

Transcending Time

CARVER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Coming Event

Written on Stone

October 20th-10 am

Learn to read the symbols and epitaphs of tombs at the Waconia Public cemetery.

The program free for members, \$1 per person for non-members. Call (952)442-4234 to register or for further details.

“PLEASE JOIN US IN REMEMBERING...”



As the quality of healthcare and nutrition increases, people are living much longer and healthier lives. Death is no longer the daily fear, the constant reminder of how short life can be. We visit cemeteries occasionally and as a result, they have the reputation of being spooky, creepy, or reminders of what we seek to ignore.

Not too long ago, death was a much more dominating factor in daily life. Infant mortality was high, diseases rampant, and healthcare poor. People accepted death as inevitable as birth. Services for the dead were held in the home and families tended to family grave sites, occasionally turning the visit into a family outing, maybe including a picnic.

Elaborate mourning rituals were the norm. Rituals included wearing mourning clothing and elaborate flowers, funeral processions, mourning period lengths, how and when to call on the deceased's relatives, and more.

Visit the Carver County Historical Society for a look back into the customs of death and dying throughout Carver County. Learn about plagues and disease outbreaks, infant mortality, funerals in the home, the first Carver County undertaker, funeral business, and so much more! The display features mourning clothing, funerary photographs, newspaper clippings and other collections pieces.

“Please Join Us in Remembering...” runs through March 2, 2013.



An 1890 hearse



Amanda Trittabangh

How to Read a Tombstone

Join us at the Waconia Public cemetery for an event focusing on tombstones: their symbols, messages, and what they can tell us about those buried beneath them.



This event is designed for families. It features a scavenger hunt which will allow everyone time to discover unusual symbols, epitaphs, and explore gravestone styles.

Date: Saturday, October 20th

Time: 10am

Location: Waconia Public Cemetery

Cost: free to members and \$1 per person for non-members

Who Do You Think You Are?

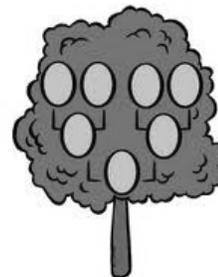
Visit the CCHS for a day of “Climbing Your Family Tree”. Come explore the history of your family, learn how to trace your family tree and more.

Date: Saturday, Nov. 10th

Time: 12-3pm

Location: CCHS

Cost: FREE



You asked for it! You got it! Join us for our first barn quilt tour.

Date: Saturday, October 27th

Time: 9am-1:30pm

Cost: \$48 (includes cost of bus, narration by Barn Quilt guide Naomi Russell, complimentary breakfast, and welcome gift bag) lunch held at Lola's Lake house-not included in ticket price.

Space is limited—call the CCHS at (952) 442-4234 or email wbiorn@co.carver.mn.us \$20 deposit due at the time of registration. Credit cards accepted. A portion of your ticket is donated back to the barn quilt project to create more barn quilts.



Are you looking for rewarding activities to be involved in? Looking to preserve history or make a difference to a child's education?

The CCHS is always looking for volunteers in a variety of capacities. To get involved, call Heidi at (952)442-4234 for details.

**Special Thanks to CCHS Donors
New and Renewing Members
July through August 30, 2012**

Annual Fund Drive Donations

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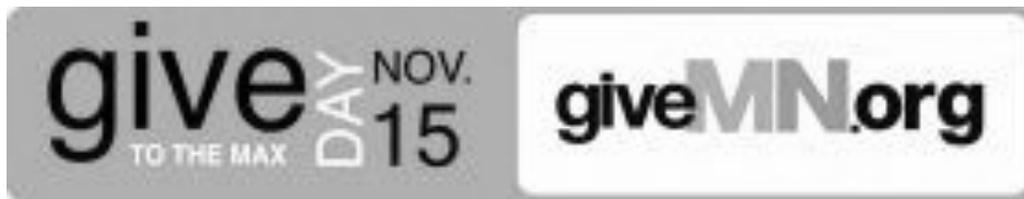
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The Carver County Historical Society will be sending out its annual fund drive letters the end of October. We have historically been very blessed with the donations we have received and want to thank you for your past and future support. With the changes in technology we realize that many people no longer use checks. To this end, this year, again we will be offering the option to donate through the website www.giveMN.org using your credit card. We have also acquired the ability to accept credit cards at the museum itself.

Give to the Max Day was created in 2009 to increase giving to nonprofit organizations across the state and move more giving online. It is a day for Minnesotans to come together to raise as much money as possible for nonprofits and schools in 24 hours – starting at midnight on November 15, 2012 through midnight on November 16, 2012

From all of us at the Carver County Historical Society, thank you.

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Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Membership Form

Senior Citizen \$15

Individual \$20

Family \$30

Sustaining \$55

Check your due date on the mailing label above! Membership due dates are near your name. Please use this form to share with anyone who may be interested in becoming a member!

Please accept my donation of \$_____ toward your annual fund drive.

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