

The authentic settlers' village of Manfred has been given the opportunity to help represent a significant piece of the rich history of this great land...

Communities such as Manfred, est. 1894, sprang up during the westward settlement of North America. Through the educational entity, *Manfred Heritage Museum*, present and future generations can learn about the important contributions rural places such as Manfred have given to North Dakota and to North America.



Photo taken c1907

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TRIBUNE OVERLANDER'S VIEW OF MANFRED*

“Manfred is in the best of the grain country, and every year its elevators are filled to overflowing. Every fall, there is more demand for cars to ship grain than the railroad can supply... Three elevators in Manfred, a town of four hundred progressive souls, buying and marketing last year a total of 435,000 bushels of grain.

Manfred lives for the farmers in its territory. Its businesses are there for the patronage the farmers give them. Rich soil, giving prodigious yields of wheat, barley, oats, flax and rye, is the source of wealth. The wealth derived from the soil for miles around Manfred flows into that town, in exchange for groceries, implements, and clothing.”



Words of Endorsement:

Aerial photo taken in 2004 by Bill Ongstad

...Let us ensure that Manfred can continue to serve into the future as a beacon of hope, through our gifts and bequests to the MHP, Inc. Endowment Fund.

Merl E. Paaverud

Director of the State Historical Society of North Dakota

“Manfred, North Dakota is alive and well. This is due to the tireless efforts of people who believe that it can be saved for the future. I hope that you can be involved, and it is critical that you give your support now. The vision and dreams of a handful of people can become your vision too. Take the next step to ensure that Manfred will be alive and well, for your children and their children to enjoy. Thank you.

Manfred sets a great example for the local area, for our state, and for our great nation. Efforts like this are what we need in order to hold onto our past. We all need to know where we came from, where we're going. Congratulations to all the people who have worked on this wonderful, wonderful project! I see not only a past, but I see a great future.”

Dale Bentley

Executive Director of Preservation North Dakota

“Each community is responsible to ensure that its unique history, culture and special treasures are safeguarded for the next generation to enjoy and learn from. Creating and promoting an endowment fund is essential to provide for the ongoing needs of the organization. If you want to ensure that the great success of MHP, Inc. continues, become involved in planning its financial future now. Gifts or bequests to such a fund can yield tremendous results down the road.

The community of Manfred has a great story to share, and a strong sense of place to convey. The efforts here are unmatched in towns several hundreds or thousands the size of the community of Manfred and this is important! I urge you to continue to make history in Manfred and continue to celebrate your past.”