

Kansas Historical Society

Fiscal Year 2011 Annual Report



REAL PEOPLE. REAL STORIES.

The mission of the Kansas Historical Society is to actively preserve and share Kansas history by collecting, preserving, and interpreting materials and information pertaining to state government and history for the purpose of enhancing government accountability, providing economic development assistance, and educating the people of Kansas.

On the cover: The top 25 Notable Kansans were selected by Governor Sam Brownback's blue ribbon panel on Kansas history and announced at five events around the state in summer 2011. These Kansans were selected for making significant contributions to the state, the nation, and the world. Amelia Earhart and Dwight Eisenhower were among those honored. This publication highlights more of these notable Kansans.

Annual Report 2011

The sesquicentennial of Kansas statehood this past fiscal year offered numerous opportunities to remind us of the important role Kansans played in our nation's history.

The Kansas Historical Society is one of the premier historical agencies in the country. We serve to promote the ideals on which this nation and state were founded. By preserving the state's records and providing access to the state's past, we support a government by the people and for the people. By educating our young people about the events and issues of our past, we help them become better citizens and create future leaders for the state. By assisting communities in redeveloping their historic environments, we help ensure economic stability to districts in our towns, neighborhoods, and rural communities. By interpreting the past for our citizens, we help build pride in the state and what we can accomplish together.

In 2011 we served 5,399,355 people, both in person and through virtual resources. Private dollars in 2011 allowed us to present several programs for the sesquicentennial, including trading cards of 150 notable Kansans; a special exhibit, *150 Things I Love About Kansas*; and offer travel stipends for schools in western Kansas to come to the Kansas Historical Society in Topeka. We published a colorful fourth grade workbook on Kansas history. We continued an innovative project to bring together the three branches of state government to preserve state electronic records of enduring value. Even with challenging financial issues, we remain dedicated to offering programs that meet our audience's changing needs.

One of the more exciting sesquicentennial projects this year was the top 25 Notable Kansans. We coordinated the Governor's blue ribbon panel on Kansas history, with

"We are honored to have had the opportunity to recognize the 25 Notable Kansans and to help start this public dialogue on our state's history."

— Jennie Chinn

historians from around the state. In five separate events in different communities, we assisted Governor Sam Brownback in celebrating the 25 Notable Kansans. Next year we will announce the top 12 events in Kansas history.

I would like to thank Governor Sam Brownback, who shares our enthusiasm for Kansas history; the Kansas Legislature; and the Kansas Historical Foundation Board of Directors for their continued support of Kansas history. I would also like to thank my colleague, Vicky Henley, the executive director of the Kansas Historical Foundation, for her many fundraising successes that have supported the state agency over the past year. For more information on private support for the Historical Society please see the Kansas Historical Foundation 2011 annual report.

We look forward in 2012 to continuing to engage the public with a passion for Kansas history.



Jennie Chinn
Executive Director



Remarks from people about the Kansas Historical Society in 2011

"I want to take a moment to tell you how much we enjoy working on these Heritage Trust Fund projects. We have had nothing but great experiences and the work is extremely rewarding and worthwhile. Keep up the great work!"

— Corey Thomas, restoration service

"I am thankful that the project [Kansas Archeology Training Program field school] is inter-generational. The background information on the various sites and artifacts was fascinating! It is mind-boggling and awe-inspiring to contemplate the amount of work that goes into an event like this, and thanks to all who made it possible."

— Archeology volunteer

"...I just wanted to thank you for a wonderful experience at the Statehouse provided by the tour guide. The kids were engaged and amazing educational opportunities. Thank you so much for the great visit!"

— Cara Lake, teacher

"I took the *Mexican-American Experience in Kansas* trunk.... The kids felt proud learning about the early immigration from Mexico. It also gave them a rare opportunity to share some prior knowledge with other students in the class. Thanks for making this special hands-on type of learning available."

— Jennifer Cutler, teacher

"...I would really recommend your podcasts to anyone living in Kansas, but especially to anyone moving to Kansas. What a great way to get to know the state! If I am ever there, I will certainly try to visit one or more of your facilities."

— Dallas, Texas

"I came across your podcast a little over a year ago and have downloaded and listened to all of them....I live in NC and have never been to Kansas,...I think I'm gonna have to plan a trip..."

— iTunes user

I think your research facility is wonderful. It is one place I always visit when in Topeka.

— Erma Phillips, researcher

"They stood in the very same room that the Lecompton Constitution was written over 150 years ago. This made the history that they have been learning throughout seventh and eighth grade more real to the students and sparked their interest in other topics that they will follow up on in class."

— Amanda Doleman, teacher

"The house contained several original artifacts which had been passed down through the family, including a beautiful quilt. I was really excited to see these artifacts and grateful to finally embrace a taste of visual Lenape history."

— Grinter Place visitor

"We could have spent much longer here [Kansas Museum of History]. An unexpected find on our travels."

— Peter, Sydney, Australia

I am very excited about your website! I have been exploring it all week! It has been very useful to me as I create SMART Notebook presentations for my class!

— Becky Walsh, teacher

I was just looking at your revamped site and absolutely love it. Kansapedia is wonderful and can't wait to use it with my fourth graders.

—Deb Martin, teacher



Collections

The state's constitution, precious Civil War battle flags, territorial newspapers, and a Kansas made airplane are just a few examples of the collections preserved by the Kansas Historical Society. These items tell the story of our state's beginnings. When founders established the Historical

Society in 1875 they wanted to ensure that this important history was saved for future generations. It is our mission to continue to collect for the future and to care for and preserve these collections and make them available to the public to enjoy.

2011 Collections Statistics

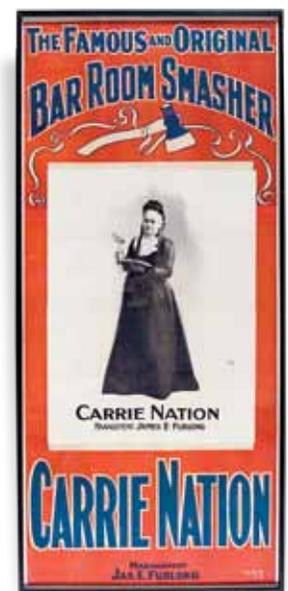
Collection	Size
Archeological and ethnographic artifacts*	4,710 cubic feet
ATLAS bibliographic records	58,464
<i>Kansas Memory</i> images/pages	171,514
Library books and pamphlets	440,459
Manuscript materials	11,128 cubic feet
Maps and architectural drawings	32,279
Microfilm reels	79,629
Museum artifacts	110,568
National Register and state register listings	1,384
Photographs and audio-visual items	511,856
State Archives materials	42,646 cubic feet
State records (Record Center)	59,487 cubic feet

*Reduction due to collection return to Corps of Engineers.



Notable Kansan | Carry Nation (1846-1911)

She worked against the drinking of alcohol through the women's temperance movement in support of the family, and led her "Home Defenders" to smash bars and saloons.



Our collections include numerous items related to Nation such as this poster and pins she sold to raise funds.

A Sampling of 2011 Additions to the Collections

- Webster and Carol Waterman donated a collection of cartoons, photographs, and articles by and about Myron A. Waterman. A banker by profession, he was a recognized illustrator and political cartoonist. The brother-in-law of Charles Sheldon, Waterman was active in the prohibition and populist movements and provided advice to Carry Nation. He illustrated *Rhymes by Two Friends*, written by William Allen White and Albert B. Paine.

Myron A. Waterman created these cartoons for a pamphlet on prohibition.



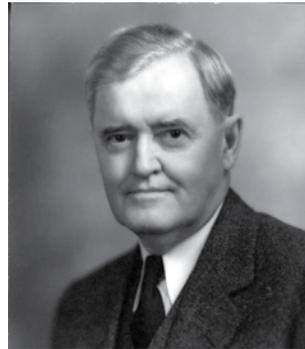
- Ellen Marie Killion Clark was a journalist in southeast Kansas, southwest Missouri, and northeastern Oklahoma during the mid-20th century. She began her career in 1940 at Joplin radio station KFSB. She joined the *Joplin Globe* in the 1950s as a reporter/photographer, covering many high-profile trials, where she usually wore a hat. A collection of her hats was recently donated to the Kansas Historical Society. The collection will be featured in an upcoming special exhibit.
- Jim Torrence, Stanwood, Washington, donated 18 letters from Civil War veteran Abishai Stowell to Margaret Torrence, his sister. The letters were written by Stowell when he served in the Second Kansas Infantry and later the Second Kansas Cavalry. Stowell, from Greeley, enlisted May 14, 1861, and reenlisted several times before being mustered out June 22, 1865, at Fort Gibson.
- As the owner and director of Citizens Funeral Home in Wichita, Xavia Howard was professionally trained as an embalmer. For each funeral, she would coordinate all arrangements with a personal touch. Wearing a pair of

white gloves, Howard would open the casket lid to reveal the face of the departed for friends and loved ones. She took pride in providing quality service honoring the deceased and their family members. A number of furniture, clothing, personal items, and promotional materials from her funeral home were recently donated to the collections.

Xavia Howard wore these gloves serving her customers at Citizens Funeral Home, Wichita.



- Bruce Buchanan and Harris Enterprises, Hutchinson, donated some personal documents and U. S. senatorial papers from Clyde M. Reed, Sr., *Parsons Sun's* business papers, and papers from Clyde M. Reed, Jr. Newspaper editor Clyde M. Reed, Sr., served as Kansas governor from 1929 to 1931. After his two-year term as governor, Reed returned to the *Parsons Sun*. In 1938 he won election as U. S. senator, was reelected in 1944, and held the position at the time of his death in 1949. Clyde M. Reed, Jr., followed his father as editor of the *Sun*.



Clyde M. Reed, Sr., was the 24th governor of Kansas.

- On February 28, 2005, pilot Steve Fossett took off in Salina in the GlobalFlyer, the first jet aircraft designed for solo circumnavigation of the globe. Salina's newly resurfaced runway was 12,300 feet and accommodated a long takeoff, which the GlobalFlyer needed. Designed by Fossett and Burt Rutan, the single engine aircraft was sponsored by Virgin Atlantic. Fossett landed March 3 in Salina, having completed a circumnavigation in 2 days, 19 hours, 1 minute, and 46 seconds. A model of the GlobalFlyer aircraft was donated to the state of Kansas.

A Sampling of 2011 Additions to the Collections (continued)

- Staff members at the Kansas Historical Society, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, and community volunteers collected several hundred items along a trail in Topeka's new Kaw River State Park. These items date from the Security Benefit Hospital and Home and include tableware, containers, medical bottles, drug vials, and blood sample tubes. Analysis of the artifacts may offer clues to life at the orphanage and home for the elderly not found in existing records.



This dish displays the former Security Benefit Association hospital logo and was among items recovered during the cleanup effort.

- John Vogel, Jr., served nine terms (18 years) from 1962 to 1980 in the Kansas House of Representatives as the legislator from Grant Township, Douglas County. He remained involved in farm life even away from home, chairing the legislature's agriculture and livestock committee for 14 years and serving as a member of the appropriations committee for 12 years. He was involved in the establishment of hunting safety regulations. Clothing items worn by Vogel, including Key Industries coveralls that were made in Fort Scott, were recently donated to the collections.



An accomplished hunter, John Vogel, Jr., wore this jacket in the days before hunter orange was required.

- Using private money from the Ralph and Marjorie Crump Endowment, the Historical Society purchased the Prather family archives, containing 15 letters, dating between 1835 and 1858. The letters include information about the politics of Bleeding Kansas in the late 1850s, and show different feelings within individual family members about slavery.

- Harold Shamburg founded an oil company in Beloit in 1935. Dean Harnett worked for the Phillips 66 station before World War II. He returned to work for the company after the war and later became a joint owner. His wife, Ferma, worked as a bookkeeper for the company. Signs, promotional items, pants, and shirts related to the Shamburg Oil Company were recently donated.
- Tillie Becker was a four-time winner of the Kansas State Women's Golf Championship. She won the state title first in 1941, and then three consecutive titles between 1949 and 1951. Becker played with notable golfers of her era such as Babe Zaharias. When a golf tournament was held in Topeka in 1951 for the benefit of flood relief, she played with celebrities such as Bob Hope, Danny Kaye, and Gordon MacRae. The clubs and bag she used later in life were recently donated to the collections. Among them are premiere Kenneth Smith Golf Clubs made in Kansas City.



Tillie Becker used these clubs and this bag; she won the Topeka women's championship 25 times.

- Swedish immigrant Nels Ferguson was a stonemason who worked on the original construction of the Kansas State Capitol in the 1870s. Ferguson used this set of tools in his work. They were recently purchased at auction by state Senator Mark Taddiken and state Representative Elaine Bowers. Taddiken and Bowers then donated the tools to the state of Kansas.



Nels Ferguson used these tools as a fixer mason, placing massive stones and applying mortar.

A Sampling of 2011 Additions to the Collections (continued)

- With private money from the Ralph and Marjorie Crump Endowment, the Historical Society recently purchased a collection of documents and photographs related to Kansas poet and biographer Esther Mary Clark Hill. The collection includes poetry, writings, correspondence, publications, and photographs of Hill and her family. She studied journalism at the University of Kansas, where she wrote for the *Lawrence Journal*. She was inspired to write the poem “Call of Kansas,” which was published in the *Journal*. Her other writings were frequently published in the *Kansas City Star*.



Esther Mary Clark Hill, pictured in the 1910s, called Chanute home.

- As part of the commemoration of the Kansas sesquicentennial, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) created special signs to tell visitors entering Kansas that 2011 was the 150th anniversary of statehood. The signs were displayed below “Welcome to Kansas” signs. KDOT recently donated some of the signs to the Historical Society.
- Verna Book Detrich has been a member of the Kansas Anthropological Association, a statewide amateur organization, since 1974. She has participated in the annual Kansas Archeology Training Program field school for 24 consecutive years, conducting archeological fieldwork and managing the archeology laboratory. Detrich recently donated 12 boxes of items with accompanying documentation. The collection is organized by the 37 prehistoric archeological sites from which they were found. Maps show the sites of origin with notes about how they were collected. Most of these items are from the Turkey Creek drainage near Chapman, where Detrich lives.

- Author Gregory Maguire was asked to donate an item related to his novel, *Wicked*, that inspired the Broadway musical as part of the special exhibit, *150 Things I Love About Kansas*. Maguire felt he had nothing of interest to

donate, so he created an original cartoon drawing of his Wicked Witch of the West character, Elphaba.

This cartoon by Gregory Maguire is featured in the Wizard of Oz section of the special exhibit.



- Circleville in Jackson County used oil-fueled street lamps in the 1890s. The lamps were made by the C.T. Ham Manufacturing Company of Rochester, New York, which operated from 1885 to 1914. Ham made lanterns and lamps for various uses, including carriages and railroads. One of these lamps is shown in this image of M.H. Roller’s store and post office in Circleville in 1894. One of the lamps was recently donated to the Historical Society.



- Norma and Larry Christie of Wichita founded Biking Across Kansas in 1975. The annual eight-day ride typically occurs in early June. The route varies from year to year but is always on paved roads, using secondary state highways and county roads whenever possible. The Christie family recently donated a large number of items. The collection includes patches, badges, and cycling paraphernalia.



The promotional and information materials for Biking Across Kansas span 20 years.

Interpretation, Education, and Public Programs

Core mission of the Kansas Historical Society is interpreting items in the collections and providing programs to share those stories with Kansans. The Historical Society is the agency for providing Kansas history curriculum in the classroom and programs for teachers. Programs for

families include tours and exhibits at the museum, Capitol, and 16 state historic sites. We serve a growing number of people online through our websites, podcasts, and publications.

2011 Programming Highlights

- The Kansas Archeology Training Program field school was held in Pottawatomie County in partnership with the Kansas Anthropological Association, University of Kansas Department of Anthropology and Odyssey Geoarchaeology Research Program, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Efforts concentrated on salvaging archeological materials that are eroding from the edge of the Big Blue River. A total of 180 volunteers participated in fieldwork, lab work, and classes, contributing 7,055 hours of time.
- The Kansas sesquicentennial was commemorated in numerous ways through the fiscal year and the Historical Society was the lead agency in this grassroots effort. The first-day-of-issue ceremony for a commemorative 44-cent forever stamp was held at the Historical Society on January 27. An anonymous Kansan provided 20,000 commemorative bumper stickers, which were distributed through the state. The Kansas Day at the Capitol event was carried live on the Internet so that students around the state could participate. We partnered with the Kansas State Department of Education to create four special lesson plans for grades K-12 to use in conjunction with the ceremony.
- The Kansas Museum of History's special exhibit, *150 Things I Love About Kansas*, opened in January with major funding

from Capitol Federal Foundation and the Kansas Humanities Council. Two days of Kansas Day activities included demonstrations of traditional crafts, music from different cultures, and hands-on activities for visitors to take part in. More than 3,400 people participated in these events. A generous grant of \$62,500 from the Hansen Foundation to the Kansas Historical Foundation will cover travel expenses for 28 school districts in 15 northwestern Kansas counties to visit the exhibit throughout the year.

- The Historical Society again hosted a Osher Life Long Learning Institute program, "Car Culture of Europe and America," in July. This three-session seminar was coordinated with the Museum special exhibit *Cars: The Need for Speed*.
- The annual Fall Festival supported by the Shawnee Indian Mission friends group was held in October. More than 4,000 people attended the two-day event, which was filled with craft vendors, food vendors, living history presentations, and entertainment. Highlights of the weekend included four performances of the play, *Citizens of Our Cemetery*, and the Commanders Mounted Color Guard from Fort Riley.



The Kansas Archeology Training Program field school, Kansas Day at the Museum, and first-day-of-issue stamp ceremony.



2011 Interpretation, Education, and Public Programming Highlights (continued)

- The Topeka Shawnee County Public Library hosted a family archeology day in partnership with the Historical Society, the Professional Archaeologists of Kansas, and the Kansas Anthropological Association. Visitors explored historic and prehistoric artifacts, watched a live flintknapping demonstration, learned what's in the archaeologist's toolkit, and found out how to volunteer in archeological activities as part of Kansas Archaeology Month.
- *Kansas Territory* is a new traveling resource trunk that explores the tensions and excitement that took place in Kansas in the years leading up to statehood and the start of the Civil War. The trunk includes letters, journals, photographs, and artifact reproductions in addition to lessons designed to meet state curricular standards. More than 1,900 people used the trunk this fiscal year.
- Kaw Mission State Historic Site in Council Grove once again hosted the Kaw Councils educational program series. This year's programs highlighted the Kansas sesquicentennial and featured first person reenactors, lectures, and a premiere showing of the documentary *History of North Lyon County*.
- The Read Kansas! project concluded in this fiscal year. Funds from the Lewis and Clark National Park Service Challenge grant provided for three teachers and a cultural advisor to create eight Read Kansas! lessons. The complete series features 43 middle school lessons and six high school lessons, plus lessons for primary and intermediate. One free set of the middle and high school lessons will be made available to all schools in Kansas.
- Historical Society staff members continued to conduct in-services and workshops across the state to inform teachers how to use our programs. This fiscal year we presented to 241 Kansas educators reaching 21 communities across the state.
- The Spring Victorian Tea was the highlight at Grinter Place State Historic Site in Kansas City. Tickets for this program were sold out in advance. Participants enjoyed biscuits, scones, jelly, finger sandwiches, butter cookies, and tea or coffee.
- The Kansas Historical Society continues its partnership with Ancestry.com, which has digitized a number of records series from the State Archives and the manuscripts collection including World War I enlistment and discharge records, 1917-1919; enlistment papers of Kansas Volunteer Regiments, 1861-1869; and population schedules from 1919-1978. Researchers at the State Archives in Topeka have free access to all Ancestry.com content.
- The annual Native American Artifact Identification Day was held at Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site near Republic in July. Hundreds of American Indian artifacts were brought in by 63 visitors for archeologists to examine.
- Fort Hays State Historic Site in Hays held a grand opening in September with new interpretation. The visitor center, guardhouse, and blockhouse feature renovations and new exhibits telling the stories of the different cultures from the fort's history. The renovations and exhibits were made possible by grants from Bob Dole, the Hansen Foundation, and the Kansas Department of Transportation.
- The State Archives continued to digitize records from its comprehensive newspaper collection with funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). Our first grant of \$259,354 funded the digitization of 100,086 pages of Kansas newspapers. These newspapers are available at *Chronicling America* (chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/newspapers). This fiscal year users viewed 165,656 pages of Kansas newspapers.



The Kansas Territory research trunk.

2011 Interpretation, Education, and Public Programming Highlights (continued)

- The Historical Society's online resources continue to grow in content and access. The main website, kshs.org, was updated in November, shifting the more than 8,000 pages to a more user-friendly layout, and creating a new user tracking system. Nearly 1,000 entries were written for the new online encyclopedia of Kansas history, Kansapedia. Kansas Memory, the online digital portal, added approximately 900 objects from the museum collections, and 3,049 new items containing 38,913 images. The site contains 16,867 items with 171,514 images. County plat books, World War I correspondence, and cased photographs, the oldest photographic images in the collections, were among items added. Since November 83,265 *Kansas Memory* users made a total of 124,178 visits. Users visited an average of 10 pages per visit, spending nearly seven minutes on the site.

- Constitution Hall State Historic Site in Lecompton commemorated the 150th anniversary of Kansas statehood with a series of talks and dramatic interpretations on the violent conflict over the slavery issue in Kansas Territory 1854-1861. The Bleeding Kansas 2011 Series offered five presentations in January and February.

- The State Archives completed a major grant for \$161,187 from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to provide collection or series level descriptions for all of the records in the manuscripts and State Archives collections. Three project archivists and permanent staff created scope and content notes for state government records series, comprising more than 36,000 cubic feet of records. All unprocessed manuscripts collections containing more than one cubic foot were described at the collection level.

- A new National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant began in January to provide detailed processing for the Menninger archives. The approximately 2,380 cubic feet of archives consists of three major components: the Menninger family archives; the Menninger Foundation's corporate archives; and the historic psychiatry collection, an assembled archives of papers of prominent individuals in the early history of medicine and psychiatry. The grant will improve access to the collection by developing finding aids at the box and

folder levels. This project will make the Menninger archives truly usable and reveal its full research potential.

- Kansas Project Archaeology is a multi-year initiative to provide teaching materials for third through eighth grades. *The Archaeology of Early Agriculture in Kansas: A Fifth Grade Integrated Reading Unit* was created and distributed for traditional classroom and informal education settings. Classroom sets of the magazines and journals are available free of charge to those teachers who participate in training workshops or show that they can use the curriculum with their students.

Notable Kansan | Dwight Eisenhower (1890-1969)



He was the commander of allied forces in Europe during World War II; became a five star general, and served two terms as president of the United States, 1953-1961. Eisenhower's presidential campaigns in 1952 and 1956 featured one of history's best-known campaign slogans.



Preservation

To meet the agency mission of preserving Kansas history, the Historical Society works with communities around the state. We preserve the state-owned collections that

include records, objects, and the state historic sites. In addition, the Historical Society provides incentives that help preserve cultural resources and stimulate local economies.

2011 Preservation Highlights

- Thirty-one completed projects took advantage of the federal tax credit program for historic preservation. These projects represented a \$50,638,124 investment in Kansas. A total of 95 state tax credit projects were completed, resulting in an investment of \$12,166,192 in historic properties in Kansas.
- Heritage Trust Fund grants were awarded to Protection High School (Comanche County), Girard Carnegie Library (Crawford County), Hodgeman County Courthouse, Wollman Building (Leavenworth County), Wells P. Bailey House (Osage County), Fox Theatre (Reno County), Shay Building (Rice County), Dorrance State Bank (Russell County), McCormick School (Sedgwick County), Orpheum Theater (Sedgwick County), Sternberg House (Sedgwick County), Topeka Council of Colored Women's Clubs (Shawnee County), Framer's State Bank (Stafford County), and Susanna Salter House (Sumner County).
- Historic Preservation Fund grants were given to the cities of Hutchinson, Kansas City/Unified Government, Lawrence, Topeka, and Wichita, as well as Kansas State University and Lindsborg Chamber of Commerce, for such activities as the development of design guidelines and the completion of neighborhood and downtown surveys.
- The contract archeology program assisted state and federal agencies, most notably the Kansas Department of Transportation and the Natural Resources Conservation Service, in identifying and protecting archeological resources in the path of planned projects.
- Rough weather at Fort Hays State Historic Site in Hays resulted in extensive repair work to the visitor center. During fiscal year 2011 the agency completed restoration work at Goodnow House State Historic Site in Manhattan.
- Staff members completed a grant project funding the professional conservation treatment of a rare gown worn to President Abraham Lincoln's second inaugural ball through an Institute of Museum and Library Services/Bank of America American Heritage Preservation Grant.
- The State Archives is taking on the challenge of preserving electronic state government records with enduring value. The Kansas Enterprise Electronic Preservation system (KEEP), concluded its prototype stage with the import of sample content from all three branches of state government—legislative committee minutes, supreme court opinions, and attorney general opinions. More than \$500,000 in funding for this project has previously been provided by state appropriation, an Information Network of Kansas grant, and the Minnesota Historical Society's project on legislative information funded by the National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation, Library of Congress.

Notable Kansan | Clyde Cessna (1879-1954)

He built the "silverwing" plane in 1911. After crashing and rebuilding 13 times, his design was successful. He started Cessna Aircraft Corporation in 1927.



Cessna's first flight was celebrated by the U.S. Postal Service on this 1938 commemorative envelope.



2011 Overall Program and Service Usage

Type	FY2010	FY 2011
Visitors	109,812	104,668
Public programs	37,959	32,634
Programs for children	22,473	24,535
Classroom curriculum	218,214	66,092
Services	88,698	100,625
Publications	25,759	159,408
Online resources	7,187,776*	4,911,352*
Grants awarded	27	21
Total Audience	7,690,718	5,399,335

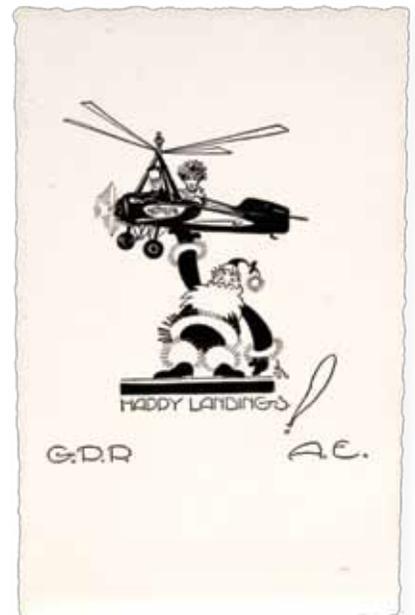
*In 2011 the agency changed how online visitors to agency websites were counted.

Notable Kansan | Amelia Earhart – (1897-1937)



The first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean, she set a number of speed records. Earhart disappeared in 1937 over the Pacific Ocean, and was never found.

Earhart and her husband, George Putnam, sent this Christmas card to friends in the late 1920s to 1930s.



Statistical Breakdown by Program and Service Areas

2011 Visitors

Site	Location	Paid	Complimentary	Total
Constitution Hall State Historic Site	Lecompton	4,469	303	4,772
Cottonwood Ranch State Historic Site*	Studley	No Fee	710	710
First Territorial Capitol State Historic Site*	Fort Riley	No Fee	247	247
Fort Hays State Historic Site	Hays	5,172	409	5,581
Goodnow House State Historic Site*	Manhattan	No Fee	487	487
Grinter Place State Historic Site	Kansas City	495	30	525
Hollenberg Pony Express Station State Historic Site	Hanover	854	76	930
John Brown Museum State Historic Site*	Osawatomie	No Fee	347	347
Kansas Museum of History	Topeka	31,878	12,854	44,732
Kansas State Capitol Tour Center	Topeka	No Fee	27,485	27,485
Kaw Mission State Historic Site	Council Grove	1,761	81	1,842
Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site	Pleasanton	914	68	982
Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site	Republic	2,320	318	2,638
Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site	Fairway	5,644	269	5,913
State Archives & Library	Topeka	No Fee	5,405	5,405
William Allen White House State Historic Site*	Emporia	1,786	286	2,072
Total		55,293	49,375	104,668

*Community partnership sites

Iowa and Sac & Fox Mission State Historic Site (Highland), Marais des Cygnes Massacre State Historic Site (Pleasanton), and Pawnee Rock State Historic Site (Pawnee Rock) are self-guided; therefore, numbers are not reported.



This drawing by J. Howland was printed in Harper's Weekly in 1867 and depicts the council between representatives of the U.S. government and the Kiowa and Comanche.

Notable Kansan | Satanta – (1830-1878)



He was a Kiowa chief who was called orator of the plains. He signed the 1867 Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty and fought to keep the Kiowa hunting grounds.

Statistical Breakdown by Program and Service Areas

2011 Public Programs

Site	Location	Onsite	Offsite	Total Served
Archeology	Statewide	70	508	578
Constitution Hall State Historic Site*	Lecompton	1,385	4,076	5,461
Cottonwood Ranch State Historic Site*	Studley	622	150	772
First Territorial Capitol State Historic Site*	Fort Riley	139	0	139
Fort Hays State Historic Site	Hays	4,416	15	4,431
Goodnow House State Historic Site*	Manhattan	70	0	70
Grinter Place State Historic Site	Kansas City	1,129	0	1,129
Historic Preservation Conference	Topeka	175	0	175
Hollenberg Pony Express Station State Historic Site	Hanover	517	0	517
John Brown Museum State Historic Site*	Osawatomie	2,155	7,600	9,755
Kansas Museum of History	Topeka	3,141	0	3,141
Kaw Mission State Historic Site	Council Grove	747	154	901
Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site	Pleasanton	0	0	0
Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site	Republic	179	0	179
Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site	Fairway	3,974	129	4,103
State Archives & Library (tours)	Topeka	577	0	577
State Archives & Library (programs)	Topeka	150	0	150
William Allen White House State Historic Site	Emporia	556	0	556
Total		20,002	12,632	32,634

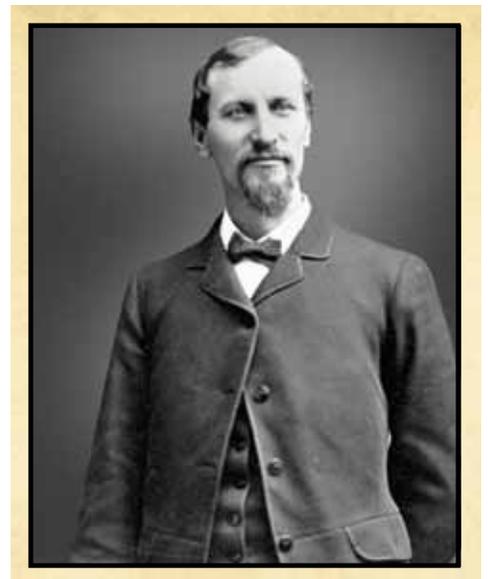
*Community partnership sites

Notable Kansan | Fred Harvey (1935-1901)

He opened his first dining room in a Topeka train depot in 1876. The Harvey House restaurants quickly expanded and became known for good food in a sophisticated setting.



These items were used in a Harvey House restaurant.



Statistical Breakdown by Program and Service Areas

2011 Programs for Children

Program	Location	Total Served
Bald Eagle Rendezvous	Lecompton	793
Bleeding Kansas play	Lecompton	2,516
Discover Kansas Archaeology	Topeka	100
Discovery Place	Topeka	15,609
Grinter Place Kansas Day Art Contest	Kansas City	114
Grinter Place Summer Reading Program	Kansas City	9
History & Environmental Fair	Topeka	750
Kansas Day at Fort Hays	Hays	587
Kansas Day at the Museum	Topeka	1,922
Pawnee Indian Museum Republic County Field Day	Republic	59
Rural School Days	Topeka	1,252
Shawnee Indian Mission Garden Aromatherapy	Fairway	20
Shawnee Indian Mission Gingerbread Houses	Fairway	15
Shawnee Indian Mission Holiday Open House	Fairway	170
Shawnee Indian Mission Native American Flute Instruction	Fairway	62
Shawnee Indian Mission Theme Days	Fairway	557
Total		24,535

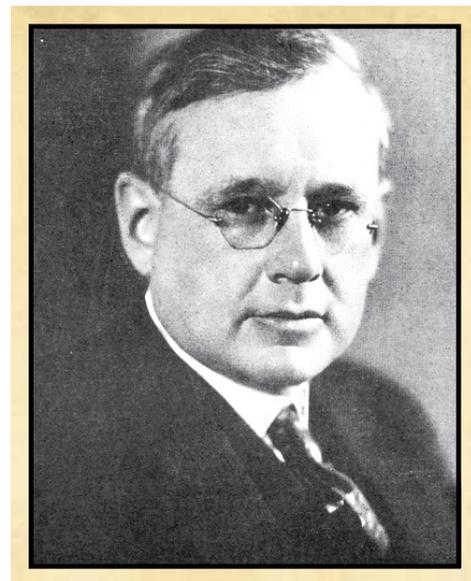
Classroom Curriculum

Program	Total Served
<i>The Kansas Journey</i>	28,000
Project Archeology	187
<i>Read Kansas!</i>	6,000
Teacher Training	241
Traveling Resource Trunks	31,664
Total	66,092

This paperweight, featuring Alfred Landon and William Franklin Knox, is from the 1936 presidential campaign.



Notable Kansan | Alfred Landon – (1887-1987)



He served as Kansas' 26th governor, 1933 to 1937, and was the Republican nominee for president in 1936.

Statistical Breakdown by Program and Service Areas

2011 Services

Type of Service	Total Served
Antiquities Commission permits issued	4
Archeology outreach	8
Contract archeology projects	223
Facility rental participation - Historic Sites	1,029
Facility rental participation - Topeka	20,326
Historic preservation state and federal law reviews	3,142
Historic preservation tax credits (federal) - open cases	139
Historic preservation tax credits (state) - open cases*	292
Interlibrary loan request	2,086
KITES (Kansas Interpretive Traveling Exhibits Service)	56,175
Microfilm rolls (duplicates) produced	2,084
Microfilm rolls (originals) produced	99
Media contacts	112
Media releases	96
Museum loans processed	1,109
Photographic digital prints produced	149
Photographic digital scans produced	1,477
Photographic use permits granted	241
Provided access to GIS-based archeological information layer	55
Provided and managed loans of archeological materials to researchers	57
Research requests answered	3,967
State agency records retention schedules revised or expanded	14
State records center retrievals	7,732
Unmarked Burial Sites Preservation Act cases	9
Total	100,625

*Created 1,769 jobs and \$85,998,639 in gross state product



Artifact identification at Pawnee Indian Museum near Republic.

Statistical Breakdown by Program and Service Areas

2011 Publications

Title	Circulation
<i>Kansas History: A Journal of the Central Plains</i>	2,800
<i>Kansas Preservation</i>	5,893
<i>Reflections</i>	4,350
<i>KSHS eNews</i>	41,617
<i>KSHS Teacher eNews</i>	104,748
Total	159,408

2011 Online Resources

Program	Total Served
Archeological sites recorded online	135
Facebook page fans	2,908
Kansas Historic Resources Inventory Register visits	57,652
<i>Kansas Memory</i> user sessions	186,267
Kansas newspapers/ <i>Chronicling America</i> page views	165,656
kshs150.org	94,906
kshs.org user sessions	4,062,210
Podcast downloads	232,762
Twitter followers	2,235
YouTube views	98,627
Flickr views	7,994
Total	4,911,352



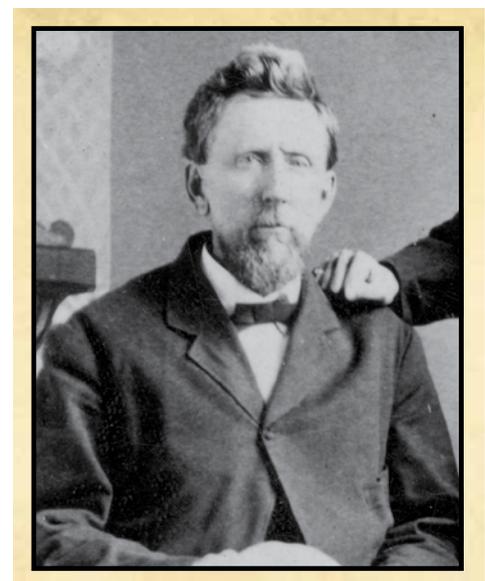
Cowboys used spurs like this one on cattle drives promoted by Joseph McCoy.

2011 Grants Awarded

Type of Service	Dollar Amount	Number of Projects
Historic Preservation Fund	\$108,232	7
Heritage Trust Fund*	\$963,160	14
Total	\$1,071,392	21

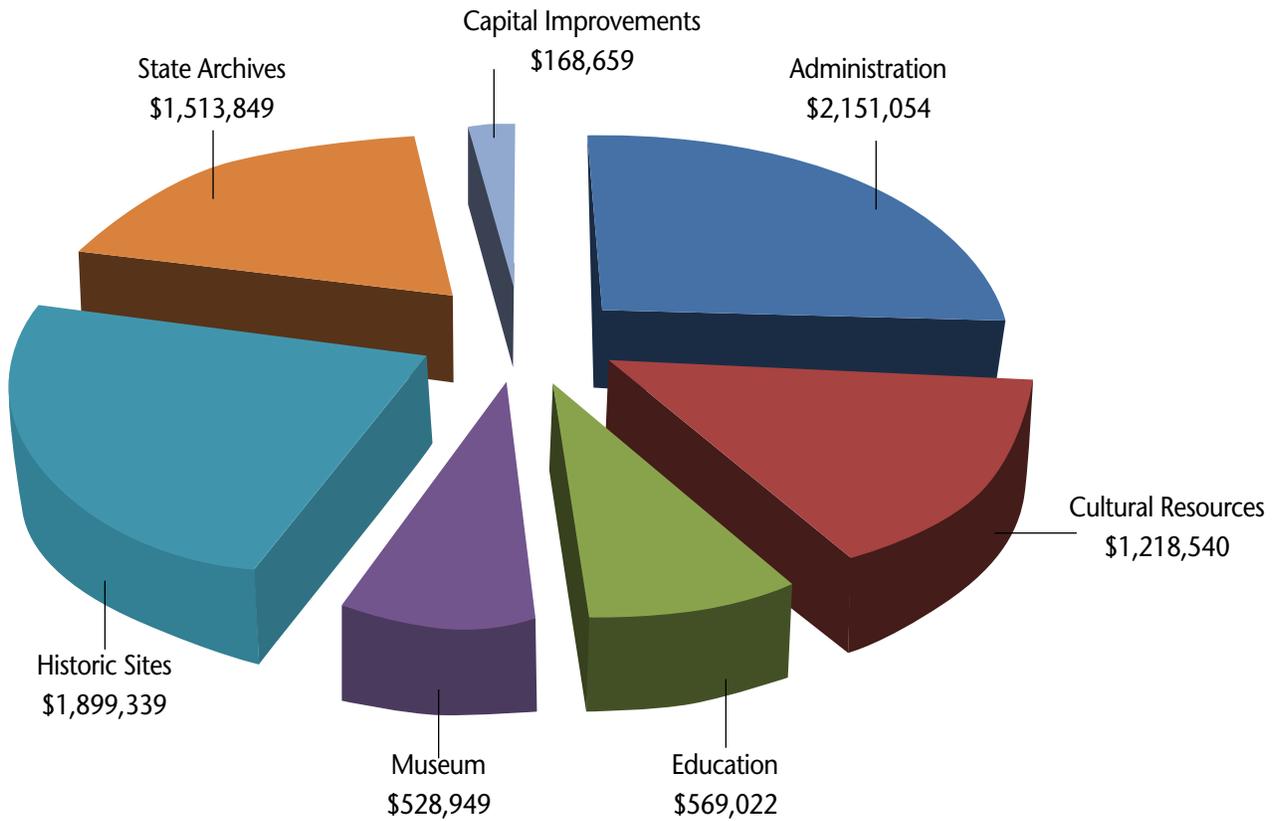
*Created 65 jobs and \$3,155,000 in gross state product

Notable Kansan | **Joseph McCoy** – (1837-1915)
 He established Abilene as a railhead on the Chisholm Trail, which brought two million head of Texas longhorns to Kansas in four years.

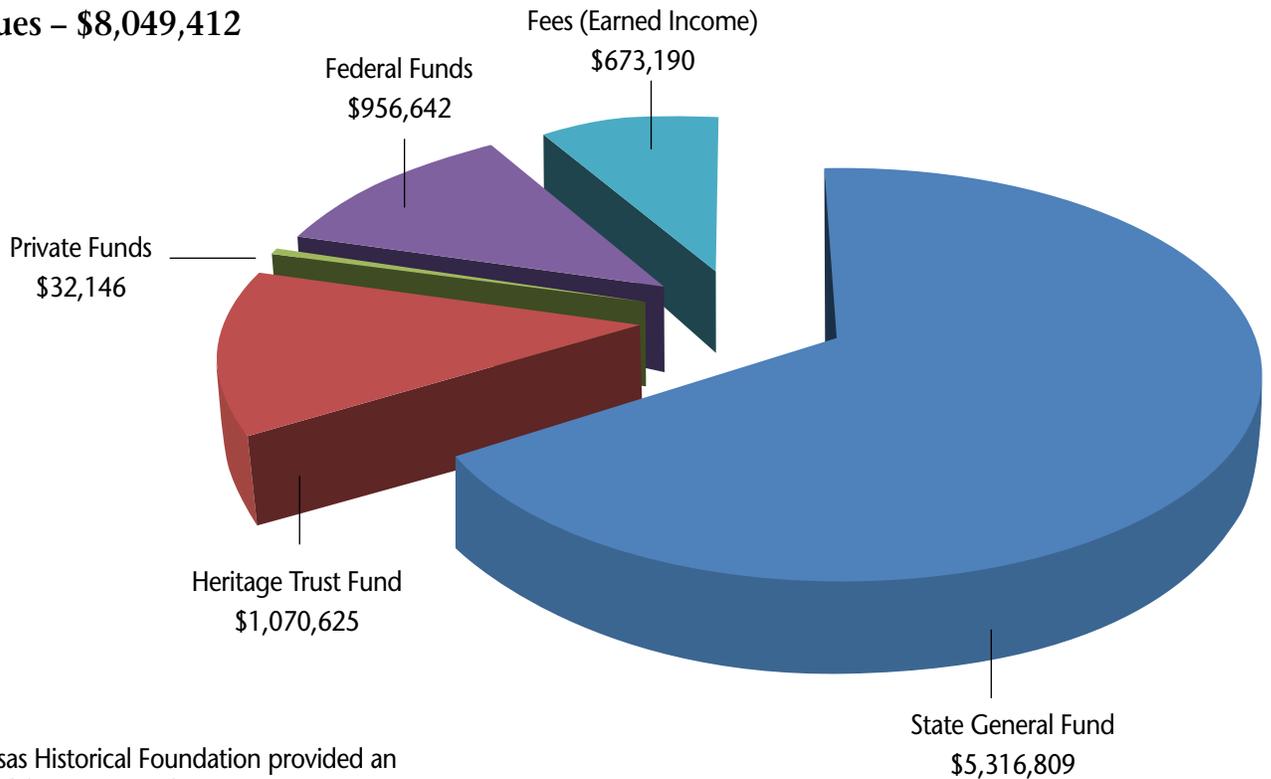


Fiscal Year 2011 Resources

State Budget Expenditures – \$8,049,412*



Revenues – \$8,049,412



*The Kansas Historical Foundation provided an additional \$542,025 to the agency in FY 2011

Volunteer

FY 2011 Volunteer Contributions

Service Area	Number of Volunteers	Hours Contributed
Archeology	21	2,107
Discovery Place	10	627
Docents - Kansas Museum of History	13	522
Educational opportunities	30	369
Information - Kansas Museum of History	8	579
Kansas State Capitol Tour Center	6	1,354
Museum Store	6	605
Special projects	98	1,270
State Archives & Library	27	2,763
State Historic Sites	227	6,771
Summer youth	2	83
Total	448	17,050



Notable Kansan | Karl Menninger – (1893-1990)

He founded the Menninger Clinic in Topeka with his father, Charles. Menninger authored influential books and with his brother Will, and built a national reputation for the clinic.



This hat from our collections belonged to Karl Menninger.

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