



KEOKUK UNION DEPOT FOUNDATION
P.O. Box 463
KEOKUK, IOWA 52632

March 2018

Depot Annual Membership

Dear Depot Supporter,

The Keokuk Union Depot has undergone a major transformation since the City of Keokuk acquired it in 2011. The hard work of a core group of dedicated volunteers has made the Depot functional once again. The waiting room has been returned to its cathedral-like grandeur and serves as a wonderful venue for public and private events of all kinds.

Since June of 2014, the major fund-raising focus has been the restoration of the roof to its original height and design. With contributions by over 400 individuals, over 30 banks and businesses, the Jeffris Family Foundation, the State of Iowa Historical Resource Development Program, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and numerous local and national foundations, the Depot now has a roof that will protect it for another century. Moreover, a significant piece of Keokuk's architectural and historical heritage has been preserved to accommodate a new, useful purpose.

The Keokuk Union Depot Commission and the Keokuk Union Depot Foundation are assessing the next steps for additional preservation and restoration projects. Meanwhile, the Depot relies on donations to continue making modest improvements. Rental income keeps its doors open and pays for heat, air conditioning, lighting, and general maintenance.

The Keokuk Union Depot Foundation completed its roof restoration capital campaign as of December 31, 2017, having raised \$1,275,769. It is embarking on its first annual membership appeal to support ongoing improvements. Please consider becoming a 2018 member by returning the enclosed membership form and sending it with your donation to KUDF, P.O. Box 463, Keokuk, IA 52632.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Keokuk Union Depot Foundation, I thank you for your continued support of the Depot. Without your generosity, the community might have lost a treasure. Instead, your support bought the Depot back to life.

Sincerely,

Janet M. Smith
President, Keokuk Union Depot Foundation

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