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CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN SMAHC GRANT PROGRAMS

In fiscal year 2010 we received \$910,960 in grant requests and awarded \$477,793. That's four times the dollars requested in the previous year and almost three times the dollars awarded! Clearly there is a tremendous need for support for art projects in our region.

Last fiscal year we made changes to our ongoing programs and added new programs with the advent of the **Arts & Cultural Heritage funding.** Now that we have had a chance to reflect on the year we have revised several of our programs in an attempt to provide more clarity and enable the money to stretch farther.

One of the major changes is that we have reduced the maximum award for **Arts Legacy Grants for Organizations and Communities** to \$20,000 and increased the required cash match to 25%. Applicants requesting \$10,000 or more must submit a pre-application.

We have added a separate program with a separate deadline for **Planning Grants for an Arts Legacy Project for Organizations and Communities**.

Requests for equipment and facilities improvement have moved to the **Local Arts Organization Development** grant program. The maximum award for equipment and facilities requests is \$15,000, with a required cash match of 35%. Applicants requesting \$5,000 to \$15,000 for equipment and facilities improvement must submit a pre-application. Several of our smaller grant programs for organizations have been incorporated into the Local Arts Organization Development Grant program.

We are working on publishing our **new grant guidelines** and will post them on our website as soon as possible. Changes to SMAHC grant programs for Individual Artists will be announced in September. **Grant workshops** for organization grants have been scheduled in the **SMAHC office at 4 PM on July 19**th and in **Hutchinson on July 23**rd at a location to be determined. Check the SMAHC website for details (www.smahc.org). Additional workshops will be posted on our website as they are scheduled. The workshops will include **Art Project Grants**, **Local Arts Organization Development Grants and Arts Legacy Grants for Organizations & Communities**.

Please don't hesitate to call the SMAHC office at 800-622-5284 if you have any questions about our programs or which category is appropriate for your project.

Grant Deadlines for Fiscal Year 2011 Announced

The **Southwest Minnesota Arts and Humanities Council** has announced the new **grant deadlines** (replacing the tentative dates published previously) for the upcoming fiscal year. The earliest project start date is in italics after each deadline date. Please note the these start dates have changed from last year. Be sure that your project starts no sooner than those that are posted here. SMAHC offers **free workshops** for each of the grant rounds listed. These workshops are a great way to learn more about writing your SMAHC grant. The workshops will be held at the SMAHC office in Marshall. **The workshops are free but pre-registration is required.** Call the SMAHC office to register (800-622-5284 or 507-537-1471) or email SMAHC at smahcinfo@iw.net.

- Planning Grant for Arts Legacy for Organizations & Communities Projects: August 2, 2010 (Round 1) Earliest start date Sept. 15, 2010
- Art Project: August 16, 2010 (Round 1) Earliest start date November 1, 2010 Free Workshop: July 19, 2010
- Local Arts Organization Development: August 16, 2010 (Round 1) Earliest start date November 1, 2010 Free Workshop: July 19, 2010
- Arts Legacy for Organizations & Communities: August 23, 2010 (Round 1) Earliest start date November 1, 2010 The Pre-Application deadline is July 30, 2010 for projects over \$10,000. Free Workshop: July 19, 2010

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Top TipsFor writing a successful grant

We get some grants each year with erroneous or omitted information that can cause your grant to get receive lower scores and in some extreme cases, it may even make your grant ineligible. Here are some great tips for you when you are writing your grants this year. Check these out and carefully observe each of them and your grant process will go smoothly.

Contact the SMAHC office for guidance on whether your project fits the grant program. Staff can help you determine which program your project fits under.

Double check your project start date. If your start date is before the published SMAHC start date, your grant is ineligible. See the tip below, "Try to submit your grant well ahead of the grant deadline date."

Make sure that your budget figures add up correctly. Before you send in your grant, re-add all budget numbers for accuracy. Make sure the numbers in your budget match the numbers on the first page of the application form.

Be sure your Cash Match for the project is equal to or more than the required amount.

Be sure that your grant amount being requested does not exceed the allowable amount. If you ask for more money than is allowable, your grant is ineligible. See the tip below, "Try to submit your grant well ahead of the grant deadline date."

Itemize your budget expenses in the spaces provided. If you don't itemize on the budget page you must submit a budget narrative detailing all budget calculations (strongly suggested). With your budget, more information is better than less information. Vague budgets score lower. Also, do not inflate the budget - it will be noticed right away.

Be sure that all resumes and bio materials are included. As a general rule, If someone is getting paid with the grant funds, you need to included a resume or bio.

The Application Checklist is a final double check before submitting your application. Do not check a box if you have not include that particular item with your grant.

Read and understand all the information in the Certification Page - then check the boxes.

A minimum of 2 different people must sign your application - a Project Coordinator and an Authorizing Official. If you are using a Fiscal Agent, then a third person (the Fiscal Agent) must sign the application.

Try to submit your grant well ahead of the grant deadline date. If you submit a grant at least a couple weeks before the deadline date, most problems can be identified and corrected by the deadline date, and particularly, errors that would make your application ineligible. If you submitted it right on the deadline date or you postmark it on the deadline date, there can be no corrections or changes to the grant.

When in doubt - call SMAHC for assistance (800-622-5284 or 507-537-1471). You can also email SMAHC with questions (smahcinfo@iw.net). An easy way to ask a question through the internet is to fill out a web form on our website. Go to www.smahc.org, scroll down to the bottom of the home page and click on the link: Have a Comment or Question-CLICK HERE..

So what happens to our grant application after we submit it to SMAHC? When your grant application is received at the SMAHC office, the staff will review it for completeness and errors as time permits. The grants are then duplicated and mailed to the grant review panel who will read the grants and evaluate them using the criteria listed in the grant guidelines or application form, for example: artistic quality and merit, the ability of the applicant to accomplish the project, and the collaboration and support for the project. At the grant panel meeting, each grant will be discussed and each panelist will score the applications based on the program criteria. They will make a recommendation to the SMAHC board who will meet and make the final determination who will be awarded the grants.

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Legacy Grants for Organizations and Communities Awarded

The Board of Directors of the Southwest Minnesota Arts & Humanities Council voted to award a total of \$123,527 in grant funds for regional arts activities through the Legacy Grants for Organizations and Communities grant program. Funds are provided to organizations for a variety of arts projects and activities that develop or enhance local arts organizations, communities, artists, or art audiences. Arts Legacy Grants are intended for projects or activities that will create a strong arts legacy in Minnesota. This activity is funded, in part, by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund as appropriated by the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.

- ➤ Dawson Boyd Arts Association, Dawson, \$11,920 to replace the upstage curtains and its track system and purchase additional stage lighting fixtures.
- ➤ Willmar Area Arts Council, Willmar, \$13,040 to increase coordinator hours, market the Arts Council through the website and Arts Calendar, hosting of artist receptions and special events, and securing a gallery space for local artists to display their work.
- ➤ Worthington Area Community Orchestra, Worthington, \$11,206 to organize and develop a 20 member Worthington area community string orchestra
- **Friends of the Auditorium, Worthington,** \$14,353 to present the Eisenhower Dance Co. "Healthy Kids" Dance Residency to help foster a healthy lifestyle for students while teaching the joys of movement and performing arts..
- > Marshall Area Fine Arts Council, Marshall, \$2,000 planning grant for a history mural in downtown Marshall.
- ➤ Chippewa County Circle Sentencing & Community Mentoring Project, Montevideo, \$5,940 for a Mentoring Project with Milan Village Arts School. Students and their mentors will have the opportunity to attend art classes. The project will culminate in a public display of student art work.
- ➤ Mountain Lake Public School, Mountain Lake, \$4,995 for the "Meander by Art" project which will place public art in the business district of Mountain Lake. A large Latino environmental themed mural will be created on a wall and the surrounding area will be developed into a green space.
- ➤ **Hutchinson Theatre Company, Hutchinson,** \$7,973 to purchase sound equipment including mixer, microphones, monitors, and hearing impaired devices.
- ➤ Milan Village Arts School, Milan, \$19,717 to Milan Village Arts School for developing studio spaces for use in regularly held sessions so the people of this region can have greater access to practice their arts within a community of artists in a studio setting.
- ➤ Hutchinson Center for the Arts, Hutchinson, \$22,355 for the actual start-up of operations of the Hutchinson Arts Center which will include securing a physical location, hiring a full-time staff person, an enhanced website, educational workshops for HCA board members, developing a fund-raising program, developing databases for arts assets and venues in Hutchinson, and provide assistance for partnering members.
- Friends of the Auditorium, Worthington, \$10,000 for the "Arts on the Move" project which will present unique quality educational performing artists to the community and to implement an advertising marketing and promotions campaign.

SMAHC is Looking for Grant Panelists

SMAHC is seeking individuals to serve on one (or more) of the five grant panels to review grant applications. The grant panels are **Arts & Learning**, **Organization Grants Panel**, **Individual Artist Panel**, **The Legacy Grants for Organizations and Communities**, and the **Legacy Grants for Established Career Artists**. If you are into the visual or performing arts, this is an opportunity for you to use your talent and expertise to help further the arts in SW Minnesota.

The panels meet once or twice per year. Panelists should have experience in one or more of the following areas: an artistic discipline, arts education, aesthetic decision-making, financial or organizational management for nonprofit organizations, or community-based arts projects. Panelists review SMAHC grant applications and make recommendations to the SMAHC board based on the criteria for each program.

Are you interested? You can learn more about the process of becoming a grant panelist by clicking on the following link: www.smahc.org/smahc_panels.htm You can also call the SMAHC office at 507/537-1471 or toll free at 800/622-5284, or send an email to smahcinfo@iw.net

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GALLERY LISTINGS

SMAHC Art Gallery features the work of fiber artist Victoria Hanna, July 12 through September 30. The gallery is located at 1210 E. College Dr., **Marshall** The gallery hours are 8:00 to 4:30 PM. There will be an opening reception on July 22 from 5 to 7 PM. Call SMAHC for more information at 800-622-5284.

ARTmeyerson Gallery Our Dresses & Heirloom Dresses with Needlework, exhbits by artists Joli Grostephan and Peggy Starz. The gallery is located at 105 N. 4th St, **Atwater**. The exhibit is now through the end of July. The gallery is open Friday afternoons and by appointment. Free. For more information, email ellam@frontier.com or call (320) 212-2702. To read more about this new gallery and exhibit, visit www.smahc.org/artmeyerson.

Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th Street, **Worthington**. May 17 - through August 20, Pieces from their permanent collection. Hours: M-F 2:00 to 4:30 PM. Free. Call 507-372-8245 for more information.

**Marshall Area Fine Arts Council (MAFAC), 109 N. 3rd Street, Marshall. June 29 - July 31: Michon Weeks exhibit. Aug 3 - 28: Robert Schwan Memorial Photography Competition and Exhibit. Free. Hours: Tues - Fri 11 - 4:30 PM & Sat 11 - 2. 507-532-5463.

Visit www.mafac.net for more information.

**Robert Remick Gallery/Cottonwood County Historical Society, 812 Fourth Avenue, Windom. Free. Hours: M-F 8-4 PM & Sat 10-4 PM. May 2 - September 4 "From Forest & Studio: Art by Marget Floyd". For more information, call (507) 831-1134 or email cchs@windomnet.com.

32nd Annual Music in the Park Concert Series in Library Square, **Hutchinson**. Free Mon night concerts at 7 PM each week. Bring chairs. For complete concert listings, visit www.explorehutchinson.com/MIP.htm.

Summer Outdoor Concert Series sponsored by the Glacial Ridge Winery, 15455 Old Mill Road, **Spicer**, every Thursday, 6:30-8:30, June – August, Free Admission, great wine, live music, good fun. Visit their website for more information on each

concert: www.glacialridgewinery.com/

**Fish Gone Wild, The Spicer Beautification Committee with the help of the Willmar Area Arts Council has created a summer art project called: FISH GONE WILD. Twenty two large wooden fish have been decorated/embellished/enhanced by local artists. The fish will be on exhibit through the summer in Spicer. They will be "released" at a live auction at a gala event on August 27.

Clay Coyote Pottery, 17614 240th St. Hutchinson. Check out www.claycoyote.com for gallery hours or email Betsy or Tom at claypot@hutchtel.net.

**The WEAC Gallery - Willmar Education and Arts Center is located at 611 Fifth Street SW, Willmar. The month of July features works by Mary Jane Swenson willmarareaartscouncil.org/gallery.html

Marshall Area Arts Calendar for the latest arts events in the **Marshall** area:

www.marshallareastagecompany.org/artscalendar.pdf

JULY CALENDAR

**July 6 Montevideo Community Band presented by the '52 Wind Restoration Committee at the Riverview Band Stand, Herring & Venum, Appleton; 7:00 pm; Admission is free. For more information, email tomr@sytekcom.com

July 7 Prairie Winds Summer Band Concert in the Park, Rice Park, 2nd St. SW & Kandiyohi, Willmar. Free; The Prairie Winds Summer Band will be joined in their season finale by the West Central Connection Chorus for an evening of patriotic

What's Happening?Get it in VOICES in the arts and/or humanities in your area that you would like to publicize? Submit upcoming events for the August VOICES by July 15, 2010.				
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Sponsoring Organization(s):Name of Event:	Admission:			
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Contact person for inquiries:	Phone:			
Name of person completing this form:				

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law chair, family and friends for an enjoyable evening in the park. For more information, visit www.prairiewindsconcertband.com or email georgeoverton@charter.net

- July 7-10, 11, & 18 "About Time" by Tom Cole, directed by Paul Schoenack at the Little Theatre of New London, 24 Central Avenue, New London. Tickets are \$12.00 Adults, \$7.00 Students under 18. Showtimes: July 7-10, 7:30 pm, July 11 and 18, 3:00 pm. For more information, email louisemack@charter.net or visit www.newlondonlittletheatre.com
- **July 9 & 10 International Festival at the Nobles County Government Plaza in Downtown Worthington; July 9th. Opening ceremony 5:30 PM; July 10th we will start at 11:00 AM; Come Celebrate Diversity Play Together Live Together Learn Together; For more information, visit http://www.wgtn.net/Festival/schedule.htm
- **July 9, 10, & 15 18 Hello Dolly presented by the Marshall Area Stage Company, at the Schwan Community Center for the Performing Arts, MHS, Marshall; All shows at 7:00 pm except Sundays at 2:00 pm; for more information, email robert.schwoch@smsu.edu or visit www.marshallareastagecompany.org
- **July 10, 17, & 24 Walnut Grove Family Festival, Walnut Grove; Free Admission, 11:00 am to 6:00 pm; Family Activities, Entertainment, & Demonstrations; Arts, Crafts, and Vendor Sale, Food Wagon, Historic Bus Tours; For more information, visit www.walnutgrove.org/festival.htm
- **July 12, 14, and 17 Make a Splash at the Library in the Arts, Puppet Theater, at the Willmar Public Library in Willmar; July 12, Afternoon Workshop & Puppet Show on the Library Lawn at 5:30 pm; July 14-16, Two Hour Workshops to learn more about the puppet theatre and make their own puppets; July 17, Children will present their plays to the community in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Library at 10:00 am -12;00 pm; For more information, call (320) 235-3162 or email ktork@hotmail.com
- **July 13 Bob's Big Band presented by the '52 Wind Restoration Committee at the Riverview Band Stand, Herring & Venum, Appleton; 7:00 pm; Admission is free. For more information, email tomr@sytekcom.com
- July 15-19 & July 23-27 "I Do! I Do!" presented by the Crow River Players at The Little Theatre in **New London**; For ticket information, visit www.newlondonlittletheatre.com/
- July 15 Crazy Days New & Gently Used Art Sale at the MAFAC Arts Center, 109 N 3rd St, Marshall. Starts at 7:00 am. Donated art items will be sold as a fundraiser for MAFAC. If you'd like to donate art for the sale, please do so by July 10. For more information, email mafac@starpoint.net or call 507-532-5463.

- July 15 Lunch Bunch featuring Erin Engel, singer/songwriter performing at the MAFAC Arts Center, 109 N 3rd St, Marshall. Noon this event is free. Bring your lunch and hear Marshall's Erin Engel sing and talk about her music ("Christian southern gospel") and recording process. For more information, email mafac@starpoint.net or call 507-532-5463
- **July 15 17 "Portraits in Oil"** Seminar with portrait artist Linda Stobbs at the Business, Arts & Recreation Center (BARC), 1012 5th Ave. in **Windom**. Room #105 (Enter 11th St. North door). The cost of this seminar is \$199. Email barc.ed@windomnet.com for more information.
- July 16-18 "Never Say Goodbye" Summerfest & All-School Reunion weekend at the Sacred Heart Area Historical Society, Sacred Heart; Times: Fri 1-4 pm, Sat 1-3 pm, Sun 1-4 pm; Free & open to the public; Visit Sacred Heart's past through its museum exhibits with special emphasis on school art; For more info, call Sonja at 320-765-2274 or email sonja@hcinet.net
- July 19 SMAHC Grant Workshop for Art Projects, Local Arts Organization Development, and Arts Legacy Grants for Organizations and Communities at the SMAHC Office in Marshall at 4:00 PM. To register, call 800 622-5284 or email smahcinfo@iw.net
- **July 20 Jolly Tyrolers presented by the '52 Wind Restoration Committee at the Riverview Band Stand, Herring & Venum, Appleton; 7:00 pm; Admission is free. For more information, email tomr@sytekcom.com
- July 22, 23, 24 and 25 Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat a Dassel-Cokato Community Theatre Summer Musical Co-sponsored by the D-C Community Education and the D-C Arts Association, Cokato. For ticket prices, and times, visit www.dc.k12.mn.us/pac/2009-10/joseph.html
- **July 23 SMAHC Grant** Workshop for Art Projects, Local Arts Organization Development, and Arts Legacy Grants for Organizations and Communities in **Hutchinson** at a location to be determined. 12:00 noon. To register, call 800 622-5284 or email smahcinfo@iw.net
- **July 27 Milan Community Band, the 2010 Summer Concert Series, at Riverview Park, Hering and Veum streets, Appleton; 7:00 PM, Free. For more information, email tomr@sytekcom.com

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See the latest Calendar items and Opportunities on the SMAHC Website: www.smahc.org VOICES Page 6

July 28 Concert in the Park: Prairie Arts Chorale at the Liberty Park Band Shell, corner of W Marshall St and E College Dr., Marshall. Sponsored by the Marshall Area Fine Arts Center. 7:00 PM - Free. For more information, email mafac@starpoint.net. Website: www.mafac.net

**July 30 & 31 RiverSong Music Festival at the Masonic/West River Park in Hutchinson; Enjoy live music by artists from all over the Midwest at our scenic river's edge location in Masonic/ West River Park! Read about RiverSong and see the schedule at www.riversongfestival.org/

July 29-31, August 1, 4, 5-8 "Chicago" at the Lake Benton Opera House, **Lake Benton**; Aug 1, 7, & 8 are matinees which start at 2:00; July 29th and August 5 are Dinner Theatres; All other performances start at 7:30 PM; Call 507-368-4620 for more information; See their website: lakebentonoperahouse.org

**July 31 ARThouse/SMOKEhouse featuring visiting visual artist Karl Unnasch with musical performance by Adam Hammer & the Impact. ARThouse is located at 117 1st Ave. NE New London. Free. Visit the website at www.arthousenewlondon.com or email bergh72@gmail.com for more information.

OPPORTUNITIES

Call for Visual Artists We are looking for original artwork or limited edition prints created by residents within 100 miles of Ortonville Area Health Services and to depict scenes within 50 miles. Pieces selected will be purchased for an installation in an area hospital. Therefore, the subject matter should be appropriate for a healing environment. Images of nature or landscapes are preferred. There is a place for one oversized piece that could be a wall sculpture (6' x 6' or larger) and spots for a variety of medium-sized two dimensional works (size range around 2' x 3' to approximately 4' x 5' maximum). Please reply to lpr@corporateartforce.com on or before July 20, 2010 if you are interested. Please include your name, address, phone, number and 3-4 digital images of your work. The artwork installation will be scheduled for October so there is the possibility of creating site-specific work for the project.

Arts Education News from the Perpich Center - a great blog of arts education news from around the state. There are lots of great happenings and events to take advantage of here. Visit the blog at artseducation.typepad.com:80/.

The American Composers Forum has a large database of online opportunities, visit www.composersforum.org/opportunities.cfm.

MNArtists.org is an online database of Minnesota artists and organizations from all disciplines. It offers to Minnesota-based artists a central gathering place on the

web, and will grow to become a marketplace and community hub. It offers the public a new way to explore art and get to know artists. mnartists.org provides news and features about the local arts scene from a variety of sources and a calendar of arts events in Minnesota. Visit their website and read more at: mnartists.org.

The Minnesota State Arts Board - A Basic Guide to Grants for MN Artists, Performance and Rehearsal Spaces, and Gallery and Exhibition Spaces in Minnesota: www.arts.state.mn.us/guides.

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- Arts & Learning: October 4, 2010 (Round 1) Earliest start date January 1, 2011
 Free Workshop: September 2, 2010
- *Tentative Individual Artist Career/Development:
 December 8, 2010 Earliest start date February 15, 2011, Free Workshop: October 14, 2010
- Planning Grant for Arts Legacy for Organizations
 & Communities Projects: January 3, 2011 (Round
 2) Earliest start date February 15, 2011
- Arts Legacy for Organizations & Communities:
 January 14, 2011 (Round 2) Earliest start date April
 1, 2011. The Pre-Application deadline is December
 6, 2010 for projects over \$10,000.
 Free Workshop: November 17, 2010
- Art Project: February 7, 2011 (Round 2) Earliest start date May 1, 2011
 Free Workshop: November 17, 2010
- Local Arts Organization Development: February
 7, 2011 (Round 2) Earliest start date May 1, 2011.
 The Pre-Application deadline is December 6, 2010.
 Free Workshop: November 17, 2010
- Arts & Learning: April 1, 2011 (Round 2) Earliest start date June 15, 2011
 Free Workshop: February 24, 2011
- Arts Legacy for Established Career Artists: April 1, 2011 Earliest start date June 15, 2011
 Free Workshop: March 10, 2011

Check the SMAHC website (<u>www.smahc.org</u>) for the latest updates on all programs

Did you SAVE THE DATE? SMAHC Annual Celebration

October 30, 2010
At the Crow River Golf Club In Hutchinson
This Year's Theme: MAD HATTER

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The next exhibit at the SMAHC Art Gallery is the works of Victoria Hanna. Victoria is from Canby and she has been weaving, spinning, knitting, felting, crocheting and even tatting for over 30 years. Her creative work will be on display from July 12 through September 30. The SMAHC Gallery is located at 1210 E. College Drive. The gallery hours are from 8:00 – 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. Enter through the glass door on the east side of the building. A reception will be held on July 22 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Please join us.

Great News! The first measuring and digging has begun for the gazebo installation at Town Square Park in Redwood Falls. Today Vick Construction measured off the center of the site to determine placement of the gazebo and began digging out old concrete from a previous building on the site. Take time to drive by in the next few days and weeks to see the progress. Vick Construction will be pouring the concrete pad and adjoining sidewalks for the gazebo. After the concrete cures, the gazebo will be brought in to the park and assembled. The park is located at the corner of 2nd and Washington Streets in downtown Redwood Falls. Submitted by Nan Karr Kaufenberg, Tatanka Arts, Redwood Falls.

Gently Used Art Wanted! MAFAC will be having an art sale for Crazy Daze, July 15th. If you have any framed art, pottery, prints, photography, etc. that you no longer have use for and would be willing to donate for this fundraising event, please drop your items off at the Arts Center from now until July 10th. Items must be in excellent condition. You have the option to set a minimum price for the item and for it to be returned to you if it doesn't sell. Please take a look in your attic, your basement, your closets, or on your walls and see if there are art items looking for a new home! Submitted by Caroline Koska, Coordinator, Marshall Area Fine Arts Council.

The Worthington International Festival will be held on Friday July 9, 2010 beginning at 5:30 PM and ending around 9:30 PM. We continue on Saturday July 10, 2010 at 11:00 AM and continue until about 9:30 PM. The entertainment and events schedule are being finalized and will be posted to our Facebook page in the coming. (Search Facebook for Worthington International Festival). This event was funded in part by a SMAHC Grant. Submitted by Cheryl Avenel-Navara, Fundraising Committee, Chair

The Walnut Grove Family Festival is going to be great this year and we are very excited to be having 2 actors visiting the Festival this year, courtesy of the Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum. Dean Butler (Almanzo Wilder) will be attending July 17 & Alison Arngrim (Nellie Oleson) will be here July 24, 2010. On July 17 The Keepers of the Sacred Tradition of Pipemakers will be doing a presentation on the Life of the Native Americans in MN during the Late 1800's & early 1900's. They will also be demonstrating their beadwork and Pipemaking art. This event was funded in part by a SMAHC Grant. Submitted by Paula McGarvey, City of Walnut Grove.

Have an announcement, some "Good News!", or a special feature that you want to include in Odds N' Ends? Send them to SMAHC via email (smahcinfo@iw.net) or by mail to 1210 E. College Drive, Suite 600, Marshall, MN 56258

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We Have Met Our Match!

Thanks to all who donated to our year-end drive to make the McKnight Challenge. With your help, we have raised the \$5000 in new and renewing memberships and have therefore earned an additional \$5000 in matching funds from the McKnight Foundation. Your generous donations at the end of this fiscal year put us over the top! We also want to thank all our contributors throughout the year for your memberships and contributions. Every contribution is important to us because together, we can impact the arts in Southwest Minnesota - and we do!

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!



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