



**TUESDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY 10:00- 4:00**

**WINTER: DEC/JAN: SATURDAY 10:00-4:00**

**490 SMITH STREET  
HARRISBURG, OR 97446**

2008

***GREETINGS FROM THE HARRISBURG AREA MUSEUM***

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We are happy to report that all is well! Of course, that is a relative statement! But compared to the turmoil in the political and economic realms, we are doing OK!

The Morse Building is filled with large equipment displays. The grounds have had some fine improvements made in the landscaping and the "boneyard" (old equipment displayed outside). The McCartney house has been repaired, with vinyl siding on the east side, and painted in a historic paint theme of the period.

We did run into a road bump in regards to moving the windmill. A misunderstanding has temporarily stalled that project and the outcome is, at this writing, uncertain. We will keep you updated.



operation. Current day tractor drivers would be amazed that such a machine was not only used for field work, like plowing, it also powered equipment like stationary balers and threshers, such as the one shown here.

We now have two steam tractors. The 1918 Case, pictured here, is not to be operated. The 1902 Case has no such restrictions and may be restorable. We must get a careful inspection of the boiler and the boiler tubes, before we know if it has the potential to be recertified for



We have added more to the collections this year. Besides the 1902 Case steam tractor, we acquired the 1924 Star Touring Car from the Neuschwander estate, as well as a Panogen Seed Treater, an antique sign stamping kit, a Minneapolis-Moline tractor, etc. At times, we've wondered where to put it all!



We have recently updated the museum brochure. It is good advertising for the museum! We are here to preserve and display our area's history and to educate the public on the early days of the area. Our visitors, this year, came from as far as Taiwan and Australia! There were 387 families that actually signed the guest log. (That does not include the many visitors that streamed through on the 4th of July!) We would like to see the Pavilion utilized more often. (That does help our funding!) It is available to rent for occasions ranging from class reunions and meetings to receptions and craft fairs.

Currently, blueprints are being finalized for the One-Room Schoolhouse that is to be constructed next to the Shedd Family Chapel. It will be the same size as the chapel and will have a room at the far end, to house records of the cemeteries, schools, early businesses and families of the area. This will be set up as a research room. An open belfry is planned and we will place the Wyatt School bell there! We will use mostly volunteer help to build this. If you can help... contact Don Bowers at 995-6954, or stop in at the museum office during open hours and talk to us.

We can use *antique* text books and school room décor. Got an old picture of George Washington for the wall? An old pendulum school room clock? Those old student's slates? Things of that nature will be happily considered as we set up the school. Let's bring it back to "the old school days"! We already have enough desks and furniture.

Our future goals include getting a full sized windmill set up next to the school house and a permanent memorial to the area veterans. Harrisburg used to have one standing near City Hall. We feel the museum ground is an appropriate location for such a memorial. We are constantly growing, but none of this is possible without the help of all of you who believe in preserving our past!

***Please give serious consideration to a significant contribution. Our payroll costs (Through the City) are a very significant part of our operating expense. Your contribution will have current AND long lasting benefit for the Harrisburg Community.***

**THANKS...**

The Museum is a Charitable Organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS Code and contributions are deductible to the full extent allowed by law. While the City of Harrisburg pays utilities and insurance we depend almost solely on community support for our significant costs.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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YES...I want to help the Museum and enclose a 'one time' contribution of:

\$2500    \$1000    \$500    \$100    \$50    \$20    \$10    other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SORRY...I cannot help now but will visit on occasion and encourage others to visit.

Please make checks out to: Harrisburg Area Museum and return in the enclosed envelope. We are asking that they be sent to the Treasurer who is currently enjoying the sun in Borrego Springs, CA. But you may drop contributions off at the Museum if you would rather.

**Thanks, The Board of Trustees**