

FOOTPRINTS

Newsletter of the Camas-Washougal Historical Society - Two Rivers Heritage Museum
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From The President...

Ground work outside of the new Carriage House should be well under way at this time. Cement walk, porch and base for garden wall. Interesting items inside for members to see; carriages, blacksmith tools, etc.

A couple researches going on. Dave Clarke working with a lady in Georgia working on her genealogy. She is related to David C. Parker thru his youngest daughter, Eliza Ann and husband A. J. Wiley. Have a Court record of David C. Parker, age 15 years, being indentured to John Bates in Jan. 1820 to "learn the art and mastery of Farming." Research being done for time period prior to this time.

A second research being worked on is of doctors or area. Local doctors' group interested in such history.

We need more volunteers to host the museum. If you or someone you know would like to help out let us know. Lois Cobb is our volunteer handler. Learning is easy and interesting. Days can be slow or busy, no particular days for either. Seeing visitors interested in our items and history is quite pleasing.

- Curt Hughey, CWHS President

From The Museum Director's Desk...

I am happy to report the number of guests at the museum has been increasing! Visitors include local families and out of town travelers and they have all enjoyed our displays, history and family information. One guest stated he had never seen such a clean museum! We should all be proud.

There is always something new to see at the museum and I invite you to visit! I recently changed our décor from Summer to the lovely, rich colors of Fall. We also have several large photos and art cleaned and re-framed with acid free backing installed and they are now on display for everyone to enjoy.

As the holidays approach, remember, our museum store offers great note cards, small framed art from the 1930's, color books, postcards, local history books, collectables, museum t-shirts and sweatshirts, old-time games, sticker books and much more.

And we are busy outside too! Plans are in the works for concrete work between our museum and the new Carriage House. We urge you to come enjoy if you haven't been here in awhile.

Historically,

- Betty Ramsey, Museum Director and Curator



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Our thanks to Hal Zimmerman, who recently resigned his post on the board, for his many years of service to the C/W Historical Society.



Share Historic Camas/Washougal with Friends

Check out these great note cards created by our photo volunteers lead by Phil Harris, Photo Curator, pictured here.

These high quality note cards with envelopes feature historic photos of Camas and Washougal. They are perfect for thank you notes and other correspondence. What a great way to share your love of local history with folks you know! They cost \$1.50 with all proceeds benefiting the museum and can be found in the gift shop.

Fall Meeting to Feature Healthcare History and Election of Officers

Please join us for our Camas/Washougal Historical Society Fall Quarterly Meeting on Saturday, November 7 at 2 p.m. in the Camas Police Community Room, 2100 NE 3rd Avenue, Camas.

Our program will feature discussion on **Clark County Health History - From 1825 Fort Vancouver Physicians to 21st Century Diet and Exercise**. We will talk about the four St. Joseph Hospitals in Vancouver as well as the history of local providers and pharmacies. Feel free to invite any retired medical professionals who would be willing to reminisce about the good ole days of healthcare in the area. And be sure to bring your medical artifacts and recipes for home remedies as well as photos or stories of your greatest outings with healthy companions to share.

In addition to our program, we will have the election of next year's CWHS officers. Refreshments will be served and if you are willing to bring a harvest pie or plate of holiday cookies, please call Ceil, 513-0188.

- Cecelia Kirchner, Secretary

Musings from the Reference Room

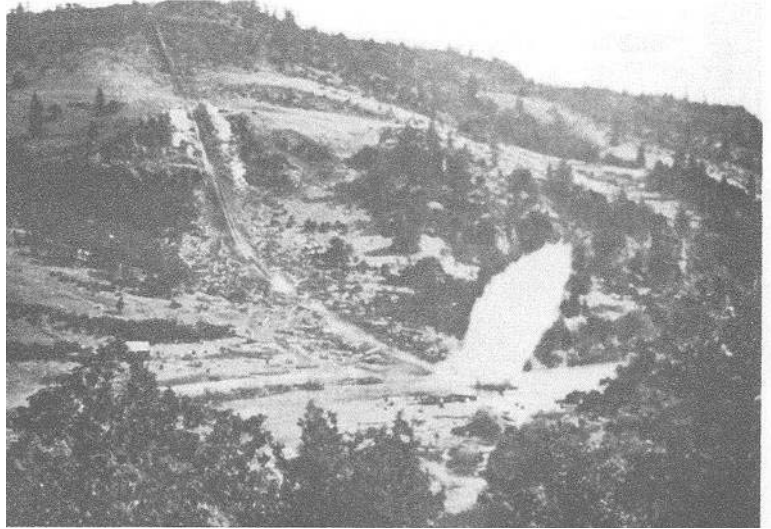
It has been a long and beautiful summer and the tomatoes have just done marvelous. Of course that has nothing to do with the museum. Still there is nothing better than fresh home-grown tomatoes.

I would like to welcome Steve Daniels to the Reference Room. He is starting to help scan photos. With Dave Clarke and Steve Daniels working on them it should go much faster.

I think we have made up some wonderful note card for sale. Please come down and look at them and feel free to purchase them also. The cards are of the Camas-Washougal area. We have a wonderful selection of photos from the 1890's to right up until today.

I have this photo of a flume (right), but we don't seem to know where it was located. If anyone knows of the location; we would really appreciate it.

- Phil Harris, Photo Curator



Where was this flume located?

Volunteer News

Fall is in the air and the days of summer are almost over. Looking back we had a very successful summer. Our visitor count is up and we are gaining recognition as a viable source of local history and information.

The Ice Cream Social/Heritage Day event did quite well. This was my first year to be chair person for the social and I was pleased how it turned out. We did better than last year and we had a lot of competition from the Saturday Main Street Market and Pendleton Mill sale and barbeque. I have received many, good suggestions for improving next year's event. Among them are heating the hot dog buns and having more condiments available. I will be working on these and other ideas to improve our social. We are also planning on more vendors next year. If you should know of anyone interested please have them call the museum.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who worked on the social. There are too many to name but you know who you are and it would not be a success without your help.

I am not ready to think about Christmas, but I must. This is our last newsletter for the year so I must ask you now to start thinking about our annual Christmas decorating party. We need volunteers to sign up as this takes a lot of help to put our museum in top shape for the holidays. The date for this is November 30th. So mark your calendars. There will be a sign up sheet at the volunteer desk. We will provide lunch. Alma Ladd has promised to bring her famous turkey noodle soup. There will be plenty and also many other goodies to enhance the Christmas spirit. Last year the museum was decked out and it was beautiful. Then the weather arrived and just a few managed to see it. Hopefully this year it will be better and we can fill the building with visitors.

Getting an early start on spring remember our Mother's Day week end plant sale. This is a great money maker for the museum. We will need plant starts and seedlings. I don't know where they all came from last year, but we had a tremendous selection for sale.

As an ongoing item I need volunteers to open and staff the museum. It's a big job keeping the museum open five days a week. If you can spare a few extra hours per month please let me know. I have a real need for volunteers on Saturdays.

Welcome to our newest (and youngest) volunteer Jamie Woods. I would like to recognize Ann Harris, Rod and Ann Groth, and Anna Mae and Bob Suggs for being my "go to people" when I run short of help on Saturdays. My thanks to Shirleen Simmons for being willing to fill in at the last minute as well.

Well, that about does it for the year and thanks to all of you who volunteer.

I wish you all Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year in advance!

- Lois Cobb, Volunteer Coordinator

Membership Drive Kicks Off!

It's time to start thinking about our membership drive. Your membership dues are renewable in January each year, although you can renew at anytime. We would also ask that you talk to your family and friends about joining the Camas-Washougal Historical Society which gives you free admittance to the Two Rivers Heritage Museum and its newsletter. It would be a great Christmas present too!

We have a new list of benefits for our members as you can see by the chart (right). One of the special benefits is the *Time Travelers Program*. This is a group of museums, about 170 throughout the nation, that offer a reciprocal program to other museum members. For example: if you have a Family membership with our museum and you traveled to Fort Walla Walla Museum you would receive a discounted admission when you show your membership card. Most museums offer admission discount and/or gift shop discounts. For a list of museums which participate in this program go online to: www.mohistory.org/membership/timetravelers. It is sponsored by the Missouri History Museum.

Your membership helps support our local museum. We are proud of our collections and artifacts. We have wonderful displays throughout the year and we're ever expanding our exhibits not to mention our museum itself! The new Carriage House is a great addition and allows us to display some of our larger pieces. We ask you to continue to support us and ask others to join with you. Thank you!

Pat Suggs
Membership Chair



Exciting New Benefits offered to Camas-Washougal Historical Society Members!

Your yearly membership allows us to:

- Collect and preserve the precious artifacts of our areas colorful past
- Create imaginative exhibits
- Expand and beautify our museum

Membership Benefits	Individual \$15.00	Family \$25.00	Organization \$25.00	Sustaining \$50.00	Supporting \$100.00	Contributing \$250.00	Sponsoring \$500.00
Free Admission	X	X		X	X	X	X
Museum Newsletter	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10% discount on gift shop items	X	X		X	X	X	X
Time Travelers Program		X		X	X	X	X
Free admission for a second adult and all household children under the age of 18 years old.		X		X	X	X	X
Free admission for a second adult and all children and grandchildren under the age of 18 years old.				X	X	X	X
*Name placed on our web site and your membership accumulates to the Sponsoring Level at which time your name is permanently placed on a plaque in the museum.			X	X	X	X	X
All Sustaining Membership Level benefits					X	X	X
4 single-use guest passes			X		X	X	X
All Supporting Membership Level benefits 15 % discount on gift shop items.						X	X
All Sustaining Membership Level benefits 15%discount on gift shop items 6 single-use guest passes							X

Yes- my name may appear on the museum's web site.

No- please do not post my name

We're on the World Wide Web!

Check out the Two Rivers Heritage Museum on these two websites!

<http://www.museumsusa.org/museums/info/1158126>

<http://www.historyfish.net/tworiversheritagemuseum/>

Welcome Recent New Members!

July 2009

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Daniels

Virdi Gollither

Jerome and Mary Davis

October 2009

Ken and Carol Bisbee

David Clarke Family

Dean Dossett

CAMAS-WASHOUGAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – YEAR 2009

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Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Circle Membership Type			
Individual	\$15	Supporting	\$100
Family	\$25	Contributing	\$250
Organization	\$25	Sponsoring	\$500
Sustaining	\$50		

Check One
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> Updated Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership
Number of Family Members: _____

Note: Membership dues cover one year from January to January. Please make checks payable to Camas-Washougal Historical Society. We are a nonprofit organization depending on memberships and private donations to operate. Thank you.

Museum Staff: Rolo-dex file updated ___ *Membership card given* ___

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The purpose of the Society is to solicit, receive, assemble, collect, research, preserve and make available for the present and future public, historical data, information, oral histories, artifacts, documents and photographs that tell the story of the history and development of the Camas and Washougal area of Clark County, Washington State, U.S.A. The Society is to operate and maintain the Two Rivers Heritage Museum at 1 Durgan Street in Washougal, Washington and such libraries and archives and carry out any other activities that may be necessary or desirable to display and preserve its accessions.