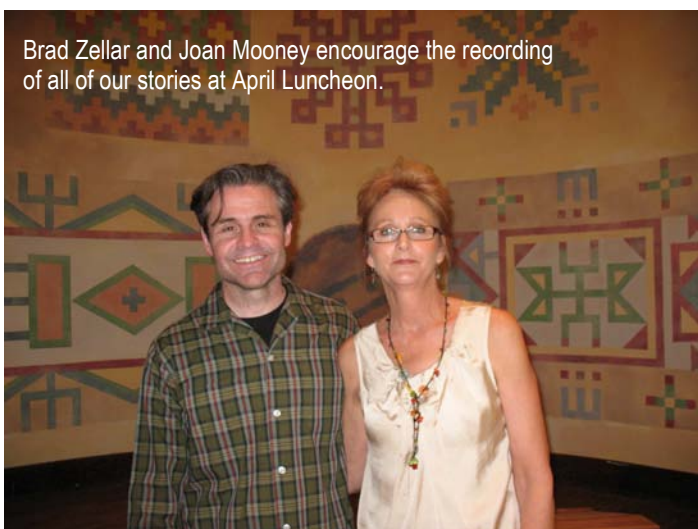


WASECA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY | MUSEUM & RESEARCH LIBRARY | 2012 ANNUAL REPORT

Waseca, Minnesota



Puppet Farm Arts "Tiger" at Chautauqua in Maplewood Park



Brad Zellar and Joan Mooney encourage the recording of all of our stories at April Luncheon.



Remembering Mark Barens at the March Spring Luncheon-Lecture



No holiday exhibit, but we are getting a Lift, with Legacy grant!



Sheila Morris at Chautauqua greeting and thanking visitors.

2012 HIGHLIGHTS—It's everybody's history.

VISION: WCHS will strive to be a financially, self-sustaining organization with an energetic, dynamic membership and the necessary staff and technological capacity to preserve and interpret Waseca County's history into the future—in a manner well-respected by the community and its peers.

It goes without saying, but we must. This year has been one of the most exciting times of our Society's almost 75 years of existence. In this year 2012 we are grateful for the largest bequest to date, \$278,007 left to WCHS's Frank and Barbara Goodspeed Memorial Endowment Fund. In one action this bequest met our 2008 goal of growing the principal balance in our seven endowment funds to \$500,000. These endowments provide increased interest income available for operations. The principal is never touched. The bequest came from Dorothy Moriarty, the niece of Frank and Barbara

Goodspeed, who worked very hard on behalf of WCHS during their lifetimes. When they died Dorothy created a memorial endowment and contributed to it substantially every year. When we received the letter announcing the bequest, our knees literally buckled in disbelief and gratitude.

Earlier in 2012 WCHS received grant approval for \$48,000 from the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Fund to make the museum building completely ADA compliant with a new lift/elevator to the balcony and to

create a unisex rest room on the main floor. We put away all exhibits in July thinking the ADA project would start anytime, and we kept offices and gift shop open as we prepared for construction. The summer project did not begin until November 1, but it will be completed by the end of January 2013. Then on December 26, WCHS received another grant, also from the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Fund for an Interpretive Exhibit Plan for the Timeline project.

In February we had to cancel the Ice Harvest due to unusually warm weather. The Spring Luncheons were sentimental, compelling and fun, pretty much in that order. March presented Ed Barens showing a documentary he produced about his father, our friend, Mark Barens, who died unexpectedly in a home accident in October 2011. There was a great turnout to remember Mark.

In April we welcomed Brad Zellar talking about his amazing photography and writing. He pleaded to everyone there, not just WCHS staff, to record and write down the stories of our experiences, our lives. He described his continuous excitement of meeting new people and hearing their incredible stories; and we concur that *everyone* has a story!

Finally in May we were enchanted with Peg Meier's little book from the girlhood diary of Coco Irvine who grew up in the house that became the Minnesota governor's mansion on Summit Avenue!

Chautauqua in July brought great music and storytelling, and another great, life-size puppet, a tiger, made by Chris Lutter-Gardella from Farm Arts Puppets. It's important to note that he creates these incredibly real puppets out of recycled materials. We hope to bring him back to Chautauqua 2013, and in expanded workshops through a Waseca Community Education program.

In October we held our Annual Meeting, a Sunday Brunch, at the Matawan School House. Jim King will stay on as president of the board for one more year. Audra Nissen-Boyer is the new VP, Dr. David Pope is secretary, and Tom Piche stays on as treasurer. Board members King and Rutledge were re-elected, and we thanked Don Zwach for many years on the board. He has volunteered to conduct oral histories in the spring. In January we welcome Brad Wendland and Kate Youngberg to the board.

As we look forward to 2013, we will be Celebrating 75 Years of WCHS. Of course we will be following our mission and focusing on our Herters collection, gathering and displaying some at the County Fair in July, and then creating an extended exhibit in the museum in 2014. With the completion of the ADA compliance project we will also create more new exhibits, linking information to new technology and continuing to focus on the unique people, places and events of Waseca County. That's our 2013 in a nutshell.

We invite you to support our Waseca County history by joining, donating, volunteering, visiting, learning and sharing.

You can't learn about it unless it's saved. You can't find it unless it's safe, indexed and digitally accessible. You can't read about it unless someone writes it. We can't continue this mission unless this organization continues to not just exist, but grow. There are thousands of stories in our past, there will be thousands of stories in our future! *Thanks for a great year!*

—Sheila Morris & Joan Mooney, Co-Executive Directors

2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jim King, President
Don Zwach, Vice-President
Jim Tippy, Secretary
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Al Rose, City of Waseca
Audra Nissen-Boyer
Dr. David Pope
Gary Streng
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Henry Lewer
Neta Oelke
Jerry Rutledge
Don Wynnemer, Honorary Lifetime

WCHS STAFF

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Co-Director-Development/Exhibits
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Linda Taylor, Research
Nancy Nelson-Deppe, Bookkeeper



Dorothy Moriarty died in March 2012.



Matawan School house restored by Byron Township Board



 **Grant Recipient**
MINNESOTA HISTORICAL
& CULTURAL GRANTS

CURRENT MEMBERS

As of December 31, 2012

This year we decided to publish the list of all our current members. During the year we publish our renewals and new members in our quarterly newsletters. This should be all current members in all our categories.

COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERS

Access is granted to the following public facilities and organizations:

Church of the Latter Day Saints
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City of Waseca
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Waseca County Courthouse
Waseca County Planning & Zoning
Waseca Medical Center
Blue Earth County Historical Society
Minnesota Genealogical Society
New Richland Historical Society
Olmsted County Historical Society
Rice County Historical Society
Janesville Public Library
New Richland Public Library
Waseca LeSueur Regional Library
NRHEG Schools
Waseca Hartley Elementary
Alton Township
Blooming Grove Township
Byron Township
Freedom Township
Iosco Township
Janesville Township
New Richland Township
Otisco Township
St. Mary Township
Vivian Township
Wilton Township
Woodville Township

LIFETIME MEMBERS

These members have contributed \$1,000 to the WCHS Lifetime Endowment Fund: *New in 2012

Allen, Mary P.
Britton, Joseph and Marjorie
Brynildson, Gladys
Cooper, Gus
Corchran, Maria E. (Liz)
Fette, Leo J.
*Fischer, Larry and Marian
Fitzsimmons, Francis M.
Fostveit, Donna
*Fuller, Boyd
Gerding, Dr. and Mrs. James
Gores, Marjorie L.
Haley, Sharon
Hecht, Sigri
Homer, Margaret
Johnson, Ronald
*Kopischke, Barbara and Gerald
*Lewer, Henry and Phyllis
Markus, Elizabeth
McCarthy, George B. and Jean
Oelke, Neta L.
Rethwill, Wesley
Rutledge, Jerry and Linda
Searle, Rod and Ruth

Sheeran, Robert and Betty
Smith, Keith and Wilda
Strand, Mel
Swenson, Virginia
Tippy, James and Moira
Webber, Wendy
Wendland, Helen
Wick, Bruce and Lorraine
Winegar, George and Sharlene
Wynnemer, Donald and Margaret

SUSTAINER MEMBERS

These members have contributed \$100 for their 2012 membership:
Armstrong, Wendell & Ruth 11/8/2013
Chaffin, Robert and Lois 2/2/2013
Gasner, Eunice 8/28/2013
Grant, Linda 10/12/2013
Halvorson, Mike & Jean 11/2/2013
Hawkins, William & Francia 10/12/2013
Jeddeloh, Irene 9/29/2013
Joyce, Ron 1/26/2013
Nelson, Philip and Georgia 11/7/2013
Peterson, Arlene 6/1/2013
Pooley, Arlene 11/23/2013

INDIVIDUAL ONE-YEAR MEMBERS

Individual \$25:

Aitken, Robert 3/13/2013
Aldrich, Donald 4/3/2014
Amsrud, Mary 8/22/2013
Arvesen, Eileen 5/30/2013
Baker, Dale 4/10/2013
Balke, Sidonia 5/21/2013
Battenfeld, Myra 2/15/2013
Berger, Doris 4/24/2013
Blume, Marilyn 8/31/2013
Bodine, Kelly 4/26/2013
Bohmbach, Vivian 5/29/2014
Bom, Donald 10/4/2013
Bom, Rodney 3/3/2013
Bom, Carol 12/1/2013
Brandt, Nancy 3/15/2013
Brock, Cameron 4/3/2013
Buesing, Orville 9/4/2013
Bums, William F. 12/21/2013
Byrne, Margaret 10/4/2013
Byrne, Robert 2/2/2013
Calvert, Connie 5/28/2013
Carlson, Arthur 5/11/2013
Clemons, Leta 10/9/2013

Annual Meeting & Brunch at the renovated Matawan Schoolhouse



Renovated Matawan Schoolhouse

Conway, Tammy 3/7/2013
Devereaux, Lora 12/3/2013
Draheim, Ardella 10/25/2013
Driscoll, Linda 12/29/2013
Dunn, Dave 6/29/2013
Eaton, Steve 10/9/2013
Elsner, Nicholas 2/18/2013
Elsner, Arlene 5/31/2013
Engel, Kathryn 11/6/2013
Eustice, Ronald 3/15/2013
Farris, Lynn 2/25/2013
Fell, June 10/5/2013
Fenelon, Pauline 10/4/2013
Fenelon, Kari 11/13/2013
Flood, Karen 11/27/2013
Ford, Carol 3/26/2013
Forrest, Helen (Sally) M. 9/28/2013
Fountain, Michael 5/4/2013
Fox, James P. 6/20/2013
Freeman, Janie 3/7/2013
Fritz, Loren 7/17/2013
Gallagher, Bonnie 11/9/2013
Gauger, Barbara 5/24/2013
Goblirsch, Jennifer 5/8/2013
Goldman, Julie 3/16/2013
Gomberg, Diane 3/16/2013
Graham, Barbara 8/13/2013
Grimm, Cathy 4/15/2013
Groskreutz, Dale 3/8/2013
Guentzel, Richard 9/1/2013
Guggisberg, Jane 1/26/2014
Halstead, Robert 11/11/2014
Hand, Larry 8/31/2013

Hansen, Pastor Nancy 10/9/2013
Hansen, Mary 3/25/2013
Harguth, Dorothy 5/7/2013
Harward, Shannon 3/27/2013
Hasslen, Margaret 2/7/2013
Hedstrom, Kristine 5/8/2013
Hildebrandt, Anita 10/4/2013
Hilleson, John 5/3/2013
Hintz, Thomas D. 4/17/2013
Hisey, Mi 5/5/2013
Hoffman, Betty 9/4/2013
Holman, Thomas 5/27/2013
Home, Anita 7/6/2013
Hunter, Robert 9/30/2013
Jerabek, Barbara 8/11/2013
Joecks, Judy 6/22/2013
Johnson, Judeen 8/31/2013
Johnson, Maureen 5/28/2013
Johnson, Kathie L. 8/2/2013
Kahnke, Dan 2/12/2013
Kamm, Becky 2/5/2013
Kanewischer, Deanna 10/5/2013
Kastner, Eugenia M. (Bonnie) 5/11/2013
Kelly, George 6/28/2013
Kelly, Mary 11/29/2013
Kinney, Linda 8/31/2013
Kolars, Jane 11/20/2013
Krogstad, Lynette 9/6/2013
Larson, Tink 6/5/2013
Lewer, Cindy 5/22/2013
Lundquist, Jean 4/14/2013
Mann, Dennis 3/9/2013
Matz, John R. 12/10/2013
McCarthy, Virginia 9/4/2013
McDonough, Shawn 6/22/2013
McIntire, Betty 9/28/2013
Mellen, Barbara 2/16/2013
Messer, Mitch 12/7/2013
Meyer, Clark 11/7/2013
Meyer, Marlene 7/5/2013
Miller, Michael 1/31/2013
Mittelsteadt, Gary 7/6/2013
Moreno, Catherine 3/27/2013
Morrissey, Mike 8/28/2013
Nelson, John 3/25/2013
Norman, Beverlee A. 9/4/2013
Pancerzewski, C G 5/30/2013
Peters, Jacqueline A. 2/3/2013
Peterson, Elizabeth 4/25/2013
Pettengell, LuEllen 7/17/2013
Poppe, Lisa 7/30/2013
Querna, Marie 10/17/2013
Reak, Bonnie 9/11/2013
Richard, Deborah 11/2/2013
Roades, Kristine 3/1/2013
Robertson, Karen 8/18/2013
Roberts, Doreen 4/20/2013
Roemhildt, Scott 10/28/2013
Roesler, Robert 6/1/2013
Rogers, Clinton 6/10/2013
Rosenthal, Gregg 10/19/2013
Rosenthal, Jeanette 12/28/2013
Routh, Warren 6/29/2013
Samudio, Ken 10/3/2013
Sanders, Wayne R. 9/22/2013
Scheffler, Charlene 9/30/2013
Schmidt, Robert E. 9/28/2013
Schmitt, Jade 10/14/2013
Schultz, Harlan 8/27/2013
Schuster, Bonnie 5/9/2013
Siems, Donald 10/18/2013
Simpson, James 8/1/2013
Starkey, Brenda 6/23/2013
Stenzel, Laurie 10/24/2013
Sutter, Dorothea 11/13/2014
Terrell, Robin 4/4/2013
Teskey, John 3/7/2013



Tetzloff, James 6/1/2013
 Turnquist, Helen 2/21/2013
 Twisselman, Alan D. 1/23/2013
 Velett, Laurie 2/16/2013
 Waggoner, Linda 9/11/2013
 Walker, Lynn 6/30/2013
 Weed, Al 6/23/2013
 Welch, Eugene 7/28/2013
 Wendland, Diane 5/23/2013
 Wheelock, Donna 11/13/2013
 White, Millie 3/17/2013
 Wildgrube, Beverly 6/11/2013
 Wildgrube, Barb 7/27/2013
 Witt, Norma 3/26/2013
 Wright, Myrna 9/4/2013
 Zimmerman, Carol 10/30/2013

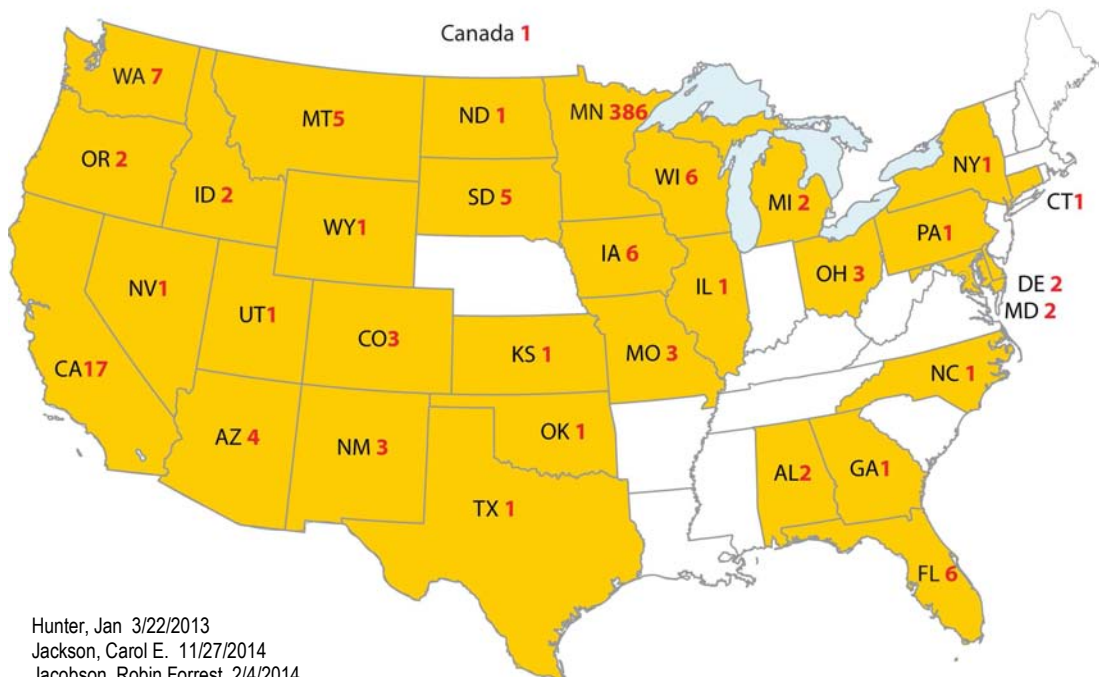
INDIVIDUAL TWO-YEAR MEMBERS

Individuals \$40:

Albrecht, Louis P. 7/5/2014
 Allen, Sharon 8/17/2014
 Arnfelt, Iona 12/13/2014
 Barnes, Darcy 4/9/2013
 Bentley, Bethel 5/8/2014
 Berrie, Ann 10/18/2014
 Beseler, Sharon 11/19/2013
 Bliven, Mark 11/16/2014
 Blunck, Doris 11/22/2013
 Born, Suzanne 10/4/2013
 Breck, Andrew 3/15/2014
 Burger, Carrie 7/22/2013
 Buscho, Gwen 4/29/2013
 Buschow, Karen 4/2/2013
 Byron, Jean 5/1/2013
 Byron, John 5/22/2013
 Byron, Paul 2/17/2013
 Callahan, Joseph 10/18/2013
 Clasen, Joan 5/11/2014
 Collins, Larry 2/10/2014
 Coyer, Gayle 2/7/2014
 Crawford, Sharon 3/8/2013
 Curran, Helen M. 2/7/2014
 Curran, Thomas 12/14/2013
 Cypher, Lynda 9/21/2014
 DonCarlos, Diane 9/21/2013
 Dosh, Millicent Adams 3/17/2014
 Dunn, Jane 12/20/2014
 Dvorak, Janelle 8/4/2013
 Eichorst, Fred 4/2/2013
 Engle, Diane 11/1/2013
 Espe, Charles 10/13/2013
 Evanson, Kristi 8/9/2013
 Evers, Craig 6/30/2014
 Ewert, Margaret 9/29/2014
 Ferch, Vernon 9/29/2013
 Foels, Arlene 3/20/2014
 Forrest, Daniel 3/14/2014
 Fredrick, Pam 9/27/2014
 Fuller, Becky 4/19/2013
 Georgas, Peter 11/18/2013
 Giesen, Marjorie E. 1/19/2014
 Gilleland, Beth Ann 9/9/2013
 Gilomen, Carollea 10/4/2013
 Goodrich, Betty M. 9/29/2013
 Grable, Sue 9/18/2014
 Grams, Rosalie 2/20/2013
 Guggisberg, Jane 1/26/2013
 Habeck, Bill 1/5/2015
 Habein, Harold 3/9/2013
 Harguth, Char 6/2/2014
 Herme, Barb 11/27/2014
 Hintz, Joanne 4/2/2013
 Hodapp, Francis 12/14/2014
 Holmes, James G. 11/18/2013
 Holmquist, Harlan 9/5/2014
 Hovelsrud, Susan 3/19/2014
 Hoversten, Pearl E. 9/1/2014
 Hunt, Nadine 10/20/2013

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Our members support WCHS from all over the U.S. and Canada.



Hunter, Jan 3/22/2013
 Jackson, Carol E. 11/27/2014
 Jacobson, Robin Forrest 2/4/2014
 Johnson, Michelle 10/19/2014
 Johnson, Cynthia 9/21/2014
 Jones, Karl R. 1/7/2015
 Judd, Pat 5/5/2014
 Kozan, Ruth E. 1/1/2999
 Kramer, Robyn 10/5/2013
 Kroeger, Lester 1/27/2013
 Kunst, Dave 10/4/2013
 Larson, Janette H. 4/3/2014
 Linde, Evelyn 3/3/2014
 Madden, Patrick 5/26/2013
 Manthe, Joan 4/28/2013
 McColley, Dallas 5/16/2014
 Menke, Lorraine 10/23/2013
 Miller, Bethel L. 5/14/2014
 Miller, Jean 7/23/2013
 Miller, Lorraine H. 2/8/2013
 Miller, Ruth 9/27/2013
 Miller, Jean 2/16/2014
 Miller, Sarah 11/29/2014
 Moorman, Joanne 2/2/2013
 Morris, Sheila & Rick 1/7/2014
 Nelson, Susan 9/14/2013
 Nelson-Deppe, Nancy 6/1/2014
 Normann Tesch, Sarah 2/16/2014
 Peterson, Todd 5/26/2014
 Pommerenke, Lori 3/20/2013
 Proechel, Bonnie 3/29/2013
 Reinecke, Thiel 2/11/2013
 Roehrs, Bonnie 9/27/2013
 Roesler, Neil 3/22/2013
 Rosenthal, Kathleen 5/31/2016
 Ross, Jackie 10/9/2014
 Rudolph, Janet 12/29/2014
 Ryan, Thomas 2/18/2014
 Sahlstrom, Mary Lou 10/11/2013
 Salmon, Juliet A. 5/24/2013
 Schultz, Janet 7/21/2013
 Seljeskog, Edward 10/4/2013
 Smith, Martin 12/30/2014
 Staley, Jayne 4/22/2013
 Stoehr, Harlan 1/7/2015
 Suemnick, Phyllis 8/31/2013
 Suttief, Jo Ann 6/15/2014
 Swenson, Daniel C. 11/29/2013
 Thurston, Nancy 11/8/2013
 Tully, William 8/31/2013
 Vogler, William 5/10/2013

Waldron, Carolyn 4/30/2014
 Walker, Roberta 1/11/2013
 Welch, Janet 6/30/2013
 Wilkus, Marilyn 3/23/2014
 Wobschall, Carol A. 3/18/2014
 Wuger, Patricia 5/3/2014
 Wynnemer, Jody 5/4/2014
 Youngberg, Lucille 11/20/2014
 Zahn, Tom 3/30/2015
 Zempel, Keith 11/1/2013
 Zimprich, Shirley 5/8/2014
 Zimprich, Jon & Vanessa 12/5/2013

Youngberg, Katie, Henry, Oliver
 7/14/2014

FAMILY TWO-YEAR MEMBERS

Couples and families \$60:
 Anderson, Bernie & Jill 9/4/2013
 Born, Linda & Larry 5/29/2014
 Boyer, Tim & Audra 9/16/2015
 Buum, Karen & Marty 6/5/2014
 Clemons, Michael & Beth 9/26/2013
 Cochrane, Margaret & David 11/27/2014
 Dettmer, Matt & Abby 8/28/2014
 Dobberstein, Deb & Gary 9/13/2014
 Dressler, Paul & Carol 9/4/2014
 Frisk, Robert & Kathleen 9/27/2013
 Fruechte, Neil & Sharon 10/11/2013
 Galvin, Carroll & Grace 6/2/2014
 Hoversten, Patricia & William 9/18/2014
 Kiesler, Kalvin & Barbara 10/25/2013
 Kinkade, James & Jennifer 2/1/2013
 Madel Jr., R. P. & Mary Ann 6/9/2014
 McRaith, Daniel & Sue 11/2/2014
 Miller, Kathleen & Andrew 6/14/2013
 Neidt & Diesch, Millie & Gordon 10/3/2014
 Nelson, Richard & Carolyn 6/15/2013
 Purcell, Ron & Pat 4/8/2013
 Randall, Dr. Gyles & Carol 12/31/2014
 Rausch, William & Carol 5/14/2013
 Schultz, Kent & Diane 2/18/2013
 Selvik, Bruce & Deb 7/11/2013
 Stauffer, Aude & Mary Jane 10/4/2013
 Strenge, Gary & Pam 3/15/2014
 Tesch, Russell & Marie 1/11/2014
 Tlougan, Les & Karen 6/4/2014
 Wabner, Dave & Berni 3/8/2014
 Ward, Paul & Doris 1/6/2014
 Williams, Jack & Mary 10/5/2013
 Wolff, Dennis & Beth Ann 2/23/2013
 Zwach, Donald J. & Fran 1/25/2013

FAMILY ONE-YEAR MEMBERS

Couples and families \$35:
 Bagne, Myrwood A. & Helen 1/5/2013
 Barber, James & Edith 2/7/2013
 Beckmann, Manny & Patricia 10/17/2013
 Bendix, John & Deanna 11/9/2013
 Carlson, Brad & Colleen 2/7/2013
 Dehnert, Monty & Barbara 10/12/2013
 DeLaitsch, Steven & Mary Jo 3/15/2013
 Dey, James & Cathy 10/9/2013
 Forsythe, Diane & Rick 6/1/2013
 Gutfleisch, John & Tracy 9/27/2013
 Kanewischer, Trevor & Amanda 11/21/2013
 King, James & Barb 6/29/2014
 Kramer, Merila & Butch 2/21/2013
 Krienke, Warren 8/18/2013
 Kurkoski, Thomas & Cherryl 5/8/2013
 Miller, Donna & Alvin 9/4/2013
 Nelson, Blair & Deanne 10/30/2013
 Nibler, N. Ione Hilberg 10/11/2013
 Penny, Timothy & Sandra 9/29/2013
 Piche, Thomas & Cindy 11/21/2013
 Pope, David & Amy 10/27/2013
 Prail, Robert & Janet 8/30/2013
 Sersland, Carol 9/21/2013
 Taylor, Linda & Gary 12/10/2013
 Tollefson, Kathryn A. and Stanley 11/21/2013
 Wendland, Brad & Monica 12/20/2013
 West, Tom & Francie 11/17/2013
 Wilker, James & Sharon 9/12/2013
 Witt, Eugene & Fauniece 1/13/2013



APPROPRIATIONS

We are extremely grateful for the support we receive from these entities for WCHS Operations. Without this support the Society would have no facilities or staff to grow the membership, donations and grants

Waseca County, \$60,000
 City of Waseca, \$4,200
 City of New Richland, \$300
 New Richland Township, \$1,000
 Otisco Township, \$400
 Alton Township, \$400
 Wilton Township, \$300
 Blooming Grove Township, \$250
 Byron Township, \$250
 St. Mary Township, \$200
 Iosco Township, \$175
 Freedom Township, \$150
 Vivian Township, \$150
 Woodville Township, \$100
 Janesville Township, \$100

City of Waseca, \$4,200
 approved for 2013

County of Waseca, \$60,000
 approved for 2013



CONTRIBUTIONS

UNRESTRICTED DONATIONS

Unrestricted means that the following donations were given with no directed purpose other than for WCHS general operations. These may include building utilities, technology expenses, staffing, insurance, materials and services to carry out the mission of WCHS. Income from WCHS Memberships, the Annual Fund (unless otherwise directed, and Memorials & Honoraria are all considered unrestricted donations.

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 Blooming Grove All-in-One Fund
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 Gayle Coyer
 Kari Fenelon
 Janesville Community Chest
 Karen Lechner
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 McRaith Funeral Home
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 Ranae Schult
 Tom and Francie West

UNRESTRICTED GRANTS: \$6,000

Exxon-Mobil Foundation

Matching the volunteer hours of Don Wynnemer, and the Cultural Matching Gifts of Don and Margaret Wynnemer

ANNUAL FUND: \$2,780

Unrestricted Year-End Giving
 Dan and Sue McRaith
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 Dorothy Harguth
 Mary Allen

Eunice Gasner
 Martin and Karen Buom
 Ardella R. Draheim
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 State Bank of New Richland
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 Jim and Moira Tippy
 Jeannette Rosenthal
 Sigr Hecht
 Linda Grant
 Pearl Hoversten
 Diane Wendland
 Marge Giesen
 Newell Searle
 William and Patricia Hoversten
 Harold Habein
 Myrwood and Helen Bagne
 Ron Johnson
 Dan Forrest, to the Bailey-Lewer Library

GIVE-TO-THE-MAX DAY: \$1,757.53

givemn.org promotes one day of online giving in Minnesota, November 15, 2012:

Michael Finley
 Barb Friedl
 Barb Herme
 Joanne Hintz
 Judith Joecks
 Barbara Kiesler
 Patricia Masberg
 Sheila Morris
 Rod and Ruth Searle
 Gary Streng
 Kirk and Laurie Velett
 Janet Welch
 Katherine Youngberg

HISTORY PARTNER PLEDGES

These donors have committed \$1,000 annually for a three-year period:

First National Bank,
 2011, 2012, 2013

Jerry and Linda Rutledge,
 2012, 2013, 2014

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Suzanne Born & Carol E. Cummins
 In honor of the December birthdays of Don & Margaret Wynnemer

Linda Grant
 In honor of Rod Searle and Newell Searle

Diane Wendland
 In honor of Sister Janel Crumb, OSF



Newell Searle
 In Honor of Linda Grant

UNRESTRICTED MEMORIALS

In memory of Betty Bang

by Donna Fostveit
 by Russ and Terri Ingram
 by Lorraine Carlson
 by Dick and Deb Chambers

In memory of Jim Bauman

by Linda Grant

In memory of Donald Born

by Donna Fostveit
 by Don and Margaret Wynnemer

In memory of Stan Broughton

by Sheila Morris
 by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Wayne "Bumps" Brown

by Donna Fostveit
 by Rod and Ruth Searle
 by Henry and Phyllis Lewer

In memory of Eloise Butler

by Ruth Ann and Don Miller
 by John and Delancy Sutlief
 by Janette and Bob Larson

In memory of Orville Deppe

by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Lavern Ewert

by Margaret Ewert

In memory of Dave Gehloff

by Gene and Kathy Rosenthal

In memory of Dorothy Gigeay

by Dan and Kati Giesen
 by Donna Fostveit
 by Constance Mahler
 by Marianne Adelman
 by Marjorie Giesen
 by Marcia Schoeder
 by Betty McIntire

In memory of Dorothy & Charlie Gigeay, and Robert Gigeay

by Marge and Andy Giesen

In memory of David Hoversten

Pearl Hoversten



In memory of Sam Juberian
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Jeff Kapaun
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of "Buster" Kaupa
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Louis Kopischke
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of David Krampitz
by Sylvia Krampitz and family
by Gene and Kathy Rosenthal

In memory of Marilyn Lau
by Henry and Phyllis Lewer

In memory of Alvina Lewer
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Jeannie Mittelsteadt
by Norma Witt
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Vern Moe
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Jack Mooney
by Rod and Ruth Searle
by Silvan Durben

In memory of Bob Mulcahey
by Jack and Jane Kolars

In memory of Bethel Perkins
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Genelle Phelps Reck
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Burton Quast
by Earl and Sally Lamont

In memory of Harold Schmidt
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Nora Schoenfeld
by Sheila Morris
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Robert Seha
by Earl and Sally Lamont

In memory of Tony Slecta
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Richard Strohl
by Earl and Sally Lamont

In memory of Paul E. Sutter
by Donna Fostveit

In memory of Ward Wendt
by John, Jim and Tom Tetzloff

In memory of Dr. Leland West
by Donna Fostveit

RESTRICTED MEMORIALS

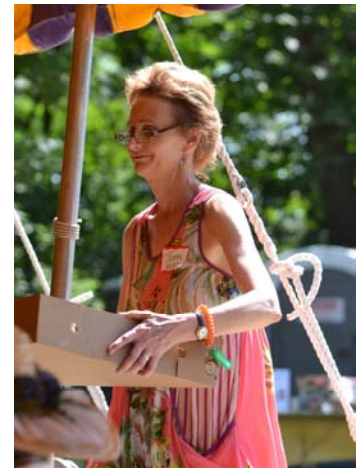
**In memory of Dr. Leland West
to the WCHS Endowment Fund**
by Rod and Ruth Searle

**In memory of Lavern Ewert
to the Jerry and Linda Rutledge
Heritage Fund**
by Margaret Sinn

**In memory of Paul Sutter
to the Bailey-Lewer Library**
by Robert and Janette Larson
by Ruthann and Don Miller
by Delency and JoAnn Sutlief

**In memory of Jack Mooney
to the WCHS Endowment Fund**
by Patrice Abbe

**In memory of Nancy Krueger
In memory of Luella Selvik
In memory of Marian Lawson
In memory of Roxanne Bronson
In memory of George Cowles
In memory of Keith Graham
In memory of Eleanor Gifford
In honor of JoAnn & Delency
Sutlief's 50th Wedding Anniversary**
by Donald and Ruth Ann Miller,
to the Bailey-Lewer Library



**In honor of Pearl Hoversten, and
in memory of William T. Hoversten,
David Hoversten, Clara Ristau Wolter,
Clarence Wolter, Martha Rottkey Hoversten,
and George Hoversten** by Patricia and
William L. Hoversten, **to ADA
Project matching funds**



VOLUNTEERS

WCHS has devoted volunteers as well as our Board of Directors and their families, who assist with annual and special events. We are grateful to all for their time and labor. In 2012 our volunteer and visitor totals were diminished because of the cancellation of Ice Harvest due to unseasonable warm weather and melting ice; and the cancellation of our Holiday Open House/Exhibit due to late start on ADA compliancy project.

Briggs, Dawn
 Bursham, Shanae
 Buum, Karen
 Cliff, Barb
 Dobberstein, Ralph
 Dunn, Dave
 Espe, Charles
 Espe, Kathy
 Forsythe, Diane
 Fostveit, Donna
 Gauger, Barbara
 Gerdtts, Mary Sue
 Gilbertson, Carolyn
 Hofmann, Jan
 Hofmann, Larry
 Holmquist, Harlan
 Jessen, Geoff
 Johnson, Jody
 Jones, Karl
 Kastle, George
 Kiesler, Barb
 King, Barb
 King, Jim
 Krause, Curt
 Krause, Karen
 LDS Elders
 Lundquist, Jean
 Morris, Rick
 Nelson-Deppe, Nancy
 Nissen-Boyer, Audra
 Parkinen, Hannah

Peterson, Eileen
 Piche, Tom
 Purcell, Pat
 Purcell, Ron
 Roberts, Chase
 Routh, Scott
 Schoenrock, Loren
 Searle, Rod
 Searle, Ruth
 Swain, Elizabeth-WHS/YSL
 Thornton, Linda
 Tippy, Jim
 Tippy, Moira
 Vetsch, Twylla
 Waseca Co Girl Scouts
 Wynnemer, Don
 Youngberg, Henry
 Youngberg, Katie
 Zwach, Don

Lifting and moving artifacts:
 Suburban Furniture's
 Aaron/Tim/Kevin

Summer Parades:
For Janesville HayDaze:
 Deml, Gary
 Pope, David
 King, Jim
 King, Morgan
 Sather, Sydney
 Sather, Spencer

For New Richland's Farm-City Days:
 Strenge, Gary
 Espe, Charles

For Waseca Marching Classic:
 Anderson, David and Penny
 Piche, Tom
 Rohde, Laura
 Parkinen, Hannah
 Parkinen, Caitlin

For donation of office furniture:
 Hintz, Tom-ComSquared Systems

Co-Director Joan Mooney with Hartley Elementary students



KEY ARTIFACTS DONATED

We often explain to visitors that we can only maintain what we are given. Education to the public is ongoing regarding the next phase of Waseca County history that must be collected and saved. Here are some important artifacts that came to us in 2012:

- Alonzo "Stub" Hess Papers, Janesville resident and athlete. By Mary McComb
- 1970 Waseca Hotel Fire video/DVD recordings. By Tim Schroeder
- Janesville School District #73 Records. By Doris Berger
- Beisner Family Farm photo in Blooming Grove. By Lavern Holt
- Waseca Nelmoor Stables, State and Park Theater owner E. P. Nelson history and photos. By Phil Nelson
- Elizabeth Kain Tesch wedding gown, Byron Township. By Patricia Coy
- Architect Clarence Johnston DVD (born in Okaman). By Patricia and Bill Hoversten
- Baby and doll carriages used by Bonnie Von Sien Born. By Susan Boje
- Don Eustice coffee mugs; Foley and Arnoldt Funeral Home memorabilia, Janesville High School and Janesville city photos. By Richard Sandberg
- Mamie Kruger Ewest wedding gown of Wilton. By Dorothy Clayton
- Janesville, Palmer and Waseca souvenir glassware. By Susan Wadd Mundale
- Zimmerman-Powell family history book. By Terry Ernst
- Herter's Inc. sales catalogs. By Vanessa Zimprich
- Autobiography of Charles Hofmann, Beekeeper of Janesville. By Larry Hofmann
- World War II First Aid Kit. By Arthur Carlson
- Wilton School District #91 Records. By Charlene Roemhildt
- Clothing and memorabilia of Dorothy Gigeay of Waldorf and Waseca. By Marge Giesen
- Oak cabinet, chinaware, sterling silver tableware from Goodspeed estate. By Moriarty/Stewart
- Herter fire, State Street photos. By Janette Larson
- Photos from the Della Paulson Tollefson estate of Otisco Township. By Connie Calvert
- Kagermeier architectural drawings and photos of county school and business buildings. By Kagermeier
- Southern Minnesota Grocery Company records and Farmers' Elevator records. By Gene Miller



ENDOWMENTS: What are they? What do they mean for the future of a non-profit like your WCHS?

Gifts to the WCHS Endowment Funds keep on giving forever!

The heart of the ability to sustain funding over time is our family of endowment funds maintained by the Waseca Area Foundation. The Society has seven funds graciously initiated and contributed to by generous members of WCHS and the Waseca County community. Our strategy is to keep building these funds to reach our goal of becoming independently sustained someday. If you believe in our mission—to maintain and interpret Waseca County history always, you have an opportunity. Consider giving to one of the following funds.

There are two categories of endowment funds: 1) The Nonprofit Endowment Funds were initiated by the Society with donated funds made directly to WCHS. The distribution from these funds is called *interest income*. A donation check is made payable to the *Waseca County Historical Society*. 2) The Designated Endowment Funds were initiated by individual's direct donation to create an endowment—providing *grant income*. This donation check is made payable *Waseca Area Foundation* and is designated one of these WCHS Endowments. Or, it is possible for you to create a new named endowment fund with a minimum contribution.

THE WCHS NONPROFIT ENDOWMENTS

WCHS Lifetime Endowment Fund

By board policy all Lifetime (\$1,000) Memberships are forwarded to this Fund created in 2008. All of our Lifetime Members understand the need for membership support and they do so with this commitment. Many continue to donate every year over and above this Lifetime Membership.

Frank and Barbara Goodspeed Memorial Fund

This endowment was created in 2005 from a donation by Dorothy Moriarty in memory of her beloved aunt and uncle. Frank Goodspeed was a native Wasecan and served on the first WCHS Board of Directors and for many years. Dorothy Moriarty left a substantial bequest to this fund at her death in March 2012.

Phil Allen Memorial Fund

Phil Allen loved history and he loved horticulture. After a career of teaching Horticulture at the University of Minnesota-Waseca, he volunteered countless hours during the renovation process of transforming the P.C. Bailey house back to new life as the Bailey-Lewer History Research



THE GOODSPEEDS



PHIL ALLEN



EDGAR AND ETHEL JOHNSON



JERRY AND LINDA RUTLEDGE



DR. WES AND CAROL RETHWILL

Library. Phil also worked with Joan Mooney on the landscape plan that includes so many heritage plants and flowers. When Phil died, the Phil Allen Memorial Fund was created in 2004 to specifically benefit the Bailey-Lewer Library always.

THE WCHS DESIGNATED ENDOWMENTS

Edgar F. and Ethel Johnson Fund

In 1923 Edgar and Ethel Johnson started a small business in their garage in Waseca that grew to become the E.F. Johnson Co., manufacturers of radio components, CB radios, and forerunners of cellphone technology. It no longer exists, but during its time it won the coveted Navy "E" Award for WWII bond sales and radio service provided overseas. Edgar and Ethel, as well as Edgar's brothers Everett and Marvin and their wives, were proud of the company that employed so many in the Waseca area and cultivated a great work ethic and community pride. The Johnsons were especially supportive of the Waseca County Historical Society by purchasing the present museum building, renovating, and donating it to the Society in 1964. The Edgar F. and Ethel Johnson Foundation was the first Waseca Area Foundation Fund created to benefit WCHS.

WCHS Endowment Fund

This endowment fund was created in 2000 by the Board of Directors and then Executive Director Margaret Sinn with a special anonymous donation.

Jerry and Linda Rutledge Heritage Fund

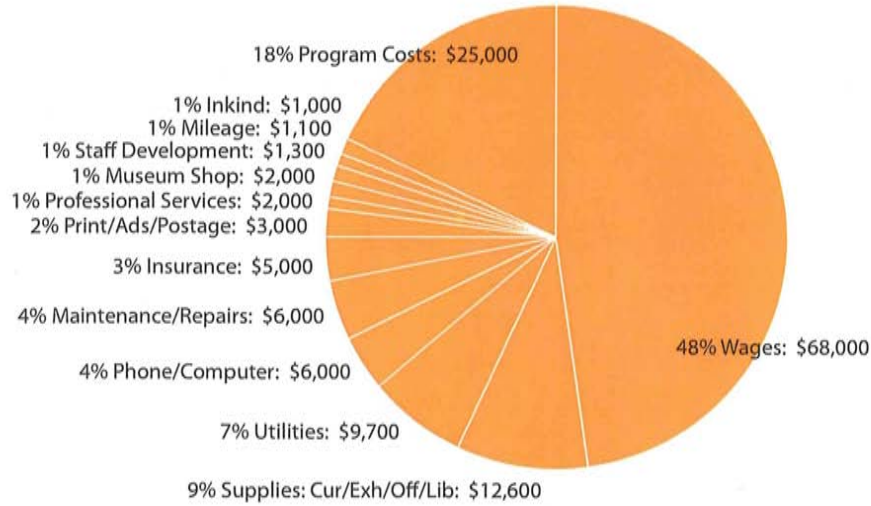
The Rutledges created this endowment fund in 2006—a statement of his continuous support for Waseca County history. Jerry is a native and lifelong resident of Waseca and retired CEO of Waseca Mutual Insurance Company. He is a current member of the Board of Directors, having served as President in 2008. During his term as Board President, he led and challenged our membership and the community to participate in the first-ever WCHS capital campaign—to celebrate Waseca County's 150th Anniversary. Not stopping there, also in 2008, Jerry and Linda announced a generous Charitable Remainder Trust that will eventually benefit WCHS.

Wes and Carol Rethwill History Fund

Dr. Wesley Howard Rethwill Jr. was raised in Waseca, in the same beautiful brick home he was born in, and in the neighborhood of its founding fathers just off east Elm Avenue. His love for Waseca County history goes beyond remembering. He relishes the past events and people that gave him such a full life as a dentist in a small town. Besides creating this endowment fund in 2007, Dr. Rethwill has sponsored events and donated many artifacts, photographs and an oral history.

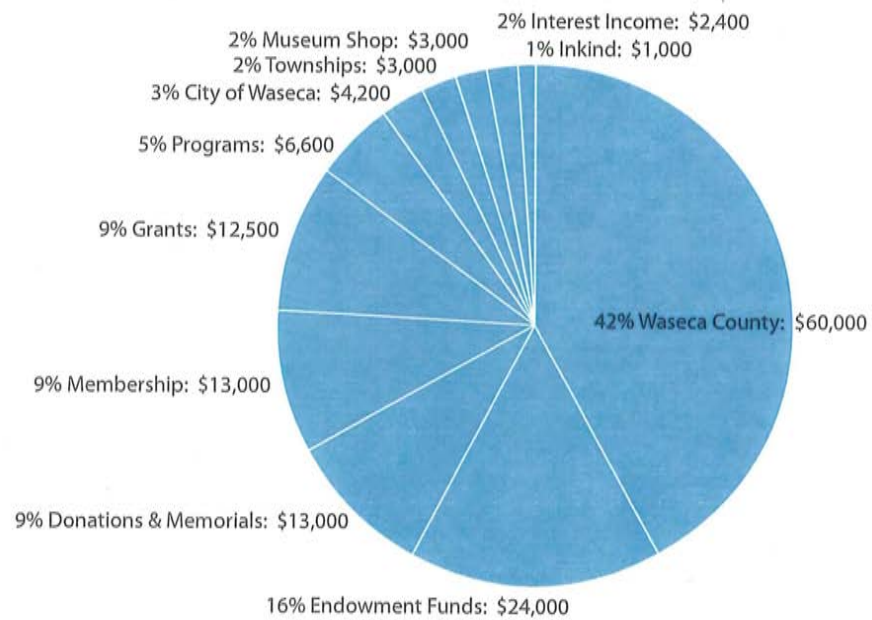
Waseca County Historical Society MUSEUM & LIBRARY

OPERATING EXPENSES: 2013 BUDGET \$142,700



Waseca County Historical Society MUSEUM & LIBRARY

FUNDING SOURCES: 2013 BUDGET, \$142,700



**Waseca County Historical Society
As of December 31, 2012**

Balance Sheet

	Unrestricted	Restricted Assets	Board Designated Capital Reserve	Total
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	91,510.98	25,838.36	66,009.37	183,358.71
Inventory	20,378.65			20,378.65
Net Building and Equipment	150,032.50			150,032.50
Fund Assets*		424,702.00		424,702.00
TOTAL ASSETS	261,922.13	450,540.36	66,009.37	778,471.86
LIABILITIES & EQUITY				
Liabilities	2,024.49			2,024.49
Equity				
Retained Earnings	405,045.12			405,045.12
Net Income	371,402.25			371,402.25
Total Equity	776,447.37			776,447.37
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	778,471.86	0.00	0.00	778,471.86

*Permanently Restricted Funds.

Statement of Activities

Opening Cash & Cash Equivalents Balance(12/31/2011):		159,081.71
Revenue		
Contributed Support		
Appropriations	68,025.00	
Grants	69,681.27	
Donations & Memorials	300,642.00	
Other Revenue Minus COGS	58,073.92	
Total Income	496,422.19	
Expenses		
Operations	83,316.36	
Facilities	21,130.64	
Program	20,572.94	
Total Expenses	125,019.94	
Net Income	371,402.25	
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income(+)	188.31	
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities(-)	347,313.56	
Closing Cash & Cash Equivalents Balance(12/31/2012):		183,358.71
Net Cash Increase to Checking Account for 2012	24,277.00	24,277.00

Waseca County Historical Society

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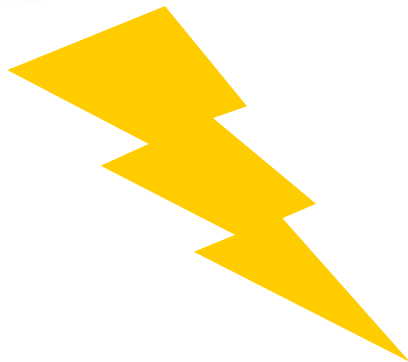
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There are Lots of Different Ways to Give!

Contact Sheila Morris, 507-835-7700 about any of these support programs.

- 1. Give to our Annual Fund.**
- 2. Make a donation toward ADA Compliancy Project.**
- 3. Donate to any one of seven Endowment Funds for an endless gift.**
- 4. Plan a bequest.**
- 5. Be a Sustainer with a \$100 new or renewed membership.**
- 6. Join or renew starting at \$25 annually. Make a Gift of WCHS Membership to a friend.**
- 7. Be a History Partner by pledging \$1,000 per year for three years.**
- 8. Give a WCHS Membership to a friend or to a family member.**
- 9. Patronize or sponsor a fundraiser to benefit WCHS.**
- 10. Visit our website regularly. Check out the Events & Support pages.**
- 11. Advocate for your Waseca County history by talking to neighbors, friends, family members and funders!**

WCHS is the history center for all of Waseca County—past, present and future!