

From the Director's Rolltop, cont.

Mark your calendars now. More information will be sent to you.

There will be a new exhibit in two cases in the parlor from mid-September to the end of October of selected artifacts donated to the Society since January of 1983. We have received quite a few pieces in both the Archives and the Artifact Collections which merit special attention.

I hope to see you this Fall. Come to the Harvest Festival and have a "Grand Time"!!

*Denise*

\* \* \* \* \*

When you attend the Harvest Festival, take a stroll down the street to the Arts Council and enjoy some of their festivities too. From 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Artsfest '83 will be going on at 120 S. Broad. There will be food, music, a play, and many other activities. Spend the afternoon on Broad Street!

\* \* \* \* \*

### Calendar of Events

- Sept. 10 Southern Minnesota Historical Assembly Annual Meeting, Rochester
- Sept. 19 Quilting Society, 7:30 p.m. at the Museum
- Sept. 25 Artsfest '83, Mankato Area Arts Council, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Oct. 8-9 Southern Minnesota Genealogical Conference, Austin Community College
- Nov. 4 Members Only Exhibit Preview
- Nov. 6 Opening Day Tea for 6th Annual Fall Bazaar
- Nov. 6-13 Fall Bazaar
- Nov. 11 Holiday, Museum and Offices Closed

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Mankato, MN 56001
Permit No. 343

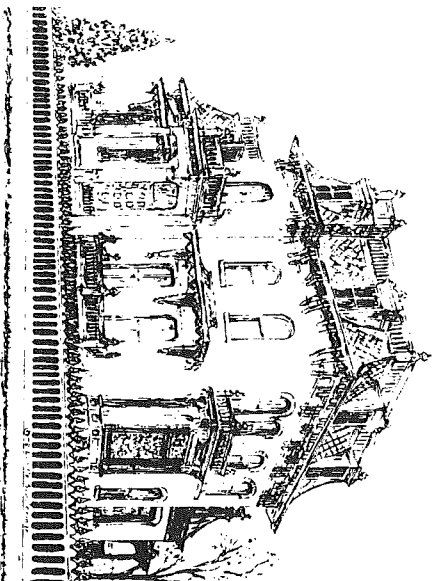
### Blue Earth County Historical Society

606 South Broad  
Mankato, MN 56001

Address Correction Requested

Published bi-monthly by the  
Blue Earth County Historical Society  
606 South Broad Street  
Mankato, MN 56001

## Blue Earth County Historical Society



R.D. Hubbard House

### September 1983

#### Quilting Society Meeting

With nippy fall weather approaching soon, it seems an ideal time to organize the Quilting Society in Blue Earth County. The aim of the Society will be to develop interest in quilting. The Society hopes to do this by presenting programs on the history of quilting, the techniques involved, and the works of experienced quilters.

Meetings of the Quilting Society will be held throughout the County. The first meeting will be September 19, 1983 at 7:30 p.m. at the Museum. A business meeting will be conducted to set up the organizational structure (elect officers, decide meeting format, and schedule of meeting sites).

Margaret Perisho will display and discuss some of her family quilts. She is also working on a "Double Wedding Ring" quilt and will explain her techniques.

Remember, you do not have to quilt to join the Quilting Society. The only requirement is that you like quilts. Everyone is invited! If you have something for "Show and Tell", please bring it with you. For more information call Jan Green, 388-4432 or Marcia Schuster, 625-6314.

## Bazaar Happenings . . .

You will note that there is an insert in this month's newsletter requesting your donation for the 6th Annual Fall Bazaar. We need the talents and contributions of everyone. Any handmade item or baked goods would be greatly appreciated. Please return the form by **September 20** so that a space will be reserved for you.

The traditional Opening Day Tea will be on Sunday, November 6 from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. The Bazaar will run through November 13. (Closed November 11 due to Veterans' Day.)

In conjunction with this year's Bazaar will be the opening of a new exhibit on hats. The exhibit will be unveiled to the public on Sunday, November 6. The parlor cases will be filled with hats of all kinds from the days when one never left the house without a hat.

\* \* \* \* \*

### Welcome to New Member

Annual - Edythe Peterson

\* \* \* \* \*

### HELP WANTED!

The following volunteer positions are available:

#### Workers for the Harvest Festival

Responsibilities include helping set up before the event; staffing one of the booths (food, dried grasses, membership); helping to clean-up at the end of the day. No experience necessary! Volunteer for an hour or the entire afternoon.

#### Chairperson(s) for Opening Day Tea

Responsibilities will include helping set-up; arranging for food and servers; helping to clean-up at the end of the Tea.

\* \* \* \* \*

Welcome to Debbie Anderson, our new intern from Mankato State University. Debbie has served internships with the Minnesota State Historical Society and the Minnesota Valley Regional Library. She has also done some work in our Archives. We have ideas for many projects for her.

Come to the

# HARVEST FESTIVAL

September 25, 1983

Museum & Grounds

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

## Schedule of Events :

1:00 - 5:00

Refreshments  
Booth of dried  
grasses for Bouquets  
Craft demonstrations

1:30

Dedication of Addition  
to Palmer Centennial  
Place

2:30 - 5:00

Music :  
The Crystallettes  
The Black Loon  
Dirieland Band

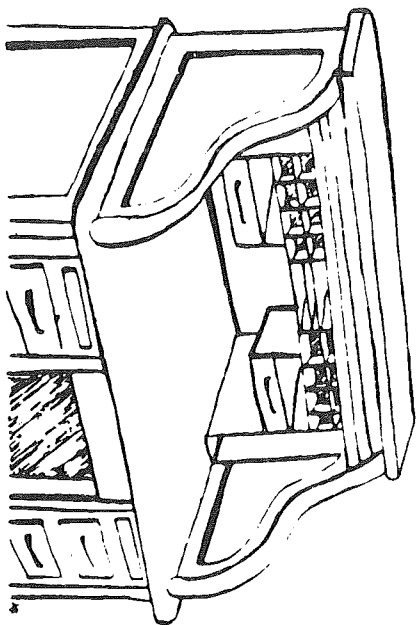
John Gog & Concertina

You are invited to dress in period  
costume. (1880s - 1980s)

In case of rain: Refreshments and

Music at the YWCA.

## From the Director's Rolltop . . .



Denise Schmidt

The County Fair has ended and we are gearing up for an exciting line-up of Fall activities. I do believe that we will run out of time before we run out of ideas or energy.

I was able to meet a few more members while working at the booth at the Fair this year. Actually being out "where the people are" is the best way to meet people. Many thanks to those who helped in set-up, staffing, and clean-up!

Plans are progressing nicely for the Harvest Festival on September 25. I hope you all will find time to stop by for awhile. The plan is to make this an annual event with different activities to accompany the harvest theme. There is a bit of irony involved in choosing the name for the event which I would like to share with you. A token was discovered in the Society's collection bearing the words "Good for a Grand Time, Harvest Festival and Street Fair, Sept. 12, 13, 14, 15, 1899." We are in the process of researching the 1899 event and may use it as a model for future Harvest Festivals. The name choice was pure coincidence but I like it very much.

While on the subject of future events I would like to tell you of a special event for members only on Friday, November 4, in the evening, at the Museum. This will be a special preview showing of the hat exhibit which will open to the public on November 6. The entire parlor will focus on fashion trends of hats and how they were made.