites, embark on antiquing trips and build life-long relationships.

Always searching, always discovering, THE QUESTERS is looking for new members who share their passion. Come to the Cass County Museum on Sept. 29th at 7 PM to share the past and create new memories with THE QUESTERS. THE QUESTERS website is www.questers1944.

Cass County Historical Society, organized in 1936, is dedicated to a mission of telling the history of Cass County since 1854, the year the county was opened for settlement. The Society's first permanent displays were housed in two rooms on the third floor of the Cass County Courthouse. In 1960, the present museum was opened at 646 Main Street in Plattsmouth.

Approximately one third of the museum's budget comes from the County. The rest of the financial support is from Memberships, Donations, Gift Shop Sales, Memorials and Grants.

To renew your membership or to become a member for the first time, please fill out the form at right and return to the museum.

MUSEUM HOURS

April through October:

Tuesday through Sunday: 12:00 to 4:00 pm

Closed Mondays and major holidays.

November through March:

Tuesday through Saturday: 12:00 to 4:00 pm

Closed Sundays, Mondays and major holidays.

Admission: \$2.50 for adults; children under 12 free.

FREE for Museum Members

Donations accepted.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

Individuals and Families:

_____ **Patron (\$1,000 and up)**

_____ **Benefactor (\$500 and up)**

_____ **Investor (\$250)**

_____ **Century (\$100)**

_____ **Promoter (\$50)**

_____ **Booster (\$30)**

_____ **Friend (\$15)**

Businesses (Cornerstone Club)

_____ **Marble (\$1,001 and up)**

_____ **Granite (\$501-1,000)**

_____ **Limestone (\$251-500)**

_____ **Sandstone (\$100-250)**

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