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Marjorie Ruth Cox was born in 1904 in North Carolina. Her father was an alcoholic and she ended up coming to Enterprise, Oregon to live with her auntsies who made sure she was educated and encouraged her to go into education. However, her drunken father kidnapped her and took her back to North Carolina. Her auntsies traveled to North Carolina to retrieve her and bring her back to Oregon. She received her degree at the age of 24 and taught in a one-room schoolhouse in Enterprise, Oregon, for 10-15 years. Yamhill County resident Brian Landry played with his grandmother’s teacher stick for brief periods of time. When he was older, his grandmother gave him the stick. It has been sitting in a corner of his bedroom for over twenty years until the day he attended Pioneer Days with his child on May 14, 2013. After sitting through class in the one-room schoolhouse, he decided to donate his grandmother’s teacher stick when he noticed that the schoolmarm was using a piece of doweling for a stick.

Thank you Brian Landry for this wonderful donation.

Carolyn Stastny, YCHS Schoolmarm

A Teacher Stick

The bees are really “buzzin’” here at the museum this month. Our gardens are in full bloom and looking lovely. The museum will be open through the summer at our regular hours, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 to 4. We are happy to open for tours on additional days. Just call for an appointment. If you are working on a research project, there are volunteers always available to help.

Our partners, the Yamhill County Genealogy Society, provide additional help as well. We welcome suggestions or ideas to make our museum and research center interesting and more useful to the public. Although we are sharing our historical artifacts collection at both the Heritage Center and Lafayette, you will find interesting and educational displays at both sites, so plan a visit.

The newly renovated Joel Perkins park is right next door to the Lafayette museum. A nice spot for a picnic lunch!

Happy summer from your friends at Lafayette.

Jean Sartor, Publications Coordinator

Lafayette Buzz...
President’s Letter

Members,

The May General Meeting of the YCHS was held last night at the Heritage Center in the Restoration Shop. During the business meeting Pam Watts announced this year’s Community Rewards Program, where First Federal Bank provides funding for community programs based on volunteer hours. Volunteers need to be customers of the bank and complete a registration form that can be found at the bank or online at firstfedweb.com. This has been a good program for us in the past and, with your volunteer help, this year can again provide additional funds for the society. After the business meeting, the program covered the many activities provided for the students attending Pioneer Days this year. Thanks to our many volunteers, Pioneer Days is again proving to be a success.

It was a pleasure to have the General Meeting in our own facility at the Heritage Center. We plan to continue our General Meetings in the Activities Building at the Heritage Center when they resume in the fall.

The new signage identifying the Heritage Center has been installed on the building so that it is very visible to passing traffic. This is a great step forward in identifying our Heritage Center facility. Thank you to Ed Young for the financial help and Waldo Farnham for the leadership in getting this done. If you haven’t already seen it, take a drive by. You will be impressed.

While the Hutchcroft School has a way to go for complete restoration, enough has been accomplished that it is being used by the children as a schoolhouse for Pioneer Days. Restoration work will continue later in the summer.

After a very successful meeting of the Business Plan Committee last week we are moving forward with the application for a grant from the Ford Foundation for funding of the Heritage Hall completion.

We will not have General Meetings or Newsletters during the summer, but will return to them in the fall. We hope that you all have a good and safe summer.

Steve Leonard
YCHS President
Phone: (503) 472-6908
Email: sleonard15@frontier.com

Volunteers Welcome!

HARVEST FEST NEEDS YOU!!!

We will need helpers with planning, set up, ticket booth, “people mover” greeters, food booths, and other areas. If you would be willing to help prior to Harvest Fest or be able to take a 3-hour shift on August 17 or 18, please contact Pam Watts at (503) 434-0490 or pwatts@onlinemac.com. It takes many hands to put on this event and we appreciate your help!

Pam Watts, Event Coordinator

Desperately Needed

Desperately Needed: A four-drawer, fire proof file cabinet for accession records at the Lafayette site. If a new one was purchased, the cost would be around $1,000 to $2,000 depending on the weight and fire protection level. Please leave a message at Lafayette (503) 864-2308 for Louise and Ursula if you have one or know where one may be purchased used.

Louise and Ursula
Board Meeting Recap ~ May 8, 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.

- Activities and Events Committee—Carolyn Meeker reported that the Ice-cream Social will be postponed until 2014. The Handmade Holiday will be held on December 7 and 8. Treasures in the Attic planning is proceeding. A number of antique dealers will have booths at the event.
- Business Plan Review Committee—Steve Leonard reported that the Grants Committee is now working on completing a draft for the Ford Grant. The final draft will be submitted to Rich Foster. The application submittal process was discussed and it was confirmed that the committee would approve the final draft and the Board would approve the application before submittal to the Ford Foundation.
- Heritage Center Committee—Cliff Watts reported that the Pioneer Days event is going well. The next General Meeting will be in the Restoration Shop to accommodate the planned program.
- Lafayette Pioneer Cemetery—The cemetery requires maintenance and volunteers for Memorial Day. Kim offered to assist and will coordinate with Kory.
- Lafayette Site Committee—Marjorie Owens reported that assistance is needed with the landscaping. The board asked her to obtain three quotes for landscaping maintenance and to submit them to the board for approval. Some donors have requested the return of a number of artifacts. The Board addressed. There is a considerable amount of excess business documents being stored by the society. The documents will be reviewed by two board members before any consideration for disposal is made.
- John recommended that a physical inventory be done on the items in the barn.
- Steve introduced the subject of gift acknowledgement letters. Who is responsible to send out letters and their content and filings? Steve will create a draft policy and Kim will create a log book.

President’s Report:
- Steve Leonard reported that after discussion at the Property Development meeting, there will be a Heritage Center section in the newsletter starting in August. Tony will write the article with assistance of John, Cliff and Pam. The exterior signage is complete and we would like to know if it is influencing more visitors and what their reaction is to the signage. More volunteers are needed at the Heritage Center in order to open on Fridays. The sawmill will be open every third Saturday during the summer.

Treasurer’s Report:
- Kim Courtin presented the treasurer’s report, which is filed with the committee reports in the record book in Lafayette. Kim and Steve met with Kellie Menke and turned over records for the financial review.

Unfinished Business:
- Recruiting is needed for a permanent Treasurer. Discussion was had about the possibilities of hiring a short-term bookkeeper. Kim will prepare job descriptions that will aid in recruiting. Members are asked to send Steve any potential candidates.

New Business:
- Cliff reported that he is ready to obtain bids to construct the concrete slab around the flag pole.
- The document retention policy was addressed. There is a considerable amount of excess business documents being stored by the society. The documents will be reviewed by two board members before any consideration for disposal is made.
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Respectfully submitted,
John Lewis, Secretary
Time to Renew Your Membership!

IT’S TIME…..IT’S TIME…..IT’S TIME…..

WE ARE WAITING FOR YOU!

This is the last newsletter you will receive until fall…so it’s just a friendly reminder that your dues are due any time. Membership runs from July 1 to June 30 of each year.

With your renewed membership in the Yamhill County Historical Society, you will continue to receive 10 issues of The West Side newsletter, unlimited access to both the Yamhill Valley Heritage Center located at 11275 SW Durham Lane, just outside of McMinnville on Highway 18, plus the Historic Lafayette Site Museum located at 6th and Market Street in Lafayette, which features the Stoller Research Library which houses all of the Society’s genealogical and historical files.

Members also receive 10% off of photo orders and gift shop purchases, along with the opportunity to attend membership meetings featuring fun and informational speakers. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to participate in exciting events like Farm Fest in the spring and Harvest Fest in the fall. Both feature fun-filled hands-on activities for all ages! The society has many other exciting events you can attend like Treasures in the Attic this September and Handmade Holidays in December.

Your membership dues help with expenses for insuring our two sites and keeping them up and running for your use and enjoyment.

Remember, the Yamhill County Historical Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit educational and public service organization and your membership is tax-deductible.

If you are going to be away for an extended period of time, please let me know, as the Post Office will not forward our newsletter. It costs us more to get it back than it does to mail it to you….or you can receive your newsletter via email and never miss an issue!

You supported our efforts in the past. Please renew your membership TODAY and help us continue making a difference in not only Preserving our Past, but also Enriching our Future!

Thank you for your continued support.

Carlene Kadell
YCHS Membership Coordinator
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### Upcoming Events

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### Event Locations

- June 12—Board Meeting — Lafayette Museum

### Historic Lafayette Museum

605 Market Street  
P.O. Box 484  
Lafayette, OR 97127  
Hours:  
Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday 10—4  
Or by appointment  
503-864-2308

### Yamhill Valley Heritage Center

11275 SW Durham Ln.  
McMinnville, OR 97128  
Hours:  
Saturday 10—3

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**NOTICE:**  
Ice-cream Social Canceled  
Due to scheduling difficulties, the Ice-Cream Social will not be held this summer. Look for its return next year.
Harvest Fest

August 17 and 18, 2013
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Yamhill Valley Heritage Center
11275 SW Durham Lane, McMinnville, Oregon
(Intersection of Highway 18 & Durham Lane)
“Where history comes alive!”

- Threshing, binding & baling of oats using vintage farm equipment, horses & mules
- “Parade of Power” Tractor Parade 1:00 pm
- VFW Flag Raising Ceremony 10:00 am
- Kids’ Area with Hands-On Activities & Animals
- Agricultural & Historical Displays
- Working Sawmill & Blacksmith
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For more information:
503.434.0490
www.yamhillcountyhistory.org

ADMISSION
Adults $3
Kids 12 & under FREE
Appraisal Fair & Antique Market

Yamhill County Historical Society's

Treasures in the Attic

SEPTEMBER 14-15
Saturday and Sunday 10am-4pm

♦ Antique and Collectible Vendors
♦ Quilt Show ♦ Live Music
♦ Treasure Chest Raffle
($500 value. Tickets 2 for $5)
♦ GREAT Quality & Variety

What’s hiding in your Attic?

Appraisals
($5 donation per item, limit 3 items per person)
Local experts to provide oral appraisals

INDOORS
FREE PARKING
FREE ADMISSION
FOOD

Yamhill Valley Heritage Center
11275 SW Durham Lane, McMinnville
(Hwy 18 and Durham Lane)

*Limited vendor space available

www.YAMHILLCOUNTYHISTORY.org

For more information contact (503) 835-8481
YCHS Membership Application

Membership Categories

- NEW MEMBERSHIP
- RENEWING MEMBERSHIP

Members receive The West Side newsletter (10 issues per year), free admission to the Lafayette Museum and Library, access to genealogical and historical files, access to the Yamhill Valley Heritage Center, monthly potluck and program for members, invitations to special programs and events, and 10% off photo orders and gift shop purchases.

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

☐ Senior/Student/Educator $15
☐ Senior Family (65+) $25
☐ Individual $20
☐ Family (Basic) $30
☐ Friend $55
☐ Supporter $125+
☐ Community Builder $250+
☐ Community Benefactor $500+

Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City: ______________________ State: ______ Zip Code: ______
Phone: ______________________ Email: ______________________

I would prefer to receive the YCHS newsletter via: ☐ Email ☐ Postal Mail

☐ Please check here if you do not wish to have your name and contact information released to the Yamhill County Cultural Coalition and/or for the purpose of obtaining grant funding. Member information will never be sold or released for any other purpose unless written consent is provided by the member.

Please make checks payable to YCHS and return with this printed form to:
YCHS, P.O. Box 484, Lafayette, OR 97127

Questions? Call Membership Coordinator Carlene Kadell (503) 474-0480 or email: amity1956@yahoo.com