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- LAST CHANCE! - OVER LAND & SEA: IOWANS IN THE PACIFIC IN WWII

ON DISPLAY THROUGH DECEMBER 30, 2022

December 7, 1941, “a day which will live in infamy,” changed everything the United States believed about its security in the Pacific, resulting in the US and Japan becoming engulfed in years of gruesome fighting.

Over 285,000 US soldiers fought in the Pacific and thousands of them were Iowans. Through their stories came the beauty and horror of the Pacific Theater and what it took to win the war against Japan.



MIDWEST COMFORTS ON DISPLAY THROUGH MARCH 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.



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 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, 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, watch old commercials, and see countless toys that will send you back to the playroom of your childhood.

Pictured: Ottumwa, IA, 1976 by Lemberger, LeAnn/Fortepan Iowa

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.

Some recent highlights include:

- A chaplain's kit belonging to Lt. Duane A. Brady, US Navy, WWII.
- The RADM Desert Combat Uniform (c. 2010) of Vice Admiral Michael Franken, USN, 1978-2017. (pictured)
- Pieces from the collection of Ed Boyle, manager of local baseball clubs and the Waterloo Hawks (NBL and NBA), 1940s-1950s.
- Waterloo Boat Club Guidon, c. 1927.
- A-3 shearling trousers and wartime souvenirs belonging to Pvt. Raymond Hagg, Ground Crew (B-26), 597th Bomb Squadron, 397th Bomb Group, 9th Air Force, USAF, WWII, ETO.



HOLIDAY SHOPPING & WINTER PROGRAMMING

SHOP THE GROUT!

FIND HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR EVERYONE ON YOUR LIST!



MUSEUM STORE HOLIDAY SALE 20% OFF ONE ITEM

IN STORE ONLY. VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 23, 2022

IN-PERSON PROGRAMS

TODDLER TIME

DECEMBER 15 - FRIENDS
JANUARY 19 - NEW YEARS
FEBRUARY 16 - SPACE & STARS

11:00 AM - NOON
IMAGINARIUM
TODDLERS FREE
ADULTS: \$6

The third Thursday of the month, join Imaginarium staff for story time and a themed craft.

TEA PARTIES

DECEMBER 17 - COSMIC TEA
JANUARY 28 - SUPER SECRET SPY TEA
FEBRUARY 25 - MYTHICAL TEA

10:00 AM - NOON
SNOWDEN HOUSE
MEMBERS: \$10.80
NON-MEMBERS: \$12

REGISTER AT:
GMDISTRICT.ORG/CALENDAR

Now-May, join Museum Staff for a themed tea party with treats, crafts, and more!

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WINTER NOTICES

SCIENCE DEMONSTRATIONS

Saturdays at 11 AM, 1:30, & 3:00 PM

PLANETARIUM SHOWS

Weekdays at 3PM
Saturdays at 11 AM, 1:30, & 3:00 PM

SCIENCE DEMO & PLANETARIUM SPECIAL DATES

December 27-30 at
11 AM, 1:30, & 3:00 PM

CLOSED

December 23
Christmas Eve
Christmas Day
New Years Day



HONOR A VETERAN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON VETERANS PLAQUES: \$125

Do you have a special friend or family member who gave time, talent and courage or perhaps even life to serve the United States in the Armed Forces? Honor your veteran on the Wilbur and Mildred Demmel and Melvin Juel Veterans Memorial Plaza.

A 5" x 2.5" plaque with up to three lines will honor your Iowa Veteran. It's a gift that gives for years to come!

To purchase, call 319.234.6357 or visit
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GIVE THE GIFT OF A MEMBERSHIP

MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP ARE A GIFTS
THAT KEEP GIVING ALL YEAR ROUND!

GMD Memberships allow the card holder unlimited admission to the Grout Museum District and the Norris Corson Family Planetarium for an entire year. Members also have access to free or discounted admission to hundreds of museums across the US through a reciprocal program. Other perks include discounts on programs, store purchases and facility rentals.

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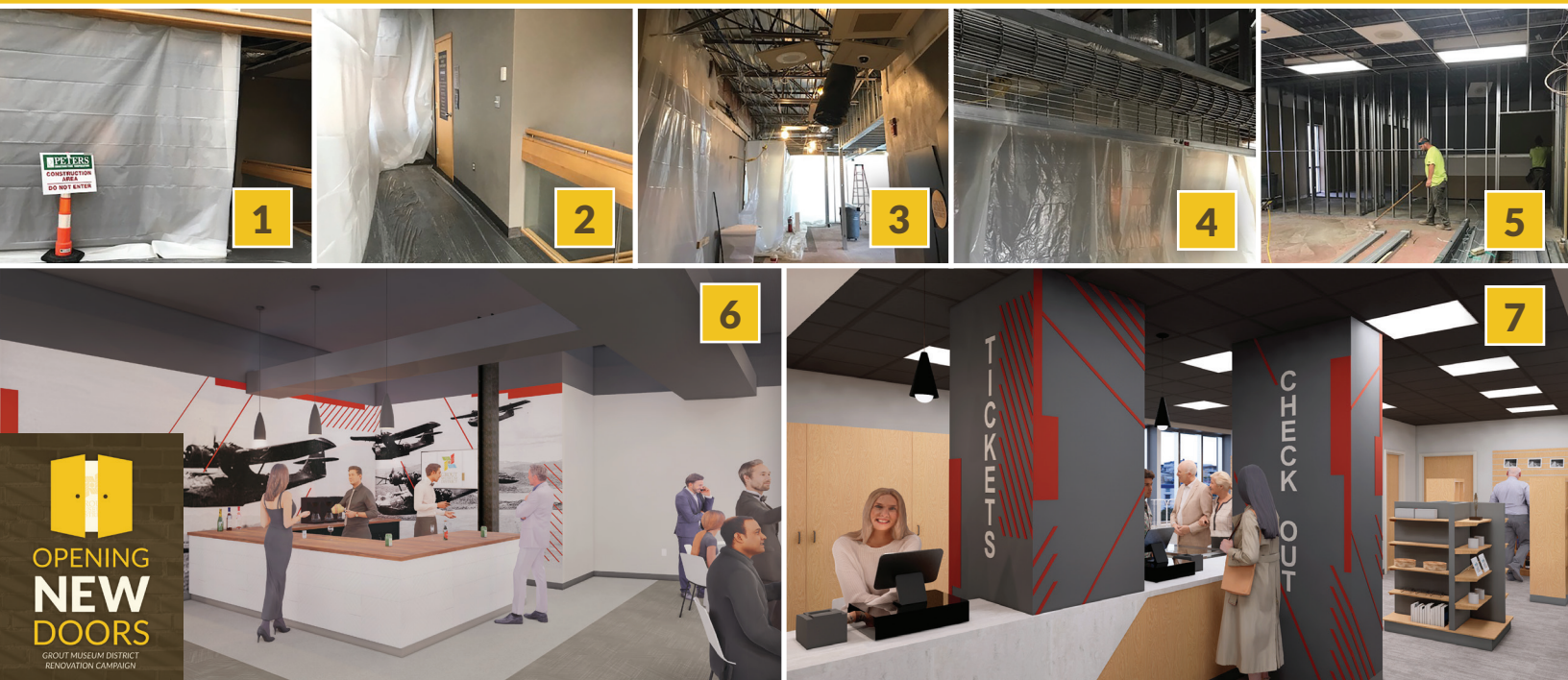
WINTER 2022-2023

OPENING NEW DOORS PROJECT UPDATE

The lower level expanded event center and new upper level main entrance, check in and Museum Store are slated to be open to the public spring of 2023.

TO WATCH OUR PROGRESS, FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

- PICTURED, LEFT TO RIGHT:** 1. Area to the left of the business entrance, soon to be the new main entrance, check in and Museum Store.
2. Access to the Norris Corson Family Planetarium. 3. View from the Conference Room. 4. Installed security gates for the Museum Store.
5. Permanent wall installation in the Conference Room. The back portion of this space will become offices for Education Staff. 6. & 7. Concept photos from INVISION Architects of the updated and expanded event space on the lower level and the new check in and Museum Store, upper level.



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