



The West Side

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NOTICE:
APRIL GENERAL MEETING and Potluck

- Date: SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2013
- Time: 1:30 pm Potluck, 2:15 pm Program
- Program: Pioneer Days Preview & YCHS Photo Collection
- Location: 7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd, McMinnville

YCHS & Oregon Draft Horse Breeders Association
Present
Farm Fest 2013
Plowing Competition

Saturday, April 13, 2013 – 10 am–4 pm

Largest Gathering of Draft Horses & Mules in Oregon to compete in plowing competition
Rare opportunity to watch 20+ teams of draft horses & mules in a plowing competition, see demonstrations, & meet the teamsters.



Yamhill Valley Heritage Center
11275 SW Durham Lane, McMinnville
(Intersection of Hwy. 18 & Durham Ln.)

- ◆ *Opening Ceremonies & Flag Raising by VFW 10:00*
- ◆ *Plowing Competition 10:30-2:30; Awards 3:00*
- ◆ *Working Sawmill, Blacksmith and Steam Tractor*
- ◆ *Heritage Center Museum Tours & Historical Displays*
- ◆ *Pioneer Kids' Area with Hands-on Activities & Animals*
- ◆ *50 Quilts from Yamhill Co. Historical Society Collection*
- ◆ *Food, Old-Time Music & More!*

\$3 per person—
Kids 12 & under
FREE

More old-time family fun at Harvest Fest—
August 17 & 18

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President's Letter



Members,

Preparations for Farm Fest are currently in high gear, and we are looking forward to another successful event. There is more information elsewhere in this newsletter. If you would like to

volunteer to help, please contact Pam or Cliff Watts.

Katie Baker, our newly elected board member and Treasurer, has had to resign due to other personal commitments. We enjoyed working with Katie for the last couple of months. Kim Courtin, our past Treasurer has agreed to step in and take care of those duties on a temporary basis. We are vigorously searching for a new Treasurer. The position requires a commitment of several hours a week and provides great insight into the workings of the YCHS. If you or anyone you know would be interested in helping out in this area we would be pleased to provide more information.

Jo McIntyre has also resigned from the YCHS Board of Directors. Jo has always offered great insights into our Board discussions but will be moving to Europe next month. We wish her the best on her new adventure.

For those of you who were at the General Meeting on March 10, we heard an excellent presentation from Tony Meeker about a school bell which had been donated by Karen and Doug Hagen. Joanne continues to provide interesting programs for these meetings while anticipating handing off the Chairmanship of the Programs Committee to Sarah Miller. We will

meet at the SDAC once more in April and then move our General Meetings to the Heritage Center.

The Hutchcroft School project continues to progress, particularly with the efforts of Cynthia Christianson and her husband Lyle. The siding is now complete. Some temporary but quite solid front steps have been installed. The windows have been refurbished, and interior cleanup is underway. We have definitely moved into the restoration stage of the project. Thank you Cynthia and Lyle.

We will see new signage on the Heritage Center soon thanks to the efforts of Waldo Farnham and a generous donation from Ed Young. The 4-foot high lettering will clearly identify and promote the museum to passersby.

The Business Plan Review Committee has completed the 2013-2015 Business Plan and submitted it for Board approval at the monthly Board Meeting on March 13. The Board recommended a couple of small changes which will be accomplished before final approval. The Business Plan will then be used both as guidance for our efforts in completion of the Heritage Center facility and as supporting documentation for grant applications.

In closing, we are very saddened by the passing of Bonnie Farnham earlier this month. She is survived by her husband Waldo and a large family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them.

Steve Leonard
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Submitted: March 15, 2013

Lafayette Buzz...



Historic Poling Church

Our new exhibit, Yamhill County Pinot Pioneers, showcases several women whose families were among the early wine producers in our area. Featured are Sokol Blosser, Lett, Ponzi and Adleshier. You will appreciate the hard work of these women as they helped to establish the wine industry of today. Along with informational story boards, there are many personal photos and donated items.

This exhibit is on loan from Linfield College. Stop by for a visit.

Jean Sartor, Publications Coordinator

Board Meeting Recap ~ March 13, 2013

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

Committee Reports: All committee reports are filed in the record book with the minutes in the Lafayette Log Cabin.

- ♦ **Business Plan Review Committee**—The 2013-2015 Business Plan was distributed to the Board for review.
 - ♦ **Education Committee**—Cynthia Christensen reported that volunteers are needed for Pioneer Days. Corral panels are being purchased for educational use.
 - ♦ **Lafayette Site Committee**—Marge Owens introduced Brad and Frankie Heikes, property owners adjacent to the Miller Museum. The Heikes are proposing to replace the dilapidated rail fence between the two properties and are asking that the society pay half of the cost of the new fence. The board will review the contractor's quote and make a decision how to proceed.
 - ♦ **Heritage Center Committee**—Cliff Watts reported that spring maintenance has started. Visitors for February were less than January. Farm Fest setup is proceeding; volunteers are needed. The board will staff the information booth. Food service for 1,400 is being planned. Cliff also noted that the number of sponsors is less than last year.
 - ♦ **Hutchcroft School Committee**—Cynthia Christensen reported that work on the exterior of the Hutchcroft School is progressing, so it may be available for showing at Farm Fest.
 - ♦ **Insurance Review**—Tony Meeker presented a summary of two bids for review. The scope, terms, conditions and quoted prices were all discussed. The board voted to award the contract to Liberty Northwest.
 - ♦ **Newsletter Committee**—Matt Dunckel reported that the 350 newsletters are printed and approximately 280 are mailed to members monthly. It was decided that the remaining copies should be distributed to various locations.
 - ♦ **Property Development Committee**—Cliff Watts reported that a donation was received for signage at the Heritage Center. The board approved the expenditure.
- President's Report:**
- ♦ Steve Leonard reported that the re-draft of the Ford Foundation Grant application has been provided to the Grants Committee for review. Steve received clarification as to the required statements to put in letters acknowledging monetary donations to YCHS.
- Treasurer's Report:**
- ♦ Kim Courtin presented the treasurer's report, which is filed with the committee reports in the record book in Lafayette. A permanent treasurer is needed. Kim stated that the position requires about 6-7 hours per week and that she will continue to help train and assist the next treasurer.
- Secretary's Report:**
- ♦ John Lewis reported that copies of grant applications are now being filed in the current year records book.
- Unfinished Business:**
- ♦ John Lewis reported that the addition of a structures section to the Collections Management Policy has not advanced beyond the outline stage and is considered to be a relatively low priority. There will only be future reports when there is a draft to consider.
- New Business:**
- ♦ Tony Meeker informed the board that public input relating to the proposed land use and development of the 450 acre site adjacent to the solid waste landfill site was being invited for a hearing on April 10.
 - ♦ Audits and financial review frequency was discussed. It was recommended that audits be conducted every three years unless specifically required.
 - ♦ Cynthia Christensen reported that she had a conversation with Jackie Lang from WOW who made mention of an available grant.
 - ♦ John Lewis suggested that the Heritage Center be placed on the Chamber of Commerce points of interest map. Pam Watts will be asked to research this possibility.

*Respectfully submitted,
John Lewis, Secretary*

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April 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 	2	3 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	4	5 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	6 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3
7	8 HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY	9	10 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Board Meeting 5:30 pm	11	12 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	13 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3 FARM FEST
14 GENERAL MEETING 1:30 pm	15	16	17 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	18	19 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	20 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3
21	22 EARTH DAY 	23	24 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	25	26 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4	27 Lafayette Museum Open 10-4 Heritage Ctr. Open 10-3
28	29	30				

Event Locations

- ◆ April 10 —Board Meeting — Lafayette Museum
- ◆ April 13 — FARM FEST—Heritage Center
- ◆ April 14 —General Meeting —7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd, McMinnville

Upcoming Events

- ◆ May 8 —Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- ◆ May 14 —General meeting 6:00 pm— Heritage Center
- ◆ June 12 —Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- ◆ July 2013—TBA Ice Cream Social and Summer Picnic
- ◆ July 10—Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- ◆ August 14—Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- ◆ August 17-18—Harvest Fest
- ◆ September 11—Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- ◆ September 14-15— Treasures in the Attic

Observations

Unless we are lucky enough to glimpse a critter as it fades into the brush, there is little evidence of who we share our neighborhood with.

On my walks, I make a game of looking for game trails.

Some are well

autographed by muddy hoof prints ...

Others I only guess at.

- ◆ The tunnel through the weeds,
- ◆ The tuft of hair caught on the barb,
- ◆ The hole dug under the fence.

A whole menagerie shares my land.

They aren't aware that I own their habitat.

I hope you enjoy the creatures that share your world.

Nancy Thornton

Historic Lafayette Museum

605 Market Street
P.O. Box 484
Lafayette, OR 97127

Hours:

Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday 10—4
Or by appointment
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Yamhill Valley Heritage Center

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Saturday 10—3

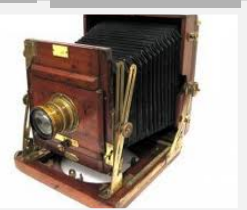
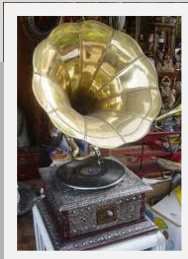
Treasures In the Attic

- ◆ Appraisals (\$5 donation per item, limit 3 items per person)
- ◆ Treasure Chest of Treasures

*What's hiding in
your Attic?*

Appraisal Fair

SEPTEMBER 14-15



Hutchcroft School Moves Forward



The Hutchcroft School is taking shape. Cynthia Christensen is spearheading the restoration of the school. With the help of some of her family members and Heritage Center volunteers, she is cleaning, rebuilding, and painting the building that is now sitting on its foundation with a new roof. Right now an effort is being made to get the inside covered with primer and the teacher's platform done. After spring and fall Pioneer Days and money becomes available, the final painting, porch, bell tower, and ADA ramp will be completed. The school will be open to the public during Farm Fest on April 13.

Gloria Lutz





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

- Senior/Student/Educator \$15 Family (Basic) \$30 Community Builder \$250+
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YCHS Membership Application