Bridging Communities Connecting Generations
Letter from the Directors

As we approach autumn we’re looking back to our summer achievements and sharing a few upcoming exhibits and programs that you are not going to want to miss.

We are thrilled to share that Estamos Aqui: Celebrating Latino Identity in Northeast Wisconsin has won two important exhibit awards. First, the Wisconsin Historical Society selected the exhibit for its Annual Museum Exhibit Award. Second, the American Association for State and Local History selected the exhibit as a 2018 Award of Merit winner by the Leadership in History Awards. These awards would not have been possible if not for your fantastic museum team, the community exhibit committee and your support.

Our Brown County opened May 29th, 2018 to the largest reception in the history of your institution. In this issue you will discover the story of a Civil War era flag held within the collection that went under extensive conservation to be featured in this exhibit. The story was so compelling that it was picked up by the Associated Press and shared across the county!

Our Brown County is open through October 27, 2019, and we hope that you will visit often and bring family and friends to this celebration of 200 years of history, focusing on the stories that make Brown County the place we choose to live, work, and play. Brown County was founded on October 26, 1818 so, to celebrate, we are throwing a family-friendly birthday party (with an educational twist) on Friday, October 26, 2018!

Plus, your museum team has been busy working on three more exhibits that are opening in 2018. Both Delay of Game: Experience of African American Football Players in Titletown and Bees! have community exhibit committees helping with content, artifacts and promotion. In mid-November we will continue the time honored tradition of Holiday Memories. Stay tuned for the Children Only Shop and Bruce the Spruce schedules!

We thank you for your investment in the Neville and for being our Museum advocates; allowing us to continue to bridge communities and connect generations.

Sincerely,

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Volunteer Spotlight

Rhona Bayard has been a Neville volunteer for over fifteen years (along with her husband Jim!). You may know her from the Dinner Programs—she volunteers at nearly every one! Rhona says “the Neville offers pleasurable learning experiences for families, schools, individuals, and tourists. From the time I was very young to the present, it has always been one of my favorite places to visit!”

Rhona gives her time to the Neville because she loves any organization that promotes education. The Dinner Program series does just that—which is why she enjoys volunteering so much!

In fifteen years Rhona has seen many Dinner Programs and exhibits. Among her favorites are Capture the Moment, The Pulitzer Prize Photographs and Mysteries of Ancient Egypt. She also enjoys making new memories at each new Dinner Program she volunteers for.

When not volunteering at the Neville, Rhona is usually teaching, reading, viewing American or foreign films, or taking a look at her Facebook newsfeed!

“Please visit the Our Brown County exhibit! My husband and I, along with some friends, recently viewed it and had a wonderful time reminiscing about Brown County history!” — Rhona Bayard
Upcoming Exhibits

**Delay of Game: Experiences of African American Players in Titletown**
*August 11, 2018 - March 10, 2019*

The Green Bay Packers played their first season in 1919, but African American players have only been part of the story since 1950. Discover how the experiences, challenges, and contributions of African American players have changed this community.

**BEES!**
*September 1, 2018 - November 4, 2018*

Unlock the secret lives of bees and how these tiny insects have a big impact on your life. Bees are more than buzzing bugs that sting; they play a dynamic role in the environment and our agriculture. Adventure into the hive to discover how bees live and work and why threats to them impact you.

**Holiday Memories of Downtown Green Bay**
*November 15, 2018 - January 13, 2019*

Back in a full gallery this year, the animated figures that once adorned the H.C. Prange’s department store windows will be featured in this exhibit along with the Enchanted Forest, Snow Babies, and charming forest animal collections. You can also visit the Children Only Shop and talk with Bruce the Spruce. *Holiday Memories* is a wonderful family tradition!

**Green Bay Art Colony**
*January 21, 2019 - April 2, 2019*

In 1915, nine women, known then as the Green Bay Art Club, organized their first exhibition in the basement of the former Green Bay Public Library. This display of shawls, artworks, and artifacts was the birth of the Neville Public Museum. Today, the Green Bay Art Colony is an active organization of artists. It includes professional artists as well as talented emerging artists. The artworks included in this exhibition will be chosen from entries submitted by the Art Colony’s membership.

Welcome New Members!

**Pioneer** - June Ehrbar, Lois Wolfe, Kate Zuidmulder

**Family** - Lynn Aplin, Kevin and Maria Bacon, John and Sue Bellin, Michael and Sonja Boehm, Thomas and Kristen Buchmann, Lynn Clark, Chelsea Dahms, Zac Dehn and Brittany Pliz, Gerald and Linda Duchaine, James Genrich, Matt and Valerie George, Brittanny Heilmann, Timothy Hennig and Kaili Kirch, Adam and Jackie Hill, Dale and Rebecca Hill, Bin Jiang, Ryan and Margarita Johnson, Troy and Susan Leanna, Sean and Tara Linsen, Mike and Jessica Liston, Justin and Kristin McCabe, Scott and Jessica McDonald, Kim Montague, James and Mary Murphy, Kimberly Perry, Jay and Stacy Pharis, Nancy Pierce, Wayne and Sara Pierre, Jeff and Maren Rasmussen, John and Norine Riedi, Chris Ritzenhein and Emilia Khor, Ernie and Stacy Robb, Paul and Lisa Robertson, Lisa Rogers, Mark Ruhland and Tina Haasil, David and Teresa Sawyer, Bettina Schuster, Jessica Simonson, Jessica Slather and Chris Haase, Peter and Penny Smits, Glenn and Kathy Spevacek, Danielle Stockinger, Christopher and Tiffany Straszewski, Larry and Mary Sturzl, Albert and Julie Taylor, Heather Trost, Louis and Rachel Ullmer, Ryan and Lyndsay Vandervest, Christine Whitmer, Amr Youssef and Safinaz M. Soliman

**Dual** - Ameer Abdulmalik, David and Jean Dedering, Kassandra DeStefano, Larry and Barbara Erickson, Quentin and Carol Finucan, Fred and Dotty Juengst, Teck and Wanda Khor, Don and Christine Leutner, Ryan and Jim Matasovsky-Bavido, Jodie Molzahn-Brunner, Alex and Christi Olson, Michael and Sarah Rust, Sharon Sloan and Patricia Lindsley, Anthony and Rachel Tumbarello, David Valadez and Tammy Webeg, Joseph and Elaine Wojtowicz

**Individual** - Jodi Angeli, Ken Metzler, Matthew Mottl, Margie Watzka
Event Calendar

**September**
- 5 - Explorer Wednesday: Public Opening of Bees!
- 18 - SPARK! Bees!
- 20 - Dinner Program: Viking Food and Culture
- 25 - Wisconsin’s Native Bee Diversity, Dr. Craig M. Brabant

**October**
- 3 - Explorer Wednesday: Boo Bubbles
- 6 - Soda Series: Door County Cherry Cola
- 11 - Dinner Program: “Wisconsin’s Busy Bees”
- 15 - 19 - Morbid Curiosities
- 16 - SPARK! Delay of Game
- 26 - Brown County 200th Birthday Party Special Event

**November**
- 7 - Explorer Wednesday: Pressed Leaves
- 8 - Dinner Program: Harry Sydney: Life Beyond Football
- 10 - Soda Series: Orange Soda
- 20 - SPARK! Holiday Memories

**December**
- 1 - Winter Warmup: Music at the Museum
- 5 - Explorer Wednesday
- 6 - Dinner Program: NEWDO presents The Nutcracker
- 8 - Winter Warmup: Music at the Museum
- 11 - A Night at the Museum
- 15 - Winter Warmup: Music at the Museum
- 31 - US Bank Eve

**Brown County 200th Birthday Party**
*Friday, October 26, 2018*
*All-Day Celebration*

Brown County was founded on October 26, 1818. In honor of this Birthday come to the Neville Public Museum on October 26th to participate in family-friendly, activity-oriented fun (with an educational twist) on the history of Brown County (1818-2018)!

**Holidays at the Neville**

*Holiday Memories of Downtown Green Bay*
*November 15, 2018 - January 13, 2019*

Back in a full gallery this year, the animated figurines, Enchanted Forest, Snow Babies, and charming forest animal collections will be on display this holiday season!

**Children Only Shop Hours**
- November 17, 23, 24: Noon - 3:00 p.m.
- December 1, 8, 15: Noon - 3:00 p.m.
- December 5, 19: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Bruce the Spruce Hours**
- November 17, 24, 25: 10:00 a.m. - Noon & 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
- December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: 10:00 a.m. - Noon & 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
- December 5, 19, 31: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.


*BEES! Public Opening Celebration*
*Wednesday, September 5, 2018*
*5:00—8:00 p.m.*

Help us celebrate the opening of our new exhibit, Bees! Families can participate in make-and-take bee activities and see some real bees in action with the Brown County Beekeeping Association. This event is free of charge for Brown County residents!

Interested in volunteering for the Children Only Shop or Bruce the Spruce? Visit www.NevillePublicMuseum.org for more information!
Collections Corner

After months of conservation work this Civil War era flag is finally on exhibit!

Flag Conservation
This flag has been at the museum since 1934. When we identified it for exhibit use last year it was clear the 157 year old flag needed some care. There was extensive shredding and areas of loss that made it difficult to exhibit and care for. To exhibit the flag safely, while also considering preservation, the piece needed conservation. A highly trained specialist worked on the flag. They supported the flag by hand stitching nylon tulle around the stripes to stabilize the fabric.

How Did We Identify the Flag?
This flag is believed to be the last flag to fly over Fort Howard. We were able to confirm this by putting together clues from different sources.
- First was the writing on the upper left hand star: "From Major Shaylor, Old Fort Howard during the War, 1865."
- Second, is an excerpt from History of Brown County by Deborah Martin that re-caps an event that took place at the Fort Howard in 1861. Martin mentions Mattie Underwood as the maker of the flag which matches the name in museum records. Martin also mentions Major Shaylor as "the venerable custodian of this ancient stronghold" - the same name on the flag.
- Third is the style of the flag. The 34 stars represent the 34 states of the Union from 1861 to 1865 under President Abraham Lincoln. This canton design is in the "The Great Star" style. This pattern was used in the 1800s but died out after the Civil War. All these clues provided enough information to confirm this is the Fort Howard flag.

What is Fort Howard? (Hint: Not a paper company)
The U.S. Army arrived on the shores of the Fox River in August 1816, two years before Brown County became a county. They established Fort Howard, changing the dynamic of the community and influencing what it is today. Fort Howard operated until 1852 when it was de-commissioned. In the following years a volunteer infantry used the site under the care of Major Shaylor. On May 3, 1861 President Lincoln made a speech calling for volunteers to join the Union Army. On May 18th, people of Green Bay and the surrounding areas put together a special event at Fort Howard. It supported Lincoln's call and included the raising of this impressive flag. During the Civil War soldiers trained at Fort Howard before leaving for the South. Eventually, Chicago & North Western Railroad bought the land and the buildings were officially de-commissioned in 1872.

Ready for Exhibit
After all of this work on the flag we’re happy to be able to share the flag with you! This remarkable artifact is a centerpiece in Our Brown County. Experience it for yourself until October 2019!
Dinner Programs 2018-2019

Twentieth Anniversary Season

Thursday, September 20, 2018 – The Tastes of the Viking Age
Join Daniel Serra, Viking food and culture expert, as he explains the tastes of the Viking Age – what one ate and how it tasted.

Thursday, October 11, 2018 - “Wisconsin’s Busy Bees”
Wisconsin is home to an array of over 400 species of bees. Species like the honey bee and bumble bees are easily recognizable, but the vast majority of our species are considered “wild” bees—each with its own unique story to tell. In this presentation with PJ Liesch we’ll take a closer look at the bees of Wisconsin and ways to help the bees around us.

Thursday, November 8, 2018 – Harry Sydney: Life Beyond Football
Presenter Harry Sydney overcame many obstacles on his path to becoming a Super Bowl winning player and coach, leading to the creation of “My Brother’s Keeper.” Learn how Harry’s move to Green Bay changed him and how he continues to improve lives in Titletown.

Thursday, December 6, 2018 – NEWDO presents The Nutcracker
Scenes from The Green Bay Nutcracker Ballet. The mission of the Northeast Wisconsin Dance Organization is to provide high quality classical dance education and performance to the community of Northeast Wisconsin.

Thursday, February 21, 2019 – “Gone With the Wind”
Catch "Scarlet Fever" in a portrayal of author Margaret Mitchell of "Gone With the Wind" featuring Bev and Stu Smith and Judy Crain.

Thursday, March 14, 2019 – Heritage Academy of Irish Dance
Come celebrate St. Patrick’s Day with your friends at the Neville Public Museum featuring a traditional Irish dance performance by Heritage Academy of Irish Dance.

Thursday, April 18, 2019 – Taking Flight: A History of Birds and People in the Heart of America
Join Michael Edmonds and explore how and why people in the Midwest worshiped, feared, studied, hunted, ate, and protected the birds that surrounded them over the last 12,000 years.

Thursday, May 16, 2019 – “Frances Cleveland – A May-December Romance”
Jessica Michna’s newest program explores the relationship between America’s youngest First Lady, Frances Cleveland, and her husband, President Grover Cleveland. Discover how twenty-one year old “Frankie” Folsom won the heart of President Cleveland and fascinated the American public.

Dinner programs are $20/member and $25/non-members. Dinners begin at 5:00 p.m. and program begins at 6:00 p.m. For more information or to register online please visit www.NevillePublicMuseum.org or call 920-448-7847.
Thank you to our donors for making all of these programs and events possible!

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The very first Green Bay Packer Football Team, then known as the "ACME Packers", - The Packing Company having provided the jerseys. Photo # 6209.162B

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