



Individuals Featured:

Dr. Norman Borlaug

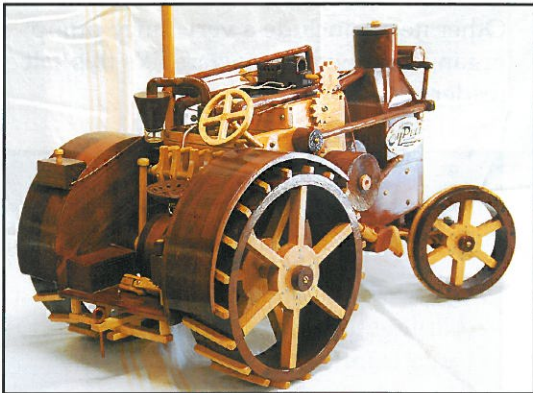
The Nobel Peace Prize winner was born and raised on a farm south of Cresco. He is credited for saving millions of lives with his research in wheat genetics.

Cresco's Five Admirals

Cresco is a land locked town but home to five Admirals. F.L. Lowry, A.T. Moen, G.E. Peckham, M.J. Malanaphy and W.F. Peterson.

Ellen Church, Dr. George Kessel

Ellen Church was the first airline stewardess after being a nurse in WWII and grew up in Cresco. Dr Kessel was a great humanitarian who built the first hospital in Cresco.



Hand-carved toy implements, made to scale and done in a variety of woods, is one of the most unique features at the museum. The display is compliments of Melbern and Dorothy Buresh.



Items featured in the museum include a three-seat buggy, complete with fancy top; three antique tractors; and a huge cupola that was made in Cresco. It was returned to Cresco when a barn in Montana was torn down.



About the Museum

The historical society partnered with the Howard County Fair Board to get a new building at the fairgrounds. The museum features agricultural machinery and many farm items.

About the Historical Society

The Howard County Historical Society was established in 1927 and works to preserve artifacts of this area as well record the history of its people.

Membership

Membership is open to anyone interested in the history of this area.

You can contribute

Your contributions, memorials and memberships are most welcome. Please check with us if you have an artifact you would like to donate.

HOWARD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM



Featuring a vast array of artifacts, exhibits, and history unique to Howard County. Many of the displays are "one-of-a kind" items from the rich history of the county.



From early pioneer days to recent years... it's all here.

The museum is open by appointment by calling 563-547-3434 and is open every day during fair week.



A section of the museum has the original marquee and other items from the theater.



A rich history of military service is also featured in the museum as well as a incubator complete with an interesting decal.



So much to see...even more to learn!



The main room reflects the rich agricultural heritage and includes big and small equipment as well as feature stories on items created and manufactured in the county. It includes a large advertising curtain from the theater.



Other items include a very fancy pump organ along with stoneware like this salt feeder.

New Exhibit!

A "Civil War Flag" is now being displayed at the museum. The 9th Iowa Infantry flag was made by Susan & Elizabeth Cole of Cresco. It was carried by Ezra M. Cole and rescued by Charles B. Ashley from Missouri.