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Deschutes County Historical Society Newsletter for September 2014

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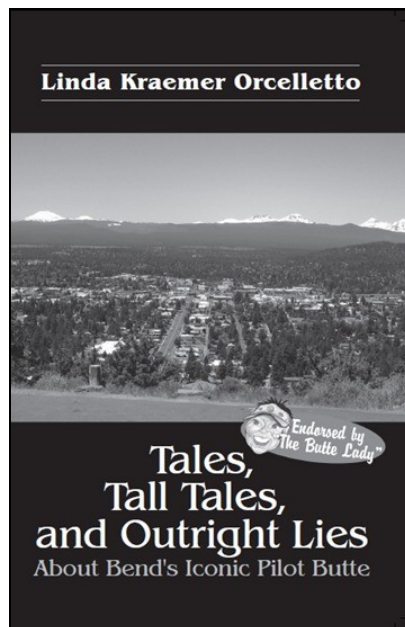
Reid School Reunion

**Saturday
October 11
2 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

If you attended school or taught at Reid School, join us for a special reunion day!

See Page 4 for details.

Author Afternoon with Linda Orcelletto



Linda Kraemer Orcelletto— Development Manager at Des Chutes Historical Museum—will give a presentation from her new book *Tales, Tall Tales and Outright Lies of Bend's Iconic Pilot Butte*. Her presentation will hopefully entertain you with stories, fact, and figures, giving you a brief history of the Butte. You be the judge on what is true and what is fiction.

Everyone has a Butte story, so come ready to share yours. You never know – your tale just might be in the sequel set for May 2015.

Orcelletto, an irregular Butte hiker, has probably logged more than 1,000 miles since living in Bend with her husband, Joe and golden retriever, Colby.

**September 19
1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m.**

“What If Heroes Were Not Welcome Home?” Exhibit Opens September 12; History Pub Topic for September 30

The Des Chutes Historical Museum is proud to host the Oregon Historical Society's traveling exhibit, *What If Heroes Were Not Welcome Home?* Curated by Linda Tamura and Marsha Matthews, the exhibit chronicles the experiences of World War II Japanese-American veterans upon their return home to Hood River, Oregon. While they served heroically in the South Pacific and Europe, back home their families had been removed to concentration camps. The exhibit uses first-hand accounts, photos, letters, and historical documents to enable visitors to connect to this important piece of wartime history.

In addition, curator Linda Tamura will be the featured presenter for History Pub, Tuesday, September 30, to discuss Hood River Nisei and offer insight into Central Oregon's reactions to the Hood River events.

Please note the new opening date from last month's issue due to shipping changes.



Little Woody and Capturing Our Beer History

Another Labor Day has passed us by and so, too, has the sixth annual Little Woody event. The event raises over \$4,000 each year and the event organizers Lay It Out Events are a class act. The event is large, but it impacts the Museum staff very little. We get to be inside the museum, hearing from attendees with family stories and memories of growing up in Bend.

Beer in Oregon it dates back to the first brewery at Fort Vancouver in the late 1840s. German immigrant Henry Weinhard got his start there, later making Oregon beer famous when he started his own brewery across the river in Portland in 1862. By 1875, Weinhard's beer was available across the country and in Asia. The brewery he operated on Burnside ran from the late 1860s until 1999. Weinhard lives in beer legend for offering to pipe beer to the brand new Skidmore Fountain in Portland in 1887 and having one glorious day of free beer flowing from a fountain. Such a shame the city thought better of it.

The beer industry in Central Oregon is nearing the end of its third decade. There is a deep connection between the brewers of today and the pioneers of generations past that makes our event truly special. The barrel aged brewing process is itself a challenge to test their brewing skills through historic processing methods. As the community historical museum, it is our job to be cataloging and archiving their actions as they go, shaping history in front of us, one pint and barrel at a time. Thank you to Larry Sidor and his fellow brewers for starting the event, and to Aaron Switzer and Lay It Out Events for letting the Museum stand proudly as the event's home and beneficiary. Thank you to our volunteers who make sure the drinks stay outside and that everyone is responsible inside the Museum.

Finally, last year we introduced Gnomebuldore, a six inch high wooden gnome, to the event. We openly challenged visitors to find him in the exhibits and win a prize as well as the chance to wear our gnome hat and pose for a picture. Below are a few of our favorites. If you missed him this year, he was visiting with the Pilot Butte Boar's Head.



Fall Forum Scheduled for October 10

Who controls the Water? A Historical Perspective

This year's fall symposium is transitioning into a new format with great new partners. The Deschutes Public Library, Oregon Historical Society, and the Deschutes County Historical Society have joined forces and invite the public to a discussion about the history of water rights and use in Oregon and beyond. The program gathers renowned scholars with the community to address several topics, including: development of the Deschutes River Basin; influence of the environmental movement on water control and usage, particularly within the context of climate change; and how communities address and resolve water conflicts in the United States and across the globe.

This free event takes place Friday, October 10 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Brooks Room of the Downtown Bend branch of Deschutes Public Library.

Our speakers:

W. Todd Jarvis is the Interim Director of the Institute for Water & Watersheds at Oregon State University, one of the 54 Water Resources Research Institutes located across the United States celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Water Resources Research Act of 1964. Todd is a consulting groundwater hydrologist with nearly 30 years of experience working for global water/wastewater engineering and groundwater engineering firms. With professional licenses as a Certified Engineering Geologist, Certified Water Right Examiner, and Certified Mediator, his interests include transboundary aquifers, groundwater and water well conflict resolution, and education in water science and policy. His new book *Contesting Hidden Waters: Conflict Resolution for Groundwater and Aquifers* is available through Earthscan: <http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415632935/>.

Joshua Howe is Assistant Professor of History and Environmental Studies at Reed College. His new book, *Behind the Curve: Science and the Politics of Global Warming* (Seattle: University of Washington Press, 2014), explores the political history of climate change since the 1950s, and he continues to work on historical questions about sustainability and the global environment that bridge environmental history, the history of science, and the history of American foreign policy. Originally an Idahoan and now an Oregonian, Josh is also particularly interested in the local and state level political responses to the potential impacts of climate change on the resources of the American West. When he

is not in the region's archives and universities studying its history, you can find him fishing in its rivers, riding its waves, exploring its deserts, and playing in its mountains.

William L. Lang is Emeritus Professor of History at Portland State University, a member of the Oregon Historical Society Board of Trustees, and Chair of the Executive Committee of the Oregon Encyclopedia. He is author or editor of six books on Pacific Northwest history, including *Confederacy of Ambition: William Winlock Miller and the Making of Washington Territory*, *Two Centuries of Lewis & Clark* (with Carl Abbott), and *Great River of the West* (with Robert Carriker).

Historic Preservation Strategic Planning

The Deschutes County Community Development Department is developing a historic preservation strategic plan for rural Deschutes County and the City of Sisters. The strategic plan will provide a framework for shaping the rural county and Sisters' preservation programs and services over the next five years and create a blueprint for allocating Certified Local Government (CLG) grant funding. By participating at any one of the public meetings listed below, stakeholders, historic landmark owners, and community members can provide feedback that will help prioritize preservation programs.

September 22: 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Sisters City Hall, 520 E. Cascade Avenue, Sisters

September 23: 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Deschutes Historical Museum 129 NW Idaho Ave, Bend

October 8: 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Deschutes Services Building

DeArmond Room - 1300 NW Wall Street, Bend

Interested parties can also complete an informal online survey available at www.surveymonkey.com/s/deschuteshistoric or submit comments directly to staff.

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Memorials

Vernicia Magness

Paula Simila
Bette Andrew

Ralph C. Curtis

Jean Rotter

Reid School Reunion and Memorial Dedication Saturday, October 11

The Des Chutes Historical Museum and the Daughters of the American Revolution invite you to attend a Reid School Reunion on Saturday, October 11 from 2 to 4 p.m. If you attended Reid School as a kid or if you taught at Reid School, this day is for you!

Former students and teachers get free admission to the museum. (Don't worry, we'll take your word for it.) The reunion is a chance to share favorite stories with staff and each other. Help identify photographs, share your own photographs, view historic Reid School memorabilia, and have some cake. For years, the Des Chutes Historical Museum has gathered Reid School memories, ranging from sneaking out windows to the fire escape and sometimes—gasp—to smoking! Reunion starts at 2 p.m. with a special building marker dedication from the Daughters of the American Revolution at 3 p.m.

If you know someone who is a Reid School Alumni, but is not a member, please let them know about this event.



Legendary Locals of Bend Book Project Needs Your Input!

Deschutes County Historical Society (DCHS) member Les Joslin has signed a contract with Arcadia Publishing to produce a book called *Legendary Locals of Bend* as part of that publishers series of books that features “noteworthy and newsworthy characters” in communities all over the nation.

Les and DCHS Executive Director Kelly Cannon Miller, who picked him to do the job, have decided to limit the book to Bend so other Deschutes County communities—Sisters, Redmond, Sunriver, La Pine, etc.—could retain the option of producing their own *Legendary Locals* series books.

A minimum of 100 photographically-illustrated brief profiles of historical and contemporary Bend people from all walks of life will be included in the 128-page book. ***Your input is needed to help identify those past and present community members “who are arguable ‘legendary’ for some action, achievement, or community role” who will be pictured and profiled in the book.*** Appropriate groups—civic organizations, championship sports teams, public service agencies—as well as individuals may be included.

The photographically-illustrated profiles will be grouped in ten categorical chapters currently seen as:

- Explorers, Pioneers, and Settlers
- Founders, Builders, and Developers
- Business Professionals and Entrepreneurs
- Civic and Political Leaders
- Spiritual Leaders
- Doctors, Lawyers, and Educators
- Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines
- Lumbermen and Foresters
- Artists, Writers, Entertainers, and Visionaries
- Athletes, Coaches, and Youth Leaders

Les has a growing list of 140 candidate “legendary locals” but needs your help in identifying characters not yet on his list to develop a truly representative and comprehensive list from which to choose those to be included in the book. He'll need your inputs by the end of 2014 to meet his deadlines.

Each profile must include one or two good-quality photographs of the person that may be provided by the person or his or her nominator or available from DCHS files or other sources and for which permission to use must be provided.

Kelly asked Les to take on this job because he is a local writer who has experience preparing a book for this publisher. Les revised DCHS's 2004 book *Bend: 100 Years of History* into Arcadia Publishing's 2009 “Images of America” title *Bend* which has sold well, remains in publication, and earns the DCHS royalties.

Please submit your input to Kelly Cannon-Miller (Attn: Les Joslin) at the Deschutes County Historical Society, 129 N.W. Idaho Avenue, Bend, Oregon 97701 by mail or by dropping them off in person next time you visit the Museum.

Happy Anniversary!
Please join us for another year of membership:

James Banks
Dianne Bernert

Colleen Carlon
Darlene Child
Earl Clausen

Bill & Sharon Davis
Phoebe De Gree
Teri Dunbar

Joan & Lloyd Evans

Dick & Chris Frey
Kerry & Sue Fuller

Cirilo & Sandra Galang
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Tom & Sandi Lujan

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Additional Contribution*: \$_____ Total enclosed: \$_____

If your name appears above, your membership renewal is now due. Changes to your mailing information can be made on this form.

Make check payable and mail to:

DCHS, 129 NW Idaho Ave, Bend,
Oregon 97701

Want to volunteer? Let us know!

Volunteer Meetings Resume this Month

It's autumn at the Des Chutes Historical Museum! How do I know? The parking lot is full on school days, the Swifts are lingering in the Boys and Girls Club chimney, and volunteer meetings have resumed in the Museum's old classroom.

This is a busy time for the museum; school visits, preparation for upcoming exhibits, the Historical Haunts of Downtown Bend, the Reid School Reunion, and the annual chili feed. All these things and more will be discussed at the upcoming volunteer meeting Tuesday September 16th from Noon—1:00 pm. Coffee will be provided. Interested in volunteering, drop in and learn more about our volunteer program and how you can become an important part of our museum family.

Bend Genealogical Society Upcoming Workshops

Our compatriots at the Bend Genealogical Society have great fall speakers and workshops coming up and the public is welcome to attend. Tuesday, September 16, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. you can hear Bowman Museum historian Steve Lent discussing "Abodes, Residents & Colorful Characters of Central Oregon" at Williamson Hall at Rock Arbor Villa, 2200 NE Hwy 20 in Bend. Williamson Hall is located behind Chevron and Jake's Diner off Hwy 20.

Also coming up: BGS Genealogy Boot Camp, an all day event to hone your genealogy skills on Saturday, October 25. Boot Camp also takes place at Williamson Hall; cost is \$15.00 members/\$20 non-members.

The BGS library at Williamson Hall has hours Tuesday through Friday. Please call 541-317-9553 to confirm their hours. As always, they offer First Tuesday mentoring on the first Tuesday of the month from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. First Tuesday help can be for beginners or more advanced researchers who are stuck and seeking an extra boost of research power. Check out their website at www.orgenweb.org/deschutes/bend-gs.



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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2014
5:30 p.m. doors; 7 p.m. event • Free • All ages welcome

Presented by **LINDA TAMURA, Ed.D.**

Post World War II, the community of Hood River garnered national attention for discrediting Japanese American war heroes and petitioning to block the return of Japanese American families after their incarceration in camps on American soil. In the face of this prejudice, ordinary citizens found the courage to rise up and demonstrate principles of justice and decency.

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Mark Your Calendars:

September

- 19 Author Afternoon: Linda Orcelletto**
1:00 p.m.
- 30 History Pub: What If Heroes Were Not Welcome Home with Linda Tamura**
McMenamins Old St. Francis
7:00 p.m., doors at 5:30 p.m.

October

- 10 Who Controls Water?**
A Historical Perspective
Deschutes Public Library Brooks Room
2:00 p.m.
- 11 Reid School Reunion**
2:00 p.m.
- 22-25 Historical Haunts of Downtown Bend**
5:00 p.m.
- 28 History Pub: Our Vanishing Glaciers**
McMenamins Old St. Francis
7:00 p.m., doors at 5:30 p.m.