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Dramatic Glass Lobby Will Welcome Visitors



ne of the most unique architectural structures on the Northern Great Plains is almost complete as part of the ND Heritage Center expansion project. When the doors of the ND Heritage Center open on Sept. 1, 2013, visitors will enter the facility through the stunning 40-foot by 40-foot Northern Lights Lobby. Made of steel and glass, the glass box is cradled in walls of copper panels that create a dramatic and welcoming environment for our visitors.

Architects from the national firm of Hammel, Green & Abrahamson (HGA) designed the glass and steel structure with a nod to early Native American architecture. Similar to an earthlodge, the lobby has twenty poles, but the visitor's personal imagination may also visually capture the silhouette

of a tipi or grain bin. The steel geometry will be clearest at night with special lighting. Around the top of the glass box, backlit screens will project colorful images of the Northern Lights against a night sky.

Embedded in the center of the lobby floor, a five-foot diameter glass circle with a lighted image of the Great Seal of ND becomes the hearth of the building. A starburst pattern radiates from this center circle. Also embedded in the floor, in a circle around the perimeter of the lobby, are the names of all 53 North Dakota counties.

The architectural benefits are even greater than the lobby's size. "This lobby is unique on a national level. Design firms around the country are watching to see the finished product," said Claudia Berg, expansion project



southeast shows the imposing nature of this element of the new Heritage Center.

coordinator. "This area is also uniquely related to North Dakota with the symbols and structure embracing key elements of our state. It is an iconic beacon welcoming visitors to North Dakota and the Capitol grounds."

The Northern Lights Lobby will also be available as a rental space for afterhours events and functions.

First New State Museum Gallery to Open in October

Can you imagine North Dakota 500 million years ago? On Oct. 12, 2013, the public will be invited to travel back in time during the opening of the Adaptation Gallery: Geologic Time in the State Museum. This will be the first of four new galleries to open in the expansion project.

Geologic events on Earth transformed the environment many times. From the monstrous sea creatures living in primordial oceans to the rise and extinction of dinosaurs, from tropical swamplands with crocodiles and palm trees to the appearance of mammals, this is the fascinating story of life in North Dakota. The Geologic Time gallery will explore these changes with exciting new exhibits for visitors of all ages. Visitors will experience five major themed areas of the gallery including:

- Underwater Worlds
- Mammals on the Savanna
- Extinction, Climate Change and Tropical Swamplands
- When Dinosaurs Ruled
- The Great Ice Age

This gallery is a collaborative effort of the State Historical Society of North Dakota and the North Dakota Geological Survey. Almost all of the fossil specimens in this new gallery are from the NDGS state fossil collection.

We invite you to come with us on a journey through time to explore how life has changed and adapted in North Dakota's geologic past.



Get ready for a dueling T. rex and triceratops at the new State Museum!

Treehouse Gallery Being Planned to Delight Young Children



The Treehouse Gallery will be a museum space designed especially for children – a place where play and learning go hand in hand. The Treehouse will introduce pre-school through third-grade visitors to the museum world. Scaled in size for children, the entertaining hands-on activities will also relate to exhibits in other areas of the State Museum. Located on the mezzanine above the Missouri River Events Center, this glass-enclosed gallery will invite children to discover and explore North Dakota life, past and present.

The Treehouse will feature its namesake, a child-sized tree house children can climb into for a bird's-eye view of the area before sliding down to a variety of exhibits including main street businesses, a steamboat, a locomotive, a flight simulator, and horses.

Renovations Help Preserve Historic Stutsman County Courthouse

Several restoration projects at the historic Stutsman County Courthouse last year moved this landmark one step closer to serving as a regional interpretive center, a venue for public hearings and meetings, and a facility to interpret significant topics for both North Dakota citizens and visitors. The projects were made possible through a combination of state and private funding. The Historic Stutsman County Courthouse Committee committed \$58,900 toward the project with the remainder of funds coming from the state.

Just over \$150,000 was devoted to removal of lead-based paint, asbestos, and carpeting, which was acting as a catalyst for the growth of mold. The grounds were landscaped and re-graded to prevent moisture seepage into the building. This continues the partnership between the 1883 Courthouse Committee and the State Historical Society of North Dakota to ensure the preservation and adaptive reuse of this outstanding architectural style.

Constructed in 1883, the historic



Stutsman County Courthouse is one of only two remaining brick courthouses of the Gothic Revival style in the state. It is recognized as one of the finest Gothic Revival style buildings in the Upper Midwest and contains the finest complete collection of pressed tin in the state. The building served as a meeting place on several occasions for discussions regarding the formation of the State of North Dakota. Many immigrants took the oath of allegiance to the United States and were pronounced citizens of the United States of America in the building.

The courthouse was the brainchild

of Enos Stutsman, a behind-the-scenes power broker who was one of the earliest pioneers in Dakota Territory. He was a member of the Territorial Council that established the original territorial capitol in Yankton. Stutsman served as speaker of the 1876 Territorial Legislature. After North Dakota gained statehood in 1889, Stutsman County was named for Enos Stutsman.

Rehabilitation efforts of the courthouse will continue during the next biennium, depending on funding. Plans are to install a concrete floor with drain tiles in the basement. The existing wood flooring and the historic tiles would be installed above the concrete floor. Other projects include installing a mechanical system and eventually an elevator. "The exterior of the building was restored in the early 1990s and is in wonderful condition," said Fern Swenson, director of Archeology and Historic Preservation division.

"The time is right to move forward on restoration of the interior so this architectural monument comes back to serving the people of the state."

Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site Bank Stabilization Project

Spring 2013 visitors to Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site, Richland County, will notice completion of the impressive bank stabilization project and the significant site preservation efforts sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District, in collaboration with the Archaeology and Historic Preservation Division of the State Historical Society of North Dakota.



The first loads of rip-rap reach the bank stabilization project at Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site, October 31, 2012. *Photo by Paul Picha, SHSND*

Rip-rap is placed for bank stabilization at the Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site, November 15, 2012. Photograph courtesy of Nathan Wallerstedt, St. Paul District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



ND Students Compete in National History Day

National History Day competitions were recently completed in North Dakota. This year's theme was *Turning Points in History: People, Ideas, Events*. Regional competitions were held in March in Bismarck and Minot, and regional participating groups were also organized in Williston and Valley City. The state competition was held April 5 at the Bismarck School District Career Academy. Winners of the state competition may advance to the national contest at the University of Maryland June 16-20.



Pictured here are four students who won a senior group performance at the state competition in Bismarck. The performers presented a debate between Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady on the voting rights implications of the 14th Amendment to the US Constitution. Additional characters in the performance were a narrator and a newspaper reporter of Anthony and Cady's time. Autumn Red Bear, McKenna Tree Top, Kylee Harrison, and Cherise Standing Bear all attend the Standing Rock Community Grant School in Fort Yates. The coach for this performance was Vernon Huber, who teaches at Standing Rock.

A Heartfelt Thank You to Our Volunteers



State Historical Society staff honored Heritage Volunteers at the annual Volunteer Valentine Social on February 14. About 150 volunteers and staff socialized and shared wonderful treats. We look forward to the annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet coming up on Tuesday, August 13, 2013!



Former Governors' Mansion kitchen

Historic Site Supervisor Q & A

Visitors to our state historic sites sometimes ask questions about the maintenance and preservation of certain areas like, "Doesn't that desk need a coat of paint?" Johnathan Campbell, site supervisor of the Former Governors' Mansion State Historic Site in Bismarck, offers a viewpoint regarding historic preservation and restoration.



I often get visitors asking why we don't strip the paint from the exterior, refinish scratched trim, or even replace elements because

they are simply worn from the hands of time. The kitchen floor in the Former Governors' Mansion is an example I use all the time with tours. It has dings, shrunk boards, burns, and holes all over the place, and each one tells a story about the house. The sink sat here; the icebox leaked here; coals from the first oven burned the floor. Each mark tells a story, if you know how to read it. Those stories would be lost if the floor was replaced or sanded to perfection.

We did have the floor sanded a few years ago and finished with a coat of polyurethane to protect from further wear. I worked very closely with the contractor to make sure he did not remove any of the stories the floor told simply by its existence. He wanted to sand, fill, and replace boards to make the floor look as perfect as possible. I'm not sure he ever did fully understand, but he did do what was asked of him.

North Dakota Studies Launches New Website

The North Dakota Studies program at the State Historical Society has launched a new website at ndstudies.gov. The new website is simple to navigate and easy to use. The website provides information on the many publications and resources for grades 4, 8, and high school, and directs users to supplemental resources. The site not only provides publications and teaching resources for North Dakota Studies, but also offers additional materials related to the study of North Dakota.



Visiting at the 2013 Volunteer Valentine's Social were three members of the team developing a new 8th grade online curriculum for North Dakota Studies, to be completed in fall 2014. Gwyn Herman, Neil Howe, ND Studies coordinator, and Laverne Johnson also collaborated on the 4th grade ND curriculum and teacher activities.

"Whether you desire to know more about the Civil War Era in North Dakota, seek information about the USS *North Dakota*, or simply want to become familiar with North Dakota's state symbols, the website provides a destination for students, teachers, and lifelong learners wanting to explore the interesting geography, history, and culture of our state," said Neil Howe, North Dakota Studies program coordinator.

In addition, dozens of primary source documents from the State Archives at the SHSND are available at the new site complimenting the high school textbook, *North Dakota: Readings about the Northern Plains State.* In fall 2014, the website will also allow users to access the new Grade 8 curriculum, *North Dakota: People Living on the Land.*

Neither Snow, Nor Sleet, Nor Rain...

Snowfall and cold temperatures of winter 2012-2013 created some interesting challenges for outlying sites. On January 12, a wall of snow required Kerry Finsaas, assistant supervisor of Fort Berthold and the Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center, to carve out a pathway for visitors.

All ND Historic Sites to Open in May

Get ready to explore North Dakota history this summer! On May 16, North Dakota state historic sites resume summer hours through September 15.

Pembina State Museum: Mondays-Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sundays, 1 to 6 p.m. CT.

Chateau de Mores State Historic Site:

daily, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., with last tickets sold at 5:50 p.m. MT. Chateau Interpretive Center is open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. MT

Fort Buford State Historic Site: daily, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT.

Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center: daily, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. CT.

Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historic Site: daily, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT.

Former Governors' Mansion State Historic Site: Mon. - Fri., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sat. & Sun, Noon to 4 p.m.

Fort Totten State Historic Site: daily, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (CDT).

Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site: daily, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., (CDT)

Camp Hancock State Historic Site: Friday – Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Gingras Trading Post State Historic Site: daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (CDT).



Enter the Second Annual Photo Contest



The former Grand Theater in Mohall, ND.

The first SHSND Photo Contest last year was so successful that another contest will be held this year. The subject for the 2013 contest is "Theaters in North Dakota." Entries will be accepted from May 1 until December 31, 2013.

As with any new project, we learned a few things along the way and have made a few tweaks to the contest. Rules are available by contacting Lisa Steckler at lsteckler@ nd.gov or 701.328.3577, online at history.nd.gov/photocontest/ or by writing to: State Historical Society of ND, c/o Lisa Steckler, 612 E Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58505.

Berg Wins Excellence Award

Claudia Berg was awarded the 2012 Staff Award for Excellence at the agency's annual holiday gathering.



This honor is given each year to a State Historical Society employee selected by his or her colleagues as the agency's outstanding staff member. Berg is the expansion and new initiatives coordinator for the Society. Among other things, this means she spends much of her time acting as an intermediary and coordinator between the Society and the contractors for the building expansion.

Claudia began her employment with the agency in September 1981 as a graphics designer. Her initial responsibilities with the Society involved working with the design and construction of the exhibits in the Main Gallery of the Heritage Center. She has also worked as a curator of exhibits, as the Museum division director, and director of the Museum and Education division. Congratulations to Claudia!

Three Properties Added to National Register of Historic Places

Three new properties have been added to the National Register of Historic Places in North Dakota.

- 1. Last fall, **Theodore Roosevelt's Elkhorn Ranch and Greater Elkhorn Ranchlands** was listed as nationally significant for the role the ranch played in forming Theodore Roosevelt's ideas on conservation.
- 2. The **Woodrow Wilson School** in Fargo was listed both for its Collegiate Gothic architecture by the local firm of Haxby and Braseth and for how the design and use demonstrated new ideas for education in the Progressive era.
- 3. The most recent listing is the **Swedish Zion Lutheran Church**, located near Bottineau. This stone church has been maintained as a local land-mark and symbol of the Swedish pioneer settlement.









ND Heritage Center Expansion Tours Highlight Legislative Reception

Cupporters were in high gear at the January 10 legislative reception at the North Dakota Heritage Center, just as the 2013 Legislative Assembly got underway. The evening reception was well attended, with around 460 guests, including some 65 legislators. The event was sponsored by the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) and its Foundation, the Independent Community Banks of North Dakota (ICBND), and the North Dakota Grocers Association.

Highlights included special guided tours of the new North Dakota Heritage Center main level, with SHSND staff providing visitors with a glimpse of the exciting progress being made on the \$52 million expansion project. Tour groups were led by ICBND assistant vice president Wendy Ruud and staff, and the management team of Dan's SuperMarkets of North Dakota, led by Ralph Dockter and Dalles Schneider. Featured on the mezzanine level were design concepts for the children's Treehouse Gallery, the North Dakota Studies curriculum project, an electronic touch table that will be part of the Hub of History, and the video, The People of the Upper Missouri: The Mandans, produced by the SHSND.

"Staff is the soul of the project – the animating force that will help make the story of the state come alive." — Merlan E. Paaverud, Director, SHSND

Governor Jack Dalrymple and Congressman Kevin Cramer spoke at the event, and letters from Senator John Hoeven and Senator Heidi Heitkamp were read. Other speakers included ICBND Board President Brenda Foster, senior vice presi-

dent, First Western Bank and Trust of Minot; ICBND Emerging Leader Dave Mason, American Bank Center of Bismarck; and North Dakota Grocers Association Chairman of the Board Leon Merck, general manager, Marketplace Stores of North Dakota.

Last Remaining SHSND **Commission Recommendation:** Invest in Additional History Professionals

The reception was catered by The Bistro - An American Café, Dan's SuperMarket South, and Central Market, all of Bismarck.

The State Historical Society and Foundation thank our partners – the North Dakota Grocers Association and Independent Community Banks of North Dakota - for their financial support, for helping with the tours and greeting guests at the reception. We thank Society staff who enthusiastically shared the vision for the new building. And we especially thank the North Dakota legislators who came to see the building they authorized. This night was for you!

The State Historical Society and the Foundation also thank the trustees and donors who attended the event. You have carried the message of expansion over the

past decade to our legislators and out into our communities. From this base of strong support this project was funded for the people of our state. We are grateful.

Check it out! The SHSND Foundation's Expansion Campaign Website: statehistoricalfoundation.com



SHSND Expansion Coordinator Claudia Berg leads through the Legislative Hall of Honors a group that includes Chief Justice Gerald Vande-Walle, Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem, Department of Human Services Interim Director Maggie Anderson, and former Public Service Commissioner Susan Wefald.



SHSND Museum Director Chris Johnson describes the Inspiration Gallery to a group that includes Senators Carolyn Nelson (D-Fargo) Karen Krebsbach (R-Minot), and Rep. Gary Sukut (R-Williston).



A group including Supreme Court Justice Carol Kapsner and Senators Tom Campbell (R-Grafton) and Tony Grindberg (R-Fargo) toured the facility.









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New products at the State Museum Store



Lieutenant G.K. Warren's 1855 and 1856 Manuscript Maps of the Missouri River

This series of 39 oversized reproductions of maps drawn on the Missouri River provides insight into the natural and cultural environment of the river more than 150 years ago. They were created by surveyors of the Warren Expedition in 1855 and 1856 and used in the creation of an 1859 map of the Plains region. For the first time, these original hand-drawn manuscript maps are published as a unit available to the public. They contain a wealth of previously unavailable information about the Missouri River environment from what is now the Kansas-Nebraska border to the confluence of the Missouri and Yellowstone Rivers. Reproduced in a portfolio of map sheets measuring 16 by 24 inches, the publication includes an introduction by Graham A. Calloway and W. Raymond Wood. **\$39.95**

People of the Upper Missouri: The Mandans

Focusing on the history, traditions, and material culture of the Mandan people, this documentary integrates historical imagery, interviews, and ethnographic and archaeological data that trace 800 years of Mandan resilience, adaptability, and continuity in the Upper Missouri River Valley. It begins with a contemporary portrait of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara people and travels backward recounting the tragedy and loss incurred by construction of the Garrison Dam; the peak of Mandan population, power, and prosperity during the 16th century; and the origins of a cultural identity bound in memories of ancestors and tied to the Missouri River landscape. 77 minutes. **DVD or Blu-ray \$24.95**



We Need Your Help Finding Artifacts!

The State Historical Society is putting a call out for contemporary objects (from the past 50 years or so). The following is a list of items we wish to acquire. If you are interested in donating the following items unconditionally to the State Historical Society, please go to our donation webpage at *history.nd.gov/donate. html* or contact Melissa Thompson at methompson@nd.gov or 701-328-2691. Thank you for your help with SHSND exhibits!

CONTEMPORARY AGRICULTURAL ITEMS

- Newly developed seed strains (drought tolerant; disease tolerant; Round-Up ready).
- Contemporary equipment or tools (nothing huge - e.g. nozzle or other part from an air seeder
- GPS
- ATV
- Irrigation pipe
- ND Farmers Union / Cenex shirt
- Beehive and/or beekeeper outfit
- 4H or FFA clothing, ribbons, and photos (preferably no trophies)

CONTEMPORARY

RODEO/RANCHING SPECIFIC

- Show shirts with associated photos of people wearing the shirts.
- Riding outfits
- Work clothes, head to toe (would prefer "used" clothing with wear and a history).
- Lariats and ties
- Prize saddle; prize belt buckle
- Rodeo items: bull/bronco riding glove, bull riding vest and helmet, rodeo clown/ barrelman/bull fighter costume, rodeo queen outfits

- Microchip for identifying cattle
- Cattle auction paddle
- Equipment or tools (nothing too large e.g. artificial insemination equip; solar panel from electric fencing
- Veterinary equipment

CONTEMPORARY

NORTH DAKOTA PRODUCTS

- Cass Clay packaging
- Cream of Wheat packaging
- Pride of Dakota products
- Butchering safety equipment (chainmail gloves and or apron)
- Cloverdale meats unused packaging (NO full packaging or used packaging) or other Cloverdale non-food items
- Crystal sugar packaging
- Wine bottles from ND wineries
- Flax milk packaging
- Giants snacks (sunflower seeds, pumpkin seeds)

OTHER CONTEMPORARY ITEMS:

- Articles of clothing with the name of consolidated schools
- Contemporary immigrant items
- Printed materials with two languages (with a North Dakota connection)

- Anti-War items (e.g. "PEACE NOW" signs)
- Powwow related items, including dance attire and accessories
- Ticket stub from Spirit Lake or 4 Bears Casino concert
- Items from ND Indian boarding schools
- Mennonite cultural and/or religious items (Scarf, plain dress, Bible, etc.)
- Post-1970 military uniforms (preferably not National Guard or Air Force)
- Anne Carlson School items
- Grafton Developmental School items
- American Indian Movement items
- Civil Rights Act & Judge Ronald Norwood Davies (incl. Little Rock Integration Crisis) items
- Post-WWII pin ball machine
- Firefighter uniform (volunteer firefighter t-shirt)
- WPA worker clothing
- Items related to ND pop stars such as Peggy Lee, Bobby Vee, and Lawrence Welk
- Blue jeans (men's, women's, child's), especially from the 1950s, but other time periods also
- Teenage clothing. All time periods
- Blaze orange hunting gear
- International Music Camp items
- North Dakota amateur or professional musical band materials
- T-shirts, announcements, tickets, instruments, etc
- Baking pans (jelly roll, cake, brownie, cookie sheets)
- Casserole dish with lid
- Crockpot, electric
- Curling club items
- Bowling or darts league items

Programs and Events

May

May 1-31 National Historic Preservation Month.

May 1 Start of the paddlefish season at the Confluence.

May 1-2

Dakota Collections Care Initiative Disaster Preparedness Workshop,

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., ND Heritage Center. Free. Register required. *history.nd.gov/dcci/index.html* or contact Dana Schaar 701.355.4458 or clearfour@btinet.net.

May 4

Paddlefish program at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Fort Buford State Historic Site, 701.572.9034.

May 9

Fort Buford History Book Club,

7:30 p.m. Join other history buffs in a discussion of a selected book. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. Please call in advance, 701.572.9034.

May 10-11

Former Governors' Mansion State Historic Site open, 1 to 5 p.m. Free admission. In Bismarck at the corner of Fourth Street and Avenue B, 701.328.9528.

May 12

Bluegrass Association of North Dakota Acoustic Jam Session. Bluegrass musicians and listeners welcome. Former Governors' Mansion State Historic Site,

701.328.2792.

May 14

Education Field Day, Fort Totten State Historic Site, 701.766.4441.

May 14

Founders Day, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Camp Hancock State Historic Site. Celebrate Bismarck's 141st anniversary with free ice cream and cake. Entertainment by Cottonwood and the Bismarck Elks Choir, 701.328.9528.

May 16

North Dakota State Historic Sites resume summer hours for the season, through September 15.

May 17-18

Quilting at the Confluence, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monthly meeting. All experience levels invited and instruction provided. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center, 701.572.9034.

May 18

Free admission to all State Historic Sites to celebrate International Museum Day.

May 18

Flag Raising, 12 p.m., Fort Buford State Historic Site. Celebrate the first weekend of the summer season with an official flag raising by the Sixth Infantry Regiment Association, 701.572.9034.

May 19

Concert at the Confluence, 3 p.m. CT. Enjoy MJ Williams Trio performing a jazz concert. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center, 701.572.9034.

May 24-26

"Little Casino," a historic drama about Bismarck in the early 1870s, at the Belle Mehus Auditorium. Written by former Bismarck School High English teacher Ev Miller, 701.255.2586.

May 27

Memorial Day Observances at

Pembina State Museum, 10:30 a.m., in conjunction with the Kern-Thompson American Legion Post 77, 701.825.6840.

May 27

Memorial Day Observances at Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site, 701.553.8513.

May 31

Bismarck/Mandan Summer Reading

Kickoff. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with activities for children. North Dakota Heritage Center and North Dakota State Library.

June

June to August Living History Tour on Tuesdays at

2:30 p.m. (MT) for senior citizens and Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. for children, Chateau de Mores State Historic Site, 701.623.4355.

June 8 – August 5

"Recollections of Murder and Mayhem in Medora," a 20-minute theater production dramatizing the conflict between cowboys and outsiders over land use and barbed wire. Billings County Courthouse Museum in Medora, every Saturday and Sunday at 11:30 a.m., 701.623.4355.

June 8-9

History Alive!, featuring the 1880s editor of *The Bad Lands Cow Boy*, A.T. Packard, at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. (MT), Chateau de Mores State Historic Site, 701.623.4355.

June 4

Rocketeer Days at Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historic Site for youth in kindergarten through twelfth grade. Every Tuesday in June and July, the site will host a lesson and fun activity for students that will center on rocket and space education. For more, 701.797.3691.

June 8

World Wide Knit in Public Day. Former Governors' Mansion State Historic Site, 701.328.9528

June 13

Fort Buford History Book Club,

7:30 p.m. Join other history buffs in a discussion of a selected book. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. Please call in advance, 701.572.9034.

June 15

Confluence Quilters, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monthly meeting. All experience levels invited and instruction provided. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center, 701.572.9034.

June 15-16

History Alive!, featuring *The Marquis de Mores*, at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. (MT), Chateau de Mores State Historic Site, 701.623.4355.

June 16

Concert at the Confluence, Enjoy a concert while overlooking one of North Dakota's most beautiful natural sights. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center, 701.572.9034.

June 18, 19, & 20 Native Cultures Day Camp,

participation limited to 25 children, \$4 fee. Fort Totten State Historic Site, 701.766.4441.

June 22

Aber Days, Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site, 701.553.8513.

June 22-23

History Alive!, featuring the charming hostess of the Chateau, *Madame de Mores*, at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. (MT), Chateau de Mores State Historic Site, 701.623.4355.

June 17 to August 5

Children's Activity and Story Time. A free eight-week program. A tour of fort grounds will follow the story. 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site, 701.553.8513.

June 29-30

History Alive!, featuring Don Elhi as *Felix,* at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. (MT), Chateau de Mores State Historic Site, 701.623.4355.

July

July 1

West River Winds outdoor concert

with a Civil war theme on the Badlands Plaza, ND Heritage Center, 701.328.2666.

July 6-7

History Alive! performances featuring the 1880s editor of *The Bad Lands Cow Boy, A.T. Packard,* at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. (MT). Chateau de Mores State Historic Site, 701.623.4355.

July 11

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7:30 p.m. Join other history buffs in a discussion of the selected book. Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center. Please call in advance, 701.572.9034.

July 12

State Historical Board Meeting, 9 a.m. North Dakota Heritage Center Board Room.

July 12

North Dakota State Genealogical

Society Meeting, 1 p.m. State Archives, ND Heritage Center. Contact Greg Wysk, 701.328.2541.

July 13 State Archives Closed

July 13-14

History Alive! performances featuring the charming hostess of the Chateau, *Madame de Mores*, at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. (MT), Chateau de Mores State Historic Site, 701.623.4355.

July 17-21 43rd Annual International Germans from Russia Heritage Society

Convention, Bismarck. For more, visit *grhs.org/aboutus/conventions/conventions. html* or call 701.223.6167.

July 18

State Historical Society of North Dakota Foundation Board Meeting,

9:30 am to 12 p.m., Foundation Board Room, ND Heritage Center. **Historical Society of North Dakota Foundation Board Planning Retreat** 1 to 5 p.m. Foundation Board Room, ND Heritage Center, 701-222-1966.

July 20

State Archives open 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Programs and Events

Mark Your Calendars for These Upcoming Events!

JFK Friday Film Festival Join us for FREE JFK-related

films in the Heritage Center Auditorium at 7 p.m.

PT 109
Thirteen Days
Seven Days in May
Dr. Strangelove
Oliver Stone's JFK

Civil War Outdoor Concert



featuring West River Winds and local choral groups

Monday, July 1, 2013 Heritage Center Plaza 7:30 p.m.

The Road to Little Rock

An evening featuring a new video about the role U.S. District Judge Ronald Davies played in desegregating the nation's schools and a panel discussion with Dr. Terrence Roberts, a Little Rock Nine student

> Friday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. Heritage Center Auditorium

SAVE THE DATE!

ND Governors' Conference on History

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2013 Heritage Center Auditorium

An insightful day focusing on civil rights and human justice

Watch for more details at history.nd.gov



NOVEMBER 5-7, 2013

THE KENNEDY LEGACY: **50 YEARS LATER** A A A A NOVEMBER 5-7, 2013 A A A A

Join us in November at Bismarck State College to examine the milestones of President John F. Kennedy's one thousand days in office, and the legacy of those three years.

One of our keynote speakers is native North Dakotan **Clint Hill**, the courageous Secret Service agent who leapt onto the back of the presidential limousine in the midst of the assassination on November 22, 1963. Fifty years later, Clint Hill tells his story - how a Secret Service agent who started his life in an orphanage became the most trusted man in the life of First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy.

Hill's incredible story of courage, integrity, and resilience is one of the many compelling Kennedy stories that will be shared in November as part of The Kennedy Legacy: 50 Years Later.

Other symposium topics include:

- Kennedy in North Dakota
- Cold War
- Warren Commission
- Conspiracy theories
- A Kennedy concert by the Bismarck Mandan Symphony Orchestra

Save the date and watch for additional information at Kennedylegacy.org.

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International Tourism Award

Pembina State Museum was recognized in April as the recipient of the International Tourism Award as part of the Governor's Travel and Tourism Awards. Located one mile from the Canadian border, the Pembina State Museum becomes a destination point for American and Canadian visitors. Congratulations to the Pembina State Museum staff on this recognition as an outstanding leader in North Dakota's tourism industry!





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