

## **Steamboat Rock Historical Society**

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### **Our Mission**

**“to preserve and promote the history of Steamboat Rock and the surrounding area”**

### **Rainsbarger Daze 2018—Labor Day Weekend**

**Friday Night, August 31, 2018 at 7:00 PM**

**Special Program Hosted by Dan Kaercher**

Join us for a special evening on Friday night, August 31<sup>st</sup> at The Steamboat Rock Baptist Church. The program will begin at 7:00 PM. We will be indoors in the air conditioning with plenty of seating available. Dan will present a program entitled, “Iowa’s Hidden Treasures”.

Dan Kaercher is the retired founding editor-in-chief of Midwest Living Magazine and host of “Iowa’s Simple Pleasures” and other travel-related programs aired on Iowa Public Television and other public television stations nationally. A native of Council Bluffs, he graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha, majoring in journalism. During his extensive, award-winning media career at Meredith Corporation in Des Moines, Dan served as a writer and editor for such publications as Better Homes & Gardens, WOOD magazine and BH&G Special Interest Publications. He spent 21 years as founding editor-in-chief of Midwest Living magazine, published by Meredith. Dan also hosted Midwest Living Radio Magazine, which aired on more than 100 stations in the region.

**Iowa’s Hidden Treasures—**Dan spent years traveling in almost every one of Iowa’s 99 counties in search of close-to-home attractions and getaways to share with his loyal readers and viewers. Historic sites, parks, natural wonders, quaint small towns, big-city attractions, museums, and eateries galore: You’ll be amazed to learn what surprises you don’t know await right in your own backyard—Iowa. This informative and humorous program is Dan’s most popular and has been well-received by varied audiences in all types of communities and settings in every corner of the state.

The Steamboat Rock Historical Society is excited to bring Mr. Kaercher to Steamboat Rock and to give our community the opportunity to hear him. Mark this date on your calendar and make plans to join us at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at Steamboat Rock Baptist Church. And as an added treat, we will be serving root beer floats to all who attend. Hope to see you there.

**Rainsbarger Daze 2018—Labor Day Weekend**  
**Saturday Morning, September 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 AM until Noon**  
**Rainsbarger Program**

Our museum in Steamboat Rock will be open on Saturday morning from 9:00 until noon. Throughout the morning, you will hear from some of the main characters who were part of the Rainsbarger drama that took place in the late 1880's right here in Hardin County. Manse & Finley Rainsbarger, William P. Hiserodt, Amos Banigan, D.W. Turner, Henry Johns, Nettie Johnson, Frank & Nate Rainsbarger are some of the people that you might hear from.

I hope you will take time to spend some time with us at the museum to both hear the true stories about the Rainsbargers and see artifacts from the family.

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**Monthly Meetings**

We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday night of each month. Our next scheduled meeting is on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at our museum. We invite you to join us and hear more about what we hope to get done in the year ahead.

**Membership**

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Steamboat Rock Historical Society, our dues are only \$10.00 per year. Your membership helps us to reach our mission. You can mail your payment to: Jim Kramer—PO Box 93- Steamboat Rock, Iowa 50672.

Thanks for supporting us.

Jim Kramer—President of Steamboat Rock Historical Society