



## Exhibit honors area military veterans



The Sioux City Public Museum's current exhibit, *Honoring Our Armed Services: 1861-2017* is on display through December 31, 2017.

The military contributions of Siouxland residents past and present are featured in the Sioux City Public Museum's current exhibit, *Honoring Our Armed Services: 1861-2017*.

Afghanistan and Syria. From the earliest days of settlement, Siouxlanders have entered military service at their nation's call. Sioux City and the surrounding region have also hosted numerous military

Area armed service members have contributed to every major U.S. military effort from the Civil War to the on-going conflicts in Iraq,

installations that have in turn contributed significantly to the growth of the local economy.

On display through the end of the year, the exhibit showcases uniforms, weaponry and equipment from the Civil War, Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, Desert Storm and the post-9/11 wars. Also highlighted are

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## Traveling exhibit highlights iconic wonderland

For more than 150 years, Coney Island, a strip of sand at the mouth of New York Harbor, has occupied a singular place in the American imagination. From the beginning as a watering hole for the wealthy, through its transformation into an amusement and entertainment mecca for the masses, to its struggle for renewal in recent decades, an extraordinary array of artists have viewed Coney Island as a microcosm of the American experience.

This excitement is brought to life in *Coney Island: Visions of an American Dreamland* on display at the Sioux City Public Museum through January 7, 2018. The new traveling exhibit shows visitors how Coney Island's magnetic world of attractions has become a touchstone for American mass culture and popular recreation.

Made possible by NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the exhibit



Admission ticket to George Tilyou's Steeplechase Park, Coney Island, NY, c. 1897; Private collection.

was organized by Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, Hartford, CT, in partnership with Mid-America Arts Alliance, Kansas City, MO. *(cont'd on inside back cover)*



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important military installations in the Sioux City area during the past 160 years. A slideshow features historic photographs of area military installations, service members, and veteran's organizations.

In conjunction with the exhibit, the JROTC displayed other military uniforms from the Museum's collection at area public schools. Curator of History Matt Anderson gave an exhibit tour on Sunday, October 15.

During Fire Prevention Month, firefighting images of Sioux City Fire Rescue by prolific local photographer George Lindblade were displayed in the exhibit, *Fully Involved*.

## Honoring Our Armed Services:

★ 1861-2017 ★



"The two exhibits were very complementary to each other, showcasing the bravery of our local residents," said Steve Hansen, Museum Director.

A family-oriented scavenger hunt was held over Veteran's Day weekend, November 10-12. The challenging learning activity required matching

each war represented in the exhibit with their corresponding dates and artifacts located throughout the exhibit.

The next program is "Over Here – The World War I Homefront in Sioux City" presented by Steve Warnstadt of Western Iowa Tech Community College, on Sunday, November 19 at 2 p.m.

## Volunteer Spotlight

## Sue Waples

**W**ith more than 290 hours of service in the past year, Sue Waples is one of the dedicated volunteers for the Museum Research Center. Since she began volunteering in 2014, she has spent much of her time scanning scrapbooks and newspapers for use by future researchers.

"Working in the Archives has been an incredibly interesting experience," said Sue. "Sioux City's history is fascinating and I like to think that I'm helping to preserve it for future generations, including my grandsons."



Waples had the opportunity to explore her Irish heritage when she assisted former Museum Curator of History Grace Linden with compiling photographs for a History at High Noon program last November. Her role in creating "The Irish in Sioux City" presentation was so

significant, Linden wanted Sue to receive credit in the promotional materials.

Sue was born and raised in Pisgah, Iowa, a small town about 50 miles south of Sioux City. She and her husband, Doug, later moved to Sioux City after he was honorably discharged from the Army to raise their family. Along with her two sons, she has a daughter-in-law and two grandsons. She has lived in Sioux City for 45 years.

"The staff are so knowledgeable and friendly," said Sue. "They make working here fun."

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## Sioux City Public Museum



Left: Matt Anderson, Curator of History, showed military uniforms and artifacts to the Health Academy and JROTC students in February 2017.



Right: In June 2017, students in the NASA summer camp learned about precautions of viewing the sun and the eclipse later in the summer.

Lower right: Museum Director Steve Hansen welcomed a delegation from the USS Sioux City planning committee and accepted their donation of memorabilia in March 2017.

The Sioux City Public Museum had a very successful year developing new programs and continuing to reach traditional audiences. In the summer, Museum Education staff, interns and volunteers provided many public programs. Collaborations continued with Beyond the Bell and Girls Inc., for educational opportunities for these groups.

“Backstage Pass” and “The Hidden Works of Jay N. ‘Ding’ Darling” and even a brewery tour with “A History of Brewing in Sioux City.” *See the following page for photos of more exhibit events.*



Outreach programs continued to thrive, with staff members conducting programs at elementary schools, community groups, county fairs and senior centers. Hundreds of people learned about local history through these successful outreach activities.

Special events were offered in conjunction with several exhibits, with receptions for

## Attendance/Service Statistics

**Sioux City Public Museum – 40,427**

Number of educational programs

Children – 67      School – 88

Adult – 32      Outreach – 35

Guided adult tours/programs – 6

Total number of educational programs – 228

**Sgt. Floyd River Museum & Welcome Center – 21,618**

**Outreach, Research, and Peirce Mansion – 4,690**

**TOTAL – 66,735**

*The Sioux City Public Museum collects, preserves, and interprets cultural and social history with an emphasis on Sioux City and the region.*



# Director's Report

by Steve Hansen

Preparing the annual report/newsletter provides a time for reflection and is a reality gauge on how the Museum sites have served the community throughout the year. As you make your way through this edition, I would be happy to receive your feedback regarding our past performance and what we can offer moving forward to better serve our guests.

This past year brought a wonderful range of exhibits, excellent educational offerings and numerous special events and programs along with our

annual events. Many of you have mentioned how many buses we regularly have outside the building, which is indicative of our strong school tour program and increasingly adult tour groups from the tri-state area and beyond.

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## Our success is your success...

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Our success is your success as none of this would be possible without the support we receive from our community and our City Council. This support coupled with an incredibly talented staff,

dedicated volunteers and a very extensive collection all add up to a combination that allows us to deliver so much to our guests.

This is my 15th "Museum Annual Report" and I believe that each year we continue to improve and contribute greatly to the quality of life in Sioux City. I also recognize that we can continue to grow and raise the bar of service even higher. I am convinced this will happen especially with your support and that together we will continue to make history.

## FY17 Temporary Museum Exhibitions

June 17 - August 7, 2016

*Backstage Pass: Baron Wolman and the Early Years of Rolling Stone 1967-1970/Uncle John Records Murals*

July 8 - August 14, 2016

*Wandering Spirit: African Wax Prints*

September 9 - November 27, 2016

*New to You: Recent Artifact Donations*

October 28 - November 5, 2016

*Dia de los Muertos/Day of the Dead Altars*

November 12, 2016 - January 8, 2017

*A Photo Album of Ireland*

December 9, 2016 - March 19, 2017

*A History of Brewing in Sioux City*

March 18 - May 13, 2017

*Sioux City History Projects*

March 31 - May 7, 2017

*Tolerance Week Exhibits: Diaries of Humanity/Vernon Tott Photograph Collection*

May 19 - August 13, 2017

*The Hidden Works of Jay N. "Ding" Darling*

June 17 - August 6, 2017

*Vibrant Bounty: Chinese Folk Art from the Shaanxi Region*

## Special exhibit-related programs

Below: "A Photo Album of Ireland" curator Trish Lambe of Dublin gave presentations to high school students as well as a gallery talk at a reception in December 2016. "A Photo Album of Ireland" is a program of ExhibitsUSA, a national division of Mid-America Arts Alliance and The National Endowment for the Arts.



Holocaust survivor Inge Auerbacher talked with the media in front of the "Diaries of Humanities" exhibit as part of Tolerance Week in Sioux City. More than 80 people attended the exhibit opening at the Museum, which included a presentation by Auerbacher, and gallery tour by Matt Anderson, Curator of History.

# Artifact Donations

The Sioux City Public Museum received 255 separate donations from 201 donors in FY16. The estimated 10,589 individual objects, photographs and manuscript collections represent a 10% increase over the previous fiscal year.

## Artwork/Music

- "Army Taps" audio tape
- All-America Concert Band 27th Annual Christmas Concert CD
- Autoharp and clarinet
- Charcoal drawing of Carol Jandt
- Drawing of Sioux City High School/Central High School
- Painting of Fourth Street from *Cities of the Northern Plains* series
- Paintings by James Howard
- Phonograph records of "Sioux City Sue" sung by Merle Travis, "Happy Birthday," Christmas music, and Swedish folk songs
- Portrait of Native American by Edward S. Curtis, 1908
- Sheet music
- Still life painting by Winifred Story
- Water color painting of a winter scene by Gulbrand Sether
- Water color painting of sheep by J. Matthews

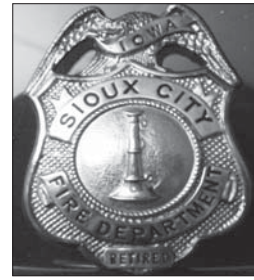
## Books/Booklets

- *A Self-Guided Walking Tour of the Milwaukee Railroad Shops* booklet
- *A Postal History of Sioux City*
- *Adolph Hitler* pictorial book, 1936
- *Adventures in Travel* booklet
- *Baseball's First Lady: Helene Hathaway, Robinson Britton, and the St. Louis Cardinals*
- *Blame it on Music*, by T. J. Hatton
- *Centurama* Centennial program
- Children's books from 1883-1944
- *Corn Palaces and Butter Queens: A History of Crop and Dairy Sculpture*
- Comic books from the 1950s
- *Country Churches on the Prairie*
- *Distinctive Recipes for the Housewife and Hostess* cookbook from Chesterman Co.
- *Encyclopedia of Collectibles* set
- *Farmer in Sweden - Grocer in Sioux City: The Story of Nels Welin and His Family*
- Finley and Rath's *Map of Sioux City*, 1988
- Harvard Classic Books, 1909-1911
- *History of Chesterman Co.*
- *History of the Swedes Who Settled in Clay County, South Dakota and Their Biographies*
- *History of the Weare Chapel at St. Thomas Episcopal Church* booklet

- *Kaboom: The True Story of the Powder House Blast*
- *Maria*, an autobiography of Maria E. Rundquist
- *McKeown's Price Guide to Antique & Classic Cameras*
- *Meat: Selection, Preparation, and 100 Ways to Serve* cookbook from Armour & Co.
- *Official Morningside Centennial Book*
- *Progress on Iowa's Highways 1955-1956* booklet
- *Sioux City Journal 1905* souvenir booklet
- *Sioux City Memories II: The 1940, 1950s and 1960s*
- Sioux City Municipal Auditorium Dedication Program
- *St. Louis' Big League Ballparks*
- *Telephones, Antique to Modern: A Collector's Guide*
- *The Bluejackets' Manual*, 1943
- *The Gospel Mission: Divine Guidance*
- *The Story of Iowa: The Progress of an American State, Vol I & II*
- *The Story of the 168th Infantry, Vol I & II*
- *The Yards: A Way of Life and A Way of Life II: Stories From the Yards*
- Third annual *Siouxland Cookbook*
- *Three Pep Skits* by T. J. Hatton
- *Through the Looking-Glass in Words of One Syllable*
- U. S. Official Pictures of the World War
- William Shakespeare's *Henry VI, Part I*
- *Your Neighbor Lady* cookbook from WNAX

## Business Artifacts

- Advertising from A. J. Bradstreet Dairy, AAA, Aladdin's Castle, Albert Lindholm Co., Baklund Insurance, Inc., Bilt-Rite Furniture Co., Boulevard Food Store, Buckwalter Realty, Busy Bee Shoe Repair, Chas. O. Robinson & Co., Chesterfield Steak House, Chet Joslin Agency, Davidson Bros. Department Store, Dividend Bonded Gas, El Fredo Pizza, Family Pet Hospital, Fethkes' Cleaners, First Federal Loan & Savings Bank, First National Bank, Firststar Bank, Gateway, Gehan Livestock Marketing Agency, H & H Shoe Co., H. L. Hathaway Co., Hanna Realty, Hannel Cellars Winery, Hayes Motor Co., Ho-Chunk, Hollywood Casino, Hotel Mayfair, IZZON Photo-booth, Jolin Lighting, Karlton's Clothiers, Knoepfler Chevrolet, KSCJ and KTRI Radio, Laurence's Food Store, Livestock National Bank, Max Rosenstock & Co., McCracken Company, Mercy Medical, Metz Baking, Modern Engineering Co., Nagel & Delfs Real



Sioux City Fire Department "Retired" Badge of former fireman Marvin L. Sager from the mid-1940s.

- Estate, Plaza Bowl, Rudolph's Shoe Mart, Sadoff's, Schmoeller & Mueller Piano Co., Seaboard Triumph Foods, Security National Bank, Sioux City Brewing Co., Sioux City Brick & Tile, Sioux City Journal, Sioux City Stationery Co., Sioux City Stock Yards Co., Skyline Bar, St. Luke's Hospital, The First Edition, Thompson Electric, Toller Drug Co., Toy National Bank, W. H. Beck & Co. Jewelers, Wings Aviation, Inc., and Younkens
- Albers Whirlwind Windcharger, 1934
- Belle of Sioux City Casino poker chips
- Beverage jug from Rio Products Co.
- Bookcase sold by T. S. Martin & Co.
- Bottles from F. W. Lane, Hathaway Beverages and Sioux City Brewing Co.
- Catalogs: Gunderson's Jewelry, Pelletier Dept. Store, T. S. Martin Co., and West Side Harness Co.
- Checks from Morningside Savings Bank
- First National Bank re-opening paperwork
- Flyers from Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Rice Bros., and Sioux City Dressed Beef
- Gateway computer/software
- Hats made by the Orpheum Hat Shop
- Jack F. Boulden Construction envelopes
- Johnson Biscuit Co. candy box
- KCAU-TV production equipment and photographs
- Letters from American Pop Corn Co., Corn Belt Commission Co., and Farmer's Union Livestock Commission Co.
- Livestock Equipment Co. hog oiler
- Michael Seed Store invoice
- Milk carton from Roberts Dairy
- Milk crates from Wells Dairy
- Notepads from Johnson-Hempstead and Sioux City Livestock Commission
- Quick Grip paper clip canister
- Receipt from Terminal Grain Corp.
- Sioux City Stock Yards documents, history booklet and livestock tag
- Vials used by Robb-Ross
- Zenith portable radio

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# Artifact Donations

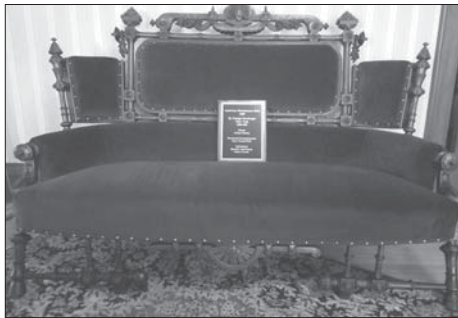
## Cultural/Organizations/Religious

- Abu-Bekr fez decoration
- Advertising from American Red Cross, Kiwanis, Mid-Step Services, Opportunities Unlimited, and Siouxland District Health Dept.
- "Awesome Biker Nights" event poster
- American Legion Monahan Post Band uniform of Whitey Larsen
- Bible from First Congregational Church
- Boy Scout hat and handbooks from the Boy and Girl Scouts
- Brass ticket for the Orpheum Theatre Grand Re-Opening
- Bulletin from Redeemer Lutheran Church
- Central Baptist Church printing plates
- Dance ticket from the Tomba Ballroom 1953
- Document collections from American Association of University Women, Fortnightly Study Club, Portfolio Book Club, Rotary Club, Sioux City Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council (SIMPCO), and Siouxland Samplers Quilt Guild
- Dorothy Peacaut Nature Center's "Nature Calls" event invitation
- I. O. O. F. membership medals
- LifeServe Blood Center T-shirt
- Northwestern Iowa Veterans Association pin
- Plaque from Trinity Lutheran Church
- Programs from the Sioux City Art Center, Sioux City Community Theatre, Sioux City Symphony Orchestra, Siouxland Barbershop Quartet, and St. James Methodist Church
- River-Cade programs
- Scandinavian Sommerfest coffee mug
- Sioux City Art Center paperweight
- Sioux City Black Homecoming documents and T-shirts
- Sioux City Bowling Club ashtray
- Sioux City Mardi Gras 1956 bumper sticker
- Sioux City Municipal Band instruments and podium
- *Sioux City Sue* movie poster
- St. John Lutheran Church annual report 2016
- Swedish Midsummer Festival pennant
- T-shirt from GiGi's Playhouse
- Tickets for the Capitol Theater, Hard Rock Hotel & Casino concerts, Tyson Events Center concerts, and Promenade Cinema Theater
- Tri-City BBQ Fest Oven mitt

## Education

- Flyers from Briar Cliff University
- Leeds Elementary School file folder

- Leeds Junior High School music letter
- Morningside College key chain and yearbooks
- Plaque honoring Tom Peterson formerly located at Bryant Elementary School
- Riverside High School letter sweater
- Scrapbook from the Grant School PTA and Smith School PTA
- Sioux City Central High School buttons, reunion scrapbooks, and yearbooks
- Sioux City East High School athletic letter, Class of 1947 43rd Reunion program, and yearbooks
- Sioux City East Junior Latin notebook
- Sioux City High School souvenir spoon, 1905
- Sioux City North Junior basketball uniforms, photographs, postcard and PTA minutes 1973-1980



Among the significant donations was a settee made by renowned furniture-maker George Hunzinger. Donated by the Cohen family for the Peirce Mansion, the settee underwent extensive restoration.

- University of Iowa and University of South Dakota yearbooks
- Western Iowa Tech notepads
- Whittier Elementary School key fobs and magnets

## Government/Military/Political

- Belt buckle from the Sioux City Centennial celebration
- Bob Kerrey campaign button
- Campaign posters for Gov. Bobby Jindal, President Richard Nixon, and Sen. Bernie Sanders
- City of Sioux City promotional items
- Firefighters' children's class award ribbon
- Korean War hat and jacket of Wayne Ducommun
- Political event press passes
- Sioux City All-America City button
- Sioux City Centennial wooden coins
- Sioux City Corn Palace bookmark, medallions and ribbons
- Sioux City Fire Dept. badge/boots
- Sioux City Transit token
- Stamp of the seal of Sioux City

- State Judge Donald E. O'Brien's judge robes, stamp, and portrait
- Two WWII uniforms of Hollis Stabler
- U. S. Army Signal Corps mine detector
- U. S. Census 2010 pad
- U.S. Flag from Senator Harkin
- United States Marine Corps uniform of Paul Hirschbach
- USS Sioux City materials
- Wilbur Aalfs Library poster
- WWII Army uniform of Arthur F. Hansen
- WWII Honorable Discharge folder
- WWII naval hat of Fred Davenport, Jr.
- WWII Navy uniform of Sam Seldon

## Household/Personal Artifacts/Tools

- Anheuser-Busch Budweiser crate
- Ashtray and cigar boxes
- Baby dolls and clothes, dollhouse, and Barbie dolls
- Cabinet plane and clevice
- Cameras and camera flashes
- Carpetbag and wooden travel trunk
- Cellular phones
- Christmas lights and decorations
- Clothes iron
- Collection of German steins
- Conservo Steam canner
- Dictating machine and radios
- Embroidery hoop
- Eyeglasses
- Gambling pull-tab cards/punch boards
- Glass bottles
- Glitter vials
- Horse saddle/tack of Whit Dawkins
- Inkstand
- Iron transfers
- Meat grinder and nut sheller
- Miniature cast iron stove
- Moustache care kit
- Patchwork quilt, 1891
- Powder horn
- "Pride of Sioux City" board game
- Railroad spike and clip
- Rope shoes from the Philippines
- Safety razor blades
- Settee by George Hunzinger
- Sioux papoose cradle board
- Slide projectors/viewers
- Stereoviewers
- Stone axe head
- Table linens and napkins
- Thermos
- Wedding gowns, 1947 and 1949
- Weed puller
- WWI toy soldiers

## Misc. Archival Material

- Beatles trading cards
- Bekins Van & Storage warehouse blueprints



# Artifact Donations

- Floorplan of the Girl Scouts camp cabin
- Iowa Film Collection - Marty Knep- per
- KMEG-TV taped news stories
- Manuscripts of *History of Leeds 1889-1934* and Sioux City public transit history
- Native American genealogical re- search
- Packet of paperwork for nomination of the Kimball Site as a National His- toric Landmark
- Personal papers: Boe family, Fred Davenport, Jr., Richard Desing, Ger- trude Henderson, Thomas W. Kinquist, Gerald Lenz, Roy Niemeier Family, Carl Robert Olson, Marvin Sager, William M. Stevens, John Uhl, and Howard West
- Press report of the Terra Chemical plant explosion
- Radio-Television technical bulletins in bound volumes from the 1950s
- Scrapbook documenting the Swift Explosion of 1949
- Scrapbook of hand drawn ancient and classical ornamentation by Grace Perl Smith
- Sgt. Floyd Riverboat pamphlets
- *Teargas and Tommyguns: Dillinger Robs the 1st National Bank* docu- mentary DVD
- Typewriting Proficiency Certificates

## Newspapers/periodicals

- *A Century at the Yards*, 1987
- *Ancestry Magazine*
- *East High School Tomahawk*
- *East Junior Booster*
- *IPS News* newsletter
- Historic children's magazines/read- ers: 1880s editions of *McGuffey's Eclectic Reader*, *American Observer*, *Junior Life*, *My Weekly Reader*, and *The Golden Magazine*
- Historic publications: *Niles' Weekly Register*, *Rexall Family Almanac*, *The Home Quarterly*, *The Motorman and Conductor*, *The Sun*, *The Washington Post*, and *War Times*
- *Morningside College Collegian Re- porter*
- Local Newspapers: *Morningside Shopper*, *Moville Record*, *Sioux City Globe*, *Sioux City Journal*, *Sioux City Times*, and *Siouxland Life*
- *People Magazine* covering 9/11/01
- *The Bolshevik Bugle* (Sioux City Press Club)
- Iowa State Historical Society's *The Palimpsest*
- Woodbury County Genealogical Society's *Wahkah* newsletter

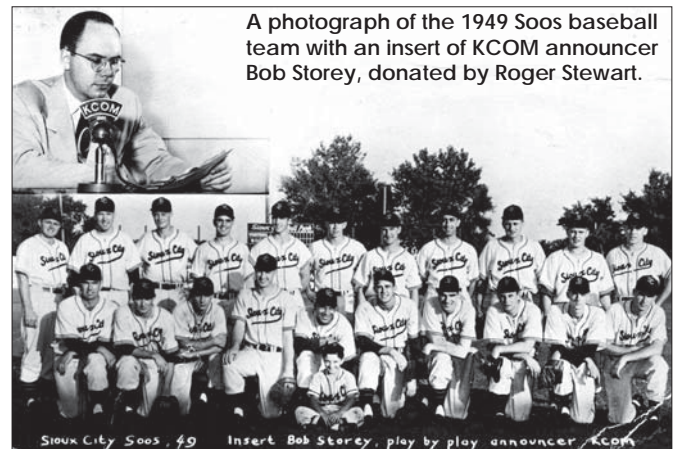
## Photos

- 185th Air National Guard
- Abu Bekr Shrine Chanters
- Aerial photos of downtown Sioux City
- American Legion Monahan Post
- Big Sioux River flood of 1969
- Bobby Black's Billiard Parlor
- Bridgeport Industrial Park
- Bruguier's Cabin
- Builder Arthur Sanford
- CNW and CM&St.Paul Railroad freight houses
- Combination Bridge
- Cook St. Circus
- Council Oak tree
- Digital photo files of 1907-1911 Sioux City taken by Dr. William Bates
- Downtown buildings: City Hall, Elks Club, Evans Block, F. W. Woolworth's, H. L. Hathaway Ford dealership, J. C. Penney, Martin Hotel, Northwest- ern Bank, Plymouth Block, Sioux City Municipal Auditori- um, and Sioux City Optical Co.
- Electric streetcars of the Sioux City Transit Company
- Family photos from Bornschein, Brown/ Joy, Couch, Dobyms, Dow, Geisen, Nason, Orcutt, Pederson, and Soule families
- Floyd Monument
- Floyd River flood of 1953
- German Lutheran Hospital
- Grandview Park
- IBP Strike
- I-Go Moving and Storage Co.
- Iowa National Guard 1916
- IPS Big Sioux smokestack demolition
- Leif Erickson pool
- Great Northern and Sioux City Termi- nal Railway Co. locomotives
- Orpheum Theater
- Peavey Grand Opera House
- Pickstown Dam (Ft. Randall)
- Prospect Hill Monument
- Samaritan Hospital
- Schools: Everett, Lowell Elementary, and Trinity High
- Sioux City All-School Chorus 1954
- Sioux City Consistory
- Sioux City Corn Palaces
- Sioux City High School class of 1924
- Sioux City Soos 1949 baseball team
- Sioux City stockyards
- Snagboat *James B. McPherson*
- Sooland Softball Hall of Fame
- St. Luke's Hospital
- Swedish Mission Church

- Swift Co. plant explosion 1949
- Tallest man in the world 1925-1935 Jack Earle in Sioux City
- Tri-View
- Tugboat Delia Ann
- Union Pacific Railroad Bridge
- United Flight 232
- United States Naval Training Center
- Urban Renewal photos
- Veterans Memorial Bridge
- War Eagle Monument
- Wincharger-Zenith

## Postcards

- Badgerow Building
- Briar Cliff College
- Central High School
- Federal Building
- Grandview Park Bandshell
- Methodist Hospital
- St. Joseph Mercy Hospital
- Warrior Hotel



A photograph of the 1949 Soos baseball team with an insert of KCOM announcer Bob Storey, donated by Roger Stewart.

## Sports

- Baseball glove
- Baseballs signed by the 1947 Sioux City Soos and the 2016 Sioux City Explorers
- Film reels of 1980s Heelan High School football games
- I.S.C. World Fastpitch Tournament mug
- Ladies Golf Tournament trophy
- Louisville Slugger baseball bat
- Magnets from Sioux City Bandits, Musketeers, and Explorers
- NAIA Basketball tournament VIP pass
- Poster of NBA player Kirk Hinrich
- Scorebook of Sioux City amateur baseball teams
- Season schedules for the Sioux City Musketeers and Sioux City Explorers
- Sioux City Corn Bowl hat
- Sioux City Relays baseball caps
- Sooland Softball Hall of Fame awards, baseballs, and programs
- Starter pistol and track shoes
- Track uniforms, awards and papers of Olympian George Howard Lambert

# Volunteers

The Museum sites had an all-time record high number of volunteer hours! Volunteers, interns and board members recorded 7,513 hours doing a variety of tasks from greeting, cataloguing, guiding, processing and more.

**Volunteers:** Helen Anderson, Jim Anderson, Wyman (Andy) Anderson, Jeanine Ashmore, Keith Ashmore, Dane Bamrick, Glenn Barnett, Rachelle Barnum, Mike Berger, \*\*Michele Boykin, Haley Brees, Patt Brenden, \*Harold Canny, John Carter, \*Rosie Chicoine, Carmen Cobb, Elaine Cogdill, \*\*Katie Colling, Ron Colling, Jill I. Collins, Ron Craft, Paul Crandell, Mark Custer,

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## Sgt. Floyd River Museum & Welcome Center

The Sergeant Floyd River Museum & Welcome Center provided 361 days of service in FY17. The 21,618 visitors were from every U.S. state and Europe, Australia, Canada, Germany, Japan and China. The attendance figures included 61 school tours and 24 bus tours.

Annual events like the Bill Diamond Antique & Classic Car Show and the Sergeant Floyd Memorial Encampment/Burial Re-enactment continued in FY17. "River"fication activities for 1,500 sixth grade students were held on the riverfront in September 2016. The day featured various organizations including the Sioux City Public Museum providing programs that relate to S.T.E.M. (Science,



Due to a series of retirements, the Welcome Center experienced a complete turn-over in staff. Long-time volunteers Jerald Goehring and Bev Hinds were invaluable during the transition. Left to right: Laurna Witt, Goehring, Andrea Thoene-Meyer, Christine Dekker, Hinds, and Steve Hanson.

Technology, Engineering, Math) topics.

The entirely new staff completed the intensive process of becoming Certified Iowa Travel Counselors. Survey data compiled by Travel Iowa shows why the certification is so important to the community: Iowa Welcome

Center travel counselors influenced 37% of travelers to extend their stay in Iowa; 22% of travelers extended their stay for half of a day, 32% for one day and 15% for two days. Overall, domestic travelers spent a total of \$8.06 billion dollars in Iowa, an increase from the previous year.

## Peirce Mansion

The Peirce Mansion Committee was honored by the Sioux City Historic Preservation Commission with the annual Treasure of Sioux City Award

in May. Presented at the Peirce Mansion during Historic Preservation Week, former Curator of History Grace Linden was also honored.



Sioux City Museum & Historical Association Vice President Don Duzik accepted the Treasure of Sioux City Award on behalf of the Peirce Mansion Committee volunteers.

Volunteers continued to maintain the home and are hosts for rental events such as weddings, birthday parties, graduation receptions and company events. Open house events were held to showcase the

progress of restoration efforts. Events included Halloween Trick-or-Treating, the annual Holiday Open House in December, and an open house highlighting the donation of a newly restored George Hunzinger settee. Donated by the Cohen family of Sioux City, the rare Victorian-era piece needed structural and cosmetic restoration. Hunzinger was a furniture maker during the later half of the 19th century. Like other furniture makers of the Victorian Age, Hunzinger's pieces are very decorative. *See page 4 for a photograph of the restored settee.*

# Coney Island *(continued from page 1)*

## Sioux City's amusements remembered

The traveling exhibition investigates the rise of American leisure and traces Coney Island's influence on amusement parks and popular culture throughout the country. To add a taste of local flair, a slideshow was incorporated in the exhibit. Images from Riverside Park, the Interstate Fair, River-Cade, parades, festivals, and circuses throughout the years are featured among the nearly 90 local photographs.



Among the local images included in the slideshow is the 1889 Corn Palace Parade, facing northeast toward Sixth and Pierce Street.

***Coney Island: Visions of an American Dreamland*** is arranged chronologically, with each section titled after contemporary quotations that also communicate changing popular perceptions about Coney Island through the generations.

***Down at Coney Isle***, 1861-1894, looks at the resort's beginnings as "New York's sandy backyard," a blend of genteel and popular attractions made accessible by ferry, tram, and steam railway.

***The World's Greatest Playground***, 1895-1929, examines the explosion of entertainment accessible to the masses in parks like Steeplechase, Dreamland, and Luna Park, themselves the settings for fantastic encounters and new technologies.

***The Nickel Empire***, 1930-1939, shows how, after the stock market crash of 1929, Coney Island provided a welcome and affordable diversion, where disorienting rides could spark romance between strangers in a setting where "the greatest show is the people themselves." From the

beginning, Coney Island drew crowds from all social classes, races, and ethnicities.

***A Coney Island of the Mind***, 1940-1961, inspects how Coney Island reflected American life during and after World War II, providing a refuge from the city streets and a setting for intimacy on its crowded beaches, yet also offering metaphors for life and death in amusements like the House of Horrors and the World in Wax Musée.

***Requiem for a Dream***, 1962-2008, traces Coney's decline amid turbulent decades that saw urban disinvestment and renewal attempts, including the closing of its last twentieth-century amusement park, Astroland. Yet ultimately, Coney's persistence and re-emergence continue to attract new visions and renewed crowds.

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10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

### Museum Research Center

Wednesday - Friday

1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Appointments are appreciated  
(use Jackson St. entrance)

### Sergeant Floyd River Museum

& Welcome Center

1000 Larsen Park Road

Daily 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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## Sioux City Public Museum Exhibit/Event Calendar

Through December 31, 2017

*Honoring Our Armed Services: 1861-2017 Exhibit*

Through January 7, 2018

*Coney Island: Visions of an American Dreamland*

### Thanksgiving Hours

Thursday, November 23 - Sioux City Public Museum and  
Sergeant Floyd River Museum & Welcome Center closed

Friday, November 24 - Sioux City Public Museum closed

Saturday, December 2

### Kid's Holiday Make and Take Program

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. at the Sioux City Public Museum

Sunday, December 3

### Peirce Mansion Holiday Open House

1:00-4:00 p.m. Peirce Mansion, 2901 Jackson Street