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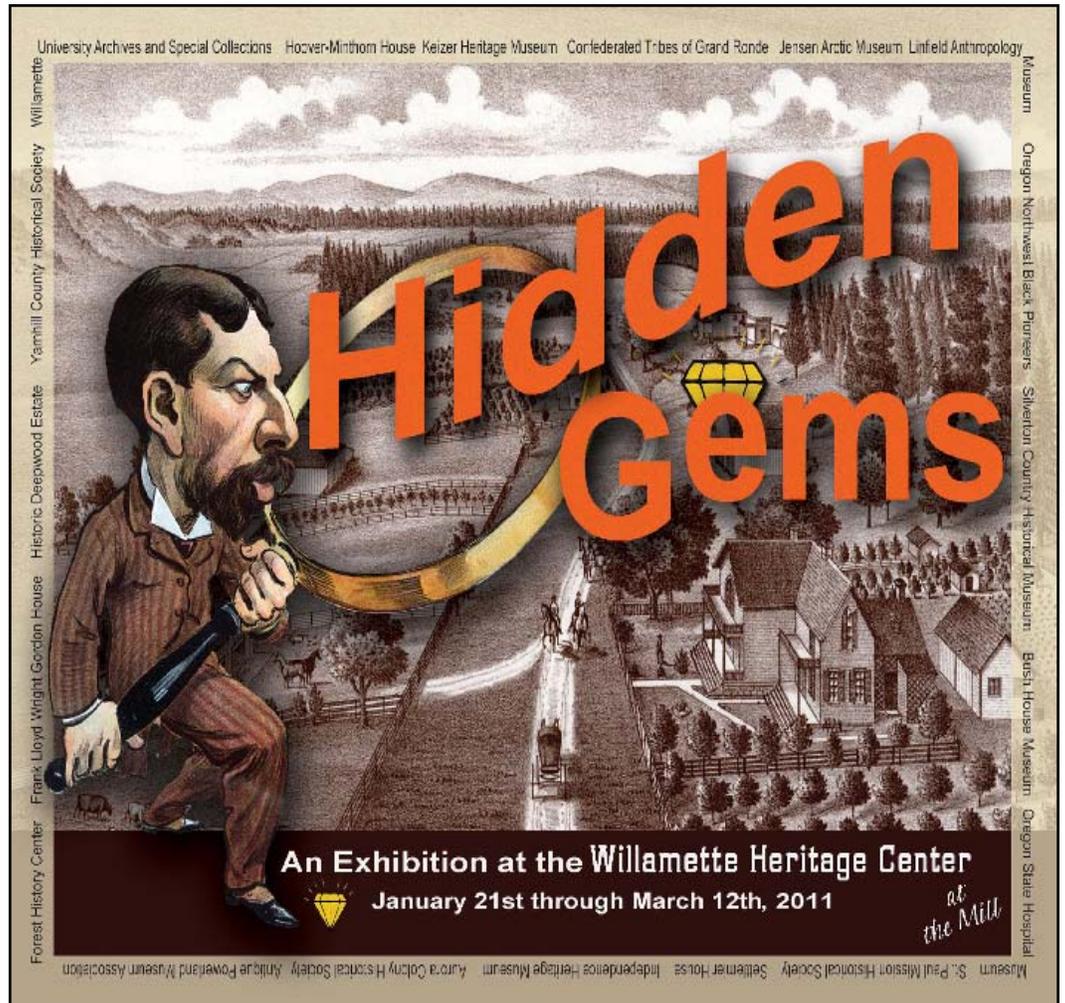
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NOTICE: February Potluck and General Meeting

- Date: Sunday, February 13, 2011
- Time: 2:00 pm Potluck, 3:00 pm Program
- Program: Photos of Yamhill County by Tom Cattrall and Jennifer Sokol Blosser
- Location: 7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd., McMinnville
- **Doors will open at 1:30. Come early and brows the displays.



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Forest History Center Frank Lloyd Wright Gordon House Historic Deepwood Estate Yamhill County Historical Society
Willamette
at the Mill
An Exhibition at the Willamette Heritage Center
January 21st through March 12th, 2011
Museum St. Paul Mission Historical Society Independence House Settler Museum Historical Society Antiqua Powerland Museum Association

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Bringing 18 Mid-Valley heritage, cultural and history organizations together to share their most interesting, unique or important treasures!

Take a walk through history and view a wide array of local, regional and nationally important objects. *Hidden Gems* encourages the appreciation of our local organizations that do so much to foster understanding and enjoyment of our community's heritage.

When: Open Friday, January 21 and runs through Saturday, March 12, 2011.

Where: Willamette Heritage Center (Mission Mill), Salem, Oregon
Call (503) 585-7012 or visit the Center's website www.missionmill.org, for more information.

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President's Letter

Dear Members,

The volunteers at our Lafayette site took the month of December off. That is, they were not open to the public, but they did work! They did a thorough job of reorganizing all the files and records kept at the Miller Museum. Some of the volunteers involved were Marge Owens, the Miller Museum Director, Jean Sartor, Ursula Doud, Shirley McDaniel, and many others. We very much appreciate all of their efforts!

The construction on the Administration Building at the Yamhill Valley Heritage Center has begun. The outer walls and concrete roof will probably be in place by this spring. We have been able to move forward with this project because of the many generous donors who have honored their pledges to the Building Fund. The diligence of the Oversight Committee is also responsible for this progress. The YCHS Board of Directors approved the project after ascertaining that our funds were sufficient to complete the first stage of the new construction.

Our Heritage Brick Program continues to

grow with two orders for bricks coming in from Alaska! We have \$4,000 in paid orders and another \$600 in pledges for donated bricks so far. Also, \$1,000 of a \$2,500 donation from First Federal Savings & Loan will be used toward the Flag Pole Project. The estimated cost to construct the four foot high concrete base and the sixty foot high flag pole is \$10,751. That will leave a balance of approximately \$5,551! That means we need to sell about 56 more Heritage Bricks to complete the flag pole which will be erected at the Heritage Center in front of the Administration Building! So come on folks, donate a brick today and let's see if we can't have that flag flying from that sixty foot pole by Harvest Fest!

The YCHS Board of Directors wishes to thank all of our donors for their generosity to the Yamhill County Historical Society.

Carolyn Meeker, President
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Join the Newsletter Email Distribution Group!

Help save the society printing and mailing costs and join the newsletter email distribution group.

By joining this group, you will receive a full color version of our monthly newsletter via the email address you provide. Not only will your version be in full color, your issue will arrive almost a full week before the mailed version would arrive in the post. If you are interested in joining, please email Tami Spears, tamispears123@gmail.com



New Members		
<u>SENIOR FAMILY</u> Clarence and Cathy Nason Jeanne Christensen	<u>SR./STUDENT/EDUCATOR</u> Clifford Solberger Juanita Lyon	<u>SUPPORTER</u> Lois Mills
Renewing Members		
<u>SENIOR FAMILY</u> Neil and Judith Kunze		
Planning a Vacation?		
Please notify Gloria Lutz (503) 472-7563; glutz@onlinemac.com or write to YCHS, PO Box 484, Lafayette, OR 97127. She can forward newsletters to your temporary address or hold them until you return home. Otherwise, your newsletter comes back to YCHS and we have to pay additional postage!!		

Board Meeting Recap ~ January 12, 2011

The following recap is a condensed version of not yet approved minutes from the board meeting.

New board member orientation and review of the YCHS bylaws. Prior to the board meeting, new and existing board members met to have an orientation of the society and to start reviewing the society's bylaws.

2011 Election of Officers: Carolyn Meeker, Shirley McDaniel, Theresa Berthelsdorf, and Kim Courtin all agreed to retain their positions for 2011. A vote was taken and all positions passed unanimously. A resounding cheer and big thank you was expressed by all.

Re-formation of Committees: All committees must reform and be approved by the board of directors annually per the society's bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order. Standing committees must appoint a chair. The chair must submit a member list, duties, and responsibilities of the committee and a 2011 budget before the next board meeting on February 9.

Committee Reports: All committee reports will be filed with the minutes.

- ◆ **Computer Committee**—Theresa will clarify the request for another backup drive. The board previously approved the purchase of one backup drive but no reimbursement has been issued. Jennifer Sokol Blosser has been working with Karl Klooster of the News Register to work out an arrangement for photo requests. A decision was made to allow Yamhill County newspapers to use the society's photo collections free of charge as long as YCHS was noted with the article. The board felt that this went along with our mission statement.
- ◆ **Volunteer Coordinator**—the society is still looking for volunteer coordinators for both the Lafayette site and Heritage Center.
- ◆ **Education Coordinator**—Gloria Lutz reported that the Amity High School would like to put the society on their Daffodil tour this year. Carolyn will contact the school for further details.
- ◆ **Accessions Committee**—*Lafayette:* Ursula Doud presented the board with a list of items that are being considered for de-accessioning. Cynthia and Karen agreed to help assist Ursula in notifying donors before the items are de-accessioned. *Heritage Center:* Tony Meeker reported that they have done a complete inventory of all artifacts at that site and they are currently working to ensure each item has the proper paperwork.
- ◆ **Insurance**— Tony Meeker reported that our

insurance renewal comes up March 15. It was brought to the board's attention that, going forward, every event at the Heritage Center where there could be 500+ attendees in a single day, a special insurance form must be filled out to ensure coverage.

- ◆ **Merchandise Coordinator**—A new position was created by the board for the research, review, and purchase of YCHS promotional merchandise. Items like t-shirts, sweatshirts, and bags will be logoed and sold in our gift shop and at events like Farm and Harvest Fest. Tami Spears was appointed to this position.

Cultural Coalition: Tina Enomoto, president of the Yamhill County Cultural Coalition, spoke to the board about building bridges between YCHS and other cultural organizations in the area.

Treasurer's Report: The Oversight Committee was able to collect on several pledges and managed to secure several unexpected financial donations. In light of these new funds, the board decided to pay off the Farnham bill in its entirety. The society was awarded money from First Federal. It was decided that a portion of the money would go toward the flagpole project and the remainder would go toward the cost of our annual audit.

Unfinished Business:

- ◆ **Poling Church**—Vince Haworth agreed to take a look at the condition of the church's back room. The society is required to obtain a minimum of 3 bids for any work done for the society. Carolyn, Shirley Venhaus, and Jo will work on obtaining prices for further inspections and bids.
- ◆ **Heritage Center Greenhouse**—Karen Sitton-Saxberg donated a 30'x40' greenhouse. \$2000 in donations have been made for setup costs and slag has been donated. Karen will bring a more thorough analysis of funds needed for completion of this project to the next board meeting.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday February 9, 2011, 4:00 pm at the Miller Museum in Lafayette. At 3:00 pm the board will continue their review/orientation of the Bylaws.

Respectfully submitted, Theresa Berthelsdorf, Secretary

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Accession/Preservation Lafayette:

Ursula Doud

Activities and Events:

Tami Spears

Accessions Heritage Center:

Tony Meeker

Audit:

Matt Duncel

Blacksmith:

Steve Gosset

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Tom Catrall

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Gloria Lutz

Farm/Heritage Fest:

Cliff Watts

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Joanne Watts

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Kim Courtin

Handmade Holiday:

Phyllis McBride

Landscaping:

Gloria Lutz

Newsletter:

Tami Spears

Photographic Project:

Jennifer Sokol Blosser

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Cliff Watts

Publications/Gift Shop:

Jean Sartor

Restoration Shop:

Cliff Watts

Sawmill:

Don King

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Steam Engine:

Vern Yeager

Treasures in the Attic:

Shirley Venhaus

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Invest in a piece of Yamhill County History

Imagine a new brick pathway inviting visitors to the Yamhill Valley Heritage Center. You, your family, or honored loved ones name can become a part of Yamhill County history.

These engraved Heritage Bricks will be incorporated in various architectural projects, such as walkways, walls, and the base of a flag pole to be erected at the Heritage Center. For a donation of \$100, your brick will be engraved to your specifications and become a permanent part of the Heritage Center, creating an amazing tribute to our ancestors, town fathers, loved ones and Yamhill County families. With your donations, you partner with us in building the future of our society.

Brick Inscriptions

Each brick may be inscribed with up to three lines, and up to 17 spaces on each line.

You may choose the wording you wish.

Typical inscriptions have included...

- ◆ In Memory of (or In Honor of)
- ◆ Family names
- ◆ Past or current business names
- ◆ Historic event
- ◆ Living or past family members

Inscriptions that are deemed inappropriate by the YCHS Property Development Committee will not be allowed.

Tax Deductible

The Yamhill County Historical Society is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization, and as such, all donations to the society (including the Heritage Bricks) are tax deductible.

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\$100 per Brick

BRICK #1

BRICK #2

Inscription (one character per box—include spaces and punctuation in boxes)

Amount for Bricks \$ _____ Additional Donation \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to: YCHS
Detach and Mail to: YCHS Attn. Heritage Bricks P.O. Box 484, Lafayette, OR 97127

February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	3	4 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	5 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Center Open 10-3
6	7	8	9 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Board Meeting 4 pm	10	11 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	12 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Center Open 10-3 Lincoln's Birthday
13 General Meeting 2-4	14 Valentine's Day Oregon's 152nd Birthday	15	16 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	17	18 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	19 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Center Open 10-3
20	21 Presidents' Day	22 Washington's Birthday	23 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	24	25 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	26 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Center Open 10-3
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Event Locations

- ◆ February 9—Board Meeting—Lafayette Museum
- ◆ February 13—General Meeting—7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd., McMinnville
- ◆ January 22—March 12—Hidden Gems—Willamette Heritage Center, Mission Mill Museum, 1313 Mill St., SE Salem

Upcoming Events

- ◆ March 9, 2011—Board Meeting
- ◆ March 13, 2011—General Meeting
- ◆ April 9, 2011—YCHS Farm Fest
- ◆ April 12, 2011—General Meeting
- ◆ April 13, 2011—Board Meeting

YCHS Wish List

Every nonprofit organization has more needs than they have resources to fill. The YCHS plays an important role in our community, and we hope our members, giving donors, and prospects will extend a helping hand. Giving back to the community can benefit us all. This wish list is a great way for YCHS to publicize our needs. Can you help?

- ◆ Large four drawer, fireproof, lockable file cabinet or a similar sized fireproof safe to be used at the Heritage Center.
- ◆ New faster computer for the Lafayette site.
- ◆ Bookends and book display stands for the Lafayette site.

- ◆ Office supplies—glue sticks, white card stock, paper.
- ◆ Leaf blower for Lafayette site.
- ◆ Six inch black reader board letters for the Heritage Center reader boards.
- ◆ Mobility cart(s) for the Heritage Center.
- ◆ Copy paper for both the Lafayette site and Heritage Center copy machines.
- ◆ Website designer to design a new YCHS website (contact James Spears tjspears@gmail.com)

We greatly appreciate your help!

Contact: Tami Spears (503) 583-2064 or tamispears123@gmail.com

Historic Lafayette Museum

605 Market Street
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Lafayette, OR 97127

Hours:
Wednesday, Friday, and
Saturday 10—4
Or by appointment
503-864-2308

Yamhill Valley Heritage Center

11275 SW Durham Ln.
McMinnville, OR
97128

Hours:
Saturday 10—3



Joanne Watts

Giving Appreciation

Since the general meeting was such a busy day, it is time for the members of the society to say, “thank you” to the Board of Directors, Activities and Events committee, and volunteers who give untold hours of time to the growth and goals of the Yamhill County Historical Society.

The Board, Activities and Events Committee, and countless volunteers work tirelessly on special events, property development, property maintenance, and the supervision of the sawmill and blacksmith shop. As a result of this involvement, countless hours are selflessly devoted to the society.

Please join with me in giving a big hand of appreciation to all of these members.

Joanne Watts, Program Committee

Re-formation of YCHS Committees

Each January (annually), all committees of the Yamhill County Historical Society must re-form and be re-established by the Board of Directors. Each committee must appoint/select a committee chair. (There are no term limits for this position.) The appointed committee chair must submit the following to the board secretary, Theresa Berthelsdorf, prior to the February 9 board meeting for final board approval:

- ◆ Name of current committee chair.
- ◆ A current list of committee members.
- ◆ Duties and responsibilities of the

committee—as understood by the committee.

- ◆ 2011 committee budget must be submitted to the board treasurer, Kim Courtin, by February 8 to have moneys allocated for 2011. (All subcommittees will submit their budget to their parent committee, i.e. Treasures in the Attic and Farm/Harvest Fest submit budgets to the Activities and Events Committee)

Theresa Berthelsdorf, Secretary

To Do List for 2011:

Attend a Board Meeting. Did you know that everyone is welcome to attend any YCHS Board Meeting? The next meeting will be held on February 9 at 4:00 pm at the Lafayette Museum.

Volunteer Positions Available

We need you. One of the most important things in our society is our volunteers. Volunteers are our life force and are crucial to the ongoing work of our society. Do you like to do paperwork? Organize and make lists? Get your hands dirty? Work on machines? Research antiques? Work with figures and budgets? Plan events and fundraisers? Please consider volunteering with one of our standing committees. There are numerous opportunities from onetime small projects to leadership opportunities. There truly is something for everyone.

Vacant positions:

- ◆ Volunteer Coordinator
- ◆ Parade / Festival Coordinator i.e. Carlton’s

Walk in the Park, UFO Festival, Sheridan Day’s.

- ◆ Membership Coordinator (Gloria Lutz will be stepping down in May 2011)

If you are interested, please contact Carolyn Meeker at acmeeker@frontier.com or (503) 835-8481



Beverly Cleary

YCHS Book Report

Emily’s Runaway Imagination by Beverly Cleary is a fictionalized story of living during the early 1920’s in Yamhill. Her family home, The Bunn House, still stands on the west end of Third Street. This is a children’s book that the whole family will enjoy. It is for sale at the Miller Museum for \$6.

Nancy Thornton

Lafayette News

A new year and the Lafayette site is open for business again. Thirteen volunteers worked twelve days during December to re-organize the research material and we think we've made it easier for those doing research projects. We cleaned, sorted and moved newly donated and

existing furniture, moved file cabinets, installed new shelves, filed, sorted, and updated. Information was also added to the Miller and Poling collection.

The church tours will be modified until structural repairs to the back room are reviewed.

New books have been added to our retired sales shelves. New note cards and postcards along with prints from our collection are now available. We're always happy to help.

Jean Sartor, Publications Chair



Historic Photo of the Poling Church

“Sacajawea Club Party”—Article from a February issue of the News Register

The Sacajawea Girls entertained their gentleman friends last Friday evening in a very pleasing way at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Fenton, which was most elaborately decorated with carnations and red hearts, over 3000 hearts of various sizes being used. A pretty attraction was the portieres, which were made of red hearts gracefully draped; in fact, every place where a heart could find lodgements was utilized until the spacious parlors were a mass of red hearts.

Each gentleman on his arrival at the home was required to deposit an original valentine. For originality Dr. Williams seemed the most successful and Frank Wortman the most comical, which consisted of a pen sketch of each of the Sacajawea Girls. After a great deal of sport was enjoyed in this way, the remainder of the evening was spent in playing hearts, Dr. Williams again receiving first place and J. B. Spence awarded the consolation.

Phonographic music was enjoyed all during the evening. M. D. Warren rendered a solo which was greatly enjoyed. The card tables were finally thrown together in the center of the room and completely covered with hearts. A dainty lunch was served in which the heart design was carried out as nearly as possible.

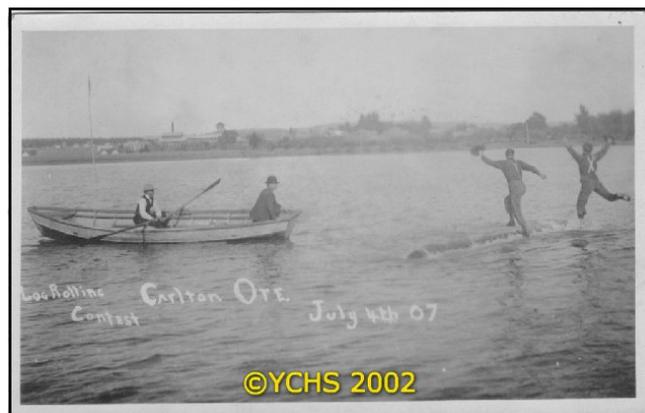
This article was from a February issue of the News Register. The date of this article is unknown.

YCHS Photo Department

The museum's photo archive contain thousands of historic images. Come in and see what we have for family or historic research. Or you can purchase postcards, note cards, or prints of historic photos. Ask about our photo restoration service

A Plea for Photos

Was your family member a Yamhill County Historical Society past president? Dina Nuxoll is compiling a photo gallery of all of our past presidents for the society. Her hope is to obtain pictures taken approximately at the time each individual presided as president. If you have such a picture and would like us to include it in our compilation, you can contact Tami Spears, Dina Nuxoll, or the society's Photo Committee. You can either donate your photo or we can scan it into the computer and the photo would be returned to you unharmed.



Carlton Logrolling Contest July 4, 1907



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Membership Yes! I want to support the Yamhill County Historical Society's efforts to preserve the county's rich history. Members receive *The West Side* newsletter, free admission to the Lafayette Museum and Library, access to genealogical and historical files, access to the Yamhill Valley Heritage Center, monthly potluck and program for members, invitations to special programs and events, and 10% off photo orders and gift shop purchases.

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Historical Society**

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Questions? Call Membership Coordinator Gloria Lutz at 503.472.7563 or email: glutz@onlinemac.com

Become a Yamhill County Historical Society Member Today!