

Paddlewheel Press

Grand Forks County Historical Society Fall 2018

Craft Sale

The Annual Craft Guild Holiday Sale will be held on Saturday, Nov. 3rd from 8:30 to 1:00 p.m. Come early for the best selection of sweet treats and hand crafted items.



Annual Meeting

Please plan to attend our Annual Meeting and election of Officers on Monday, October 22nd at 5:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

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Please remember, you can help the Society by shopping with Amazonsmile.com. A portion of each purchase is donated to our organization. Just select Grand Forks County Historical Society as your beneficiary.

Thanks!

Post Office at 150

Grand Forks' Original Post Office was built in 1868 by Nicholas Hoffman and August Loon. The two signed a contract with the U.S. Government to carry mail between Ft. Abercrombie and Ft. Pembina on the Canadian Border. They chose "Les Grandes Fourche" as their half way point and built this log cabin on what is today Reeves Drive.

In 1870 the cabin became Grand Forks' first post office. Sanford Cady occupied the cabin and was appointed our city's first postmaster. He served in the position for one year and then John Stewart took over in a nearby cabin that stood near Reeves Drive and 8th Ave. S.

When the Reeves Drive neighborhood was being developed this cabin was moved.





It is believed that it was first moved to an Post Office Before Restoration



Post Office During 1975 Restoration

unidentified location on South Third St. It was moved again to 124 Cottonwood Street by 1910, at the intersection of Cottonwood and 2nd Ave. South. It remained there for many years. On Sanborn Fire Insurance maps it is identified as a log building. An addition was built on the back, the interior walls were covered with plaster and the exterior covered with siding

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Phone 775-2216

LEGENTS OF TERROR

Our annual Halloween themed events are soon approaching. The Legends of Terror Haunted House will be held on Friday and Saturday, October 19 and 20 from 8 p.m. until Midnight. Each of our museum buildings will be transformed for Halloween haunts and fun.

Volunteers from Red River High School will help with acting and make up. There is always a lot of time con-



suming set up work before the event. If you would like to help in any way please call or stop by our office.

Half Pint Haunt

The Half Pint Haunt will be held on Sunday, October 29th from 1-4 p.m. This event is for families with small children. Kids may trick or treat in all of our buildings and enjoy treats and a fun Halloween story inside the Myra Museum with our best volunteer, Bonnie Cameron.

Admission for Legends of Terror is \$10, Admission for the Half Pint Haunt is \$3 per person or \$10 per family.



Entertaining History

The Entertaining History schedule will be announced soon. There will be a good variety of topics beginning in January and continuing through April.

One program will incorporate an Antique Quilt Show along with a presentation on the history of the art of quilting and the ways that quilters expressed messages through quilt patterns such as slave quilts.

Presenters, so far, will include Gordon Iseminger, Mike Jacobs, Greg Gust from the National Weather service. We will send out a schedule when it's complete.



Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 5th for our second annual Rock and Roll Christmas Party.

Kenny and the Classics will perform your favorite Rock and Roll and Christmas tunes as you dance and enjoy snacks with friends. A cash bar will be available so you can raise a glass to celebrate the beginning of the Holiday Season.

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During Urban Renewal in the early 1970s it was rediscovered and moved to the Historical Society in 1975; the first building added to the grounds after the opening of the Campbell House. It was restored by volunteers from the Telephone Pioneers Association and set up as a country store. Thank you to Reg Urness for donating the restoration photos.

