

Changing exhibits just a small part of what's happening at Prairie Museum

Unlike some small-town museums where the most exciting activity is dusting the artifacts, there is always a lot going on around the Prairie Museum. This monthly column will attempt to give you a glimpse behind the scenes and keep you abreast of upcoming events.



Ann Miner

• Around the Museum

After a successful month-long run, Anne Frank: A History for Today has been bundled up and shipped off. We were pleased to host this thought-provoking exhibit as a complement to our permanent military exhibit, Over Here Over There: Honoring Those Who Serve, which opened at the same time. Several Thomas County school classes took advantage of the free admission to attend, as did other area schools whose students and teachers benefited from discounted rates. Though the exhibit did cost us, we chose it largely for its educational value and wanted it to be as accessible as possible to area kids. Several civic organizations held their meetings in the Garvey Education Room so that their members could view the exhibits; and just as a reminder, this room as well as the barn and church are available to rent for meetings, weddings, reunions and receptions.

Necessary. Larry has had to build several new stands for the uniforms since we quickly exhausted our store of body forms, and each uniform is steam-pressed before mounting. So if you have donated a uniform but not yet seen it in the exhibit, be patient – it'll have its place in the case soon enough. We do plan to rotate different uniforms and objects in and out of the exhibit periodically to reduce the potential damage that can be caused by lengthy exposure to light.

Sue is interviewing Natalie Urbom about her service as a nurse in London during World War II. Larry Barrett is videotaping the interview, and this will be added to our growing archive of oral accounts of military and other life experiences. These can then be used as a basis for programs, research, and exhibits. We encourage all Thomas County senior citizens willing to share their military or home front experiences to contact us at the museum.

We continue to receive uniforms and other artifacts for the military exhibit. As with any donation, each of these items is carefully documented with an accession number, donor name, and description, with further research done if

Leo Oliva was here on the 17th for February's "Food for Thought" talk. He gave a program on Kansas military forts, covering the

most well-known of these like Ft. Leavenworth and Ft. Hays, as well as more short-lived forts such as Mann and Atkinson. One of the tidbits he relayed about the latter was that in the historical files concerning the fort lies a formal requisition form for a dozen cats – apparently this sod fort had a big rodent problem!

Oh and yes, we do occasionally have to dust!

Upcoming programs: Photographer Roxie Yonkey is exhibiting her works in the Garvey Education Room through April. We will be holding a meet-the-artist reception for her on Saturday, April 16.

At our next "Food for Thought" luncheon Thursday, humanities scholar Diane Eickhoff will speak on "Women in the Civil War."

Our annual meeting will be at noon on Thursday, April 21, when Ron Evans will speak on his military service in Vietnam. On May 6, we will once again welcome area school children at our all-day Prairie Fair. Come on out and see what's new around the museum!

For information, visit the museum website at www.prairiemuseum.org, call us at (785) 460-4590, or email us at museumed@st-tel.net.

Ann Miner is the education director at the Prairie Museum of Art and History. The photo shows Natalie Urbom as an Army nurse.



Gary and Marilyn Reed on their wedding day

Museum's the place for anniversary party

The children of Gary and Marilyn Reed are having an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Prairie Museum of Art and History.

The couple was married March 26, 1961, in Oakley. Their children are Kim and

Ralph Wolf of Colby and Mike and Heather Reed of Blue Springs, Mo.

The family requests no gifts, though donations may be made in their honor to Pickin' on the Plains, Hospice or Genesis-Thomas County.

Cards may reach the Reeds at 850 Cedar, Colby, Kan., 67701.

Thomas County Jail

Booked into the Thomas County jail:

- Jose Luis Gutierrez, 48, Los Angeles, Jan. 6, sale/distribution of other certain illegal drugs, conspiracy, unlawful use of communication facility, no drug tax stamp, Kansas Highway Patrol, released Monday to other agency.

- Dusken Allen Juenemann, 19, Colby, Feb. 7, probation violation, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released Monday for time served.

- Eric Michael Blanton, 20, Colby, March 1, possession of certain hallucinogenic drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, Sheriff's Office, released same day with charges pending.

- Anita Laine Tippets, 28, Colby, last Friday, driving with license suspended or revoked, violation of protective order, no proof of insurance, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to appear.

- Max Alexander Krejckant, 20, Tigard, Ore., Saturday, possession of certain hallucinogenic drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, Sheriff's Office, released same day on notice to appear.

- Frankie Lane Stevens, 40, Monument, Saturday, battery, criminal trespass, Sheriff's Office, released Wednesday on \$25,000 bond.

- Steven Richard White Jr., 39, Colorado Springs, Colo., Sunday, driving with license suspended or revoked, Highway Patrol, released same day on notice to appear.

- Christopher Ferren, 38, Denver, Monday, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office/Colorado Transport, released same day to other agency.

- Stevy Ray Geise, 23, Colby, Tuesday, disorderly conduct, Colby Police, released Wednesday on recognizance.

- Janet Susan Tabor, Colby, Wednesday, protective custody, Sheriff's Office, released same day.

Wrestler's grandmother from Rexford

Cleda Moeder of Rexford went to the state wrestling tournament in Salina to see her grandson, Taylor Moeder, a senior at St. James Academy in Lenexa, compete.

He won the 140-pound class. His record for the year was 49 wins and no losses.

A number of other relatives, were also able to attend.

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