

Join us for a new program series at the Sioux City Public Museum

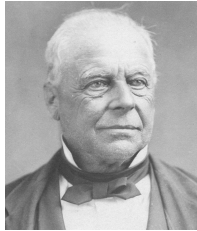
HISTORY AT HIGH NOON

A "brown bag" photographic presentation held monthly on the 3rd Wednesday from 12:05 to 12:45 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Wednesday, January 18

History at High Noon: Sioux City's Founders

Sioux City traces its founding back to 1854 when the city was plotted by government surveyor, Dr. John K. Cook. It wasn't until January 16, 1857, however, that Sioux City became an incorporated city. Observe the 155th anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Sioux City by with a presentation by Grace Linden, curator of history. Learn more about the men and women who founded Sioux City through rarely-seen, early Sioux City photographs.



Wednesday, February 15

History at High Noon: Sioux City through the Eyes of George Newman

George Newman's career as a Sioux City newspaper photographer spanned from 1932 until 1964. He also had his own business taking professional photographs of everything from retail display windows to weddings to school sporting events. Grace Linden, curator of history, will show a sampling of the photographs from the more than 11,000 negatives from the 1940s and 1950s that were donated to the Sioux City Public Museum in 1997.



Wednesday, March 21

History at High Noon: A Walk through the Park

How did this park get its name? Why is it here? What is that monument? Tom Munson, Museum archivist, will take the audience on a historic "tour" of Sioux City Parks. Since 1855, when the first Public Square was plotted, residents have been able to enjoy dozens of municipally and privately owned parks. Many of the public common areas have disappeared, been reused or renamed. Others hide little-known secrets.



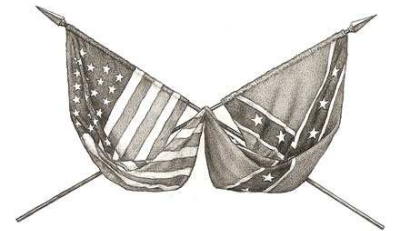
Civil War Programs

Sunday, February 12

Point/Counterpoint: Was the Civil War Necessary?

2:00 p.m. at the Sioux City Public Museum

Dr. Tom Morain and Dr. William Juhnke, Graceland University, take opposing positions to explore several of the contentious issues leading up to the first shots of the Civil War fired on Fort Sumter in 1861. As the U.S. commemorates the 150th anniversary of the conflict that tore the nation apart, they ask hard questions like "Was it really an 'irrepressible conflict' or could bolder political proposals have averted the bloodshed that cost 600,000 Americans their lives?" Juhnke and Morain invite the public into the debate as they explore the tense political climate of 1860-61 and demonstrate how historians can disagree without being disagreeable. Sponsored by Humanities Iowa.



Sunday, February 26

From Our Collection: Civil War Era Artifacts

2:00 p.m. at the Sioux City Public Museum

Presenter Matt Anderson, exhibits preparator, will explain the history behind some of the rarely-seen Civil War weapons, uniforms, equipment, photographs and memorabilia from the Museum's collection.



Children's Programs

Wednesday, January 18

Sioux City Sleuths: The Country and the City

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

A series held on the third Wednesday of each month that encourages young sleuths ages 2-4 and a parent/guardian to "investigate" a topic at the Museum through hands-on activities. **The class is free, but pre-registration is required by calling 279-6174 or e-mailing museumeducation@sioux-city.org.** Other upcoming Sioux City Sleuth dates: Wednesday, February 15 and Wednesday, March 21.

