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Interactive kiosk added to new sports exhibit

Featuring 200 screens of content, 500 images, and the Sioux City Sports Hall of Fame

An interactive kiosk highlighting local sports history is the latest addition to the new *Sioux City Sports* display. The completion of the new exhibit marks the first addition to the permanent gallery since the Sioux City Public Museum's opening in 2011.

A much-anticipated portion of the kiosk is the inclusion of the Sioux City Sports Hall of Fame. Users will find biographies and images of the 65 athletes, coaches, and athletic contributors who were inducted into the Greater Siouxland Athletic Association's Hall of Fame. Honorees are listed by name, sport, and induction year, or by searching for specific nominees in the search bar. Besides the local Hall of Fame, the kiosk has sports history information in three other categories: Venues, Professional & Club Sports, and the High School & Young Athletes category.

In the Venues category, users can explore images and descriptions of 25 Sioux City sporting complexes. These include modern venues like



the Tyson Events Center and historical venues such as Stockyards Park. These venues are searchable or may be browsed by name or opening year.

Under Professional & Club Sports, users can explore the history and presence of 8 different kinds of sports played professionally here in Sioux City, as well as the histories of our boat clubs and country clubs. Users will find pages devoted to the history and achievements of our professional and high-level club teams in this category, and view captioned images of these teams. If preferred, users can also explore an interactive timeline of the different sports and teams that have left their marks on Sioux City sports history.

The High School & Young Athletes category celebrates some of the highest achievements of Sioux City's high school and college athletes. Users can explore the state championship wins and similar accomplishments of each Sioux City high school as well as some of the major achievements held by our local universities. Images of these winning teams and athletes are also provided in this category.



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Day of the Dead features new performers and activities

Free family activities presented in English and Spanish commemorated Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) at the Sioux City Public Museum in October. Día de los Muertos celebrates friends and family who have passed away.

This year's theme, "Orgullosa hasta los huesos" (Proud to the Bone), focused on the skulls, calaveras, and la Catrina found in the altars and Day of the Dead festivities.



New additions to the Día de los Muertos activities were a fashion show by M's Formal and a performance by Mariachi Reyes del Oeste from Denison.



Volunteer Spotlight

Stacey Alex

Not only has Stacey Alex provided leadership for the Sioux City Public Museum in several capacities, but as Assistant Professor of Spanish and Spanish Club advisor at Morningside University, she has encouraged her students to get involved as well. Dozens of Spanish Club student volunteers have helped with Day of the Dead events over the past few years. In recognition of this service, the Morningside ODK honored the Spanish Club with the Reynders Award for Community Engagement in April 2023.

As a member of the Day of the Dead Committee, Stacey has assisted the Museum with developing programming and curriculum in Spanish. She has organized research on



Stacey Alex (bottom left) with Morningside University Spanish Club students

the indigenous roots of Day of the Dead traditions, led storytelling and face-painting activities for children, and directed reader's theater performances.

"Stacey is a tremendous educator who is a role model for her students," says Theresa Weaver, Curator of Education. "She demonstrates what it means to be engaged with the

community and has guided our efforts to reach out to the Hispanic community in our area."

Stacey says her students have benefited from the partnership with the Museum as well. "It is an incredible opportunity to use what they have learned while working with Spanish-speaking families and translating promotional materials," says Stacey. "These real-world experiences are invaluable."

In January 2023, Stacey was named to the Museum Board of Trustees by the City Council, having lived in Sioux City for just four years.

"I love supporting the museum because it is a fantastic public resource that is free and accessible," says Stacey.

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Sioux City Public Museum

The highlight of FY23 was the installation of *Sioux City Sports*, the first new exhibit to be added to the permanent gallery since the Sioux City Public Museum's opening in 2011. The long-planned display features uniforms, trophies, and a variety of sports gear.

Sports themes were incorporated into several museum programs from Dave Bancroft Day to Kid's Saturdays activities. *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead) programming featured the theme, *Creciendo Nuestras Raíces* (Growing Our Roots). The special events, exhibition, and outreach engaged more than 2,200 participants.

School groups spanning preschool to high school students continue to be popular, with 99 group visits in FY23. A new program called Technology Timelines targeted at first-grade classes helped to increase outreach to elementary students.

Fourth-grade students learned about local history with thousands of Sioux City history projects completed and reviewed by education staff. The annual exhibition and reception reached its 32nd year, with 96 models and posters on display. The *Sioux City History Projects* exhibit continues to be a big draw for school groups and families each year.

Temporary exhibits

Quilts from Our Collection

*Knoepfler Chevrolet:
Celebrating 100 Years
in Sioux City*

*Beauty at Short:
Dave Bancroft*

Meet the Beatles!

A Cast of Blues

*Day of the Dead Altars:
Creciendo Nuestras Raíces
(Growing Our Roots)*

Navajo Rugs 1910-1977

Leeds High School 1939-1972

Sioux City History Projects

*New to You:
Recent Artifact Donations*

RAGBRAI: It All Started Here



Left: The new *Sioux City Sports* exhibit.
Above: Volunteer Luis Zacarias explained the elements of a Day of the Dead altar.

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Director's Report

by Steve Hansen

Welcome to this year's report. As we approach the holiday season and a new year, it is a treat to look back at the past year of programming accomplishments. Museum attendance continues to rebound, a result of a combination of hard work by our staff members and volunteers as well as the support of the community.

We have had numerous improvements throughout the year, the most noticeable being the installation of the sports exhibit in the permanent gallery. This

exhibit came to fruition over the course of several years and countless hours invested by dozens of individuals. This exhibit opened to rave reviews, and we look forward to expanding it in the future as it was designed with flexibility and growth in mind.

As you review our annual report, you will see that much of our new programming developed by staff was embraced by our guests alongside our wide range of annual activities. We continue to host community groups and functions and enjoy a diverse range of collaborations throughout the area.

As Director, I find it hard to believe that I am closing in on 22 years of service. I am truly thankful that I can work every day at a job that I enjoy and with people who are dedicated and passionate about serving the public. My favorite compliment is when I hear out-of-town visitors remark, "This is the kind of Museum you find in large cities!" Our community support and continued City Council support allow us to provide a quality experience for our guests.

I wish you the best of health, and please visit us soon and often.

Volunteers

FY23 Volunteer Statistics

Total volunteer time – 5,133
Total active volunteers – 121
Student volunteers – 3
Interns – 8
Volunteers in groups* – 39

*Groups included Morningside University's "Into the Streets" one-day event and Spanish Club students for Day of the Dead.

Volunteers continue to make an impact at the Archives, Peirce Mansion, Museum, and Welcome Center by contributing 5,133 hours over the last 12 months – that's equivalent to two full-time staff members.

The number of volunteers and interns is holding steady on an annual basis. Thank you to all the students, interns, and adult volunteers who are supporting the Museum through their time and energy.

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Britton Hacke Photography
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**Reflects new gifts received July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023.
We apologize for any omissions or errors.*

Artifact Donations

FY23 Research Center Statistics

Donations: 198 Donors: 171

Artifacts: 15,775 estimated*

*Due to the number of donations, it is impossible to list every artifact individually in this report. Therefore, the following list is a sampling of donated artifacts that has been condensed due to space considerations.

Artwork/Music

- ArtSplash posters
- Central High School print and decorated frame, c1960
- Davis Gray paintings: Combination Bridge and Missouri River
- M. V. *Sergeant Floyd* and keelboat models built by David Nieuwenhuis
- Portrait of Sioux City pioneer George Kingsnorth, c1910
- Poster from James F. Goff art exhibition in Bellevue, NE
- Saturday in the Park passes
- Sioux City Art Center materials on James L. Goff exhibit, 2014
- Sioux City Municipal Band programs

Books/Booklets

- *Air Racing Results, Vol. 1* with article on a 1910 Sioux City airplane race
- Atlas of Dakota County, Nebraska
- *Best in the West* cookbook published by Davidson Bros., 1918
- *Choice Recipes* cookbook by Mrs. A. C. Hoskins, 1905
- *In Search of the Blonde Tigress: The Untold Story of Eleanor Jarman* by Sylvia Pettem, 2023
- *Jolly Time Party Book* by American Pop Corn Co., c1975
- *Lee Reginald Gaynor III Heritage*, by Elizabeth Gaynor, 2022
- *Sioux City, Iowa Times* newspaper, 1860
- *Sioux City Stylus* newspapers, 1895
- "The Carrier" booklet from *The Sioux City Times*, 1893

Business Artifacts

- "Belle of Sioux City" whiskey teapot used by liquor dealer John Arensdorf

- Brink's Market history scrapbook, 1890s-1940s
- Davidson's Big Toyland plastic record
- Dooley's Rexall Drug Store bottle, 1964
- First National Bank deposit bag and penny roll
- Frances Shoes coupon tokens
- Gateway Computers mouse, software, and laptop guide
- General Manufacturing fountain pen, c1920
- H. A. Baker Clothing button, c1920
- Indian Hills Sunshine token
- Iowa Beef Processors box and employee jacket
- Iowa Falls & Sioux City Railroad cancelled stock, 1886
- Iowa Tonic Co. bottle
- Johnson Biscuit Co. Devil's Food lighter
- Lincoln Seed and Feed invoice
- Livestock National Bank deposit bag, dishes, and paperweights
- Miller Bros. Hat Co. hat in box
- Olav Moe eyeglass case
- Roberts Dairy milk crate and cookbook
- Sadoff's clothing hanger
- Security National Bank deposit bag



- **Sioux City Cracker & Candy Co. crate, c1890** (above)
- Sioux City Foundry cast iron plaque
- Sioux City Iron Co. cast iron paperweight

- *Sioux City Journal-Tribune* employee punch card
- *Sioux City Tribune* printing flongs, 1934
- Sioux City Wildberry bottle
- Sioux Tools equipment catalog, 1948
- St. George and the Dragon tumblers
- Student National Bank stock certificate, 1897
- Toy National Bank deposit bag and 1974 dedication program
- T. S. Martin Co. brooch and invoice, 1935
- Warfield, Pratt, & Howell tobacco cutter, c1910
- Warrior Cigar Co. cigar box, c1939
- Wincharger schematic drawings
- Windy City Pizzeria token, c2018
- Woodbury County Savings Bank deposit books and bags, 1920

Collections

- Danish Sisterhood: ledgers, booklets, and documents
- Donald Willoughby: documents, clothing, and books used and collected during Willoughby's civilian contractor position in Afghanistan
- Dr. Kathy Opheim: medical equipment collected by Dr. Opheim and Dr. Robert Ashmore
- Dr. Robert Rasmus: photos, documents, and ephemera, mostly of university sports
- First Baptist Church: membership ledgers, baptismal records, documents, and two pulpit Bibles, 1888-1960
- Gary Brown: disaster and emergency response documents from Brown's time as Woodbury County Emergency Services Director, 1986-2021
- Glazer/Lazaer Family: family history photographs and documents
- iZZon Photography: prints, negatives, and digital photos taken by the studio, 2001-2018

Artifact Donations

- James McMartin, Jr.: documents about James McMartin, Jr.'s teaching career, including photos of student-built houses
- James McMartin, Sr.: photos and documents of James McMartin, Sr.'s involvement in local organizations, including the Sioux City Consistory and Abu-Bekr Shrine
- Learning Center for Creative Children: lesson plans, photographs, and documents from the preschool run by Rosie Keuhne, 1979-2006
- Leeds High School: photos, yearbooks, and memorabilia from various donors including the Leeds High School Reunion Committee
- Schweizer family: photographs, postcards, and other items from the family of Ferdinand and Marie Schweizer
- Stone Group Architects: architectural drawings done by firms now owned by Stone Group, 1905-1967
- Terry Hersom: documents pertaining to Hersom's 35+ year career at the *Sioux City Journal*, mostly in sports
- Thomas LaVille: posters and documents concerning Sioux City-born actors, including Macdonald Carey
- Woodbury County Medical Society: documents, books, and ephemera

Cultural/Organizations/Religious

- Abu-Bekr Kan-Duettes 25th Anniversary booklet, 2007
- Augustana Lutheran Church Miriam Society cookbook, 1937
- Delta Kappa Gamma Mu Chapter scrapbooks and documents
- Girls of '68 President Marion Anderson Bollinger Poulosky child's dress and photo, 1920s
- Elks Lodge doorknobs, clips, pins, and scepter
- First Covenant Church documents

- Immaculate Conception Church programs, letters, and insurance documents, c1950-1960
- Jewish Veterans of the United States Post No. 337 (Sioux City) banner
- Junior Chamber of Commerce "Grapevine" newsletter, 1945 and Miss Sioux City Pageant program, 1968
- Knox Presbyterian Church directory, 1917
- Krewe de Charlie Sioux Mardi Gras Gala costumes, 1990s
- Lutheran Hospital pamphlets and annual reports, 1960s
- Nordic Male Chorus materials of Wayne Livermore
- Orpheum Theatre post and restoration documents, 2001
- River-Cade posters and hats signed by concert performers, 1990s
- Sheet Metal Workers No. 184 union ribbon



- **Silver plate given to longtime YWCA swimming instructor Harriet Younglove, 1946** (above)
- Sioux City Mariners Swim Club yearbooks, 1990-1998
- Siouxland Home Show tickets, 1975
- St. Boniface Catholic Church crucifix given to Olivia Linden, 1918
- St. Joseph School of Nursing cape, 1943
- St. Luke Lutheran Church organ recital program, 1968 and directory, 1999
- St. Paul's Lutheran School report cards of Paul Schwier

- Third Presbyterian Church Centennial booklet, 1991

Education

- Bryant Elementary letter patches
- Cathedral High class photo and diploma of Gertrude Nagy Will, 1945
- Central High graduation programs, school song shirt, and reunion books
- East High music programs, 1994-1997
- East Junior High *Booster* newspapers
- North Junior High memory scrapbook and *Breezes* newspaper, 1930
- Project S documents, 1968-72
- Sioux City photos/books from Riverside Elementary library
- Sioux City Schools staff service pins and directories, 1930-90s
- Smith Elementary history written by Alice Reeg
- WITCC 2021 President's Report
- Woodrow Wilson Junior High letter patch and *Highlights* newspaper

Government/Political

- City Hall rededication token, 1997
- Mailman's uniform of Richard Fachman
- Materials used by former mayor Dan Connoly, including a Municipal Auditorium groundbreaking ceremony trowel
- Missouri River flood documents of Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas Padgett, 2011
- Siouxperland button

Household/Personal

- Cane that belonged to the co-owner of Tooley's Tap
- Doll with voice cylinder records, 1920s
- Dress made by Margaret Means, employee of Olsen Sporting Goods, c1960

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Artifact Donations

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- Mandan baby moccasins, c1906
- Medical bag of Dr. Jack Bristow, 1920s
- Wedding dress worn by Catherine (Butler) Stanton, married at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1895

Military

- Blouse sewn from a paratrooper parachute, 1944
- Flight instruction materials of Lewis Amelang, who trained at Morningside College and the Sioux City Airbase, 1944
- Korean War photos and U.S. Navy uniforms of Hugh TePoel
- Korean War U.S. Army uniform and orders of Richard Leckband, 1952-1956
- Photo collage of Ernest and Edward Hartwell, twin brothers who trained at the Sioux City Airbase during World War II
- Scrapbooks compiled by Eric Turner during Kunsan Airbase, South Korea deployment, 1986
- *The Bombardier* Sioux City Airbase newspaper, 1944
- U.S. Army medical blanket
- U.S. Navy uniform and materials of Dean DeWall, who served 1960-1984
- *USS Sioux City* memorabilia
- World War I Victory Medal of Raymond Gatens
- World War II casualty Glen Davis personal items, including Purple Heart medal, dog tags, and 48-star U.S. flag
- World War II trench art airplane built by Byron Deck
- World War II veteran Bertil Ericson camera, wooden flashlight, and documents

Misc. Archival Material

- Awesome Biker Nights posters
- Briggs Family Dentistry history written by Rhonda Briggs
- Building specification documents for the Cornelius Harrington house, 415 12th Street

- Collage of historic postcards and banknotes produced in Sioux City assembled by Thomas Plaza
- Diaries by R. H. Burton-Smith, son of Sioux City pioneer Dr. William R. Smith, 1905-1915
- Films by Walter Rasmussen of parades and Leeds football game, 1949-1952
- International Association of Auditorium Managers documents of Robert Hinchman, 1953-1958
- Ledger of Sioux City plumbing permits, 1884-1887
- Letters and documents of Fred McCarthy, who bred racing pigeons
- Lewis and Clark Bicentennial scrapbooks, 2004
- Map of Sioux City by the Sioux City Real Estate Exchange, 1887
- Scrapbook documenting the career of Holiday on Ice performer Nadine E. Pokorny Meis, 1954-1961
- Scrapbook documenting the Presidential "E" Award won by Concrete Pipe Machinery Co., 1965
- Tax returns from Walter Jones, employee of H. D. Hudson Manufacturing, 1940-1941
- Kiwanis International meeting with Sioux City members, c1965
- Leeds Diamond Jubilee, 1964
- Livestock National Bank employee Christmas parties, 1940s-1950s
- Portraits by early Sioux City photographers, 1880-1920
- Producers Livestock Commission Co. employees, c1990
- Prospect Hill Monument fundraising postcard, 1908
- Sioux City High School baseball team, c1905
- Sioux City 'Mini-Indy' race, 1914
- Sixth Grade All-City Chorus, 1958
- Woodbury County Genealogical Society members, 2002

Photographs/Postcards

- Bird's Eye View of Sioux City, 1908
- Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul passenger depot, c1890
- Corn Palaces of 1888 & 1891
- Cover image of *Beef* magazine depicting the Sioux City stockyards, 1974
- Flood damage in the Sioux City stockyards, 1953
- Frank LaDue, Siouxland Sports Hall of Famer/former CEO of Concrete Pipe Machinery Co.
- George Floyd protest march from Cook Park, 2020
- Girls of '68 members, c1930
- "Holiday on Ice" performances, 1950s
- Horse market barns at the Sioux City stockyards, c1905
- Bandits football pads, helmet, and championship ring of Jarrod DeGeorgia, 2005-2011
- Central High School football programs
- DeMarini baseball bat used by the Stoltze family, donated for sports exhibit display
- East High School JV Soccer Tournament program, 1994
- Greater Siouxland Athletic Association Hall of Fame programs
- Heelan High School football overcoat, 1970s
- Hubbard Park restoration documents prepared by Sioux City Fast Pitch Softball Association
- Iowa State Women's Basketball Tournament poster and program featuring North High student Cindy Sea, 1976
- National Health Care Discounters softball program, 1992
- Passes and programs from NAIA Women's Championship tournaments, 2022-2023
- Sioux City Ghosts T-shirt
- Sioux City Musketeers hockey sticks
- Soap box derby racer Wayne Johnson award and photograph, 1937

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FY23 Attendance/Service Statistics

Sioux City Public Museum – 28,163

Children's programs – 34
 Adult programs – 28
 Outreach – 35
 School tours/programs – 99
 Other group tours – 7
 Total number of educational programs – 203

Sgt. Floyd River Museum & Welcome Center – 19,175

Outreach, Research, Plaza, and Peirce Mansion – 9,075

TOTAL – 56,619

Digital Engagement:

Youtube (views) – 15,174
 Siouxcitymuseum.org (sessions) – 69,622
 Facebook (engagement) – 102,787

TOTAL – 187,583

Sgt. Floyd River Museum & Welcome Center

The Welcome Center “welcomed” 19,175 visitors from almost every state with international travelers increasing over the previous year. The 87 school tours, 21 adult/children’s organizations, and 12 bus tours learned about Lewis & Clark and river history.

The annual Bill Diamond Antique & Classic Car Show was held on the second weekend of July with more than 100 cars on display. Re-enactors once again were the highlight of the Sergeant Floyd Memorial Encampment on August 20 and 21. Both days were well attended with children’s activities on Saturday.

In September, the Welcome Center participated in the Mighty Mo Run by staffing a water table. This riverfront event returned after a hiatus of several years.

Interior painting, general repairs, and deep cleaning were done during the winter months. New mini blinds were installed on the first deck reception area and look great. More light bulbs were switched out for more energy-efficient lighting as well on the first deck.

After some rain delays, Welcome Center staff again participated in the city-wide Litter Dash along the riverfront in the spring. April

and May were extremely busy with school groups and numerous adult/children’s groups as well as bus tours. FY23 ended strong with high visitor numbers.



Volunteers from Morningside University’s Into the Streets Day helped pick up trash.

Peirce Mansion

Event bookings at the Peirce Mansion continue to rebound to pre-pandemic levels, with 57 events and tours held during FY23. Events ranging from weddings and receptions, rehearsal dinners, graduations, showers, book clubs, birthday parties, and class reunions were booked at the Mansion.

In July 2022, a Task Force was formed to develop long-range plans and goals. Because the Mansion is managed by volunteers, spreading the workload and providing continuity were major goals. Volunteer coordinators were established for three areas – Bookings, Marketing

and Grants, and Property Conditions.

Volunteers contributed 1,167 hours of service to the Mansion’s upkeep and hosting of events for the fiscal year. In September, Morningside University students assisted volunteers with a fall cleaning and yard work day. Ten new volunteers were added to the Mansion roster.

An open house and walking tour was held in July 2022. In October, nearly 1,200 people attended the Halloween Open House. In December, the ever-popular Holiday open house attracted over 600 people.

In February 2023, the ballroom floor refinishing project was completed. In May, a \$25,000 Missouri River Historical Development (MRHD) grant for much-needed tuckpointing was announced for FY24.



A visit from Santa is a popular part of the festivities during the Sioux City Museum & Historical Association’s annual Holiday Open House.

Artwork showcases Native American life

Late 19th and early 20th century artwork from the Ogallala Sioux, Yankton Sioux, Mandan, Wind River Shoshone, Shoshone, and Kiowa tribes are featured in *Indian Art of the Northern Plains*, an exhibition currently on display at the Sioux City Public Museum. The exhibition will be on display through March 3, 2024.

Fifty prints by nine American Indian artists were published in two parts as a limited edition by C. Szwedzicki of Nice, France in 1938. Part I is "Paintings of the Sioux and Other Tribes of the Great

Plains," while Part II is "The Art of Amos Bad Heart Buffalo." Bad Heart Buffalo's artwork pertains mainly to the Battle of Little Big Horn.

The folios were donated to the Museum in 1989 by the Sioux City Public Library. A grant from the State of Iowa's Historic Development Program and private funds underwrote the exhibit's construction. The artwork has been utilized as a traveling exhibition to museums all over the state of Iowa. This is the first time the exhibit has been displayed at the Museum's downtown site.



The exhibit opened in November in honor of National Native American Heritage Month.

Classic toys and games on display



A display of classic toys and games from the Sioux City Public Museum's collection is featured in *Christmas Toys through the Decades*. Highlights include a circa 1900 cast iron floor train, a 1909 Milton Bradley cardboard toy village and components of an original 1936 Monopoly board game. Most of the items in the exhibit are post-World War II icons like 1950s and 1960s Fisher-Price toys, 1960s and 1970s Barbie dolls, and a 1967 GI Joe figure. A slideshow of historic photographs accompanies the exhibit.

Become a member – online giving is now available at SiouxCityMuseum.org!

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As a member of the Sioux City Museum and Historical Association you will receive:

- The Museum newsletter and invitations to special events for members.
- Discounts on children's classes and a 10% discount on purchases at our gift shops.
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Tuesday - Saturday
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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The Association typically meet at 6:30 p.m. on the
2nd Tuesday of the month; the Trustees typically
meet at noon on the 2nd Friday of the month.

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Sioux City Public Museum Happenings

Through January 28, 2024

Christmas Toys Through the Decades Exhibit
(See article on page 11)

Through March 3, 2024

Indian Art of the Northern Plains Exhibit
(See article on page 11)

Thursday, December 21, 2023 • 12:05 p.m.

History at High Noon: Sioux City's Telephone Companies

Thursday, January 18, 2024 • 12:05 p.m.

History at High Noon: The Legacy of Genelli Photography

* Holiday Hours *

Sioux City Public Museum and
Sergeant Floyd River Museum & Welcome Center
Closed December 24 & 25
Closed December 31 & January 1