



New Membership Year

July 1st marked the beginning of a new membership year for the High Plains Historical Society. Please take the time to **renew your membership now** so you will continue to be informed about special events at the museum.

Annual Meeting

More than thirty members and guests attended the annual meeting on July 8. Joy Hayden did an excellent job relating the 1935 Republican River flood to the floods in Texas today as she shared some facts and similarities. Anna LaBay (a new member), Carol Schlegel, Phil Lyons and Laci Ingels were all selected to serve a three year term on the Board. If you are interested in the year-in-review, the financial report or the budget for 2025-26, copies are still available at the museum.

Wanted: Volunteers

The Museum is always looking for good volunteers. If you have a special interest or skill to share please let Linda Buck know your contact information.

2025-2026 Officers

New officers for the High Plains Historical Society elected at their July board meeting are

President Jamie Mockry

Vice-president Jimmy McCarville

Secretary Laci Ingels

Treasurer Sharon Bohling

Thanks to these folks for their willingness to serve!

Board Spotlight

Name: Linda Buck (site manager)

Hometown Museum: Hitchcock County Museum in
In Trenton

How I came to be in McCook: Born in McCook, grew up in Palisade, lived in Lincoln 4 years, lived in Denver 35 years. Moved to McCook in 2019 to take care of Mom.

Other McCook Activities: McCook Arts Council, McCook Community Kitchen, McCook Art Guild, member of Southwest Nebraska Genealogical Society, member Order of the Eastern Star in McCook and Bartley

Something you may not know about me: My great, great uncle (Samuel True) founded the town of Palisade. My father's family were early homesteaders in the area. My mother's family immigrated in 1912 from Germany and Russia.

How I came to be on the HPHS Board: Looking for something to do part time

One dream for the museum: Turn the Carnegie Library into a Research Library and bring in the Southwest Nebraska Genealogical Society.

Community Involvement

Open hours have been extended to include the Third Thursday activities of McCook's Creative District. The Museum is also involved in the Kid's Summer Passport program in conjunction with McCook City Library, the Art Bank, the Art Guild, and the Norris Home.

All rails lead to the Museum of the High Plains