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▲ Jeff Klemetsrud (left) hands a \$500 check to Dennis Kitsch. The money will be used to create a monument to honor Jewish settlers at the Jacob Cemetery near Garske, N.D.

## Devils Lake Area Foundation donates to Jewish memorial

A memorial to honor Jewish settlers is one step nearer to becoming a reality. Jeff Klemetsrud, Devils Lake Area Foundation committee member, presented a \$500 check to Dennis Kitsch, representing the Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board, to assist with the creation of a permanent monument at the Sons of Jacob Cemetery located northeast of Garske, N.D.

The Sons of Jacob Cemetery is located on native prairie, and is the final resting place of at least 12 to 15 Jewish family members who homesteaded in the area beginning in the 1880s. The settlement area was served by a U.S. Post Office, known as Ben Zion, which was located in the homestead home of Bennie

Greenberg, the postmaster.

The Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board is serving as the sponsoring agency for the fund drive to place the memorial at the cemetery in September of this year. Plans call for a dedication of the monument to be held at 1 p.m. on September 17 at the cemetery.

Anyone interested in making a contribution to the monument should make their check payable to: Sons of Jacob Cemetery Memorial and mail it in care of Devils Lake Basin Joint Water Resource Board, 424 4th Ave. N.E. #27, Devils Lake, N.D. 58301. Donations can also be dropped off at the joint basin office on the first floor of the Ramsey County Courthouse.

— Neighbors wire report

### MEDORA

#### History Alive to feature Medora Madame De Mores

Medora, Madame de Mores returns to the Chateau de Mores State Historic Site July 29. Portrayed by Karen Nelson in the popular History Alive program, Madame De Mores will talk about her stay at the chateau in 1903, in what was her last visit to the Dakota summer home in Medora.

Nelson is an adjunct professor of speech at Dickinson State University.

Madame de Mores performances will be at 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. both days.

All performances are free of charge and sponsored by the State Historical Society of North Dakota.

Madame de Mores was the wife of Marquis de Mores, who attempted in the 1880s to build a beef empire in what is now southwestern North Dakota.

As Madame de Mores, Nelson wears a period dress, designed and sewn by Michael Stevens of Dickinson. Her jacket and overall costume are based on a 1903 photograph of Medora standing on the corner of the chateau veranda during her return visit there.

The State Historical Society of North Dakota sponsors the History Alive programs to explore the lives and times of decades gone by. For more information contact the Chateau de Mores State Historic Site at (701) 623-4355 or the State Historical Society of North Dakota at (701) 328-2666 or visit the agency's Web site at [www.nd.gov/history](http://www.nd.gov/history).  
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