



The Pony Express

The Big Creek Historical Society

Flash Back - 33 years ago - February 1978

Model Contest Winners Announced



Here are eight of the winners of the Model Contest sponsored by the Big Creek Pharmacy. They are from left to right, front row, Dan Balzer, Scott Ewing, Richard Fowler, Scott Thomas; back row, Danny Doane, Virgil Morrill, Ed White, Vincent Morrill, and Jerry Karbeling, manager of the pharmacy.

Winners were announced this week of the Model Contest sponsored by Big Creek Pharmacy. The

winners were chosen by a panel of twelve judges on the basis of quality of workmanship, neatness, and originality. Over 50 model makers entered the contest.

According to Jerry Karbeling the quality of workmanship by the boys and girls who participated was outstanding. All of the judges commented on the difficulty of making a decision, with so many kids doing such a good job. Jerry reports they are already making plans for the Second Annual Model Contest next January. All participants were awarded a special certificate in honor of the work they had put in on their entry.

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Welcome to our New Members

- Myrna Hesseltine
- Anna Navin
- Richard Taylor
- Luana Savings Bank

Historic Polk City Cemeteries



A documentary on the historic Polk City cemeteries was created by Diane Conway and Tom Cox. The narrated 30 minute DVD contains many historical and cemetery photographs along with history of the cemeteries and several of the families, Beebe, Van Dorn, Burt, Schaal and many others who shaped Polk City as a community. We welcome you to view the documentary at the museum. Arrangements can be made to purchase the DVD by contacting the Big Creek Historical Society.

Want Ads

© Photographs of Polk City town square buildings prior to 1950. Information about Polk City businesses prior to 1950. The photographs may be returned if so desired. Please mail to Box 201, Polk City, IA 50226

© One man needed to read dramatic part in the Big Creek Players production of the early radio broadcast mystery 'The Death of a Mayor.' Minimal time commitment required. Contact Tom Cox at 965-3828

© Memberships are available in a historic civic organization. Individual = \$15 , Family = \$25, Business = \$50 (advertising opportunities exist) and Nonprofit Organizations = \$20. Contact the Big Creek Historical Society for further information.

© Information on Polk City railroad history. The narrow gauge line and the spur from Polk City Junction. Working on a documentary about the railroad history and the effects of the railroad.

Museum Activity**3rd Graders
Visit Museum**

We were once again treated with a visit by the NP West Elementary 3rd Graders and their teachers. On May 20 this energetic group came to the museum ready to learn some Polk City history and tour the museum. They were a very attentive group with several very good questions. Everyone had fun working

with some of the sound effect's mechanisms that are being tested for an upcoming production by the Big Creek Players. The ringing of the original school bell that was in place when the building was built in 1863 was popular. We received many 'Thank You' notes and cards from the students (image of a card to the left). Thank you kids for a great visit.

About the Big Creek Historical Society

This publication is published by the Big Creek Historical Society located in the historic city hall building at 112 3rd Street in Polk City .

The museum is open to the public on the 2nd Sunday of each month from 1-3 PM. Arrangements may be made for tours of the museum by contacting the Big Creek Historical Society. We welcome organizations to use Miller Hall and the museum.

Organization meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month. April through October at 6:30 PM. November through March at 1:30 PM — Public Welcome

You can contact the Big Creek Historical Society at their web site

www.polkcityhistory.org or call Rose Hutton-Taylor -984-6653 or Tom Cox -965-3828