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Open house highlights Peirce Mansion restoration

An open house highlighting the renovations that have been completed on the John Peirce Mansion will be held on Saturday, September 3 from 1 to 4 p.m. The event will showcase the efforts to turn the historic 2901 Jackson Street mansion into a period home.

The Sioux City Museum & Historical Association's Peirce Mansion Committee is leading the restoration efforts. Several events such as parties, meetings, and even a wedding have been held in the mansion during the spring and summer.

"The first open house in June was met with enthusiastic responses from several hundred visitors," said Steve Hansen, Museum director. "People are really interested in what has been done and what needs to be done on the mansion."

Built in 1893 by local developer John Peirce, the home was purchased by the Junior League of Sioux City for \$10,000 in 1958. It served as the site of the Sioux City Public Museum from 1961 to 2011 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Peirce Mansion Committee is looking for volunteers, anyone with experience restoring historic properties or anyone who has furnishings from the Victorian era.

For more information, call the Sioux City Public Museum at 712-279-6174 or visit www.siouxcitymuseum.org.

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