

Silk Stocking Collectables Sale

September 22, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm at the Hubbard House, 606 South Broad, Mankato. We are looking for donated items in saleable and usable condition for our giant lawn sale, including toys, household goods, dishes, and books. No large furniture please. This sale will have no objects from the museum collection, only donated items will be sold. Our collection is very valuable and it is our job to preserve and cherish all of the artifacts.

Items may be brought to the Hubbard house Tuesday thru Friday, 1:00 pm - 5:00. Your generous contributions are greatly appreciated.



County Fair News

School is out, and soon it will be County Fair time. This year the Blue Earth County Fair runs from August 2 - 5. The Agricultural - Heritage building will again be open for Historical Society fairgoers. We are looking forward to

performances by the Homestead Players, exhibits of Blue Earth County, Betsy-Tacy books will be available, and a Saturday afternoon Young Historians Workshop. If you would like to help out at the fair, contact Greta, 345-5566. Hope to see you all at the fair!

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Winston Churchill

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the members and volunteers of the Blue Earth County Historical Society for all of the support, encouragement, and kindness you've given me this past year in my position as Program Director. With your help and counsel, the programs and special events at the Society have grown and prospered. "I couldn't have done it without you" can never be said enough. I feel both happy and sad to say goodbye. Until we meet again. . .

Margaret-Greta Hurlbut

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

-Mary Brown

Thanks to the following for their generous support this past month:

General Donations

Medo Township
Tourist Club, Mankato
Shelby Township
Mapleton Township
American Legion Auxiliary, Mankato
Lime Township
LeRay Township

New Members

Marlys Kleist, Mankato
Chesley, Kroon & Chambers, Mankato

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Moving?

If you are planning a move, whether permanent or temporary, please let us know your new address. Each time we mail your newsletter and you don't receive it, we get it back postage due and then have to try and track you down to your new location. If you let us know your traveling or moving plans in advance we can change your address in our files and your newsletter service will remain uninterrupted. Thanks for your assistance.

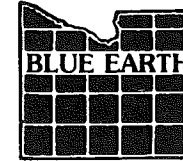
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BLUE EARTH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

June 1990 Calendar of Events

- June 13 **Cemetery Day**, call Audrey or Jo at 345-5566 for more information.
- June 16 **Young Historians Workshop**, Liquid Stained Glass. Saturday, June 16, 1:30 pm at the Heritage Center. Call 345-5566 for reservations.
- June 18 **Tickets go on sale** for the Tour of Historic Homes.
- Look Ahead. . .
- July 7 **Tour of Historic Homes**

Notes from the Director

-Susan M. Monk-Kjos

It is with much sadness that we say goodbye to Program Director, Greta Hurlbut. Greta is leaving us the first of June. We wish her the best of luck in future endeavors. Hopefully, we will have a new Program Director on staff by mid-June so we don't lose the momentum built up over the past few years with our special events and programs. I would like to personally thank the volunteers, Master Gardeners, Twilight Garden Club, City of Mankato Parks and Forestry Division, BECHS staff and customers who made our second Mother's Day Plant Sale such a huge success. Despite the cool temperatures and rain we had a near sell-out of plants and had the opportunity to visit with lots of happy gardeners. Construction on the new entrance at the Heritage Center is nearly complete, the rain has slowed us down a bit, but no one in the Midwest is complaining about the wonderful rain showers. We should be able to open our new entrance in the next week or two. Thanks to all of our visitors for their patience and the Summit Center staff for guiding visitors upstairs to our floor. Be sure to mark Tuesday, August 21, 1990 on your calendars and plan on attending the **Exhibit Gallery Grand Opening and Annual Meeting**. More information will be in next month's newsletter.

Microfilm Grant Award

The Blue Earth County Historical Society has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$1440 from the Minnesota Historical Society for purchase of microfilm of some of our county's newspapers. This grant needs to be matched in cash by the BECHS with the purchase taking place by October of this year. We are in a multi-year project of purchasing the hundreds of rolls of microfilm needed to complete our collection for use by research patrons. We're proud and excited to have been awarded this grant!

Bremer Nonprofit Internship

The Blue Earth County Historical Society is happy to announce that we have been awarded a Bremer Nonprofit Internship for the summer of 1990. The interest in this program was very high--over 250 applications were received with only 20 locations being awarded the Internship. We have hired Cami Longstreet from the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, MN for the full-time 10 week project. Cami will research and design educational school tours for the new Heritage Center Exhibit Gallery. We are thrilled to be a part of this exciting program. Cami begins her internship with us on Monday, June 4.

Curation Notes

-Audrey K. Burmeister-Hicks

The June session of the BECHS Cemetery Project will be held in Madison Lake where transcriptions will be recorded at Calvary Cemetery and at the rural Marysburg Cemetery.

The session will be held on Wednesday, June 13, with participants to meet at the Heritage Center, 415 Cherry St., Mankato, at 8:30 a.m. or at Calvary Cemetery, Madison lake, at 9:30 a.m. Please bring paper, pencil, and a picnic lunch. In case of inclement weather the session will be held the following Wednesday at the same time and place. For information, call BECHS at 345-5566.

Another talented and diligent individual has joined the BECHS volunteer staff. Lee Staples, Mankato, is working as an artifact registrar with an emphasis on cataloging of textiles. We welcome Lee to BECHS and thank her for her contribution toward the preservation and presentation of our county's history.

We wish to express appreciation to Elmer Goodrich, Pemberton, and Ron Hicks, Mankato, for the assistance they have given us in preparing artifacts for exhibition in the gallery. Many wood and metal items to be exhibited needed "freshening up", reinforcement, or conservation maintenance. Surprisingly, a couple artifacts which are constructed of metal and wood--two seemingly durable elements--have been found to be among the most fragile of the items to be exhibited. Through treatment by Elmer and Ron these artifacts can safely be exhibited.

1990 Heritage Dinner Style Show Models



Michael Vosburgh

1960's Nehru Jacket & Bell-Bottom Pants

Nancy Katzer

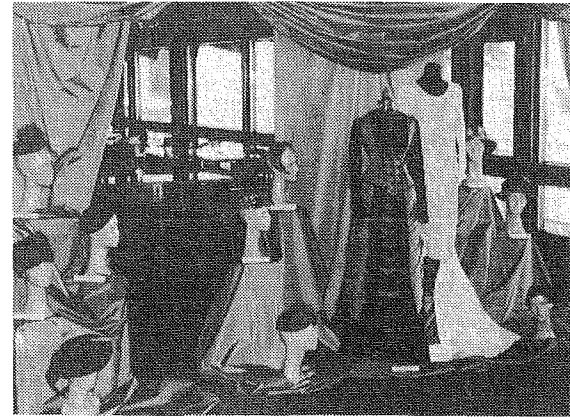


1895 Reproduction Traveling Suit

L. Audrey Burmeister-Hicks
R. Marsha Danielson



1990's Executive Business Suit



1990 Heritage Dinner Exhibit



1990 Heritage Dinner



1990 Heritage Dinner

Applause...

These volunteers are to be commended for their time and efforts at the 2nd Annual Mother's Day Plant Sale, Saturday, May 12.

Mary Brown	Audrey Burmeister
Susan Monk-Kjos	-Hicks
Craig Roberts	Jake Hicks
Kay Lamb	Hans Hicks
Seth Greenwald	Marion Lichtenburg
Kathy Hunter	Dean Pettis
Orville Jensen	Ann Keenan
Dottie Matting	Dawn Hubmer
Jude Norris	Margaret Schwankel
Nissa Stolp	Jade Lueth
Ora Ohlenkamp	Betty Cords
Mrs. Wessman	Frank Dobie

Can You Help?

The Society needs volunteers to help host & hostess homes on the 4th Annual Tour of Historic Homes. If you are willing to give us a hand, call 345-5566. **Be sure to mark your calendar now for SATURDAY, JULY 7, 1990, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm.** Tickets for the Tour of Homes will be available June 20, call 345-4154, Members - \$6.00 Non-members - \$8.00

Special Thanks to Rod Terbeest of Rod Terbeest Productions for supplying us with the "Man On A Mission" video tapes. Just in case you haven't ordered your video yet, they are available at the Heritage Center Gift Shop, contact Faye, 345-5566.