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Treasures in the Attic

Thanks to those who spent many hours setting up the Treasures in the Attic. It was such a success that we had the original date and then added a second one for good measure. This seems to be the only event of its kind, so many traveled some distance to attend. We received good marks for our effort and requests that we have another at least once a year. Again we thank Pat Carson, Donna and Ron Miller, and Fred Ringer for their knowledgeable appraisals. We hope they enjoyed themselves. Also, thanks to Lea Burcham for antique donations.

Final figures show we made over $2500 which will go toward the Heritage Center Building Fund.

Thanks again,
Karen Sitton-Saxberg, Shirley Venhaus and all of the committee.
Happy Thanksgiving. Hope that you had an enjoyable time with family and friends giving thanks for another year’s harvest.

The visitor count at the museums is down, as usual for this time of year; however, the volunteers are hard at work. We are thankful for the volunteers. They are the backbone of the society.

Speaking of volunteers, CAN YOU HELP? We are in need of volunteers. We have a core of dedicated hard working volunteers, but we need more as our facilities grow. We need more people to help. The pay isn’t great, but the reward is priceless. If you can help, contact one of the volunteers at the museum.

Did you vote? The ballots were mailed out and hopefully you have received yours and have mailed back the completed ballot. The results will be announced at the next general meeting, December 13, 2009. Hope to see you there.

Bill Roll, President

FROM THE PRESIDENT

BE THE FIRST TO KNOW

Remember, you can help YCHS save money by getting your newsletter online. It comes in color—if we have color photos—and you get it sooner than through the mail. Notify Gloria at glutz@onlinemac.com if you would like to join the growing list of those receiving the newsletter online.

INVENTION SURVEY

Just a reminder that we are still compiling the answers to the survey “What do you consider the most important invention of your lifetime?” We have made it easy for you by putting it on our website (www.yamhillcountyhistory.org). Click on “Take Our Survey” on the front page.

We will publish the answers in our January newsletter.

COMMUNITY MATTERS

First Federal Savings and Loan is once again rewarding volunteers by donating $2 for each hour volunteered. This begins December 1st. Turn in your hours to the museum by December 26th. Questions? Check www.firstfedweb.com. Click on “Community Matters” and then “First Federal Community Rewards”.

THANK YOU NEW AND RENEWED MEMBERS!

Welcome New Members
William Halsne
James Roghair
Gary Manning

Senior/Student/Edu
Nowell Didear

Renewals
Cliff & Pam Watts

Family
Bryce & Barbara Mitchell

Senior Family
Virgil & Sally Moon

Individuals
Shannon Vernause
Kathy George

PLANNING A VACATION?

Please notify Gloria Lutz (phone: 503-472-7563; email: glutz@onlinemac.com or write to YCHS, PO Box 484, Lafayette, OR 97127). She can forward newsletters to your temporary address or hold them until you return home. Otherwise, your newsletter comes back to YCHS and we have to pay additional postage!!
What do you remember about getting your hair done?

Our Crowning Glory

Not only just the color but the texture and the manageable of hair are an obvious inherited trait.

My Grandma Ida’s once chestnut colored hair was pure white by her 40th birthday.

My Great Aunt Ella’s hairdresser said that he’d only attempt to work on her tresses if she promised that she wouldn’t tell who did it.

With age, not only does hair color fade but it thins and loses texture.

My early pictures show me with short hair and bangs. Mom would put curlers in my hair so that I would have curls for Sunday and special occasions.

Grandma would sometimes use a curling iron. At times her front locks were a scorched color.

Mom’s friend Alberta was attending Beautician’s School. She gave me my first permanent. I was 5 years old. The curling machine was a stand with dangling wires and clamps that went over rods. These rods were rolled over sections of hair that had been pulled through protective strips of sheepskin that still had wool for extra insulation. The rods were electrically heated. The attendant timed the process and tried to comfort the hot spots.

Until we were almost 12, Mom would sit us on a stool in the bathroom and fix our hair. We three sisters took turns for the daily ritual. School days didn't take long, but hair washing days had us patiently waiting while the metal curlers were carefully positioned and rolled.

When our hair was long enough, it was braided. Colored ribbons were tied on the ends of the braids for special occasions.

Pony tails became popular when we were in high school.

Short hair was pin curled. We were warned not to chip our front teeth by opening the bobby pins on front teeth.

Home permanents were introduced during the late 1940’s. A popular brand was Toni.

Older women got lovely finger waves at the beauty parlor.

Grandmothers often tinted their faded tresses. Frequently it was overdone.

In college I fixed my hair around a rat to make a “French Bun” and considered it very sophisticated.

As a young bride, I tried to economize on hair care. Our neighbor often gave me my perm.

One time I had a free coupon to get my hair done at the Beauty School. The instructor knew my mother-in-law. Instructing my attendant as if I weren’t there, he said: “Fix this lady’s hair so that it will last. She wouldn’t be here if she didn’t have a special occasion. Put extra spray on for she’ll be running out in the rain without taking time to put on a head covering.”

I smiled at how well he knew me.

With each decade, my hair is more difficult.

I’m thankful that our daughter got my mother-in-law’s thick hair.

The men in my family have it much easier. A warm wash cloth over a smooth head is efficient and effective.

Nancy Thornton

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**Lafayette Site Hours**

Open: Friday and Saturday 10—4

Holiday Schedule

Closed:

- November 27th
- December 25th
- January 1st

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**December General Meeting and Potluck**

Date: Sunday, December 13, 2009

Time: 2:00 pm Potluck, 3:00 Program

Program: Garry Brooks tells about “Santa Claus”

Ron Eborall

Location: 7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd., McMinnville

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### December 2009

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#### YCHS Upcoming Events

- **January 10, 2010**—General Meeting, Program: “Special School Memories in Your Life.” This is an opportunity to take five minutes and share an experience you had while attending school. This will be followed by an update on YCHS’s educational program. Location: Public Works Building, 2050 Lafayette Ave., McMinnville

#### Locations:
- 12/10: Board Meeting — Lafayette
- 12/13: General Meeting — 7th Day Adventist, 1500 Old Sheridan Rd., McMinnville
- Program: Garry Brooks tells about “Santa Claus” Ron Eborall.
Founded in 1957, the Yamhill County Historical Society is a not-for-profit educational and public service organization engaged to protect, preserve and share the history and heritage of Yamhill County.

Listed below are the roads the barns are located on. Have fun finding these endangered ‘species’ and enjoy them from the roadside. Two of the barns are no longer with us, one burning down this past summer and one dismantled.

- JAN  RICE LANE BURNED
- FEB  S. WEBFOOT RD.
- MAR  BROADMEAD RD.
- APR  DELASHMUT LANE
- MAY  NURSURY RD.
- JUNE  HOPEWELL RD. GONE
- JULY  OLD BETHEL RD.
- AUG  OLD BETHEL RD.
- SEPT  OLD BETHEL RD.
- OCT  BRIEDWELL RD.
- NOV  LAFAYETTE HWY.
- DEC  VALLEY E AMITY

Local photographer, Marilyn Affolter, has a special affinity toward these beautiful old structures, capturing images of them before they are gone and forgotten. To see more of her work, visit her website at www.marilynaffolter.com
### Become a Yamhill County Historical Society Member Today!

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Mail this form with payment to: YCHS, P.O. Box 484, Lafayette, OR 97127.

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