

**NEVADA
COMMUNITY
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

***Preserving Nevada's Heritage Through
Education, Promotion, and Restoration***

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*Briggs Terrace/Evergreen Lane • Dyer-Dowell House
George Child Log House • Halley One-Room School House*

Nevada Community Historical Society Properties



Briggs Terrace/Evergreen Lane
1204 H Avenue

The house at Briggs Terrace/Evergreen Lane was built in 1879 for approximately \$10,000. The brick home has passed in ownership from its builder, Otis Brigg, Sr., through four generations of the Briggs and Dutton families to the Nevada Community Historical Society in 1996. First called "Briggs Terrace," it is also known by the name "Evergreen Lane." Other interesting architecture on the property includes a carriage house and barn. The property is considered an outstanding landmark of the Nevada community. Restoration began in 1997 and will continue as resources and funds are available.



Dyer-Dowell Victorian House
922 5th Street

This house was originally the Story County jail, built in 1869. It was 24' x 30' with a hall and jailer's residence on the first floor, with prisoner's cells above. After it was enlarged and converted into a private home, it was purchased by Judge George W. and Martha Kellogg Dyer. Mrs. Dyer was the daughter of Dr. Nathan Alonzo and Hannah Kellogg—early pioneers of Nevada. Mrs. Austin A. Dowell (Isabel Dyer) gave the family home to the historical society in 1988 in memory of her parents and grandparents.

**George Child
Log House**
1204 H Avenue

This cabin is Nevada's oldest standing building. In 1854 George Child migrated from Illinois to Nevada by oxen and covered wagon. His was the third house built in Nevada—then at the corner of 4th Street and J Avenue. It was purchased and restored by the Nevada Rotary Club in 1975 as a bicentennial project and presented to the historical society on July 4, 1980. It was moved to Briggs Terrace/Evergreen, and restored, in 2006.



**Halley
School**

1204 H Avenue



In 1975, Halley School was given to the Nevada Bicentennial Committee by Ivan and Sally Hornbacher Hansen, Dee Earl, and Lois Hornbacher, in memory of their parents, Issac and Elma Hornbacher. Halley School was built in 1874, and located southeast of Nevada. It was used through the 1944-45 school year. Many local teachers take their classes here to learn about school in the "olden days." It was moved from the 4-H fairgrounds in 2006 and is being restored.

**Briggs Terrace/Evergreen Lane and Dyer-Dowell Victorian House are open
Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend.**

Membership Categories:

- \$15 Individual Membership
- \$25 Family Membership
- \$50 Contributing Member
- \$100 Benefactor
- \$750 Lifetime Family Membership
- \$1,000 Business Membership
- \$5,000 Corporate Benefactor
- \$10,000 Most Honored Benefactor

Other ways to contribute. Check if you will help the Society by:

- Being a tour guide/docent
- Being an event host/hostess
- Assisting with building maintenance
- Fundraising
- Gardening
- Other Volunteer Interests (list below): _____

Name(s) _____
 (name(s) printed exactly as you wish to be recognized)

Address _____ Phone: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ E-mail: _____

Your membership dues and donations are tax deductible. Thank you!

Order Evergreen Lane/Briggs Terrace Memorial Patio Brick/Pavers Below

- Choice #1 – Brick \$35.00 each:
 - a. 3" x 8" . . . 3 lines, 12 letters/spaces per line
- Choice #2 – Granite Paver \$150.00 each:
 - a. 8" x 8" . . . 6 lines, 14 letters/spaces per line
- Choice #3 – Granite Paver \$300.00 each:
 - a. 8" x 12" . . . 6 lines, 20 letters/spaces per line
 - b. 12" x 8" . . . 9 lines, 14 letters/spaces per line
- Choice #4 – Granite Paver \$500.00 each:
 - a. 8" x 16" . . . 6 lines, 28 letters/spaces per line
 - b. 16" x 8" . . . 12 lines, 14 letters/spaces per line

**A Star can be added to Veteran's Brick/Paver (1 line)*

The "a" choice is a horizontal format. Use blocks below for your wording. The "b" choice is a vertical format, use blocks at bottom left to show your wording.

On the lines below, list how you would like your brick and/or paver inscribed.

PRINT clearly in UPPERCASE letters.

PLEASE observe the line and letter/spaces limits listed above.

Brick and Paver Samples



Also available at Society properties—and at Ben Franklin in Nevada: "Voices from the Past – A History of Nevada, Iowa" (book), "Pictures from the Past" (book), and the DVD, "1953 Centennial Celebration."