

BAKER HERITAGE MUSEUM

Baker Heritage Museum Newsletter

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Exterior Murals by Tom Novak

If you've passed by the Museum recently you may have noticed the addition of new murals to the exterior of the building. This project has been ongoing since 2012, they were completed by local artist, Tom Novak. The murals are from the photos found in the museum archives with the exception of the East side of the museum.



Tom completed the East murals from using many different photos and the view into the valley, please stop by and see how great they look!



The mural project was made possible by the Meyer Memorial Trust Foundation.

Mark your Calendars—Upcoming Events

June	Sat 18th & Sun 19th	Father's Day—Dads free with another paid adult admission	9am-4pm
	Sat 18th	Celebrate Leo Adler's Birthday (6/21) at Adler House—Free Refreshments	12:30pm- 3:30pm
July	Fri 15th	Blacksmithing Demonstration—Outside of Museum	10am-2pm
	Fri 15th & Sat 16th	Wine Tasting by Copper Belt Winery—Outside of Museum	Noon—5pm
	Fri 15th & Sat 16th	"Paint Your Wagon" Film Showing—Inside Museum Free with paid admission	Noon
	Fri 15th, Sat 16th & Sun 17th	Museum Gift Shop Sale!	9am-4pm
	Mon 18th—Fri 22nd	Museum Kid's Camp—open to ages 6-11 Register at museum	9am-noon OR Ipm-4pm
Sept	Sat 3rd	Last Day of the season at Adler House Museum	12:30pm- 3:30pm

Hal Huntington with sidekick, Doni

We depend on the generosity of our members. Please help us advance our mission by remembering us in your will and estate planning.



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Commission News & Chair Report

As your Commission chairperson, my focus this newsletter is for VOLUTNEERS. We have immediate need for the Adler House which opened Memorial Day Weekend. Our advertised hours are 10-3:30 Fridays and Saturdays. We need two people per shift. two shifts per day. One person is the greeter and the other is the tour guide. At this point in time we have are in need of volunteers for both morning shifts. Please share some of your time, we NEED you.

Secondly, if you are handy with computers and could spare a few hours we can use your talents in several areas including data entry and accessioning incoming artifacts.

Thirdly, we need additional volunteers as greeters and cashiers. We have two shifts per day, 7 days per week (10am to 1pm;

Ipm to 4pm). We have a new register system that is very easy to learn and use.

Please contact Lea Gettle or Tina Ota at 541-523-9308 if you can help or have any questions!

Other news from the Commission—we have one opening for a Commission member. If you are interested in serving our community in this capacity please apply at the Court House in the County Commission office.

Finally, if you have not visited the Museum recently please come and see some of the exciting changes we have made. It is a fun place to visit!

Hal Huntington

Friends of the Museum

Greetings Friends,

I'm happy to report the Friends' Night at Old Auburn Fundraiser was a tremendous success this past February, and with the support of our sponsors, volunteers, donors and attendees the Friends were able to contribute over \$7,000 in vital operating funds to the museum. Thank you! It was a fun event, one of our best ever, and we look forwards to our 8th Annual Casino Night Fundraiser February 25, 2017. Please mark your calendars!

We're off to a fine start on another season of telling the story of the development of this area. Working with our great team of volunteers, we have so much look forward to in support of our great museum. School tours are in full Chris Cantrell swing, and we can always use more help to help share our story.

The Friends of the Museum will launch our 2016-17b membership drive with our Spring Membership meeting on May 19th. You can renew your membership at the museum by mailing the response on the back of this newsletter or watch your mail for a renewal reminder. We truly depend on your support. Did you know you can earn a free membership by volunteering at the Museum or Adler House? Stop in to learn more.

All of our volunteers feel it truly is an honor to be a part of sharing our history here. Consider joining the fun, being Friends!

Very best regards,

Upcoming Exhibit: Paint Your Wagon

The Central Gallery exhibit will change to Paint Your Wagon for 2018-2019 in line with the 50 year anniversary of the filming and release of the movie. Paint Your Wagon starring Lee Marvin, Jean Seberg and Clint Eastwood was filmed in Baker County in 1968 and released in 1969. We are in search of items and stories from when the movie was being filmed. If you or somebody you know has an artifact or a great story please bring them into the museum or call 541-523-9308. If you'd like to be involved in the planning process of the exhibit we are also in search of committee members.

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Night at Old Auburn 2016 ~ A Roaring Success



Night at Old Auburn 2016 was a great success, many new faces and many returning museum supporters made it the most successful ever! Thank you to all who attended, donated prizes, and sponsored!

Mark your calendars Night at Old Auburn 2017 February 25, 2017 You won't want to miss out!





A special thank you to the Friends of the Baker Heritage Museum for hosting such an important event and all the volunteers who helped. Without this event the museum would lose important operating support

A Note from Lea

An entire year has come and gone and I can confidently say that the museum challenges me and impresses me every single day. The rich Baker County history alone is incredible, add the dedicated volunteers and driven board members and all of a sudden the museum becomes an amazing place to visit and work. If you're reading this you already know that our museum is a hidden gem in Baker County, please continue to spread the word! With your support we can continue to thrive and grow. Thank you to all our supporters, visitors, and volunteers!

Museum Gift Shop

We'd like to welcome Tina Ota, new Museum Assistant, to the team! Tina brings with her years of retail experience and a passion for the museum. I invite you to stop in and meet Tina, she's here on Friday to Sunday.

Tina has been busy at work in the gift shop, there are many new items available including Airsteam merchandise and extended jewelry selections. Remember that if you're a member of the museum you receive 10% off in the gift shop! The museum



gift shop annual sale is held during Miner's Jubilee, stop by to see all the great deals and new items.

Volunteer Update

This year we have many returning volunteers as well as a handful of new volunteers (which is fabulous)! Our cashier sched-

ule is full although we can always use help on the weekends! We are constantly in search of docents who love to tell the story of Baker City and add to the experience of the museum visitor. Adler House Museum and Baker Heritage Museum are both in search of reliable, passionate volunteer docents.

Every year we host over 800 school children in April and May, we survived this year but with the growth the museum is seeing we could really use more docents for school tours next year! School tours are a unique experience where you're able to educate children who have never been to Baker City (as well as local children) about our history. They are of course most excited

about the Rock Room but they often take home tidbits of Baker County history, tell their parents how great it was, and in turn we see many families come to visit at different times of the year—all bringing a huge economic impact to the museum and our community.

These are all demanding but incredibly rewarding roles to fill. If you're interested in any of these volunteer opportunities please don't hesitate to contact Lea Gettle at 541-523-9308.



"Volunteers aren't paid -Not because they are worthless but because they are priceless!"



Home of Baker County History

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Open mid-March thru October 9:00 to 4:00 seven days a week



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.

This Newsletter was sponsored by The Friends of the Baker Heritage Museum *Shank you!*

Many thanks for recent grant support from:

Meyer Memorial Kinsman Foundation Leo Adler Foundation Edna E Harrell Foundation (OCF)

Membership Matters

The Friends of the Baker Heritage Museum membership year runs from July 1 through June 30th the next year.

It's time to renew!

The backbone of any not-for-profit organization is its members. We would not be able to carry out our mission without your support.

Not a member, but want to join our heritage family? Just fill out this form with and return it to us, with a check payable to Friends of the Baker Heritage Museum. Your contribution helps us preserve artifacts, develop educational programs for children and adults and create new informative and interactive exhibits.

New, simplified membership structure

□ Individual \$ 25.00
□ Family \$ 40.00
□ Sponsor \$ 100.00

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Thank You Members! We depend on your support.