

THE MUSEUM MESSENGER

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Special Edition



The Carter Family is preparing to cut the Ribbon.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT – RAY ROTHGEB

It was a privilege to have members of the Charley Carter family present for the elevator ribbon cutting. When Charley was a member of the museum board he introduced the idea of an elevator for the museum and had plans drawn. After his death, Charley's estate gave the museum a sizable stock gift. That gift was the seed money for the current \$459,000 "Elevate the Museum" project. And yes, we built the elevator. Did we get the cart before the horse? Well Maybe! Did we open the elevator before the "Elevate the Museum" fund drive was done? Well... Yes! And this is why. All but about \$35,000 has been raised for the \$459,000 project. The board has been able to pay for all work done and will be able to borrow from its own invested funds to complete the project. We trust donors with outstanding balances to complete their pledge, so we can pay back those invested funds. So why did we not wait till the end of the fundraising period: 1) We wanted to accommodate the Carter family with the ribbon cutting, 2) we trust our donors to meet their commitments, and 3) we want the museum to be at its best for the Kansas Museum Association Conference in November. Admittedly, we still have some tweaking to do on the elevator: finishing the upper level and restoring and creating new exhibit space; but when the final dollar is in, the last exhibit restored, and tweaking is done, IHMAC will be ready – not just for the Kansas Museum Association, but for a new era of service. An era that will see increased use, increased programming, appealing activities, and extended recognition!

WORK DAYS

Every day is a work or cleaning day at the Museum.

If you want to help clean or work on an exhibit and an evening would work better for you, contact the office and arrangements for late hours will be made.

We have a big job ahead of us to get our Museum and Art Center ready for the KMA conference (Nov. 7-9) and other special events coming up.

We still need to rebuild the Governor's Room, build the NEEWOLLAH Room and rearrange several of the other areas. Lots of items need to be moved to the Attic.

The more helpers; the easier the job will be!!!!!!

GALLERY USAGE

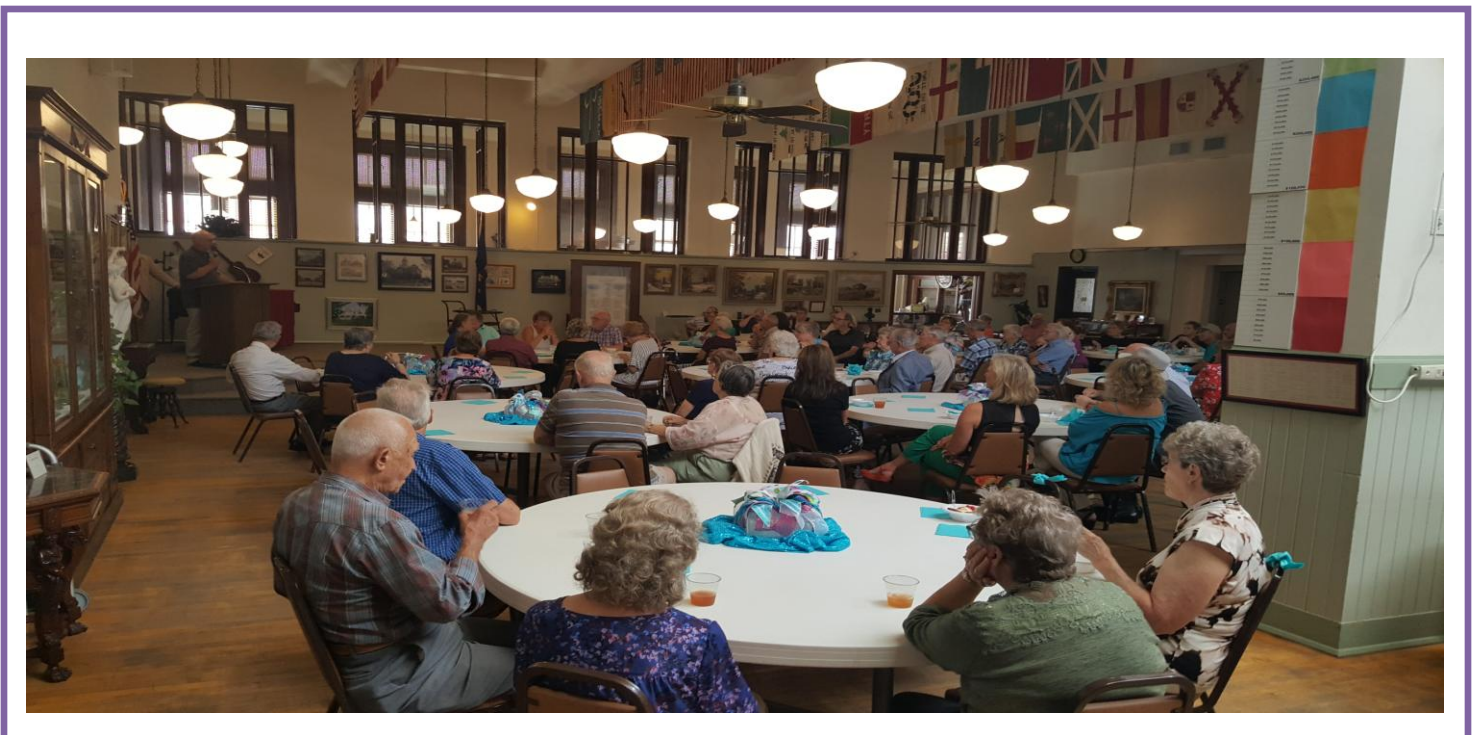
If you or your group plans to use the Gallery for any events, please check in the Office to make sure there are no conflicts.

THANK YOU!!

Thank you for all the generous donations you have brought in, the time you have spent on Museum projects and the help you have given. They are all greatly appreciated!!!!



And the ribbon is cut!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Charley Carter's family - pictured left to right: Bethany Palla-great granddaughter, Lila Carter-daughter-in-law, Brad Carter-son, Sue Prince-daughter, Shana Carter Palla-great granddaughter and John Palla-great grandson.



Historical Research Center – Kirsten Webster

The Historical Research Center will participate in the 100 Mile Rummage Sale on Friday and Saturday, September 14th & 15th. If you have anything you would like to contribute to this sale (no clothing), we are open Tuesday thru Saturday from 10 am to 3:30 pm to take your items. A special thank you goes to all that have contributed in the past years. This keeps us connected to ancestrylibrary.

LUNCHEON

Randy Hoffman – Host

The next luncheon is scheduled for September 14 at noon.

Menu: Pizza, Salad, Ice Cream and Cookies, Tea and Coffee

Program: John Atlas – Washington School Remodeling

Please make your reservations by noon on September 12.

Cost of the meal is \$8.

If you plan to pay your dues at the luncheon; please pay with separate checks.

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Lot of helpers to Clean and
Rebuild Exhibits

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