

# Castle WATCH

Spring 2016

## The Joslyn Library

The Joslyn Castle is privileged to own an important cultural artifact: Sarah Joslyn's house inventory written around 1906, containing a detailed list of some three hundred books once in the Joslyns' personal library. In the days before mass communication the library was the greatest cultural and practical resource in the house. An examination of its contents not only assists us in understanding the planning and day-to-day running of the estate, but how the Joslyns spent their leisure time, what their aspirations were, and how they fostered their spiritual growth. Clusters of books on a single theme taken in conjunction with anecdotal and written recollections allow us to take a further step towards imagining them as flesh and blood.

In the next few issues of the *Castle Watch* we will be exploring aspects of the Joslyns' interests. The first article appears on page three. Look for additional facets of their interests in future issues.





# JOSLYN CASTLE

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE JOSLYN CASTLE BOARD PRESIDENT GEORGE KLEINE



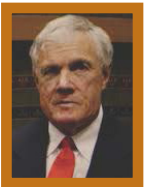
It is very exciting to be part of something that is much bigger than yourself. As far back as 1990, I was intrigued by the mystery of the Joslyn Castle and started off volunteering as a tour guide. Like the smell of fresh waffles and bacon, I was hooked. In 2003, I was invited to serve on the Board of directors and the grandeur and history of the Castle captured even more of my attention. For those of us who love the Castle dearly we constantly ask ourselves, "How do we make this place relevant today?" If one stops and listens, it is telling us.

The story of the Castle is a fascinating saga. It was originally built to be the "mansion of mansions," home to the social elite, a home sought to be invited to. After Sarah Joslyn's death, the Castle became empty and stark before finally being converted to an office building. For the next fifty years, the Castle was a place for thinking and moving forward as the home to Omaha Public Schools. After their departure, the grounds became dilapidated, and the Castle was once again stark and this time headed for demolition. Then restoration began, slow and steady, as we now work to bring it back to its original grandeur.

Now the Castle and grounds are a place of celebration and discussion where ideas can be shared and new beginnings and connections occur. It is a special place to share those intimate moments in life with friends and family. It is a place of solitude to think and marvel at what the world can be. It is a place of adventure from across the ages. A little slice of heaven, I may add.

The history of the Castle is one of never-ending details and challenges, changing and growing, stepping back and moving forward; and, always thinking about what it will become. Much like we may often ask ourselves as we grow throughout life. That is why I keep coming back to the Castle and invite you to come join our adventure.

You can get involved. You can donate your resources – of your time or treasure. You can be part of the adventure of growing at Joslyn Castle. Come join us.



## NEW BOARD MEMBER BRINGS LIFE-LONG FASCINATION WITH CASTLES TO THE TABLE

Many Omahans know new Joslyn Castle board member Bill Gallup because of his 52-year law practice in the area. As a prosecutor after his graduation from Creighton

University Law School in 1964 and now more than four decades as a criminal defense attorney, his cases are often among those that wind up on the front page.

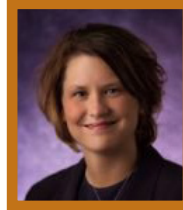
What you probably don't know about Bill is that he has had a fascination with Castles since his childhood. His interest was piqued growing up in Toronto, Canada, near Casa Loma, an exquisite early-1900's Castle that both paid homage to days gone by and featured the most modern architectural and mechanical advances of the time. Gallup recalls exploring underground tunnels between the buildings and dreaming the dreams that only such a magnificent place can inspire in a child.

After Gallup's family moved to the United States and he was drafted into the service as a young adult, he continued to take every opportunity he could to see some of the world's great Castles.

"I tried to see any castle that I could when I was on leave all over Europe," he said. "It's been one beautiful way to learn about history."

That passion for history, architecture, and the ability to dream were all qualities that made him a great selection for the Joslyn Castle Board of Directors, according to nominating committee member Mary Jewell.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GINA PRIMMER



Planning this issue of *Castle Watch* gave me goosebumps. I think you'll share in my excitement as we reach back in time and take a look at Sarah Joslyn's core beliefs through her personal library, philanthropic donations, hobbies, and volunteer activities. This remarkable woman helped define what it means to be an Omahan still today.

We are also introducing new programs and projects that perfectly marry the legacy of George and Sarah Joslyn with modern interests. Have you ever wondered how our gardeners keep the grounds so beautiful throughout the seasons? Check out our Garden Lecture Series and find out how you can apply the same skills to your own homes. Does your business need a venue to hold a retreat, celebration, or meeting? Come to the Castle and be surrounded by the lavish beauty that inspired George and Sarah Joslyn to be their best.

You will also read about some special people who have spent countless hours at the Castle volunteering over the years. These dedicated folks never cease to amaze us with their selfless commitment to doing whatever it takes for the staff and visitors. Maybe this is the year you'd like to join them by volunteering in our gardens, at an event, as a tour guide, or simply helping out on a random day lending us your special talents. We'd love to see you around!

## A MESSAGE FROM THE GUILD PRESIDENT JEANIE OWEN



I am thrilled to start a new year as president of the Joslyn Castle Guild. We are passionate about supporting this community treasure, and our new officers bring a wealth of management and fundraising experience to help us achieve our goals. We are fortunate to welcome them!

The Guild continues to work on various projects throughout the Castle, using the funds from our events to complete critical repairs. This year we are returning the second and third floor restrooms to working order. This will improve the rental business for the Castle, which is a crucial source of operating funding, and will bring us one step closer to restoring the beautiful home to its original splendor.

The annual Castle Guild luncheon and garden tour will be held June 16, a perfect time to enjoy the beautiful grounds of the Castle. Guests will see Nebraska's largest English Oak tree and the location of the Joslyns' pools and ponds. Tickets are \$40, and Guild members are able to bring a guest for free, encouraging new membership and showcasing our work to other members of the community.

Save the date for our Fourth Annual Holiday Home Tour this fall, November 11 and 12. Thursday, November 10, will be our preview and patron party. The home tours will open to the public November 11 and 12, and the Castle will once again host vendors from around the country to sell their wares to shoppers. The number and variety of vendors continues to expand. We are so grateful to all who participate in the boutique. This is our largest fund raiser, and an event not to be missed!

The Castle Guild welcomes you to the historic estate of George and Sarah Joslyn. We hope to see you here this year!



## A PEEK INTO THE SHELVES OF THE JOSLYN LIBRARY

Our exploration of the Joslyns' personal library has revealed an exceptional insight into the interests of the family. Utilitarian books for estate planning and maintenance abounded. There were books on horticulture, botany, forestry, and compendiums of advice for creating water features. By the 1890s veterinary care was available in Omaha, but it was still sensible to have encyclopedias of the diseases of your horses and dogs. There were also books about dog breeds and manuals on training, driving, and riding horses.

The Joslyns began life as the children of rural farmers. As newly-minted members of high society, they needed to "catch up." A massive part of the library, while enjoyable, must have provided a necessary education: resources on French, etiquette, art, multi-volume sets of history, guides to oriental rugs and porcelains, music, the theatre, literature, all would lend the necessary polish and smooth over potentially awkward situations. George even had his own stash of books for entertaining - including collections of toasts, humor, and card-trick manuals.

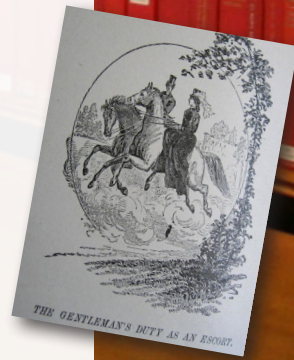
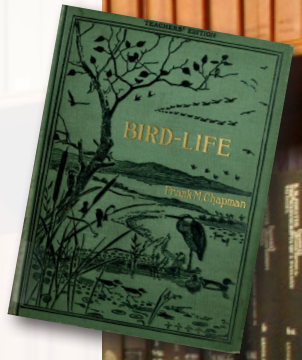
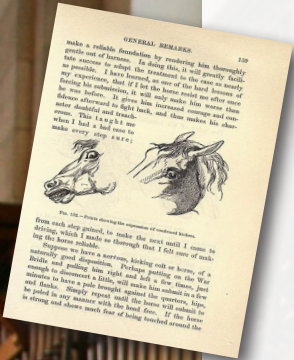
If the Joslyns were firmly planted in Nebraska they still possessed a nostalgia for their New England past: Hawthorne, Washington Irving, Longfellow, books on the Green Mountain boys, the colony's origins, and stories of Colonial children for Violet held a prominent place on the shelves.

Violet had quite a little library of her own with child-appropriate volumes of Greek myths and Aesop, Alice in Wonderland, young adult romances, and "fairy stories." She also had several children's books that dealt with a cause close to her mother's heart: the humane treatment of animals.

Sarah's books form the most interesting thematic clusters: women's rights, charitable endeavors, women's fiction, and devotional, philosophical, and religious literature covering such subjects as Theosophy, Buddhism, and Darwinism. She also had books and field-guides on ornithology and she and George appear to have shared an interest in exotic travel: descriptions of Japan, India, Turkey, Siberia, and Africa seemed to be among the places they yearned to know. Of the places they did indeed visit there were several histories of Mexico along with dictionaries and grammars for learning Spanish.

The family's fiction included not only magazine serials, but many best-sellers we still recognize, such as those by Arthur Conan Doyle, and several volumes of early science fiction. There were scattered books on strength exercises, women's mental health, and cycling, and last but not least, books of poetry, which Sarah Joslyn was known to love.

These concentrations reveal preoccupations that, taken in conjunction with anecdotal and written recollections, allow us to take a further step towards picturing the Castle as a functioning estate and the Joslyns as flesh and blood. In coming issues we will explore how the Joslyns' books speak to us about who the family were, who they wished to be, and how they fit into the age in which they lived.





## LET'S GET DOWN TO BUSINESS



Imagine hosting your business event in the rich setting of beauty and elegance that the Joslyn Castle offers. A park-like setting surrounded by limestone walls assures your privacy on more than five acres. With the new addition of WIFI throughout the Castle, we are now welcoming business and corporate rentals into our current rental plan. The Castle contains 35 beautifully crafted and maintained rooms making it the ideal location for board meetings, training classes, seminars, conferences, and more.

The Joslyn Castle provides a unique rental experience for our guests. Renters have exclusive access, which truly separates it from many other venues and rental facilities. We have a lot of flexibility that we can offer to our business rental clients. It is our goal to let you focus on your meeting, leaving the details to us!

The Italian marble, hand-carved wood, and beautiful stained glass windows all set the backdrop as a sophisticated and inspiring setting. Beyond its abundant beauty and place in Omaha history, the Joslyn Castle is the perfect retreat for your business rental.

To learn more about renting the Castle, and to discuss your needs, please contact Sherri Moore at [smoore@joslyncastle.com](mailto:smoore@joslyncastle.com), or call her at 402.595.3209. We look forward to working with you!

## CASTLE GIFT SHOP 2.0

For years the Joslyn Castle Gift Shop resided on the third floor, tucked back from much of the action. The quaint shop was often overlooked by guests and visitors and needed to be more accessible. The decision was made not only to add new merchandise, but also to move the shop to the second floor of the Castle. The new location is the charming bedroom that once belonged to a young Violet Joslyn. The transition took place in November 2015, and the grand opening was set for the Castle's annual Holiday Home Tour and Boutique in early December. New merchandise includes Joslyn Castle tote bags, gorgeous tea sets, decorative glassware, limited edition bookends made from Castle stone, and so much more. Of course, holiday gifts were also stocked for the December opening. With new displays set and products stocked, the Gift Shop made its debut. The shop did quite well during the weekend of the Castle Boutique, and nearly all holiday items were sold.

Since winter has come to an end, the shop has been restocked with springtime merchandise featuring floral displays, decorative planters, women's accessories, and new books. There are items at every price point within the shop and plenty of Castle souvenirs for all ages. All items have a tie to the Castle or the Joslyns, whether it's the architecture, Sarah's tea parties, or the gorgeous landscaping. The gift shop will be open the first and third Sundays of each month from 1 to 4 p.m. and also during Castle events and weekday tours.



We're also having two special days of shopping: Wednesday, April 6 and Friday, April 8, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you are looking for a unique gift, a decorative addition to your home, or a keepsake from the home of Omaha's earliest philanthropic power couple, look no further than the Joslyn Castle Gift Shop.

## THERE IS NO VOLUNTEER WITHOUT 'U'

To define a volunteer is to give, bestow, or perform voluntarily. The Joslyn Castle relies on a passionate team of volunteers who, along with the dedicated staff, have been given the opportunity to follow through with the wishes of Sarah Joslyn by using her home for cultural and educational purposes. No matter the reason, no matter the season, there is always a need for volunteers at the Castle.

There are many programs, events, and special gatherings to become involved with at the Castle. From welcoming guests as they enter through the Gothic Revival front door for an event, assisting in decorating for a feature program, selling unique wares in our gift shop,

or leading guests on a memorable tour about the Castle and the Joslyns. Volunteering brings benefits to both the individual and to our non-profit organization, knowing you've made a difference.

There are no expectations or guidelines to becoming a Joslyn Castle volunteer; just having a desire to help and wanting to do your best is all we ask. Each and every volunteer has an extraordinary range of talents and skills, and we welcome you to let yours shine at the Castle.

To learn more about becoming a part of the Joslyn Castle team, and play a part in Sarah's vision, please contact Tessa Thompson, or call her at 402.595.1415. We hope to hear from you!



## SPRING GARDEN REPORT FROM VOLUNTEER, DIANE HARDER



Several years ago I volunteered to help plant annuals at the Castle. I volunteered because I very much love to 'dig in the dirt' plus it would be time to spend outdoors. The day was miserable, a cold misty rain fell all morning and we were chilled and soaking wet but we continued planting until we were finished. I thought to myself, "These are some serious gardeners!"

Six years later it has been great to see the Castle's gardens transformed with some beautiful results. We have a good team headed up by the visions of Sharon McGill, Ron Crampton, and fellow volunteer Jenn Duncan. It is a fun way to get some exercise, have a great time and make new friends. There are several perennial beds which we accent with annuals. Dead-heading and weed pulling in the hosta gardens, the peony bed, shade and perennial gardens keeps us very busy. It always makes us smile to hear visitors to the Castle remark on the beautiful gardens.

I like to think Sarah and George look down and really appreciate how their gardens are being cared for. Stop down this spring to see what the gardens have in store; maybe you'll want to stay and play in the dirt, too.

## EUGENE KINGMAN – INSPIRING A NEW GENERATION

In 1946, Arthur Hayes Sulzberger, publisher of *The New York Times*, commissioned Eugene Kingman to paint an inspirational mural in the lobby of the Times headquarters in New York City. Kingman, a nationally-known artist/muralist, was about to move to Omaha to become the second executive director of the Joslyn Art Museum. The publisher requested a view of the world as it might have been seen from space. In that pre-satellite image time, no one really knew what the world looked like from a distance. Sulzberger also requested a line of poetry by Sarah Chauncey Woolsey to be included in the mural:

**"EVERY DAY IS A FRESH BEGINNING –  
EVERY MORN IS THE WORLD MADE NEW."**



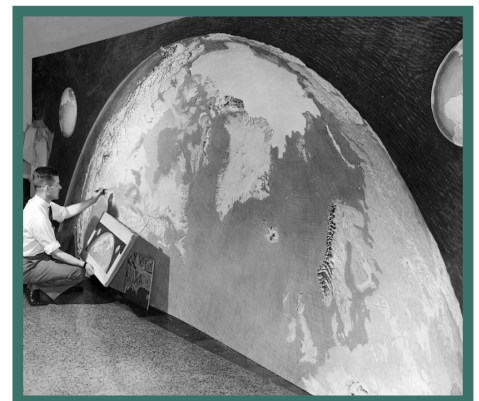
The mural was painted in Omaha at the Joslyn Art Museum. Upon completion, the mural was hung in the lobby of *The New York Times* where it remained for more than 40 years.

In early 2014, a group of Omaha art lovers, led by Maureen McCann Waldron, began working with *The New York Times* and Kingman's family to return the mural to Omaha. A requirement for the transfer was that the mural be donated to a 501(c)3 organization. The Joslyn Castle Trust was the selected nonprofit.

The mural returned to Omaha in the fall of 2014. A group of generous supporters have given more than \$60,000 to the Joslyn Castle in support of the restoration and ultimate installation of Kingman's mural. Kenneth Bé, head of painting conservation for the Gerald Ford Conservation Center in Omaha, has begun the work of removing decades of smoke and dirt that have discolored the painting. Upon completion of the restoration, the mural will be loaned to the Omaha Public Library. It will be taken to the W. Dale Clark Library downtown, installed on a stretcher and hung from the second floor atrium near the main entrance.

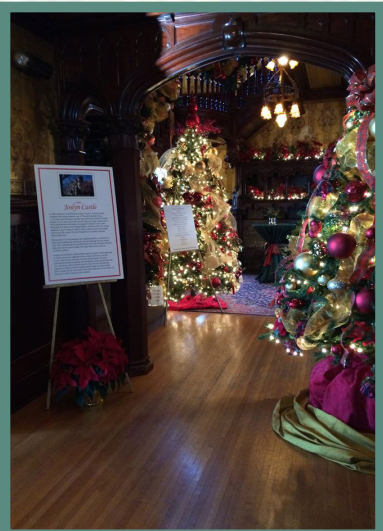
It is truly an honor for all of us on the Castle board and staff to have an opportunity to play a small part in bringing this treasure back home. Eugene Kingman loved Omaha and Nebraska, and they influenced many of his works. Much like George and Sarah Joslyn loved Omaha, we know they would be pleased that the Joslyn Castle is involved in this project.

The installation at the W. Dale Clark Library is scheduled for June 16 in the late afternoon. For further information you can keep current on the mural project on Facebook—Kingman/New York Times mural in Omaha.





## SCENES FROM LAST WINTER



Special Thanks to Susan McMannama, Diane Luxford, and Ric Klaas for generously donating their time, expertise, and even their personal decorations to deck the halls for the holidays.



# IT WAS 'Time to Kill' AT THE JOSLYN CASTLE

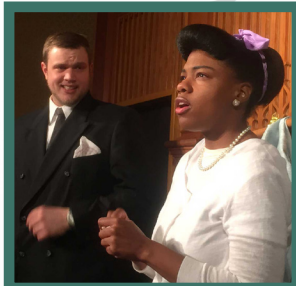
The Joslyn Castle proudly presented its 12th Annual Murder Mystery production, 'Time to Kill' on February 25, 26, and 27. This was an original production, written by Britt Jorns and directed by Colleen Fogarty, in which our guests travelled back in time to the dinosaur age, the 1950's, and to the future 2016, all to answer the infamous question...WHO DUNIT? The Murder Mystery Festivities packed the Castle every night to guests who enjoyed a night of mystery!

The enthusiastic cast and crew, featuring the brilliant Joslyn Castle Players, performed a three-act play in which clues were provided to solve a murder. Max Maximillion, Bleepblorp, and Hot Roddy were some of the

characters helping the audience solve the murder. 1950's poodle skirts, a futuristic robot, and pocket watches for time travelling were all part of the ambiance to set the stage for this production.

For their generous support of the Murder Mystery, a grand thank you goes to Anne Thorne Weaver, Fogarty Creative Group, Sterling Financial Advisors, United Rent-All, Borsheims Fine Jewelry and Gifts, The Afternoon, Brickway Brewery & Distillery, Chad and Gina Primmer, and Brad and Sherri Moore.

In addition, a dedicated group of volunteers also generously donated their time making the 2016 Murder Mystery a remarkable success!



Special thanks to Jim Fogarty for his photographs and continued support of the Murder Mystery.



## BUILDING YOUR OWN LEGACY AT JOSLYN CASTLE

When George and Sarah Joslyn came to Omaha they had nothing more than what they could carry in a few modest trunks. But from those humble beginnings soon emerged Nebraska's most successful business empire of the early 1900s – the Western Newspaper Union and a legacy of community support and philanthropy like nothing Omaha had seen before.

Known for foundational gifts that helped create the Nebraska Humane Society, the Omaha Community Playhouse, the local Visiting Nurses Association, and many others, the Joslyns' mark on Omaha likely impacts your life in some way on a regular basis. The Joslyns were also known for their small acts of kindness and charity. For example, George would help the wives and children of men who were incarcerated by paying for rent and groceries. Sarah was remembered for checking on the wellbeing of work horses to ensure their humane treatment at local farms and businesses.

Today Joslyn Castle relies on people a lot like George and Sarah to keep our mission moving forward. In 2016, we'd like you to consider

joining your personal legacy with theirs through a planned gift. There are many advantages to the donor, not just the charity, when you make a gift through your will, trust or other gift plan. In addition to the tax benefits you may reap from such a gift, the knowledge that you are ensuring that the Castle is here for generations to come is invaluable. Your attorney or financial advisor can walk you through the kinds of gifts that help you today, and the Castle and your loved ones in the future, including:

- **Gifts Given Through a Will** – Remembering Joslyn Castle Trust in your will can help you reduce estate taxes and ensure this beautiful estate and our critical programming will be here for generations to come.
- **Gifts Given Outside a Will** – You can help the Castle by simply naming us as a beneficiary on securities, retirement plans, insurance policies, real estate, and certain other assets.

For more information on planned giving, please contact Executive Director Gina Primmer at 402.595.2199.

## JOSLYN CASTLE UNLOCKED



Never before has a Joslyn Castle event garnered as much interest as the upcoming Joslyn Castle Unlocked Tour. In a matter of hours this exclusive look at some of the Castle's hidden treasures sold out. After adding a second tour, it sold out in less than 24 hours as well!

If you've ever attended an event or been on a regular tour of the Castle, you know there are certain areas that are generally not open to the public. Of course we get a lot of questions about those areas and there is a certain mystique about what may lie beyond

our locked doors. During the Unlocked dinner tour every floor and every door of the Castle will be open, including the much sought-after basement where George Joslyn's private bowling lanes can still be seen.

Original blue prints and our collection of Joslyn family furniture, clothing and personal belongings will be on display. The tour will also include family stories from their time in Omaha and tales sharing how the late George, Sarah, and Violet have made their presence known to this day!

"Omahans are curious about the Joslyns and the secrets of their beautiful home," said Gina Primmer, Executive Director. "The response to these events tells us that it's time for more programming that accesses their family stories and belongings. We are elated to share our passion for this subject with the community George and Sarah loved so much."

## THE JOSLYN CASTLE EXPERIENCE

Joslyn Castle tours are a hot commodity this spring! Group tour bookings for 2016 began pouring in late last year, and they have not let up since. So far we have welcomed a variety of groups including college students, elementary students, youth choirs, international families, and even Opera Omaha vocalists. All Castle visitors arrive anxious for their tour, but some have the opportunity to experience a bit more during their visit. In January we welcomed a class from Hastings College for a tour and a traditional tea service guided by Castle Archivist Penelope Smith. We have also seen a rise in tour groups booking a

lunch or dinner at the Castle. There's something so enchanting about spending the day or evening in the home of George and Sarah Joslyn. Tour guests feel honored to have such a wonderful opportunity, and we hope to welcome more groups looking for a unique historical experience.

The Joslyns graciously opened their home to their guests, and today we strive to maintain that hospitable nature and allow visitors to truly experience the Joslyn legacy.



## LOVE'S AT THE CASTLE



Mark your calendar for a series of spectacular performances at the Castle in 2016 as we partner with Love's Jazz & Arts Center. Love's Jazz & Arts Center is the only facility in the region that offers comprehensive African American Arts Exhibits and Arts Education, Performance-based Arts, cultural and historical preservation and archives, and the contribution of African Americans. The center is dedicated to telling the story of Preston Love Sr., Jazz in North Omaha, Jazz in American History, and using those stories to encourage understanding and excite the imagination.

In celebration of Jazz History month, the first Love's at the Castle performance is planned for April 16. An evening filled with delicious food, lively discussion, and the rich sounds of jazz trio, "The Good Life," will be in abundance. Tickets are available online at [joslyncastle.com](http://joslyncastle.com). Reserve your spot for an unforgettable evening today, and stay tuned for more information on future events in partnership with Love's Jazz & Arts Center.

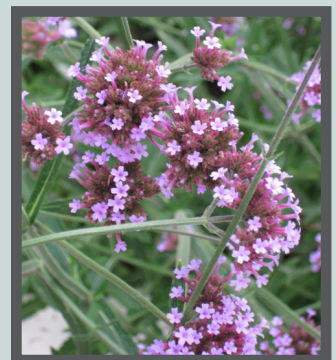
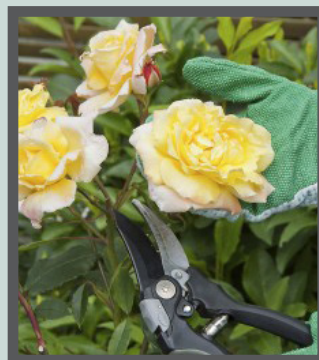
## JOSLYN CASTLE 2016 GARDEN LECTURE SERIES

Join us for a lecture series led by four well-known gardeners from the Omaha area as they share tips and techniques to help you get the most from your garden this spring and summer. Topics and presenters are listed in the Calendar of Events.

The lecture series will be held every Wednesday during the month of April and cover a specific area of growing and caring for your garden. Each lecture will begin at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., so that guests may enjoy the Castle, shop in our gift shop, or mingle with fellow gardeners.

The lectures are free; however, a suggested donation of \$5 to the Joslyn Castle would be greatly appreciated.

No advanced reservations are required. All lectures will take place in the music room of the Castle. Free onsite parking is available. Direct any questions to 402.595.2199.



**SNEAK  
PEEK!**

Castle Supporter Tom Kerr is working on a painting for us. Stay tuned for an unveiling of the finished work.



## Joslyn Castle Classic

**Sunday,  
July 24,  
2016  
11 am to 4 pm**



**Joslyn Castle  
3902 Davenport  
One Block  
North of Dodge  
on 39th Street**

**THE BEST VINTAGE AUTOMOBILES & MOTORCYCLES**  
*beautifully displayed on the historic grounds of the Joslyn Castle*



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Registration now open. Online application required at [www.joslyncastle.com/carclassic](http://www.joslyncastle.com/carclassic). Selected vehicles notified by July 1, 2016.

Proceeds benefit the preservation and programs of the Joslyn Castle.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## APRIL 2016

- Wednesday, April 6: "Iris in your Gardens"  
Presented by Ron Crampton, Past President Iris Society
- Saturday, April 9: Joslyn Castle Unlocked
- Wednesday, April 13: "Planting Native Plants to Encourage Pollinators"  
Presented by Bob Henrickson, Nebraska Statewide Arboretum
- Saturday, April 16: Love's at the Castle  
Cocktails, Dinner and Jazz Trio "The Good Life"
- Wednesday, April 20: "Plants for the Sunny Side of the Garden"  
Presented by Addie Kinghorn, Horticulture Consultant
- Wednesday, April 27: "Plants for the Shady Side of the Garden"  
Presented by Jan Riggerbach, Syndicated Garden Columnist

## JUNE 2016

- Thursday, June 16: Guild Luncheon

## JULY 2016

- Sunday, July 24: Joslyn Castle Classic

## SEPTEMBER 2016

- Sunday, September 18: Sunday Flea Market

## NOVEMBER 2016

- Thursday, November 10: Guild Preview Boutique and Patron Party
- Friday, November 11 and  
Saturday, November 12: Historic Home Tour & Boutique
- Thursday, November 24: Turkey Trot

*Reservations and tickets to events are available by calling 402.595.2199 or online at [joslyncastle.com](http://joslyncastle.com).*





## OMAHA GIVES!

The Joslyn Castle Trust has completed our enrollment to once again participate in Omaha Gives! Now in its third year, Omaha Gives! is an online, 24-hour charitable challenge organized by the Omaha Community Foundation. Omaha Gives! will be held on May 20, 2014 from midnight to midnight. Nonprofit organizations across Douglas, Sarpy, and Pottawattamie counties have an opportunity to compete for matching funds based on the volume of gifts they receive during the fundraising period. The Castle Board and Staff would greatly appreciate your support on May 20. For more information visit [www.omahagives24.org](http://www.omahagives24.org).



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## INTRODUCING CASTLE FRIENDS

Beginning this year, the Joslyn Castle is discontinuing our Castle general memberships and replacing it with a program called Castle Friends. Castle Friends is a way of supporting ongoing activities and the restoration and preservation of Joslyn Castle. The program has streamlined benefits and flexible annual gift amounts, allowing you to donate an amount and at a time that are the most meaningful for you.

### As a Castle Friend you receive:

- **Free Admission to a Tour Sunday once a year.**
- **Recognition in our Fall / Winter *Castle Watch*.**
- **A hard copy via mail of the *Castle Watch* Newsletter three times per year.**
- **Notification of special events at the Castle.**

You can become a Castle Friend by making a gift of \$25 up to \$250 to the Joslyn Castle. Your gift is fully tax deductible as allowable by law. If you are interested in donating a larger amount, please indicate on the form and we will contact you to discuss our Castle Conservator program. Your support of the Joslyn Castle is so greatly appreciated!

My gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

I am interested in making a larger donation. Please call me to discuss.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Send this form with your contribution payable to: Joslyn Castle Trust, Inc., 3902 Davenport Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68131 or visit [www.joslyncastle.com](http://www.joslyncastle.com)



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