Since the Civil War, Cottonwood County is a place where veterans are appreciated and honored for their service. The Lakeview Cemetery Association is the latest to honor veterans by naming nine lanes in the cemetery after a veteran representing each war from the Civil War to the Vietnam War.

A dedication at the Lakeview Cemetery honored nine of Cottonwood County’s military heroes on July 1st, 2018. Seven of the nine gave their lives in combat for our freedom. Five of the nine are interred at Lakeview. The men who were honored are:

- **Civil War**—**John B. Purrington**, 38th Iowa Volunteer Infantry aka “Iowa’s Martyr Regiment”
- **WWI**—**Martin Borseth**, Marine Corporal, 1st person from CC to sacrifice his life in WWI
- **WWII**—**Charles Willsher**, Army Master Sergeant who received the Distinguished Service Cross
- **WWII and Korean War**—**William Nelson**, Army Lieutenant who gave his life in combat
- **Vietnam War**—**Roger Carey**, Private First Class, first person from Windom to give his life
- **Vietnam War**—**Lawrence Gosen**, Navy LGDR, first person from Mt. Lake to give his life
- **Vietnam War**—**Erwin Harder**, Army Corporal, second person from Mt. Lake to give his life
- **Vietnam War**—**Thomas Piper**, Army Private First Class, killed in action
- **Vietnam War**—**Vernon Tschetter**, Tank Commander, with the 24th Infantry, killed in action

CCHS has more details about the lives of each of these men which you can access by going to [http://cchsmn1901.org](http://cchsmn1901.org), clicking on research center, military veterans, military veterans of CC, and then entering the name of the veteran for which you are searching.
An outstanding exhibit! Wow! Tammy’s quilts trigger memories of my past. One of the best ever! These are some of the comments from our current exhibit in the Remick Gallery entitled *Minnesota Memories*. The exhibit features quilts and wall hanging by Tamara Carter, an award winning quilter, author, historian, researcher and activist. She is a Mountain Lake native who now resides in Alexandria, Virginia. After high school she attended Minnesota State University in Mankato majoring in Speech Communication and Art. She continued her studies at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia, where she received her master’s degree in American History. This exhibit is the summer show and runs through September 1, 2018.

“Through quilting, T Carter expresses her love of the prairies and woodlands of her beloved native Minnesota. She tells stories of extraordinary ordinary people, exposes hidden history and seeks recognition and justice for Indigenous people.”

* T Carter, 2018

If you are planning a visit to the gallery, our hours are Monday – Fridays from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Upcoming Program with Tamara Carter

Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 pm

**Dreispitz: A Story of Immigration During the Great Depression**

At the close of T Carter’s quilt show “Minnesota Memories”, we welcome her back for a program using her quilts and the immigration theme. Mark your calendars— you don’t want to miss this program!
Cottonwood County Fair

August 15-18

Come visit the Cottonwood County Historical Society booth at the County Fair which will feature a photo exhibit entitled “Snap Shots of Cottonwood County”. See what our towns of the county looked like in years past.

Coming in September…

Reflections of a Dream
By Rosa Maria Cerda Rodriguez

Opening reception on September 16 at 4:00 p.m.

Rosa Maria Cerda Rodriguez is a self-taught artist from Win-dom who was born in Mexico. She likes working with oil and mixing colors. Her images are based on photographs she took in the past. She likes to reflect upon what she sees and feels she improves with each painting she completes!

Stop by and meet the artist on September 16th at her art opening in the Remick Gallery!

Annual Fall Fund-raiser on September 10

The Cottonwood County Historical Society invites you to attend their Annual Fall Fund-raiser on Monday, September 10th from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the museum located at 812 Fourth Avenue. Join us for our traditional roast beef on a bun served with coleslaw, baked beans, potato chips, dessert and beverage. Take-outs are available.

Pick up your tickets at the museum or purchase them the night of the event. Tickets are $7.00 for adult and $4.00 for children (10 and under).

While at the museum purchase your raffle ticket, take time to view the exhibit in the Remick Gallery and check out the Exhibit Hall.
Recap Tea & Talk:
“Here Comes the Bride”
By Sheila Tabaka

We enjoyed a relaxing Saturday afternoon learning about the history of wedding dresses from England’s Queen Victoria to present day. Sheila Tabaka’s three teenager daughters modeled the dresses from the different eras. Tea and delicious finger food completed the event.

Coming in October: History Bus Tour

Plans are underway for our second history bus tour. We are checking out the town of New Ulm where history runs deep.

Book Now Available

Photographs from our winter show were compiled in the recently published book “Give It Your Best Shot: Focus on Cottonwood County in Black & White”. It is now available in our gift shop. Hard cover is $35 and soft cover is $25. Stop by and pick it up!

2018 Museum Raffle

This year our annual raffle item is a signed and numbered print by wildlife artist Rick Kelley donated by Sharon Diemer. It measures 27” H x 35” W and is ready to hang on your wall. The tickets are $2.00 each with the winning ticket to be drawn December 17, 2018. Buy your ticket today!

Number of Tickets: _______
@ $2.00 each
Name:__________________
Address:________________
City___________________
State/Zip Code: __________

Send your checks to:
Cottonwood County Historical Society
812 Fourth Avenue
Windom, MN 56101

All proceeds benefit the museum! Hurry in today to buy your raffle ticket or mail a check!
General Fund Donations:

Donations made between April 13, 2018 — June 21, 2018

Anthony & Heather Smith in memory of Richard Menken; Joanne & Randy Nelson in memory of Muriel Soleta; Anthony & Heather Smith in memory of John Sharkey; Shawn & Jessica Colbert; Kristi Pasek; Larry & Becky Stevens in memory of Dale Minion; Dave Hendricks; Dean & Kathleen Kretsch in memory of Carol Tegels

CCHS Welcomes New Members

Dr. Timothy Kloberdanz; Kristi Pasek; Maria Schneider; Kate Schneider

CCHS Thanks Our Annual Renewals

Maxine Duncan; Jon Ross; Kathryn Tewes; Fritzie Stemm; Joan Iverson

CCHS Thanks Our Annual Family Renewals

Linda Fransen & Tom Sanders; Harvey & Esther Buller; Terry & Jackie Jurgens; Patrick & Maria Fitzgerald; Dr. Peter & Marion Franz; Martin & Anita Skow; Wes & Elaine Kroeker; Dean & Kathleen Kretsch

CCHS Thanks Our Annual Patron Level Renewals

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CCHS Thanks Our Annual Sponsor Level Renewals

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If you are a member of Thrivent Financial, they provide a member-advised charitable grant program called “Choice Dollars.” This program lets eligible members recommend where some of Thrivent’s charitable funds go. How does it work? You have three avenues to pursue:

1) Go online to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice
   -log in and click on “Direct Choice Dollars.”
   -Search the catalog of organizations for Cottonwood County Historical Society then check the box to direct all Choice Dollars or enter an amount then click on “Direct Now.”

2) Or by telephone at 800-847-4836
   -Say “Thrivent Choice” when prompted.

3) Visit your Thrivent Financial Representative for assistance

The Cottonwood County Historical Society applied for eligibility over a year ago and to-date has had over $1,000 donated to the museum. Thank you Thrivent members!
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Dates to Remember

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  by Rosa Maria Cerda Rodriguez
  September 16 – November 17
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* CCHS History Bus Tour
  October 2018