Draw and paint history July 7 at free “Art at the Museum”

Kids of all ages are welcome to “Art at the Museum” Saturday, July 7, 1 to 4 p.m. to draw and paint historical and cultural artifacts and photos.

Local artist Julie Lamberson will be there to assist and give pointers if needed. This is a FREE event, funded by the Mildred and Marie Children’s Fund.

Those who participate in this program will have their art displayed at the museum through August.

Have fun, create art, and learn some history at the museum!

Don’t forget to send in the mail ballot or drop it off at the museum if you are unable to attend the annual members’ meeting June 21.

A new exhibit on 1950s advertising is currently on display in the NLCHM upstairs exhibit gallery. The exhibit focuses on the hand-drawn, silly, strange, and interesting business advertisements that filled newspapers and phonebooks at the time. North Lincoln County was booming in the 1950s, and businesses were popping up left and right. Along with this boom came the need for appealing ads and slogans to draw in tourists and locals.

Artifacts and memorabilia associated with these businesses are also on exhibit.

Take a step back in time and see how 1950s businesses in North Lincoln County promoted their offerings.
Voices of the Past come alive in museum’s videotape library

By Libby Durbin

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GREAT WORK, CONNIE

NLCHM thanks Connie Owston for her over 20 years of volunteer work for the museum. For years she has been the museum’s primary acquisitions volunteer, processing new donations and solving history’s mysteries. She also did beautiful artwork for the museum which includes the Pixie mural in our upstairs exhibit. Thank you, Connie, and good luck with future endeavors!

NEW and renewing members

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A LITTLE HISTORY. A covered bridge spanned Schooner Creek between Taft and Cutler City from 1924 until the 1940s when a wider concrete bridge, still standing, was built.

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