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MIDWEST COMFORTS

ON DISPLAY THROUGH APRIL 4, 2023

Food is often about comfort as much as it is about nutrition and many of us have special memories about family recipes.

Whether it's Grandma's chocolate cake, Dad's jambalaya, or Mom's chicken and noodles there's always a recipe that's close to our heart.

"Feast" on family recipes and food nostalgia at *Midwest Comforts*. Peruse recipes from local cooks and reminisce over forgotten food advertisements and local establishments.



RECENT ACQUISITIONS

UPDATES EVERY 2-3 MONTHS

The Recent Acquisitions cases, located outside the McKinstry Library, feature donations made to the Grout Museum District. The contents of this case change quarterly.

Case highlight: Concrete scale model guard tower, bomb shelter, and Texas barriers donated by Major Robert Andreeson, US Army Reserves.

Andreeson was born in Grundy Center, IA in 1963. Between 1983 and 2010, he served in the US Army, National Guard and Army Reserve.

In 2005, he deployed to Iraq with 3rd Corps Support Command and was stationed at LSA Anaconda. There, these scale models were poured by the same Kurdish contractors responsible for constructing their full-scale counterparts.



UPCOMING EXHIBIT

THE TOYBOX: GENERATIONS OF PLAY

OPENS MARCH 7, 2023 | GROUT MUSEUM OF HISTORY & SCIENCE

"A spring, a spring, a marvelous thing! Everyone knows it's Slinky!"

Whether you remember the iconic Slinky jingle or have fond memories of playing with *Lincoln Logs*, *Care Bears*, *He-Man* action figures, *Playskool* toys, or board games like *Mall Madness*, this exhibit is for you!

Come see toys through the generations at the Grout Museum's upcoming exhibit: *The Toybox: Generations of Play*.

Play with jumbo toy replicas, like *Lite Brite* and *Sorry!*, watch old commercials, and see countless toys that will send you back to the playroom of your childhood.

Pictured Above: Troll Doll, Popple, Care Bear Cousins, Snacktime Kid Cabbage Patch, WWF Action Figures and Monchhichi. Manufacture dates range from 1970s-1990s.

Pictured Below: 1950s edition of Sorry! 1966 Snoopy Jack in the Box by Mattel. 1970s Playskool Train. 1946 Slinky print ad.



OPENING NEW DOORS & PROGRAMMING

SPRING PROGRAMS

TODDLER TIME

MARCH 9 - WEATHER

APRIL 20 - PETS

MAY 18 - FLOWERS

11:00 AM - NOON

IMAGINARIUM

TODDLERS FREE

ADULTS: \$6

Join Imaginarium staff for story time and a themed craft.

TEA PARTIES

MARCH 25 - WONDERLAND TEA

APRIL 29 - WILD TEA

MAY 27 - A TOTALLY VINTAGE TEA

10:00 AM - NOON

SNOWDEN HOUSE

MEMBERS: \$10.80

NON-MEMBERS: \$12

REGISTER AT:

[GMDISTRICT.ORG/CALENDAR](https://gmdistrict.org/calendar)

Join Museum Staff for a themed tea party with treats, crafts, and more!

Sponsored by Scratch Cupcakery

WORLD'S GREATEST SPRING BREAK FOR KIDS

MARCH 13 - 17

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

GROUT MUSEUM/SBIVM,

IMAGINARIUM

\$1 CHILD, \$1 ACCOMPANYING ADULT, PER SITE

Enjoy DAILY Planetarium Shows at 11AM, Noon, 1, 2 & 3PM and Science Demos at 11AM, 1, 2 & 3PM. A scavenger hunt for fun prizes will be held at both locations.

Sponsored by R.J. McElroy Trust

MEMORIAL DAY AT THE SBIVM

MAY 29

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

SULLIVAN BROTHERS IOWA

VETERANS MUSEUM

VETERANS & ACTIVE DUTY: FREE

After Waterloo's Memorial Day Parade (keep an eye out for us!) enjoy special hours, family friendly activities, and photos with costumed staff.



NEW DOORS & MUSEUM STORE

NOW OPEN!

Phase one of the "Opening New Doors" renovation project is now complete! Guests can enter the Museum through the entrance right off the South Street parking lot and check-in through the new Museum Store.

Work is now underway on the lower level event space. The former Museum Store will be removed and a permanent bar added, creating an event space that is larger and more accommodating.

To support the last stages of "Opening New Doors," visit gmdistrict.org/donate



FAMILY NIGHT at the IMAGINARIUM

MARCH 2, APRIL 6 & MAY 4
EXTENDED HOURS: 5-8PM

Join the Imaginarium the first Thursday of the month for extended hours, March-May. Come explore the science museum with your little ones, watch a science demonstration at 6 and 7PM, and everyone under 3 is free!



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503 South St.
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SPRING 2023

Your *Special* Occasion Deserves a *Special* Location

AVAILABLE SPACES: Snowden House, Board Room, Conference Room, Imaginarium Classroom
COMING SOON! Expanded lower level event space at the Sullivan Brothers Iowa Veterans Museum

From birthday parties, to bridal showers, weddings, to open houses, business meetings to family gatherings, the Museum District can accommodate your next event!

To inquire or book, contact Teresa Bryant at 319.234.6357.

Remember! Museum Members receive a discount on all facility rentals!

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