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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2019

A number of things have happened this year. We have three new Board Members: Phyllis Watson, Jayne Detering and Carolyn Christenen. Besides serving on the Board they are helping out as docents several days per month Phyllis and Carolyn will share the responsibility of Treasurer. Much appreciated help...we can use some more! If you are willing/interested in sharing some of the responsibility for the Museum, please contact one of the Board members. (We train docents...it is not hard)

We are quite proud of our re-do of the living/dining room area of the McCartney House. Ken Birky and his son did a great job in restoring it to 1900 condition. This entailed using specially milled wood and installation in a 1900 manner. Shown here is the living room end of the remodeling. The wallpaper is 'period accurate' and was chosen by Jayne and Phyllis, as was the rug and then the setup and placement of artifacts. All very well done. I notice the living room does NOT have a recliner! I'm not sure I could live without mine!

If you visit you can note that the flooring is fastened down with square nails and is finished with period varnish like material. This is probably a bit above average in 1900 style and comfort. But no central heat! Or bathroom. Or running water. I guess we don't really appreciate our modern conveniences.



The door in the back leads to the bedroom. More on that later.



Hand powered carbon neutral washing machine!
 No fossil fuel needed.

Shown at right is the dining room end of the living room/dining room.

Below is the table, set with nice dinner ware. Beside the table is one of two chairs purchased in 1902 at the Halsey Hardware. One half dozen cost \$6.75 according to an original invoice written in pencil on the torn off side of a brown paper bag. *Congratulations and thanks to the Birky's for a job well done.*

Other accomplishments in 2019: We bought a series of 'spots' on TV that showed a general overview of the Museum. Several visitors mentioned they had viewed the spots and were motivated to visit. A Museum without visitors is a waste. Come...invite family and friends. We love to show it off.

Remember the past, imagine the future.



We also upgraded the lighting in most of the Museum to LED. This was done at very little cost to us and included many new fixtures and better light with less energy cost.

We have contracted to have the Pavilion upgraded with windows and a replacement of the old gas heater. The windows replace hinged wooden panels that took two men to open/close and let in zero light unless open. We expect the windows to provide daytime light and easier ventilation. Come check them out.

And we have installed smoke alarms in several critical areas. This was prompted when a fluorescent fixture ballast failed and caused a lot of smoke...but no damaging fire. Close call.

Something else new for this year...We have A Web Site! Courtesy Kacy

Kizer who set it up for us. Please visit it at: <https://www.harrisburgareamuseum.org> Explore it by clicking on the various headings. The "updates" heading takes you to a new page with two columns: "Reports" and "Focus". Click on the listings under those two headings. The Focus heading lists a number of articles that feature various Museum displays. I believe you will find it interesting. Did you know we have a 25 HP gas engine that weighs 6800# and can be started with a wooden kitchen match? Or read about what came before and after our 1870 McCormak Reaper. If you would like to be notified by e-mail of new additions to the web page, please provide your e-mail address on the form below and we will send you a notice when they are posted. (No contribution required)



We plan to restore the bedroom and the kitchen next year. The picture at right shows how badly we need to restore the kitchen. We have much of the equipment but the display needs a major upgrade. Notice the bins. These were used to store flour, sugar and such! The bedroom will be easier.

While we need help more than dollars, your contribution, of either time or money, is appreciated. **THANKS**

Name: _____

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YES...I want to help the Museum develop and present displays.. I plan to contact Lee Heckart (541-995-8174)

YES...please send me notice of web site updates.

YES...I want to help with a gift of::

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