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North Dakota Heritage Center
Expansion Construction May 2011

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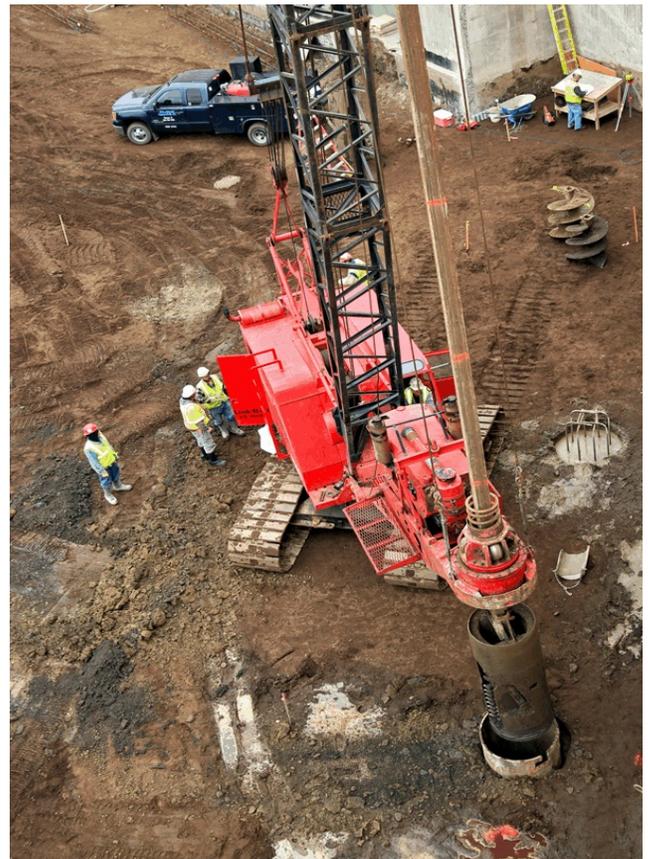
With the Heritage Center expansion construction underway, the Heritage Center remains open, and the State Historical Society is temporarily limiting the acceptance of donated objects.



Construction Images on the SHSND website:
<http://www.history.nd.gov/swf/hcexpansion.html>

Images on Flickr:
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/northdakotahistory/sets/72157626573857887/> (These are the same as the ones on our website)

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e drill is lifted out of the caisson (just to the right of the crane you can see a finished pier, with the looped rebar sticking out of the top).

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The State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) is expanding the North Dakota Heritage Center (NDHC), the headquarters of the SHSND and the state's history museum. The expansion will add 97,000 square feet, nearly doubling the size of the current facility.

Due to construction work at the NDHC, access to museum work space and artifact storage areas will be extremely limited until early 2012, and possibly longer. This results in an unfortunate, yet necessary, limitation of museum-related public service by the SHSND's Museum Division (SHSND Museum), such as accepting new acquisitions, artifact loans to other museums, and access to museum collections by researchers and visitors. We appreciate your patience with us during this exciting time.

Please note that paper items and photographs can still be offered to the SHSND Archives Division.

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\$238,000 GRANT AWARDED TO STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO PROVIDE COLLECTIONS CARE TRAINING, DISASTER PLAN DEVELOPMENT

BISMARCK – The state's history agency, the **State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND)**, has been awarded a \$238,000 grant, in collaboration with other partners, to work to enhance collections care throughout North Dakota and South Dakota. Other partners the SHSND will work with are the North Dakota Library Association, the Plains Art Museum in Fargo, the South Dakota State Historical Society, the Association of South Dakota Museums, and the South Dakota State Library.

The two-year Connection to Collections Implementation grant was awarded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), which is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 17,500 museums. The project began May 1 and will continue through April 30, 2013.

The intended audience is small to mid-sized libraries, museums and archives in North Dakota and South Dakota.

The goal is to enhance collections care throughout the two states. This will be accomplished with regional training and workshops, including three-day collections care workshops in six locations in each state with resource binders provided to all

participants; a mutual-aid network to make available assistance and advice across the two states, and follow up with the organizations. Goals for the second year will include completed disaster-preparedness plans for organizations attending the four workshops in each state. These basic, practical plans will be widely distributed and serve as model plans for other institutions throughout both states.

A State Historical Records Advisory Board (SHRAB) grant this year will be used for bringing two Society of American Archivists workshops to North Dakota. The first one will be *Oral History from Planning to Preservation* all day Monday October 3 in Bismarck. The first 20 registrations will be paid out of grant money. Online registration available at http://saa.archivists.org/Scripts/4Disapi.dll/4DCG/events/262.html?Action=Conference_Detail&ConfID_W=262&Time=425894735

For more information on either grant contact State Archives Director Ann Jenks, ajenks@nd.gov or (701) 328-2090.

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**23rd Annual Governor's Conference
on North Dakota History
Mark October 28 and 29, 2011 on your calendar!**

This year due to the expansion of the North Dakota Heritage Center, the Governor's History Conference, entitled ***Too Much or Too Little: The Story of Water in North Dakota*** will be held in the Bismarck Civic Center. This two-day conference will examine the impacts of water on the history of North Dakota and the many challenges and opportunities it has presented over the years. There will be presentations on surface geology, the history of water use and its impact on settlement and people as well as aspects of the history of water legislation and regulation in North Dakota.

Featured speakers will include former **U.S. Senator Byron Dorgan** as the keynote for the Local History Awards banquet; North Dakota State University Professor of Geology **Don Swert** will help conference attendees understand how the surface geology of North Dakota influences water movement; **Mike Dwyer**, Executive Director of the North Dakota Water Education Foundation will chair a discussion of the history of North

Dakota's water use. American Indian Relations Specialist **Gerard Baker** will speak of the impacts of too much and too little water on native peoples; and former **Governor Allen Olson** will address his life-long involvement with water impacts, issues, and regulations.



Remember to nominate citizens and organizations whose activity in state, regional, and local history serves as role models of excellence for others.

- ★ Excellence in Local History Award, for those whose activity in local and regional history serves as a model for excellence.
- ★ Association for Excellence in Local History Award, for the association/organization whose activity in local and regional history shows excellence.
- ★ Heritage Profile Honor Award, for recognition of individuals making a lasting contribution to understanding state history.
- ★ Person of History Award, posthumously honors those who have made lasting contributions to the growth and well-being of the state's citizens.

The deadline for nominations is Friday September 16. For information on nominations contact Scott Schaffnit, sschaffnit@nd.gov or 701-328-2794.

Information on the Governor's History Conference is available on the SHSND website www.history.nd.gov. Email Kiri Stone at kstone@nd.gov, or call at 701-328-2799 for information on history conference registration.

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Reaccreditation Renewed

In March 2010 the North Dakota Heritage Center was again awarded the highest honor a museum can receive: reaccreditation by the American Association of Museums (AAM).

Accreditation certifies that a museum operates according to standards set by the museum profession, manages its collection, responsibly, and provides excellent service to the public. The process was rigorous and included a year of self-study and an on-site review by a team of experienced museum professionals.

Of the nation's nearly 16,000 museums, only about 800 are currently accredited by the AAM.

The 2011 North Dakota State History Day Competition was held April 8 at the North Dakota Heritage Center, Bismarck, North Dakota

The State Historical Society has recently assumed responsibility for administering and expanding the National History Day in North Dakota program. The state's history agency is dedicating time, office supplies/equipment, and staff support to revitalize this program of regional competitions and encourage teacher and student awareness of the many opportunities it provides.

"A recent study compared National History Day participants with similar students who did not participate in the program," said Curator of Education Erik Holland. "The results indicate that NHD students outperform their non-NHD peers on standardized tests in all topic areas, including reading, science, and mathematics, as well as social studies."

Thirteen North Dakota students qualified to move on to the national competition held in College Park, Maryland June 12-16. The qualifiers, their hometowns, and categories follow.

Carly Holdaway	Minot	Junior Exhibit
Zachary Howatt	Argusville	Junior Exhibit
Seth Anderson	Dickinson	Junior Paper
Alyssa Koxma	Glenburn	Junior Web Site
Grace Gardner	Glenburn	Junior Exhibit group
Jessie Shaver	Glenburn	Junior Exhibit group
Ashley Ellison	Medora	Senior Paper
Emily Miller	Glenburn	Senior Paper
Veranikah Latrace	Antler	Senior Exhibit
Chris Weeks	Willison	Senior Exhibit
John Melby	Willison	Senior Exhibit group
Tanner Burnett	Willison	Senior Exhibit group
Elizabeth Miller	West Fargo	Senior Performance

For more information about the National History Day in North Dakota visit the program website, <http://nd.nhd.org>.

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