

RECENT PROGRAMS IN A NUTSHELL!

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My programs are generally in the evening & mostly attended by my older patrons. The couple I did have during the day were pretty well attended also.

Lincoln portrayer Stan DeHaan from the Orange City area was fabulous! He charged \$150 plus mileage but also did a program for the Elementary kids while he was here. I really felt as if I had met a president!

In 2008 Wendy Zohrer from West Des Moines <mailto:WZohrer@mchsi.com> did 2 programs in the same day for me - Flour sacks & Depression Era Quilts in the afternoon & "Stories Written in Dust" in the evening cost was \$250. Very interesting!!!

Chasing4Life costs \$400 & was here 11-12-09 here's their website [http://chasing4life.web.aplus.net/index.php?option=com\\_frontpage&Itemid=1](http://chasing4life.web.aplus.net/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1)

They will do up to 4 programs in a day!

Texas singer/songwriter Danny Santos was fun, \$300

<http://dannysantosmusic.com/>

One of my favorites that was very inexpensive was Martha Giles on the Hammered Dulcimer. She was just \$100 & a room overnight at board member's home.

<http://marthagiles.com/>

I really enjoyed the folk duo HungryTown that we had last fall. I think they're doing another tour this year. Their interaction was wonderful. The also cost \$400.

<http://hungrytown.net/>

Last Thanksgiving I also had a Des Moines couple with Laurens roots offer to do a program of piano duets - FREE!!! I snapped that up too.

Unfortunately I only usually get 40-50 people for musical programs.

My paranormal ones last fall over 100 came to each one!

They were the people that write Road Guides to Haunted Locations for the different states. They only cost \$200

<http://www.unexplainedresearch.com/index.html>

The Carroll Area Paranormal Team was less polished, but actually had more spooky experiences. They didn't really have a charge so I just gave them \$100 mileage.

<http://www.carrollareaparormalteam.com/>

I also had Dick Gruber, a retired history teacher from Pocahontas come & do a program about one room school houses. It was fun & enjoyed especially by my older patrons. And I just had to pay him mileage!

Another tradition is to have Fort Dodge Magician Larry Dunbar entertain the kids on Halloween night after Trick or Treat. The kids love him & he only charges \$185. I know he does programs for all ages, but this one works for us and I'm not changing it!

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