

## **Mascoutah Historical Society**

### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Mascoutah Historical Society is to collect and preserve artifacts of Mascoutah Township and the area served by Mascoutah Community Unit School District 19, to make the collection accessible to the public, and to promote interest in the history of the area.

### **Vision Statement**

The Mascoutah Historical Society adopts the following goals for the ten years from 2021 - 2031, based on the three sections of its Mission Statement:

- I. To collect and preserve artifacts
  - a. Work to collect artifacts from existing and closing businesses
  - b. Interview prominent Mascoutah figures
  - c. Continue to update and learn storage and preservation techniques
  
- II. To make the collection accessible to the public
  - a. Continue to refine and expand the collection database; work to get it online
  - b. Establish a loan/lending policy to allow citizens to borrow items
  - c. Expand the society's membership to allow for the expansion of the open hours of the museum and the log house
  
- III. To promote interest in the history of the area
  - a. Continue to contribute articles to the Herald
  - b. Establish a speakers bureau to facilitate presentations to area organizations
  - c. Expand our presence in the schools
  - d. Expand the website to include videos, online tours, articles, etc.
  - e. Create displays and exhibits in local businesses, churches, and the library