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Third Annual Handmade Holiday Bazaar

Saturday	Sunday
December 1st	December 2nd
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

FREE ENTRY WITH FOOD DONATION

Yamhill Valley Heritage Center
Hwy 18 and Durham Lane, McMinnville

<p>LOCAL ARTISTS FUDGE, JAMS, AND JELLIES HANDMADE POTTERY SOAPS ♦ TEXTILES JEWELRY ♦ WOOD CARVERS FOOD BOOTHS</p>	<p>GREAT GIFTS FOR EVERYONE SILENT AUCTION SANTA'S WALK DECORATED TREE AUCTION A GREAT HOLIDAY TRADITION</p>
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NOTICE:
November Potluck and
General Meeting

- **Date:** Sunday, November 11, 2012
- **Time:** 1:30 pm Potluck, 2:15 pm Program
- **Program:** TBA
- **Location:** 7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd, McMinnville

Hutchcroft School on the Move!

The Historical Society is happy to announce that on October 21, 2012, the historic Hutchcroft One-room Schoolhouse was moved from the Whitlow property to its new location at the Yamhill County Historical Society's Yamhill Valley Heritage Center.



Photo by John Lewis

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President's Letter

Dear Members,

We will be having our Annual Meeting of the YCHS membership on December 9 at the Seventh Day Adventist Church in McMinnville at 1:30pm. The officers of the YCHS Board of Directors will be giving their annual reports and the newly elected directors will be introduced and sworn in at the meeting. Of course, we will also have our usual delicious pot luck, fellowship, and interesting program to enjoy.

Joanne Watts, Program Chair for our General Meetings, was in the hospital for some tests in October and wasn't able to attend the General Meeting. We are all happy that she is now home and doing well! Nancy Thornton did an excellent job of standing in for Joanne.

Chuck Kadell was also back in the hospital but was released and able to attend our October General Meeting along with his wife Carlene. Carlene has been doing a wonderful job as the YCHS Membership Coordinator, and Chuck is one of the valuable and hard-working volunteers at the Heritage Center. Chuck presented a \$2000 check at the meeting from Mr. Jack McPhillips for the Hutchcroft School project.

The Hutchcroft School project has raised the funds necessary to move the school from near Yamhill to its new home at the Heritage Center. We now need to

raise the funds to restore the school. It is one of only a few one-room school houses still existing in the county. Many Yamhill County citizens have memories of family, friends, or even themselves attending school there. Waldo Farnham had an aunt who taught there at one time.

Ballots for this year's election of new board members will be mailed out the first week in November. Please remember that your membership dues must be paid in order for you to be eligible to vote in the election.

There is still room on the base of the Flag Monument for additional Heritage Bricks. We had a visitor from California at the Heritage Center last week who stopped by to see her brick and tour the museum. She took several brick order forms and said that she would order more bricks! It is very interesting (and fun) to read the names and messages that donors have put on their brick donations. The cost for donating a Heritage Brick is \$100 for each brick.

Thank you to all of those who have donated to the Heritage Brick and Hutchcroft School projects.

Carolyn Meeker

YCHS President

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Submitted: October 16, 2012

Margaret "Peggy" Roghair



There will be a memorial service for Margaret Roghair at the First Presbyterian Church of McMinnville on Saturday, November 24, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. followed by a reception.

2012 YCHS Board Candidate Biographies

In December, the YCHS will be having our annual election of board members. There are four positions open on the Board of Directors. The following four candidates have been nominated by the YCHS Nomination Committee.



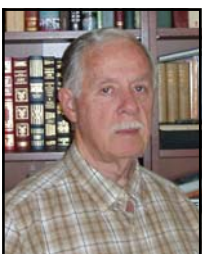
Katie Baker

Katie was born and raised in McMinnville and has lived in Yamhill County all her life. Her Grandparents, Dick and Clara Reyne, operated the Sunset Dairy and a turkey farm in McMinnville until her grandfather's death in 1963.

Katie's parents, Paul Fritz and Katheryn (Fritz) Finnicum, operated P&K Poultry in the late 1950's into the 1960's. Kathryn Finnicum and Ron Finnicum, Katie's stepfather, operated R&K Angus on Grand Island and Finnicum Fruit Orchards in McMinnville from 1972 to 1989. Katie's mother continued to run the orchard until 1998.

Katie participated in 4-H and FFA growing up, cooking and sewing, and then showing registered Black Angus cattle until 1978.

Katie is married with four children and is now a Grandma. She worked for a local veterinarian in 1978 and 1979. She has been in the banking industry in McMinnville for 30 plus years, 24 1/2 of those at First Federal in McMinnville.



John Lewis

John was born in Newfoundland, Canada, and spent his early years there. He subsequently completed his education and lived in Nova Scotia and then Ontario. John immigrated to the United States in 1982 and lived in Texas, Arizona and Washington before retiring in 2010 and moved to McMinnville in March of 2012.

John received his Engineering Degree in 1964 and was commissioned as Lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Air Force. He currently is licensed as a P.E. in Washington; previously licensed in four other states and three Canadian provinces. John's 46 years of work experience have included a great variety of assignment including design, construction management, factory management and consulting ownership. One assignment of potential interest was that of Construction Engineer for the reconstruction of an 18th-century French fortress in Canada. John also served as an Engineering Manager for the Snohomish County Public Utility District and led and largely authored a grant application to the federal Stimulus Program that netted \$16,000,000 for the District's automation program.

John currently is a YCHS member and sits on the Property Development Committee and has been helping with the Hutchcroft School Project.



Matt Dunckel

Matt was elected to the YCHS Board of Directors in 2009. He is semi-retired, enjoys kayaking, talking politics, playing the piano and spending time with his beautiful granddaughters. He is on the Yamhill County Planning Commission and the Yamhill County Road Improvement Advisory Committee. His mother-in-law, Dorothy Gunness, was the first president of the Yamhill County Historical Society.



Steve Leonard

Steve grew up on the North Shore of Massachusetts and after serving with the Army in Viet Nam began the pursuit of a career in aviation. Shortly thereafter, he and his wife to be, Joni, moved to California in search of their future. Starting as a pilot for a small airline in California he later moved into Flight Operations management. He has worked for several airlines over the years, moving each time, until coming to McMinnville. Steve enjoys sports cars, and his wife has raised German Shepherd dogs. Steve filled a vacancy on the YCHS Board in 2011 and has served as Vice-President this year.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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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' names 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 now 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.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

\$100 per Brick

BRICK #1

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

BRICK #2



Brick Inscriptions

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

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.

Amount for Bricks

\$ _____

Additional Donation

\$ _____


Total Enclosed

\$ _____



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

November 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	1	2 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	3 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3
4 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS	5	6 ELECTION DAY	7 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	8	9 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	10 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3
11 GENERAL MEETING	12	13	14 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Board Meeting 5:30pm	15	16 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	17 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3
18	19	20	21 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	22 	23 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	24 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3
25	26	27	28 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	29	30 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	1 <u>DECEMBER HANDMADE HOLIDAY</u>

Event Locations

- ◆ November 11, 2012—General Meeting—7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd, McMinnville
- ◆ November 14, 2012—Board Meeting—Lafayette Museum
- ◆ December 1—2, 2012—Handmade Holiday, YCHS Heritage Center, Durham Lane.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ December 1-2, 2012—Handmade Holiday
- ◆ December 9, 2012—ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
- ◆ December 12, 2012—Board Meeting
- ◆ January 9, 2013—Board Meeting
- ◆ February 13, 2013—Board Meeting

NOTICE: DECEMBER ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and Potluck

- Date: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2012
- Time: 1:30 pm Potluck, 2:15 pm Program
- Program: Old Fashioned Christmas and Annual Meeting
- Location: 7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd, McMinnville

Lafayette Buzz...

Start your holiday shopping early at the Lafayette Museum. We have a newly-acquired assortment of previously-loved books for sale thanks to a generous donor. Buy a friend or family member a YCHS memberships. They make great stocking stuffers. What about giving your grandchildren a book about Yamhill County or one of its cities. Come see the wonderful selection of gifts we have for the whole family.

Come see our newly-expanded Abigail Scott Dunaway display along with our very own Beverly Cleary and Barbara Roberts displays.

The Lafayette Museum will be closed to the public for the month of January 2013. Volunteers will be hard at work doing our annual winter cleaning. If you would like to lend a hand moving the heavy stuff, please contact Marjory Owens. We sure could use the help.

Historic Lafayette Museum

605 Market Street
P.O. Box 484
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

Hutchcroft School on the Move Continued



Foundation for the school at the Heritage Center



Excitement stirs as we see the schoolhouse approach



The Schoolhouse quickly crossing 99W onto Durham Ln



Turning into the Yambill Valley Heritage Center



Driving into the field



The Schoolhouse being positioned over the new foundation



Tarping the roof



The Hutchcroft One-Room Schoolhouse at its new home at the Heritage Center

Hutchcroft School Project



After school was closed in the district. Eleanor Mitchell photo.

In a previous newsletter you may recall an article discussing the history of the Hutchcroft School, a one-room schoolhouse west of Yamhill that served as the school for District #15 from 1877 through the 1930s. For those of you who may have attended the YCHS General Meeting in March you would have heard in the presentation by Cynthia Christianson about this schoolhouse as well.

So why is this particular schoolhouse so important to the YCHS? The Hutchcroft School is currently located on the Whitlow property on Rocky Ford Road, west of Yamhill. It is one of the few one-room schools remaining in near-original condition in Yamhill County. As with many of the old buildings in our county, the building has outlived its usefulness at its current location and must be removed. The current owner, Mr. Raymond Whitlow, has offered the building to the Yamhill County Historical Society to further our goal of the preservation and sharing of our heritage. The opportunity to preserve this schoolhouse at our Heritage Center would make it the first building to be placed in the proposed Pioneer Village.

The Society has conditionally accepted the donation of the Hutchcroft School based upon the completion of the financial goals for Phase I in a timely manner. Phase I of this project includes moving the Hutchcroft School building from its present site to the Heritage Center and making it structurally sound at a cost of approximately \$45,000. The funding for this phase of the project must be in place before we can proceed. We hope that will be late this summer.

Once Phase I is complete, we will have more time to accomplish Phase II, which will include restoration and use in the society's educational programs. This work will follow over the next two or three years. There are substantial additional costs for Phase II and fund raising will continue.

As you know, YCHS is a non-profit, educational, and public service organization established to protect, preserve and share the history and heritage of Yamhill County. Saving this school could be an excellent opportunity to further these goals. The Hutchcroft School Committee has been formed to work with the Property Development Committee to develop this project.

We need your help in the form of donations. All funds received as a result of this request will be used for the Hutchcroft School. The Society needs your support and involvement for this project to succeed. Email HutchcroftSchool@gmail.com to receive more information. Alternatively you may call one of the listed Committee members:

Shirley Venhaus (503) 434-0567, Cynthia Christianson (503) 421-5303, or Steve Leonard (503) 560-2676

Should you wish to help, please fill out the pledge form and mail it to the Yamhill County Historical Society.

Hutchcroft School Project Donation Form

I want to help the Yamhill County Historical Society advance their mission of historical preservation and education by acquiring the Hutchcroft School. I understand that my gift or pledge will be used exclusively for this project. If the school fund does not reach the minimum necessary (gifts and pledges combined), my gift of \$100 or more will be returned or my pledge will be void. Gifts of less than \$100 will be redirected to the Yamhill County Historical Society education program. We hope to move the school late this summer. Funding must be in hand before we begin.

Please find enclosed my gift of \$ _____ to support the Hutchcroft School Project.

AND/OR

I pledge to donate \$ _____ to support the Hutchcroft School Project.

Signature:

Printed Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Please mail donations and/or pledges along with this form to:

***Yamhill County Historical Society
P.O. Box 484, Lafayette, OR 97127
Make checks payable to YCHS.***



Preserving our Past, Enriching our Future

P.O. Box 484
Lafayette, Oregon 97127

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Organization
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97128

Membership Categories

NEW MEMBERSHIP RENEWING MEMBERSHIP

Members receive The West Side newsletter (10 issues per year), 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.

Membership runs from July 1 to June 30 of each year.

- Senior/Student/Educator \$15 Family (Basic) \$30 Community Builder \$250+
- Senior Family (65+) \$25 Friend \$55 Community Benefactor \$500+
- Individual \$20 Supporter \$125+

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I would prefer to receive the YCHS newsletter via: Email Postal Mail

Please check here if you do not wish to have your name and contact information released to the Yamhill County Cultural Coalition and/or for the purpose of obtaining grant funding. Member information will never be sold or released for any other purpose unless written consent is provided by the member.

Please make checks payable to YCHS and return with this printed form to:
YCHS, P.O. Box 484, Lafayette, OR 97127

Questions? Call Membership Coordinator Carlene Kadell (503) 474-0480 or email: amity1956@yahoo.com

YCHS Membership Application