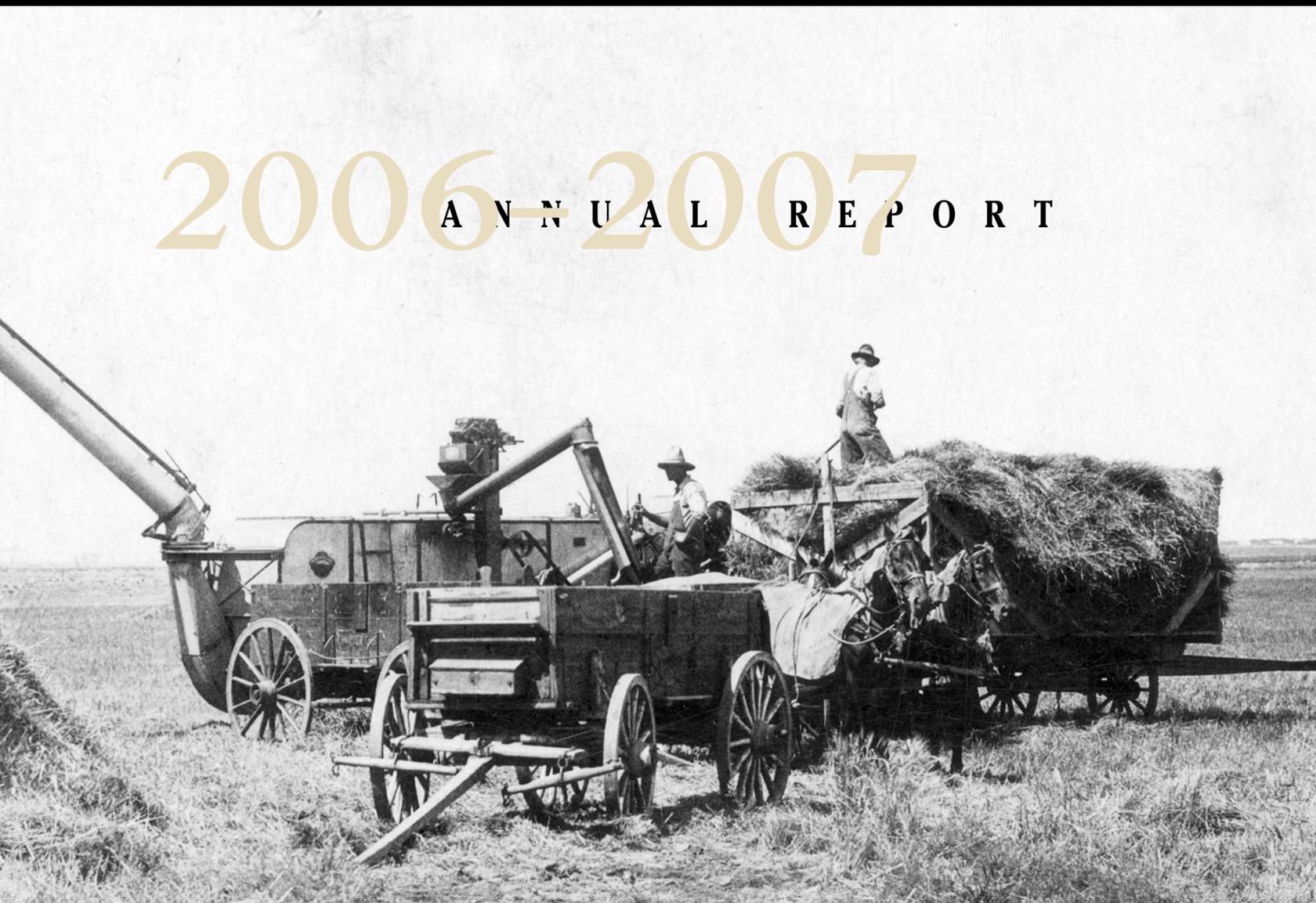


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IN A FARM STATE, AS THE DAYS COOL,

the nights lengthen, and huge machines begin their ceaseless tracing back and forth in fields of rattling cornstalks, russet milo, and papery soybean pods, the harvest metaphor comes easily to mind. It seems an apt one for a report on a year's labor in the fields of history.

“The crop that ripens or is gathered in a season”—a simple dictionary definition that could be a metaphor for what historians do and the stuff that history is made of.

We harvest the past, gathering a ripened crop from documents and objects and the accumulated wisdom of past generations, winnowing, as best we can, the kernels of meaning from the chaff. When the harvest is in and the grain is ground at the historian's mill, it is ready to be baked into the bread of history to satisfy our hunger to know who we are and where we come from.

With this annual report, then, we offer four full bins—four stories from a year of NSHS harvest, illustrated with photographs from the NSHS collections—to stand for all that we have reaped in 2006–07. 🌾

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2006-2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Let us first express our deep appreciation to all of you who so generously and graciously support the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) and its work. We always emphasize the fact that the NSHS works for the people of Nebraska, past, present, and future. The preservation of a people's history must be a communal effort encompassing diverse points of view and innumerable experiences. It is very much that way in Nebraska, and we proudly point to our mission of preserving and opening for all the many stories that comprise Nebraska history.

The value of history is often challenged. Some see it as only dusty remains and stale memories of times past and fail to see its essence. The products and institutions of modern life have come down to us from the past. We may think of them as ours, and indeed they are, but to understand why our lives, communities, nation, and world are as they are, we need to see them in the light of their historical development. If we engage our history we learn about ourselves, and knowing who we are is essential in making individual and collective decisions for the future. That, surely, is a goal of all who value this place we call Nebraska.

All history is about change, and historical organizations deal with change daily, including changes in what they are and how they work. Key to the success of the NSHS is its handling of change. There are new stories to be preserved and told, often involving new classes of historical materials. Among them are the digital files and e-mails that are now part of everyday life. Our State Archives staff is developing new capabilities for making this electronic record available to future historians.

In Historic Preservation, we are using the Valuation Incentive Program (VIP), a tool providing property tax abatement for projects on qualifying historic properties. GIS location

finding is another new important tool in documenting natural and man-made features on the landscape.

Today the NSHS Archeology program is using ground-penetrating radar and other electronic tools to help locate sites occupied by those who lived in Nebraska in times past. These new skills supplement the archeologists' continued reliance on working the dirt with shovels and trowels.

Change is also a constant in the work of the Museum of Nebraska History and the seven NSHS historic sites. At the Museum in Lincoln we continue to develop new exhibitions, and in 2006-07 we developed and installed *Nebraska Women Artists: 1885-1970*. We also began work on a new hands-on learning facility for visitors of all ages.

While history is the record of change, while Nebraska history is the record of change in our state, and while the materials of history and the systems that support that history change and evolve, human nature changes slowly. We gather, collect, and retain knowledge. To that human trait, the NSHS owes the ability to manage the records and objects and places of history. The NSHS staff has over a thousand collective years of knowledge about Nebraska's past. A more dedicated team could not be found anywhere.

It is our pleasure and that of all our colleagues to serve this state and its people. Thank you for supporting our efforts. Nebraska is a better place because of your commitment.

Sincerely,

Peter Bleed
President

Michael J. Smith
Director/CEO



A HARVEST OF KNOWLEDGE

IT BEGAN AS SURVEYS AND SUBSURFACE TESTING of the site for a flood control dam in the Duck Creek watershed northwest of Peru in Nemaha County. An archeological site on a remnant terrace would be flooded by the reservoir, but the first surveys suggested it contained neither intact prehistoric features nor any artifacts in identifiable cultural horizons, and the site was ineligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

Now, after more intensive analysis, including magnetometry, mapping, test excavations, and, finally, ten weeks of excavation from May to August 2007, the soon-to-be-flooded site promises to expand our knowledge of the early peoples who once lived and hunted in southeastern Nebraska. Moreover, with two hundred visitors attending an “open house” in June, it has already helped to expand public appreciation for the role archeology plays in telling the stories that are the state’s history.

NSHS crews removed the soil covering the main excavation site with heavy equipment and hand dug seventy-

four one-meter squares. One small Central Plains tradition house floor was completely excavated, another was extensively tested, and two more possible floors were discovered. Central Plains tradition people inhabited the area from about 1,000 to about 600 years ago. Archeologists uncovered some evidence of even earlier use, probably by groups of Woodland (2,000 to 1,000 years ago) or Archaic (9,000 to 2,000 years ago) people.

The site is unusual in several ways: The houses are not typical Nebraska-phase Central Plains tradition structures. The stone tools are predominantly hunting-oriented, and include many projectile points in all stages of manufacture and reworking. By contrast, very few scrapers (a domestic tool) were found. The ceramics also are unusual, having much elaborately decorated collaring. Most unusual is an effigy in the shape of a human face, apparently a decoration from a ceramic vessel. Archeologists think a Mississippian connection is likely, but more research is needed to clarify its origin.

More common are three projectile point fragments dating from Woodland and late or middle Archaic times. Earlier points are often found in Central Plains tradition excavations, probably having been found by the site’s occupants and kept as curios or for other unknown reasons.

Duck Creek may significantly increase our understanding of the people who used the site—or at least pose new questions to be answered by future fieldwork in other sites. Much study remains before conclusions can be drawn, but the harvest of knowledge from Duck Creek continues the NSHS mission of learning about the past by studying the places people lived and the tools they used. ☒



A H A R V E S T O F E D U C A T I O N

IN 2006–07 THE NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, along with its partners, Nebraska Wesleyan University and the Lincoln Public Schools, reaped a bountiful harvest from a seed planted more than ten years ago.

This year outside evaluators assessed the success of the Nebraska Institute, a yearly workshop for K-12 teachers sponsored by the NSHS and its partners. The evaluators' conclusions showed that the Institute's programs were making a significant difference in the education—and the lives—of the next generation of Nebraskans.

By analyzing student performance on standardized tests, evaluators found that those whose teachers had training in the partnership programs earned substantially higher scores than students whose teachers had not received that training. Among minority students and students from low-income families the difference was even greater; they scored dramatically higher if their teachers had studied in Institute programs.

The Institute began to take shape in the early 1990s when the NSHS resolved to confront the issue of student disengagement from Nebraska history—the stories of their state. The first step was to seek out partner institutions sharing that objective with the goal of using a wide array of talent and expertise to create teaching materials and teacher training programs that really work.

The primary tool for teacher training is the Nebraska Institute, a summer workshop designed to help teachers improve their methods for teaching history in public schools. Fundamental to the Institute's methodology is training teachers to engage their students using four “primary source” resources: historic objects, historic documents, historic places, and the wisdom of elders. Long the raw material for professional historians, primary



source material had usually been considered too complex for use in K–12 history education.

Now a class in Wesleyan's new Master of Arts in Historical Studies, the Institute is funded by grants from the U.S. Department of Education.

In its early years the Institute began with teachers from the Lincoln Public schools but its benefits are becoming available to more teachers and students across the state.

For the past three years, in partnership with the Omaha Public Schools, the NSHS has conducted Institutes in Omaha, and some elements of the Institute also have been presented in workshops in other Nebraska towns. Plans are now under way for making the Institute accessible to all Nebraska's educators. ■

62,000
copies of
Nebraska Trailblazer
were distributed to
Nebraska students.

to all, the histories we share.

A HARVEST OF PRESERVATION



15,000
people used the
NSHS Reference Room
or made telephone
and e-mail inquiries.

TWENTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS! Sound like lottery winnings? Actually, it's better than the lottery. This is a prize that everyone wins. We don't get the cash, but we do win the benefits: preservation of the state's historic buildings, improvement of communities throughout Nebraska, and stimulation of the state's economy.

That twenty-five million dollars (\$25,691,012 to be exact) is the total value of the first seventeen projects processed by the Nebraska State Historical Society's State Historic Preservation Office for its Valuation Incentive Program. The program, its name often shortened to VIP, is a property tax incentive that gives owners of historic buildings a temporary "hold" on property tax valuation increases when they substantially rehabilitate a qualifying property. Valuation remains at the pre-rehabilitation level for eight years, then gradually increases to the rehabilitated valuation over the next four years.

Established by the state legislature in 2006, the program went into effect in January 2007.

What do we win? First, preservation of our architectural heritage. Second, the program costs taxpayers nothing. No property leaves the tax rolls nor are any taxes forgiven or reduced. The program works by delaying

increases in valuation of a property undergoing rehabilitation, and its new valuation as a rehabilitated property is reached incrementally. It not only is revenue neutral, it encourages rehabilitation that will eventually increase tax revenue. Third, the millions invested in rehabilitation buys labor and materials: carpenters and painters, drywall and studs, paint and wallpaper, windows and doors, benefiting everyone it touches as it ripples through the economy.

VIP is just one of many programs administered by the NSHS State Historic Preservation Office that encourage preservation, renovation, revitalization, and investment in historic architecture. ■



S H A R I N G T H E H A R V E S T

TUCKED AWAY IN ATTICS, BASEMENTS, AND BOXES, Nebraska's family and community heritage is slowly disintegrating. Most people have items they treasure—photographs, furniture, quilts, knickknacks—but few know how to care for them properly.

To address that need the Nebraska State Historical Society and its partners produced "Saving Nebraska's Treasures," a multi-media effort to give a statewide audience practical information about preserving and protecting their heirlooms. The partnership included: the NSHS, NET Television, and the Nebraska Library Commission.

A one-hour television program premiered in July on NET and will be rebroadcast periodically this fall. Segments taped at the NSHS Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center in Omaha introduce the science and art of conservation. Consultations taped at special "heirloom health clinics" held in Omaha and Lincoln in summer 2006 demonstrate how to improve care of heirlooms at home.

As conservators make "heirloom house calls" to the Saline County Museum in Dorchester and the public library in David City, viewers see simple steps for preserving textiles and photographs. At the powwow grounds of the Northern Ponca Tribe of Nebraska near Niobrara, a conservator offers advice on how to preserve the tribe's remaining ceremonial pipe and ensure a long life for contemporary powwow regalia.

An 1872 silver tea set passed down through the family of former Nebraska Governor Keith Neville and a 1730 copy of a book by Sir Isaac Newton are also featured. Conservators also consider the mystery of a signature quilt, piece together a broken pot that links a family, and show how to store quilts and polish silver.

A website and four video workshops provide on-going

information. The website includes video clips, advice, and links to other preservation websites.

The video workshops originated at the NET studios in Lincoln and were delivered via satellite throughout the state. The workshops, also viewed as online streaming video, focused on the care of specific materials.

Funded in part by the Partnerships for a Nation of Learners program of the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, "Saving Nebraska's Treasures" is a new and energetic manifestation of the NSHS commitment to share and preserve the harvest of history. ■



N S H S A W A R D S

THE NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY annually recognizes individuals or organizations for their contributions to the preservation and interpretation of Nebraska history. The 2006 awards were presented October 27, 2007, in connection with the Society's annual meeting in Lincoln.

60,000
viewers watched
NSHS Brown Bag
lectures on television.



The **Robert W. Furnas Award** for significant contributions to the Nebraska State Historical Society went to Richard Harmon of Lincoln for thirty years of assistance with the NSHS firearms collection. A nationally known expert on firearms of the Civil War and Indian Wars, Harmon has been involved in many archeological excavations at the Little Bighorn Battlefield and is co-author of several books. He recently assisted with the federally funded cataloging and re-housing of hundreds of firearms in the NSHS collections.

The **James L. Sellers Memorial Award** goes to the author of the best article in the previous year's volume of *Nebraska History*. Melissa Marsh of Lincoln received the award for "Still the Same Old Marlene": Hollywood at the Fort Robinson Prisoner of War Camp in the Summer 2005 issue. The article focused on the use of Hollywood movies in World War II prisoner of war re-education programs at Fort Robinson, Nebraska. Marsh holds a master's degree in history from UN-L and is an editor for Lincoln publisher iUniverse.

The **Nebraska Preservation Award** for outstanding accomplishments in the field of historic preservation went to "2020 Omaha," a group dedicated to the preservation of Omaha's built environment and cultural landscapes. The group's focus is on education, documentation, advocacy, and landmark designation for twentieth century



treasures. Among its many achievements, 2020 Omaha helped achieve landmark status for the city's neon signs and organized the "Restore Omaha" conference, the largest preservation conference ever held in Nebraska.

The **Addison E. Sheldon Memorial Award** for significant contributions to the preservation of Nebraska history went to James McKee of Lincoln for his tireless research, writing, publishing, and public presentations on Nebraska history over three decades. McKee served on the NSHS Board of Trustees and Nebraska State Historic Preservation Board and is the author of *Lincoln, The Prairie Capital: An Illustrated History* and many publications on the state's history.

The **NSHS State Fair Award** recognizes an outstanding history project at the Nebraska State Fair. The 2006 award went to Mary Spencer of Gibbon for her scrapbook titled *Solomon Butcher: Capturing the American Dream*. Mary prepared her scrapbook for the "Explore Your Heritage" 4-H project. Mary also received a complimentary one-year NSHS membership. 📖

FINANCIAL REPORT

■ NSHS FISCAL YEAR 2007 OPERATIONS ■

REVENUES

State Appropriations	66.34%	.....	\$4,328,156.98
Earned Income	17.14%	.....	\$1,118,149.50
Federal Grants & Contracts	14.47%	.....	\$944,126.26
NSHS Foundation Support	*0.48%	.....	\$31,070.06
Donations, Grants & Special Events	1.58%	.....	\$102,844.37

Total Revenues

** \$6,524,347.17

EXPENDITURES

Administrative Services	25.69%	.....	\$1,675,581.44
Museum/Historic Sites	20.02%	.....	\$1,305,850.37
Library/Archives	14.87%	.....	\$969,815.67
Archeology	13.56%	.....	\$884,542.41
Historic Preservation	11.06%	.....	\$721,777.74
Conservation	8.58%	.....	\$559,445.01
Research & Publications	6.23%	.....	\$406,062.03

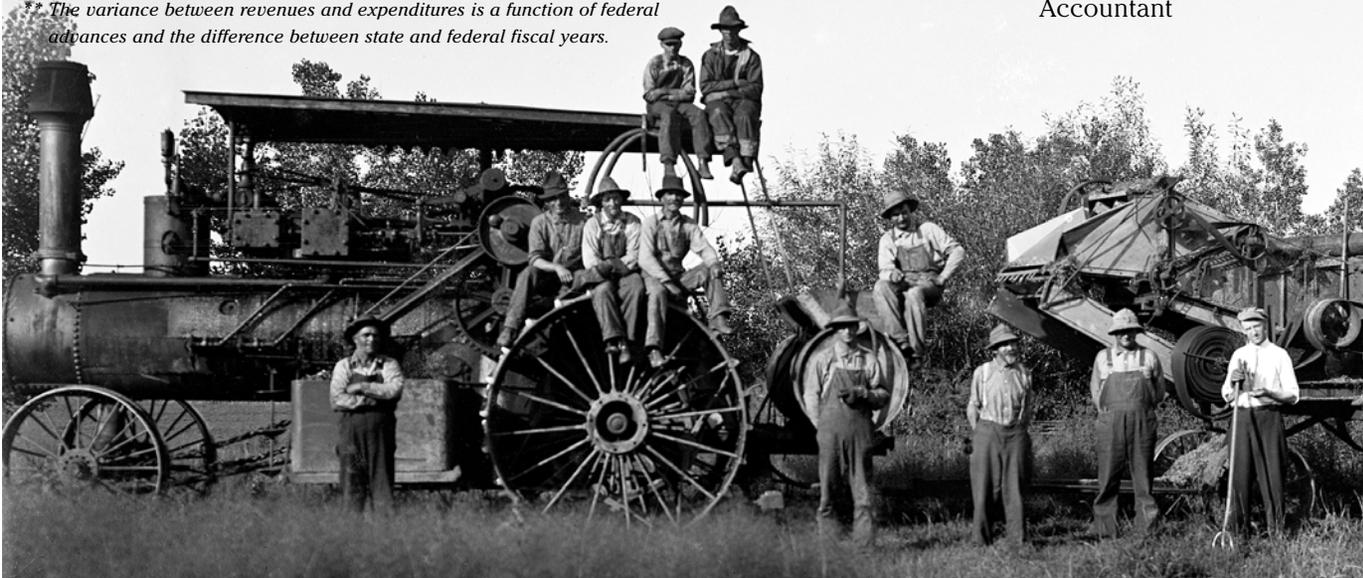
Total Expenditures

** \$6,523,074.67

* In addition to the figure above the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation provided direct support in the amount of \$60,732.89.

** The variance between revenues and expenditures is a function of federal advances and the difference between state and federal fiscal years.

Michelle Furby
Accountant



N S H S S T A F F

ADMINISTRATION

Shawn Bachman, maintenance technician
Annie Bolender, custodian
Jerry Cain, security guard
Joan Clare, human resource services coordinator
Seth Doty, IT infrastructure support
Becky Fleming, accountant
Michelle Furby, accountant
Pam Garland, security chief
Roman Griser, security guard
Elizabeth Guido, custodian
Lana Hatcher, secretary
Ed Heiden, maintenance supervisor
Lynne Ireland, chief education and research officer
Tereas Jacobs, IT infrastructure support
Meriah Johnson, custodian
Colleen Maser, custodian supervisor
Deb McWilliams, executive assistant/volunteer services coordinator
Troy Park, custodian
Chad Rademacher, security guard
Kris Riggs, museum store manager
Jim Salber, custodian
Tony Schmitz, deputy director for operations
Michael J. Smith, director/chief executive officer/state historic preservation officer
Kelsey Soukup, security guard
Linda Wagaman, accounting clerk
Dick Yost, staff assistant

ARCHEOLOGY

Kelli Bacon, archeological technician
René Botts, curator of anthropology
Rob Bozell, associate director
Gayle Carlson, associate director/state archeologist
Melissa Dirr, architectural historian
Nolan Johnson, archeological technician
Amy Koch, curator of anthropology
John Ludwickson, curator of anthropology
Andrew Moore, archeological technician
Tyrel Moss, archeological technician
Trisha Nelson, curator of anthropology
Tony Schommer, archeological technician
Karen Steinhauer, archeological technician
John Swigart, curator of anthropology
Pauline Wimberly, archeological technician

CONSERVATION

(Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center, Omaha)
Jamie Freier, custodian
Deborah Long, objects conservator
Lisa Metzger Grotrian, administrative assistant
Nina Owczarek, intern
Vikram Rathore, intern
Julie Reilly, associate director/chief conservator
Sheila Siegler, paper conservator
Vonnda Shaw, conservation technician
Jessica Waite, intern

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Carissa Martin, staff assistant
Jill Dolberg, Nebraska historic building survey coordinator
Teresa Fatemi, administrative assistant
John Hitt, program assistant
Grant Landreth, program associate
Greg Miller, preservation historian
L. Robert Puschendorf, associate director/deputy state historic preservation officer
Terry Steinacher, preservation archeologist
Stacy Stupka-Burda, National Register coordinator/architectural historian

LIBRARY / ARCHIVES

Karlyn Anderson, registrar
Dale Bacon, assistant curator, imaging services
Salvador Barrigan, curator, public records
Pat Churray, assistant curator, library
Dell Darling, imaging services technician
Cindy Drake, curator, library collections
Paul Eisloeffel, curator, visual and audio collections
Andrea Faling, associate director/state archivist
Linda Hein, assistant curator, reference services
Mary Jo Miller, assistant curator, reference services
Tom Mooney, curator, manuscripts
Matt Piersol, assistant curator, reference services
Marlene Roesler, assistant curator, library collections
Nancy Swetland, program assistant
Mary Woltemath, technical services, microfilming

MUSEUM/HISTORIC SITES

Deb Arenz, senior museum curator
Ann Billesbach, associate director
Tom Buecker, curator and tourism facilities operator, Fort Robinson Museum, Crawford
Anthony Burki, intern
Holly Counts, tourism aide
Bryce Darling, carpenter
Alice Filbert, artist
Del Johnson, custodian, Chimney Rock National Historic Site
Signe Kniss, tourism guide, Chimney Rock National Historic Site
John Lindahl, education associate/curator, Thomas P. Kennard House State Historic Site, Lincoln
Charley McWilliams, facilities maintenance supervisor
JoEllen Mikelson, tourism aide
Katherine Miller, tourism aide
Laura Mooney, museum registrar
Don Ofe, tourism facilities operator, Neligh Mill State Historic Site, Neligh
Judy Keetle, museum educator
Curt Peacock, artist
Loren Pospisil, tourism facilities operator, Chimney Rock National Historic Site, Bayard
Annette Parde, museum educator
Steve Ryan, designer
Steve Scoggan, facilities maintenance specialist, Fort Robinson Museum
Duane Tappe, tourism facilities operator, Senator George W. Norris State Historic Site, McCook

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

Debra Brownson, publications designer
John Carter, senior research folklorist
Donald Cunningham, associate director/editor
Pat Gaster, assistant editor
David Murphy, senior research architect
Jim Potter, associate editor/senior research historian



1,500
historic objects were
treated by the
NSHS conservators.



NSHS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers at the Nebraska State Historical Society come to us from many backgrounds and bring with them a wide range of talents and skills. But all of them, whether students, salaried workers using their spare time, or retirees, all bring a passion for Nebraska history, and the hours they donate are vital to the continued work of the NSHS.

- Margaret Albers, Library/Archives
- ** Margaret Allington
- Karen Anderson, Museum Collections
- Scott Argabright, Library/Archives
- Eric Bachenberg, Kennard House
- Eva Bachman, Library/Archives
- Joel Bacon, Archeology
- ** Frank Balderson
- Jessica Bartak, Neligh Mill
- Anthony Bates, Archeology
- Dawna Bates, Norris House
- Janet Jeffres Beauvais
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- ** Peter Bleed
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- ** Walter Brooks
- Letha Buchholz, Administration
- Kay Buecker, Fort Robinson Museum
- ** Ken Bunger
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- Bill Chad
- Jack Chaffin, Museum Docent/Kennard House
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- Floyd Counts, Fort Robinson Museum
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- Marianne Simmons
- Betty Spahn, Museum Store
- Steve Spitsnogle, Museum Collections
- Clark Springman, Museum Videographer
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- Penny Stovall, Museum Docent
- Donald Swing, Museum Docent
- Diana Tappe, Norris House
- Jerry Tharp, Museum Docent
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- Brent Wegher, Norris House
- Lisa Westerholt, Library/Archives
- ** Roger Wehrbein
- ** Bev Wilhelm
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Volunteers contributed
7,141 hours
of work worth.
\$125,000



NSHS FACILITIES



\$170,000
from Save America's Treasures
will be used to treat and re-house
NSHS Native American collections.



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Fax: 402-471-3100
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1326 S. 32nd Street, Omaha, NE
402-595-1180
- **Chimney Rock National Historic Site**
1.5 miles south of Hwy. 92, Bayard, NE
308-586-2581
- **Fort Robinson Museum**
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308-665-2919
- **John G. Neihardt State Historic Site**
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Bancroft, NE
1-888-777-4667
- **Thomas P. Kennard House**
1627 H Street, Lincoln, NE
402-471-4764
- **Neligh Mill State Historic Site**
N Street at Wylie Drive, Neligh, NE
402-887-4303
- **Senator George W. Norris State Historic Site**
706 Norris Avenue, McCook, NE
308-345-8484
- **Willa Cather State Historic Site**
326 N. Webster Street, Red Cloud, NE
402-746-2653

2006-2007 N S H S F O U N D A T I O N

The past year has been a banner one for the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation and, as usual, we have many people we owe great thanks to.

The \$2,200,000 goal to endow a paintings conservator position and laboratory at the Ford Center has been the biggest project the Foundation has ever undertaken. While I cannot yet announce the formal completion of this effort, it is clear now that we will meet our goal. Four individuals have played a huge role in securing the great bulk of the contributions to this ambitious endeavor: Diane Oldfather, Bruce Frasier, Bill Karrer, and John Webster. Additionally, the leadership of Jackie McCullough and Julie Riley has been terrific. On behalf of the Foundation, I extend to these six the sincere and hearty thanks of the Foundation. Of course we also thank all of those who made this success possible by contributing to this project.

Julie Schroeder and John Guenzel left the Board this year after providing many years of excellent leadership. As our treasurer, John clearly moved us to a new level of transparency in our financial affairs and led us in our process of adopting the “total return” spending policy, which has been and will continue to be a very effective financial guide for us. To Julie and John I also extend the deep gratitude of the Foundation. John Dittman has graciously agreed to take up the treasurer’s duties, and we look forward to continued fine financial leadership.

Last March much of the leadership of the Foundation spent most of a Saturday discussing how the Foundation can best help the Nebraska State Historical Society accomplish its objectives and the specific role of the Foundation Board in

this effort. We hope this will help us to do the best job we can for the Society directly, and ultimately for all the people of Nebraska.

After nearly ten years of ably leading our organization, Jackie McCullough left the Foundation late last spring. Through her tenure Jackie was responsible for many fine accomplishments, with the paintings conservatorship probably as the “crown jewel” of her successes. The Foundation has benefited tremendously from her fine stewardship. Thank you, Jackie, for all you have done for us.

The executive director vacancy created by Jackie’s departure was filled in May when the Foundation hired Diane Rolfsmeyer as its new “captain.” Diane, who is a certified financial planner, brings a wealth of financial knowledge and experience to this position. She also has much experience with nonprofit organizations, so we look forward to her continuing to move the Foundation forward.

Last but not least, please allow me to express the deep gratitude of the Foundation Board to all who have contributed to this great enterprise of preserving Nebraska’s history, as reflected on the following pages. All contributions, whether great or small, are vital to the very worthy and important effort to gather, preserve, and open to all the great history of Nebraska.



Steven E. Guenzel, President
Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation



N S H S F O U N D A T I O N

700
NSHS archival
collections inventories
are now
available online.



STEWARDS OF NEBRASKA HISTORY

Perpetually recognizes individuals and organizations for generous gift leadership totaling \$50,000 or more, including contributions of cash and property made during or after lifetime or a commitment for future support at this level.

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