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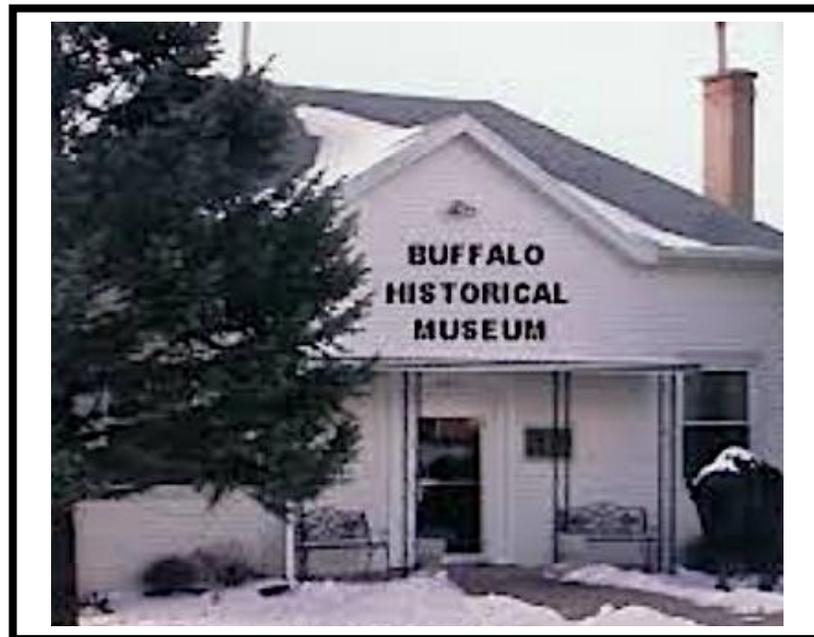
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**409 3rd Street
Buffalo Iowa**

Buffalo Iowa is an historic town, the first town laid out in Scott County in 1836. Settled by Capt. Benjamin Clark in 1833, he purchased claims comprising 2,000 acres in the Buffalo area, including 2 1/2 miles of river front. Buffalo is a town of many "firsts" in Scott County, including Capt. Clark's ferry, the first public ferry across the Mississippi between Burlington and Dubuque. Farming, coal mining and pearl buttons were the earliest industries here.

Today, the old City Hall building houses the Buffalo Historical Society Museum. The Society was organized in August 2000 and the Museum opened in October 2003 to promote interest in local history, collect and preserve historic articles and promote the preservation of public records.

The Historical Society has collected and displays at the Museum many artifacts, photographs, house histories and other memorabilia relating to historic Buffalo.

Come, learn, enjoy...historic Buffalo.

NOT Buffalo Bill Museum in LeClaire!!

Bonus Tour - March 26, 2020 - 6:00!!!

**830 Mississippi
Davenport, IA
Corner of Mississippi & 9th Street**

Members only private home tour! – You can renew that night.

Rowland H. Harned purchased the house and lot on Mississippi Avenue in 1904 for \$5,600. At that time, there was an 11 room house on the property that had been Mrs. Jane Rhodes' boarding house since 1870. In March 1905, Mr. Harned advertised that this house was available to be moved from the property as he intended to build a new house on the site. Temple, Burrows and McLane were the architects for this new home. Coen & Conway won the contract to build it. It is a two story residence constructed of pressed brick and cut stone. The June 1905 building permit lists the cost as \$15,000. Members of the Harned family lived in this home until 1958. Mrs. Rowland (Mary) Harned died in 1958 and it was sold as part of her estate.

It was in the Harned family for over 50 years. Originally, 9th St. was called 2nd Avenue East Davenport, so the address was 2nd Ave & Mississippi before Harned lived there.

Rowland H. Harned was born in 1864 in Pennsylvania. He came to Davenport in 1887 and partnered with C. J. Von Maur & W. C. Pursel in a dry goods store on the southwest corner of 2nd & Brady. When Pursel died in 1889, the store became Harned & Von Maur. In 1916 the Petersen family sold their store to Harned & Von Maur. These two stores operated separately until 1928 when they merged into one establishment - Peterson, Harned & Von Maur. The Von Maur family took over full ownership in 1937 and the name was changed to Von Maur 1989.

Announcements

- Our president Duane Timm, has resigned for health reasons. We wish him the best and welcome him back anytime.
- We need new board members. If you are interested please let a board member know.
- SCHPS made a donation to the Davenport House in honor of the death of Dr. Maryan Wherry. She spoke to our group several times and was an expert in local history. This is a huge loss for our community.
- May 10, Quarters One is hosting a Mother's Day Tea. Tickets are \$25.
- 2020 is the 100th anniversary of Suffrage! In the QC area there are many exhibits depicting this historic event, including the Putnam and German American Heritage Center.
- Watch the newsletter for upcoming tours and events.

Fully furnished, one bedroom apartment for rent.
Includes all linens, utensils, TV with Dish.
View of the Mississippi River!
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