

# *History Center* of Olmsted County



## **2018 Annual Report**

Presented May 22, 2019

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**Our Mission:** To give people of all ages and backgrounds access and opportunities to learn about the past through research, publications, interpretive exhibits, programs and events.

**Our Vision:** To become a gathering place for the broader community that inspires and encourages the exploration of history.

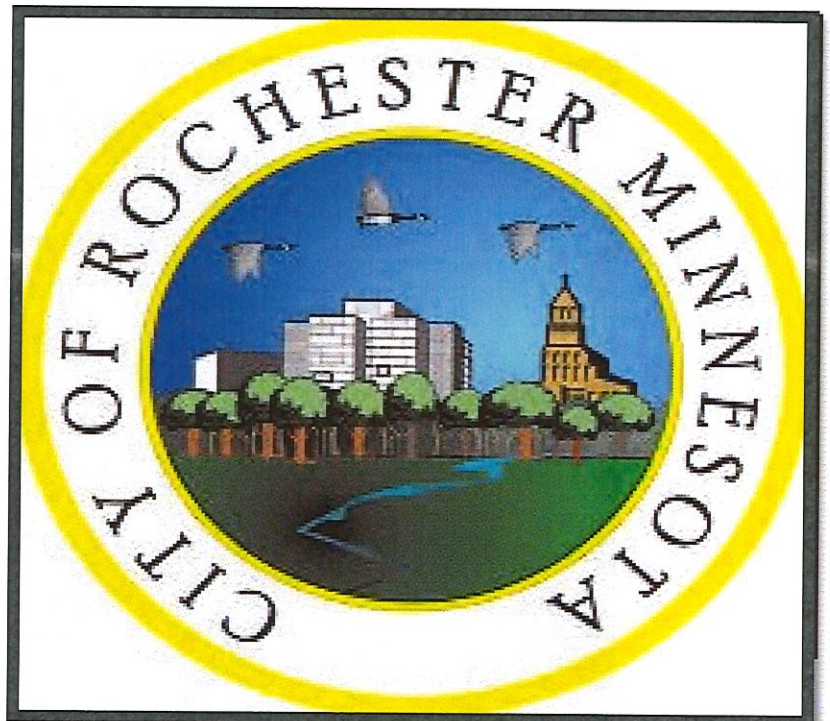
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**President-** Tom Leimer

As we reflect on the last year, it was another productive time at the History Center where we continued to add more general memberships, increased the amount of visitors on the Maywood tours, expanded the community garden, received a grant for archiving, provides numerous new exhibits, added programming to the Living History Fair, and continued to complete maintenance upgrades on our facilities. It was a very busy year!

As we look forward, we will continue to focus on increasing our membership, maintaining our facilities, and most importantly, thinking strategically about how the History Center can continue to provide a quality service to the Olmsted County residents. Some focuses over the next year will be repairing the foundation on the George Stoppel barn and creating a plan to utilize that property, continue our school outreach program, and partnering with other non-profit organizations for shared programing.

As you may have heard, our Executive Director Pat Carlson will be retiring the end of June this year. I want to thank Pat for the leadership she has provided the History Center during her time with us and we all wish her the best on her next adventure. Over the last few months the nominating committee has been working on our succession plan for the Executive Director position and we are pleased to announce that Wayne Gannaway will be joining the History Center as the new Executive Director on June 3rd. Wayne has over 20 years of experience working at the Minnesota Historical Society, the Mark Twain House & Museum, and most recently the Director of Programs at Thomas Jefferson’s Poplar Forest. We look forward to Wayne joining the team!

Lastly, I’d like to thank all the staff and volunteers that take care of the day-to-day activities, without their commitment the History Center would not be what it is today!





**Executive Director-** Pat Carlson

2018 was a year of building collaborations and continuing maintenance of community relationships. The History Center joined other non-profits in Olmsted County to seek solutions for common issues – lack of employee health insurance; high costs of technical support and equipment contracts; and affordable staff training.



The History Center successfully partnered with the Rochester Public Library to complete a grant for oral history. We continued with two additional projects: the Summer Reading Playlist and the Seed Library. It was exciting to begin the formation of the Women’s History Circle and exciting to establish a women’s history lecture series supported by the M.J. Schmitt Memorial Fund.

Our closest partners, DAR, MHRT, CWRT and Genealogy Society added their efforts to the Dee Cabin, the Ralph Stoppel Barn and Tin Smith building, the Living History Fair, the archives and helping visitors do research on family history. Other volunteers assisted in updating our records in the archives and the artifacts areas. They mowed the lawn, tended gardens, became docents for school tours, helped at the front desk, trailed on Mayowood tours, and served on program committees, to name a few. Unfortunately, the Friends of Mayowood decided to dissolve last year; they provided nearly \$600,000 over their lifespan for care and repair of the Mayowood Mansion and the collection. HCOG hopes some of those dedicated individuals will choose to share their time with the History Center. Our regular volunteers gave time amounting to nearly 2.5 full time staff equivalents. Thank you all for your support and the passion you bring to your volunteering here. We could not maintain our operations without your gifts of time and knowledge.

Like many other non-profits, HCOG continues to face funding challenges. The changes in tax law created confusion for many and had a chilling effect on donations. Although several grants were awarded to the Center for infrastructure work, this was the third year of addressing long delayed repairs and upgrades to the facility. Some of this work will continue in 2019, including repairs to Stoppel Barn and to the HVAC system.

Thank you to all who sponsored programs, awarded grants and otherwise supported our events financially. Our members and our donors assure we continue our work of gathering and sharing local and regional history.

I am leaving at the end of June, 2019. I will miss you all, especially the stories you share of your families, your lives, your adventures and your kindness. This has been a wonderful journey for me – lifelong learning with a paycheck. Au Revoir.

*Patricia Carlson*



## Fundraising and Events—Aleta Maccini

In March, we held our second annual “Women of Mayo: Living the History” event. This delightful experience of education and entertainment was held at the newly renovated Mayowood Mansion. Throughout the evening guests met actresses portraying many of the brilliant and dedicated women from the earliest years of the Mayo Clinic.

New this year we added two tea and dessert program time options in addition to two dinner and dessert program times. Guests enjoyed the dessert program with a table of historic friends in a guided conversation as they became an important character from Mayo’s formative years. They also had the opportunity to tour the rest of the mansion at their leisure while meeting several historic figures featured in the book *Women of Mayo Clinic: The Founding Generation* by Virginia M. Wright-Peterson, whom guests also had the privilege of meeting.

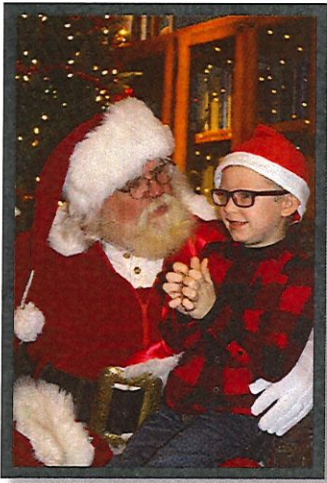
For the second year running, this event received positive reviews from both the guests and the volunteers. Our ongoing goal is to continue to build this event into becoming a successful fundraiser for the History Center. The next Women of Mayo event will be held in March 2020, as we rewrite the dessert program with different characters and new surprises!



From left to right: "young" Dr. Charlie Mayo, Dr. Andrew Mayo, Mrs. Cynthia Mayo (wife of Dr. Andrew), and Dr. Charlie Mayo.

Our annual Decorator’s Party at Mayowood Mansion was a success! For the second year, we have invited local media to attend this gathering in hopes to increase awareness about our Mayowood Mansion Christmas Tours. This event is also an open-house format for those who decorate the home for Christmas each year. This year, we had some extra special visitors from the Mayo family! We were honored to listen to stories of Mayowood past.





We had our third annual “Santa Visits the History Center” photo session in November 2018. For the third year, our “Santa” received impressive feedback, as did our treats! I would like to emphasize that this event does not require an admission fee, but asks for a goodwill donation for those who can afford it. A few of the families in attendance were appreciative of the fact that their children were not rushed out the door as soon as they had their photo opportunity with Santa, but could sit and watch him while having a cookie and cider. Some of those families had children who were reluctant to sit with Santa, however due to the relaxed format of our event, the children were often able to have the opportunity to interact with Santa more than once. We plan to continue this community-focused event in November 2019.

We continued to develop and improve our volunteer program in 2018. Volunteers are the heart and soul of what we are able to accomplish and recognizing them is essential! We enjoyed a BBQ-themed volunteer luncheon with a delicious catered meal from Hog Thai Catering. Volunteers each received a History Center of Olmsted County tote bag to thank them for their continued time and passion for our mission. We plan to increase the number of volunteer appreciation events in 2019. If you are interested in volunteering with us – we’d



**Roosters Vintage Baseball Team**



## **Mayowood Tours—** Kathy Dahl

I became the new Tour Guide Supervisor mid-June, 2018. My report will focus on Mayowood activities and accomplishments from June through December 2018.

My first order of business was to meet with the Mayowood guides in June to get their comments on what they felt was working well and what could be improved upon. The suggestion they felt most strongly about was to purchase a sign for the Mayowood gate entrance that would help guests know what days tours were being conducted. We designed a red background with white lettering sandwich board sign that reads "Mayowood Tours Today – Welcome!". This sign is placed outside the Mayowood gates each morning that tours are offered. It has encouraged those driving by to stop for a tour.

Other organizational improvements included: assigning the order in which guides would give tours, acquiring a white board for the guide room to use as a communication tool, created a sign out sheet to check out Mayowood related books and DVDs for guide educational use at home. We also purchased a small table to display the Experience Rochester Visitor Guide and Rochester maps in the Welcome Center for guest resources as they travel around Rochester.

We conducted 21 special group tours between July and October. Additional special group tours may have also been conducted between April and June before my start date.

The following numbers are a Guest Count Comparison and Total Revenue between the 2017 and the 2018 regular season tours between March and October:

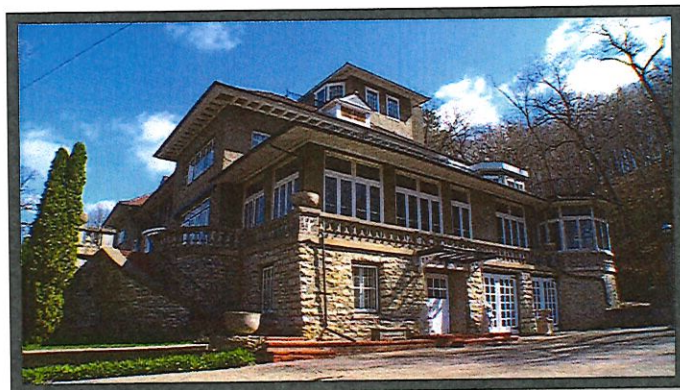
2017 Guest Total: 4,181	Total Revenue: \$67,594
2018 Guest Total: 4,421	Total Revenue: \$69,693

The following numbers are a Guest Count Comparison and Total Revenue between the 2017 and the 2018 Christmas Tours:

2017 Guest Total: 3,118	Total Revenue: \$63,305
2018 Guest Total: 3,078	Total Revenue: \$72,616

Note in 2018 we did not offer a discounted ticket price for large groups. The ticket prices were increased to cover the cost of the trolley for the Christmas tours.

Goals for 2019: 1) to increase numbers of visitors by expanding our marketing geographic area 2) to rewrite the tour script to assure historic accuracy as we add new guides 3) to capture the personal stories from guides who knew the Mayos so that those memories are not lost 4) to evaluate the impact of the 2019 tour schedule on visitor numbers and revenue.





## **Collections Management Report**—Kevin Whaley

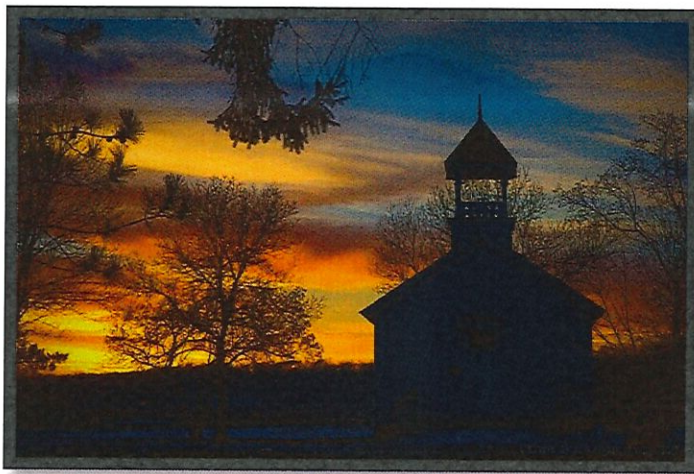
Thank you to everyone who donated artifacts in 2018. The History Center added 74 donations of artifacts into the permanent collection. Our staff, interns, and volunteers were very busy cataloging both these new donations and items from old donations that have been missed. Over 5000 artifacts were cataloged in 2018. These ranged from letters and photographs of the Mayo Family, fossils discovered in Olmsted County, our postcard collections, including the new donations from Alan Calavano's collection, much of our clothing collection, and hundreds of negatives on various subjects.

The staff were also extremely busy organizing the collection spaces. We inventoried our book collection and decided which of our 4,400 books were relevant to our collection and our mission. Those books that are not relevant have been removed from our collection and new homes were found for them. In the coming years, we will continue to evaluate and remove artifacts from our collection that do not facilitate our mission to educate the public. Another project that was done throughout the summer was continuing to process the Military Uniforms and organizing the collection space for their storage. This is an ongoing project that will hopefully continue in 2019.

As there was staff change over in 2018, the new collection manager decided to clean out the workspaces of previous curators and collections managers. This involved cleaning out the desks and filing cabinets used to store files and documents. Many of these were duplicates or out dated and were thrown out, clearing space for new files.

Although it opened in 2019, much of the work for Traveling While Black exhibit was done by the staff in 2018. A number of images were scanned and cataloged for the project, including many of the Avalon Hotel. The process for writing the panels and designing the exhibit began in 2018, including the development of a community group to advise on the content.

Kevin Whaley Collections Manager



Hadley Valley Schoolhouse

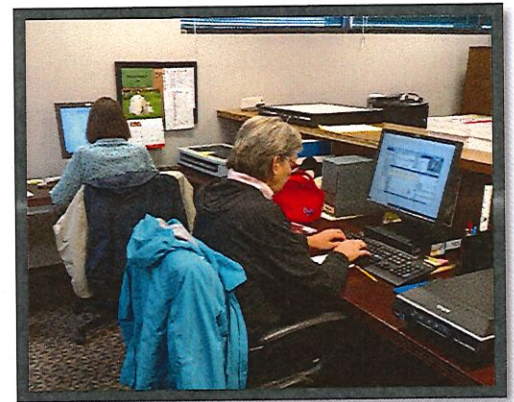
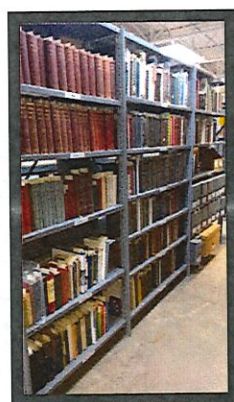
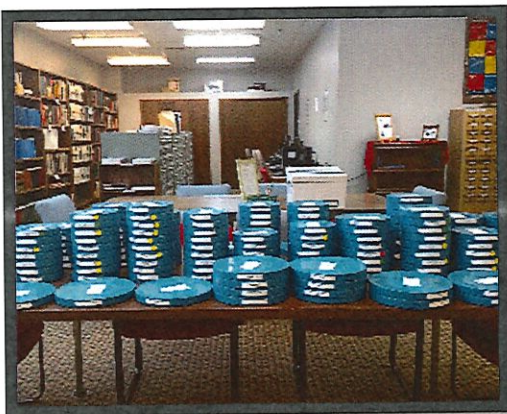
## From the Archivist— Krista Lewis

With our robust volunteer force, numerous projects are continuously and simultaneously in progress at the Willson Library and Wicklund Archives. Since a significant portion of our archival collection consists of photographic material – and happens to receive frequent requests – many of those projects are oriented toward improving its organization, access, and care. Other common projects are inventory based, which help us get a better grasp of what exactly we have in our holdings. Through our volunteers' efforts over the course of 2018, we have further improved the services we provide to researchers and patrons. We cannot thank them enough for all they do!

Aside from these ongoing projects, much of the work completed in the Archives in 2018 focused on two areas: our collection of KTTC news footage and our collection of books. At the end of 2017, the Archives received a Legacy Grant to digitize an extensive collection of film and U-matic tape from KTTC dating from 1976 to 1991. Much work went into preparing the material for shipment to the digitizing vendor. After digitization, about one-third of the collection still needed indexing. As you might imagine, viewing roughly 400 video files is a time-consuming process. But the work was well worth it considering that we now have 588 hours (requiring about 72 terabytes worth of hard drive space) of previously inaccessible footage fully described and available for use by all. Our collection of books is also now fully described and available for use. Reaching this goal began in 2016 with a complete inventory. It progressed in 2017 with the deaccession of about 2,000 books. In 2018 we reached the finish line by removing the deaccessioned books and reorganizing the remaining 1,500 books according to the Library of Congress classification system and creating a complete catalog record for each book.

One last achievement for the Archives in 2018 must be noted. Late in 2015, we began a collaboration with Ken Burns' documentary team. The final product of this came to fruition in September of 2018 when PBS aired "The Mayo Clinic: Faith-Hope-Science", a documentary which featured a number of photographs from our collection.

As always, we look forward to what the next year will bring!



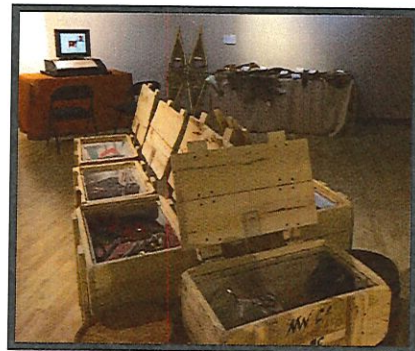


## From the Curator—Dan Nowakowski

In 2018 the History Center had the privilege of hosting three different traveling exhibits. These separate exhibits highlighted vastly different eras of history and connected their stories to Olmsted County. The first exhibit that we hosted was *Courage and Compassion: Our Shared Story of the Japanese American World War II Experience*. The exhibit focus was the treatment of Japanese Americans during World War II. The City of Rochester was selected as a host site because of St. Mary's Hospital and School for Nursing. The school allowed Japanese Americans to continue their education and work at St. Mary's during wartime when many others were relocated to internment camps. Working with the St. Mary's Alumni Association, I was able to tell the stories of these women who came to St. Mary's and the part St. Mary's played to bring these women to Rochester.

The Minnesota State Historical Society provided the next two exhibits. The *Minnesota Fur Trade* and *Electrifying Minnesota*. A requirement for the host is to provide additional information to the exhibits. Due to the geography of Olmsted County and the lack of waterways, the fur trade was not prominent for early pioneers of the county whose focus was lumber and farming. Electrical history was prominent with the forming of both Rochester Public Utilities and The People's Energy Cooperative. These two providers worked cohesively to bring Olmsted County out of the dark; literally. The cooperative eventually outgrew what Rochester Public Utilities could provide and had to join a different provider for electricity. Without the help of Rochester Public Utilities, the cooperative would not have been successful in bringing electricity to residents in the rural areas of Olmsted County.

In addition to the traveling exhibits, Olmsted County and the Great War were still on display, but is now being rotated out and replaced by new exhibits that highlight different topics of Olmsted County. Some examples are topics on race, women's history, and additional traveling exhibits for the coming years.



Additionally, with the new exhibits for 2018, I was able to finish a collection goal. The goal was to install more vertical shelving units for our art collection. These units added additional space for the artwork and provided a better method to store multiple pieces of artwork together in a safe way. I then reorganized the artwork by the type and size, which helps protect the artwork. We plan to continue updating the storage spaces of the collections in the future.



## Education and Programs— Aaron Saterdalen

### Winterfest 2018

Winterfest is the event and indoor fun is the name of the game. On Saturday, February 3 approximately 171 total people came out to visit the History Center and learn about cold weather food preparation that our pioneer settlers went through year after year. There were 5 stations set up in the History Center to teach people a little bit about their heritage. We had an apple press, sauerkraut maker, hands-on crafts, story time, and a color station. The stations were set up between the Crawford Room and the Sertoma Room.



### Scavenger Hunt

The 5th Annual Adult Scavenger Hunt hosted a total of 13 teams. The teams of 2- 4 people followed clues across Rochester while discovering local food, drink, and history. The teams were given clues to figure out where to end the scavenger hunt. Door prizes were awarded for their participation in the hunt. The

2018 Adult Scavenger Hunt was another success with 15 sponsors, in-kind donations, 50 participants, 4 volunteers and 1 staff. Plans are being made for the 6th Annual Adult Scavenger Hunt in Rochester, MN. Watch for the Adult Scavenger Hunt to make an appearance on October 26, 2019.

### 2018 School Tours/Field Trips

The History Center has conducted school tours/field trips to the community for decades. In 2018, nine schools came to the History Center to learn about history. Over 520 students plus chaperones enjoyed the History Center grounds and historic buildings. The Education & Programs Department is optimistic to continue to provide tours to the surrounding schools and home schoolers in 2019.





### Traveling Programs

New programs were developed and implemented for 2018. The traveling programs were conducted by the educator at various senior centers and schools, including, Riverbend, Rochester Montessori School, Rochester West Health Services, and Shorewood Senior Living. The traveling programs bring exposure to the surrounding counties and community which HCOOC serves. Outreach to local schools will include opportunities for additional traveling programs To be developed in 2019.

### History Center Outreach and Exposure to Olmsted County

The History Center staff and volunteers represented the History Center in the community in 2018. The History Center appeared at the Veterans Museum Hangar Dance, Local Heroes Days, a Honkers game, and the Olmsted County Fair. The exposure brought over 5,391 people both young and old visiting the History Center booths asking questions and inquiring about History Center events and programs. The History Center staff and volunteers are planning to attend those events in 2019, as well as adding the Seed Library events and the Garden Fair.

### Movies Under the Stars

Many people attended the evening outdoor movies and pre-movie activities at the History Center of Olmsted County. The movies included: Cars 3, Moana, Sing and Wonder. Some pre-movie activities included: The Rochester Community Band and a few classic cars. An estimated 602 adults and kids attended the Movies Under the Stars. Due to weather only 2 of the 4 movies could be shown but one was re-scheduled for 2019.

### Living History Fair

History Center staff and volunteers produced the 2018 Living History Fair. A total of 2,100 adults and children enjoyed 1800s living on July 14 & 15, 2018. So far, 2018 has been Living History Fair's most successful year to date. The two-day event hosted infantry and artillery reenactors, rendezvous living historians, vendors, demonstrators, volunteers, staff, and the general public. They experienced and interacted with the days of the 1800s. The 2018 Living History Fair featured the Siege of Vicksburg and the year 1863. New additions to the battlefield featured defensive barriers to make it look like the Stoppel Farm was under siege and therefore everything looked like it was "dug in". The two-day event takes a lot of volunteers and a dedicated staff to bring together over a period of months and months of planning. Thank you Living History Fair committee for your continued hard work! The 2018 Living History Fair added new demonstrators and volunteers to help implement the educational program by the History Center. In case you missed the 2018 Living History Fair, please join the History Center for the 2019 Living History Fair on Saturday, July 20 and Sunday, July 21.





Harvest Moon Fall Festival

It was a beautiful day to have an outdoor festival for the Thursday, October 18, 2018- MEA weekend. The activities included scarecrow decorating contest, pumpkin painting, apple cider press, rope making, broom tying, hayrides, and tours of the historic buildings. The Fall Festival hosted archery tag and an archery shooting gallery provided by Impact Entertainment of Stewartville, MN. Over 1,100 people enjoyed an afternoon of family fun.



**Princess CAFE**

The Princess Café

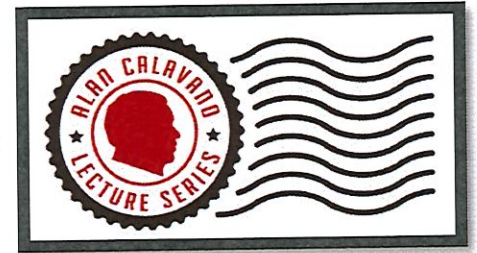
The Princess Café Lecture Series highlights historical topics and businesses associated with SE Minnesota and Olmsted County. Presenters welcome open discussions which generate the exchange of different remembrances and perspectives on local history. They are as follows:

		Jan. 10	Feb. 14	Mar. 14	Apr. 11
May 9	Jun. 13				
John Weiss	Paul Koeller	John Hunziker	Corky Gaskell	Virginia Wentzel	Dana Knack
Jul. 11	Aug. 8	Sep. 12	Oct. 10	Nov. 14	Dec. 12
Ken Allsen	Steve Schmitt	Lee Hilgendorf	Bob Douglas	John Kruesel	Chris Boes

Average Attendance 25  
Total 297

The Alan Calavano Lecture Series

The History Center of Olmsted County added a new lecture series to its program offerings. The History Center decided it was better going into 2018 to take a different approach with the new lecture series. The lectures were held at the History Center instead of the public library and adult beverages were added. In addition, the lectures were moved to Tuesday, Thursday or Friday evenings. The presenters are as follows:



Dean Urdahl Thursday, 1/18/18

“The State Capital Restoration and its Fine Art”

Bruce Fye Friday, 03/02/18

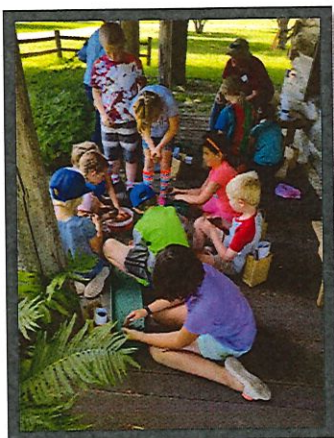
“The Origins and Evolution of the Mayo Clinic from 1864 to 1939”

Steve Borchardt Tuesday, 03/20/18

“History of Police Use of Force Methodology and Policies”

Al Smith Friday, 04/20/18

“Sketching the Stories of Vietnam Veterans”



Summer Day Camps

The History Center offers Summer Day Camps in the months of July and August. Fun was had by 25 kids who attended the 2018 Summer Day Camps. There was a Life of a Civil War Soldier, Pioneer Life in the Cabin, and Summer Schoolhouse. Various activities for each camp are planned out and a snack is provided. For the third time, a grant was awarded to the History Center to help pay for the cost of the supplies needed to make the camps successful.



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## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	2018	2017	Variance
<b>Revenues</b>			
Olmsted County	\$ 284,515	\$ 275,000	\$ 9,515
City of Rochester	30,000	30,000	-
Contributions and grant income	148,648	77,884	70,764
Special events, net	14,920	9,512	5,408
Memberships	9,880	10,740	(860)
Fees, admissions, and programs, net	167,054	155,924	11,130
Rental income	22,028	41,386	(19,358)
Investment income	1,027	1,049	(22)
Miscellaneous income	960	1,785	(825)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>679,032</b>	<b>603,280</b>	<b>75,752</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Salaries, wages, and benefits	387,251	386,485	(766)
Utilities and telephone	53,957	48,509	(5,448)
Travel, dues and conferences	2,768	3,216	448
Supplies, postage, and printing	31,521	23,631	(7,890)
Advertising	13,996	19,701	5,705
Vehicle expense	2,087	3,332	1,245
Repairs, maintenance and collection care	25,060	41,011	15,951
Waste removal	5,958	5,967	9
Security monitoring	1,158	519	(639)
Insurance	24,103	17,246	(6,857)
Professional fees	16,351	14,861	(1,490)
Contracted services	104,899	3,016	(101,883)
Other program expense	3,308	3,071	(237)
Depreciation	67,393	70,703	3,310
Miscellaneous expense	3,536	6,706	3,170
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>743,346</b>	<b>647,974</b>	<b>(95,372)</b>
<b>Decrease in Net Assets Before Capital Contributions</b>	<b>(64,314)</b>	<b>(44,694)</b>	<b>(19,620)</b>
Capital contributions	-	5,000	(5,000)
<b>Decrease in Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ (64,314)</b>	<b>\$ (39,694)</b>	<b>\$ (24,620)</b>





## FAREWELL, PAT!

Stop in and say farewell to our Executive Director, Patricia Carlson, who will be retiring in June of this year.

Light refreshments will be available.

**FRIDAY MAY 31, 2019**  
**10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

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## Notes

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