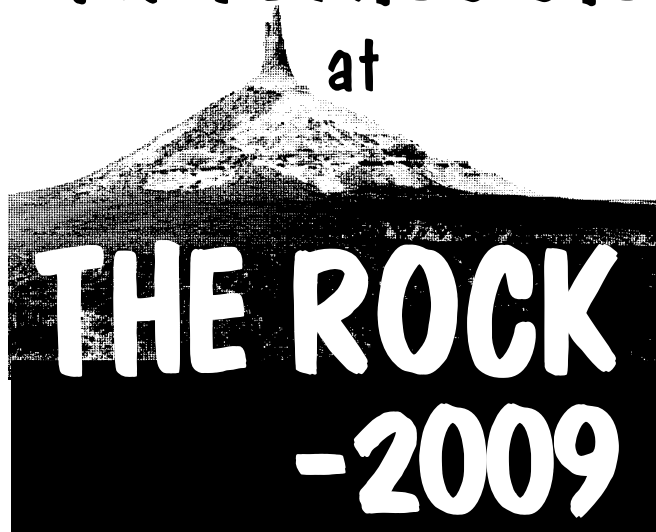


SUNDAY AFTERNOON



**An educational series presented by the
Nebraska State Historical Society**

All presentations are free of charge and will start at 1:30 at the Ethel & Christopher J. Abbott Visitor Center at Chimney Rock National Historic Site, located 1 mile south of Highway 92 on Chimney Rock Road. Limited seating is available.

Sunday, February 01

THE LEGEND OF HIRAM SCOTT

Jerry Lucas

We know that Hiram Scott worked as a clerk for the American Fur Company in 1827. We also know that his name does not appear in any of the Company's papers after 1828. Beyond this, little is known with certainty. How does a man we know so little about lend his name to a bluff, monument, city, and county? Jerry Lucas, a ranger at Scotts Bluff National Monument will tell us what we do know about this man and what we think we know.

Sunday, February 08

***THE SAGA OF THE DIRTY THIRTIES:
HOBOES, GRASSHOPPERS, AND
DRIFTING SANDS***

Virginia Cassells

The Great Depression had a lasting impact on our nation, history, and culture. To this day, it serves as a high-water mark to which we compare modern economic events. But it also had a personal and profound impact on the people who lived through it. Local historian Virginia Cassells has collected many memories from people of our area and will share these stories.

Sunday, February 15

***NATIVE AMERICAN AND WHITE
RELATIONS IN THE NORTH PLATTE
VALLEY IN THE 1850'S***

Troy Molko

The 1850's was a dynamic decade in American history. It was no less so in the Fort Laramie area. From the monumental 1851 Horse Creek Treaty to the tragic Grattan Incident, external forces as well as local individuals created events that would have a rippling effect throughout much of the American West. Fort Laramie historical re-enactor Troy Molko will explore these dynamic events and relationships.

Sunday, February 22

***BACK TO THE STATES: EAST-BOUND TRAVEL
ON THE PLATTE RIVER ROAD***

Loren Pospisil

Today Interstate 80 is a major artery in travel across America. Much of it lies on the "First Interstate" of the old Oregon, Mormon, and California trails. While historians have done a great job of dealing with westward movement on these trails, we often overlook the notion that the broad, flat Platte River Valley was also an ideal way of heading east. Loren Pospisil will demonstrate why many people saw Chimney Rock on their eastern horizon.

Sunday, March 01

MILITARY POSTS OF NEBRASKA

Tom Buecker

The military history of Nebraska is a diverse history. Some military posts served quietly, others explosively. As the needs of the military changed, so too did the need and location for military posts change. Some were abandoned, some converted, some survived into the 20th century. Tom Buecker from the Fort Robinson Museum will explain the role and history of military posts in Nebraska from 1819 through 1948.

Sunday, March 08

THE LOST CHIMNEY ROCK FOUND

John Carter

We knew it was there and we thought it was gone forever. But history is nothing but surprises. John Carter with the Nebraska State Historical Society will tell the story about the amazing new view of Chimney Rock and how Charles Savage's 1866 photograph has expanded the sweep of our historical vision of the overland trail, the landscape, and our collective past.

**For more information, call (308) 586-2581
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