



#### RENTAL POLICY

McCook alumni and other groups should be aware that the museum has purchased tables and chairs and developed a rental policy for the facility. Rates are \$50/half day and \$100 full day. Several class reunions and social events have already been held at this location. Call 308-345-3661 for details and to reserve a date.

#### TEMPORARY EXHIBITS

Did you know that a temporary exhibit is put together every six weeks or so in the art gallery at the museum? 2024 has already featured over five hundred snowmen items including a special mural by art students at St. Patrick's school. Items from throughout the museum were gathered to replicate the George Norris cabin at Waupaca, Wisconsin. The newest exhibit is a free-will donation rummage sale where deaccessioned items from museum storage are looking for a new home.

#### ACQUISITIONS

The most unusual acquisition in January was a set of military drones donated by former McCook resident, Dean McCoy.

#### BOARD RETREAT

A majority of the ten-member High Plains Historical Society board stayed following the February regular meeting for a retreat led by Nebraska Community Foundation employee, Denise Garey. Besides getting to know the members better, committees and goals of the association were reviewed and revised.

#### SPECIAL DONATIONS

The museum has recently partnered with Samway Floor Covering and Furniture who donated glass display cases for our use and with VK Electronics who donated and installed a big screen television in the media display room. A grant from the McCook Community Foundation Fund has been instrumental in obtaining a sound system and computer projector for museum events. A special THANK YOU to these benefactors!

#### NMA CONFERENCE

Board members Sue Doak, Jamie Mockry, Laci Ingels and Sharon Bohling as well as site-manager Linda Buck will be attending the Nebraska Museums Association conference at Stuhr Museum in Grand Island April 8-9. Stay tuned for details.

#### BOARD SPOTLIGHT

Name: Sharon Bohling (current treasurer)

Hometown Museum: Nuckolls County Museum  
Superior NE

How I came to be in McCook: Moved here in 1976 to teach for 2 to 5 years

Other McCook activities: Buffalo Commons Storytelling Festival, community volunteer, Library Board, Our Saviors Lutheran Church

Something you may not know about me: I play saxophone in the Oberlin Area Concert Band and a little piano at my church.

How I came to be on the HPHS Board: recruited by Cloyd Clark and Linda Hedges

One dream for the museum: to relocate women's clothing and the mannequins looking over the railing.

**All rails lead to the Museum of the High Plains**