



## CARSON CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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### June 2025 Newsletter

#### President's Letter

##### Dear Members and Friends,

As the days grow warmer and blossoms brighten our beautiful town, the Foreman-Roberts House Park is looking especially inviting—ready to welcome both longtime visitors and curious newcomers.

We're entering a vibrant season here at the Carson City Historical Society, with a full calendar ahead. With several spring events already behind us, we're now turning our focus to an exciting summer. Plans are underway for a special art exhibit in honor of the *Nevada Appeal's* 160th anniversary, a celebration of local journalism and artistic legacy. We're also delighted to announce the return of our ever-popular Ice Cream Social fundraiser, featuring toe-tapping tunes by The Carson Street Ragtime Band. Alongside these, we'll continue to host open houses and engaging lectures—beloved traditions that bring our community together and connect us with the past.

None of this would be possible without the dedication of our incredible volunteers. Your passion and hard work help us share Carson City's rich history with future generations.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope to see you this summer at one of our many events!

With warmest regards,  
Liz Cain

**President, Carson City Historical Society**  
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#### ■ A Remarkable Gift of Art Enriches Our Collection

This week, the Carson City Historical Society had the distinct honor of receiving an extraordinary collection of artwork generously donated by Bruce

Aero. These stunning pieces, created by artist R. Merle Trehal, far exceed our expectations in both beauty and significance.



With deep historical ties to Carson City, the collection arrives at a meaningful moment—perfectly timed to coincide with the 160th anniversary of the *Nevada Appeal*. We are now thoughtfully planning how best to display these works and undertaking the research they so richly deserve.

We look forward to unveiling this special collection and sharing its stories with our community in the months to come. Stay tuned!



#### ■ You're Invited: A Sweet Summer Tradition Returns!

Join the Carson City Historical Society for a beloved summer celebration that blends tradition, community spirit, and old-fashioned fun—our Annual Ice Cream Social returns on Saturday, August 16th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at Foreman-Roberts House Park, 1207 North Carson Street. Enjoy the cool shade of a summer afternoon with live music by local favorite, The Carson Street Ragtime Band, while indulging in sweet treats and

classic charm. Admission is free; just \$3 gets you a generous helping of ice cream and toe-tapping tunes.

Take a step back in time with free tours of the historic Foreman-Roberts House, open especially for the occasion.

All proceeds benefit the Carson City Historical Society and support the preservation of local treasures like the Foreman-Roberts House Museum and community outreach.

For more information, visit [www.CCHistorical.org](http://www.CCHistorical.org) or call **775-315-9111**. We can't wait to see you there!

### ■ Carson City Historical Society receives \$5,000 donation from local couple

The Carson City Historical Society is proud to acknowledge a generous donation of \$5,000 from longtime supporters Andrea and Walter Hobbs. This contribution comes at a critical time, reaffirming the importance of preserving and celebrating Carson City's rich heritage.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Andrea and Walter. Their gift not only sustains our ongoing work — it empowers us to grow and expand our efforts in meaningful ways. In addition to their financial generosity, the Hobbses have long been dedicated volunteers and advocates.



Their ongoing involvement, particularly with the Foreman-Roberts House Museum, has inspired greater community engagement and fostered a deeper appreciation for local history.

Their passion and commitment have made a lasting impact. We are profoundly grateful for their support and enduring friendship.

The Carson City Historical Society remains committed to preserving the stories and structures that define the region's cultural legacy. Donations

like this ensure that mission continues for generations to come.

### ■ Sharing History with the Next Generation

The Carson City Historical Society was honored to support Bordewich-Bray Elementary School in celebrating their graduating 5th grade class with a guided walking tour of Carson City's Historic Westside.

Our volunteers brought history to life at several landmark stops along the route. At the historic Sears-Ferris House, Chrissy Charbonneau and Rebecca Van Sickle shared stories of the



home's rich past. Jed Block continued the journey with engaging talks at the St. Charles Hotel and the site of the original Pony Express stop. The tour concluded with fascinating insights into the Bliss Mansion, presented by the

dynamic father-daughter duo, Gary Cain and Josie Verive-Cain.



It was a privilege to be part of this meaningful day, and we look forward to continuing this tradition—bringing Carson City's vibrant history to future generations.

