In their own words …
Experience – Grow - Make a Difference

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“How did your internship opportunity happen?
One of my professors, David Rowley, suggested I consider this internship instead of conducting an individual research project. He put me in touch with Stacy Roberts which led to this internship.

How does the internship complement your academic goals?
I need two internships for my major so this will fulfill one of those requirements. I have learned so much about Southwest Wisconsin history and this experience has reinforced that I want to pursue a history degree.

How are you spending your days?
I have been working closely with the museum curators. I have been going through donations and cataloging them. I have been preparing materials for exhibits. I also conduct research for specific exhibits and research archives.

What types of skills are you learning?
I have been so immersed in history through this internship. This has been like a summer class except I’m teaching myself. I’ve been reading many history books and have gained a lot of knowledge about the history of this area.

What has been the best part of this experience?
I recently learned of a link between Platteville and my hometown, Brownsville MN. Miners actually moved from here to Brownsville which is 104 miles away. I love what I’m learning about public history and I know I want to be a part of it.

Cody’s aha moment:
“I know now that this is the field in which I want to build my career. I would love to be a Public Historian.”

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