

BAKER HERITAGE **MUSEUM**

Baker Heritage Museum Quarterly News

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Children our Future Resource

Between school tours, museum camps, and general admission, each year the Baker Heritage Museum sees over 1.600 youths through our doors. This summer the museum has been no different, seeing an all time high of over 1,700 kids through the museum between March and October.

This summer we had 46 kids in our Museum Camp and were able to offer two scholarships. At this camp, kids learned about rocks, minerals, pioneers, and animals through fun, educational activities. They play games, ate snacks, and made crafts that helped

teach about Baker County and our history.

Thank you Carol Dixon for volunteering to help out with Museum Camp, the kids really appreciated interacting with you!

For the second year, the Baker Heritage Museum was a community partner for the Baker 51 Summer Academy. Over the course of 6 days, 302 students visited the museum and partook in a museum-wide scavenger hunt. Each kid received a packet containing photos of artifacts, and was tasked with locating each piece within the museum. The kids had a blast navigating the museum,

Fall 2017

find the items.

working with volunteers to

The museum is always looking for more volunteers interested in helping with school tours, museum camp, and summer academy! In addition, we are searching for a new Museum Camp Leader next summer, so if you or anyone you know is interested in the position or volunteering with our kids programs let Carly Annable, Museum Director, know at 541-523-9308 or cannable@bakercounty.org.



School Tours

Eclipse, 2017: The Path of Totality

Along with the rest of Baker County, the Baker Heritage Museum felt a significant impact from the August 21st total eclipse. On that day, the museum saw over 200 visitors, even with opening later than usual at 11:00 am. Our visitors came from all over the United States, some as far as Providence, Rhode Island. We even had international visitors from countries like Mexico and England!

The eclipse was a great opportunity for the museum to show visitors the history and the significance Baker County.

We received positive reviews both in person and on the internet! On our Tripadvisor.com page, a popular site for travel and tourism information, one visitor from Burien, Washington commented: "Wow! We were not prepared for this place. It is amazing. So many themes. Real quality. Lots of hard work and great donations by locals."

Thank you awesome vol-

unteers who helped out either through managing the gift shop or as a docent. The positive reviews are entirely due to your hard work and dedication. Because of our volunteers and their positive energy, the museum was a welcome destination for our out of town visitors. We are grateful that we could share the history of our area and why Baker County is such a special place.

Dave Hunsaker, Chair County Museum Commission

Meetings: 2nd Thursday, 1:15 pm.

"He has a right to criticize, who has a heart to help."

- Abraham Lincoln

Between Friends

Board of Directors:

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Commission Chair Report:

As we wind the 2017 season down, I want to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful volunteers who gave so much of their time and effort to the Museum this year. It has been a great year for us all, and it couldn't have been possible without all of you.

Our annual volunteer appreciation luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, November 9 at 11 AM at the golf course clubhouse. Please join us for a great

lunch. If you haven't volunteered this year and just wish to support the museum, you are more than welcome and can purchase your lunch. Please RSVP to the museum 541.523.9308.

Our annual appeal for museum support will be in full swing soon, and I urge all of you and your friends to make a generous donation. Your donation is tax deductible. This fundraising effort is crucial to our operations, enabling us to reach out to students, visitors, and residents with outstanding exhibits, educational programs, and a wonderful and unique gift shop (only 54 shopping days 'til Christmas!).

So please join the growing ranks of supporters of the Baker Heritage Museum... and help us make each visitor's experience one to remember.

Dave

Upcoming Events:

Adler House:

- Closed for the Season. Reservations start next April.
- Special opening for the Historic Baker Parlor Tour, Dec. 9th.

Friends' Fall Gathering:
Program to sendoff "Honoring

Those who have Served".

October 24th at 6:30 pm,

Museum Adler Room, refreshments

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon: Nov. 9th.

Paint Your Wagon Planning Mtg. Oct 25th 1:30 pm

Free Day at the Museum October 28th

Museum

- Closed for Season Oct 29th.
- Open for Baker Community Choir Concerts, Dec. 1, 2 & 3.
- Open for Christmas Season
 December 15th 23rd

Night at Old Auburn

February 24, 2018. Tickets available at the Museum

Museum Re-Opens March 16, 2018

Friends of the Museum (Board Meetings: every 4th Thursday, 1 pm)

Greetings Friends,

As we draw to another successful end of the Museum's open season, we have so much for which we are grateful. Thank you to all of you who supported the Friend's Membership Drive, one of our best ever. The Friends Board is in need of new members.

Our General Membership Meeting, Oct. 24th, 6:30 pm is called Friends' Fall Gathering and in addition to Museum updates and light refreshments, we'll include a program to sendoff the "Honoring Those Who Have Served" Exhibit, which will be retired in November. Everyone is invited! Bring a friend.

We are looking for folks interested in helping with next year's annual casino night, "A Night at Old Auburn." Committees are forming, so please sign up to give us a hand with this fundraiser. The event is February 24, 2018, and there's lots to do before then. The reward you'll enjoy is knowing you are working to support one of the premier fundraising events in our community.

With sincere appreciation,

Chris Cantrell

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VOLUNTEERS ROCK! Our Season of Work Parties

The season of getting old exhibits replaced with new, and repairing our storage rooms is upon us. So if you are interested in helping, WE CAN USE YOU!!!

The following are work party dates. Come help for one or help with them all.

Oct. 30st & 31st 9:30 to 1230.

Dismantling the "Honoring Those" exhibit.

- Movers
- Cleaners
- Packers
- Labelers
- Callers

Preparing Storage Rm. A for repair.

Movers of boxes

- Movers of shelving units
- Sorters

Nov. 1st—3rd 9:30 to 1230.

Preparing Storage Rm. B for repair.

- Movers of furniture pieces
- Cleaners
- Movers of Boxes
- Movers of shelving units
- Sorters

Nov. 7th through 23rd, (check with the Museum for dates and times)

Work will be in the Ball Room on Items from the storage rooms

Cleaning

- Sorters
- Packers
- Computer

Nov. 27, 28, 29 9:30 to 1230.

Putting items back into storage.

- Movers of furniture
- Movers of boxes

Nov. 30

9:30 to 1230.

Cleaning ballroom and set up for Concert

If you are interested in helping, feel free to show up at one of these sessions or give us a call with your availability. "Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more."

> – <u>H. Jackson</u> Brown Jr.

Director's Comments:

It has been a busy few months here at the Baker Heritage and Adler House Museums! Between the eclipse, our kids programs, and getting ready for our new Central Gallery Exhibit, the museum has been abuzz with activity. For those who may not already be aware, when we reopen for the season this March, we will be launching our new Central Gallery Exhibit: Celebrating 50 Years of Paint Your Wagon, and we could not be more excited! Over the past few months we have been collecting stories, photos, and artifacts surrounding the filming of the movie here in Baker County. This film was hugely important to the area, providing business, jobs, and excitement for our community.

While this film was important to our area, many are not aware that this movie was important to Oregon and its

film industry as well. When Paramount approached the Governor's office about filming in Baker County, the Governor then created the State Agency for Oregon Film to assist Paramount with the logistics of filming in our area.

The exhibit will be opening in March, but we will be adding to it throughout the next two years as we receive more information and items relating to the film and its impact on our area. If any of our readers have stories or items related to Paint Your Wagon that they think would benefit our exhibit, please let us know! It has been not only interesting but fun to hear about our community's experiences with Paint Your Wagon, its filming, and its stars. I look forward to learning more over the next two years.





Carly Annable
Director of the
Baker Heritage Museum

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OPEN:

Mid-March thru October 9:00 am to 4:00 pm daily

November thru mid-March Closed except for special openings.

We're on the Web: BakerHeritageMuseum .com

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Baker Heritage Museum is to

- Conserve artifacts of historical Baker County,
- To educate the public about the development of the area,
- To preserve local archives and to make them available for research.

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Annual Appeal 2017

Home of Baker County History

Annual Appeal letters will be mailed out in a few weeks. If you do not receive one and would like to contribute, please use the form below and mail it to the Museum. Thank You for supporting us!!!

Yes, I support the Baker Heritage Museum!

- ☐ My 2017 tax deductible donation is enclosed.
- ☐ I wish to make a 3 year pledge (select amount each year).

I am making a donation in the amount of:

□ \$5,000 □ \$2,500

□ \$250

- \$2,500 \preceq \$1,000
- □ \$500

Please use my donation to sponsor:

☐ Museum Operations

□ Other \$__

- ☐ Adler House Operations
- ☐ Endowment Fund

Name:

□ \$100

Address:

☐ Check Enclosed