

# The Homesteader

### Des Chutes Historical Museum

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Complete minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors are on file with the Museum office.

# Volunteer Brunch December 14

Volunteers are invited to celebrate this year's accomplishments and award the Volunteer of the Year award on Sunday, December 14 at 11 a.m. Staff received many requests to host our volunteer event during the day for weather and driving concerns.

Please R.S.V.P to the Museum at 541-389-1813 by December 12 so staff can plan food accordingly!

# **Deschutes County Historical Society Newsletter for December 2014**

# Annual Giving Fund Drive Underway

It's that time of year when your mailbox and email are full of letters from non-profits seeking year end contributions. Many of you have already made donations, and for that we offer our thanks. The annual giving fund helps support programs, exhibits, and a number of projects throughout the year. This past year was a year filled with great historical programming and events; next year promises to be even better. This year, the staff and volunteers of the Des Chutes Historical Museum completed, hosted, or created the following tasks, programs, exhibits, and events:

- Co-created and opened *Finding Fremont* exhibit in Carson City, Nevada
- Celebrated Smokey Bear's 70th birthday with exhibit and Smokey Bear Birthday party, hosting over 400 people and the National Smokey Bear Association
- "A Night of Nostalgia" at the A.L. French House
- Following Fremont living history event
- New roof and gutters installed at the N.P. Smith Building
- Reid School Alumni Day

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- Historical Haunts of Downtown Bend
  - American Gothic performance

- What if Heroes Were Not Welcome Home? exhibit
- Launched a new website
- Partnered with the Deschutes Public Library and Oregon Historical Society on the forum "Who Controls Water? A Historical Perspective"
- Hosted November First Friday Book Launch for *Bend Beer* by Jon Abernathy
- Emptied two exhibit galleries and completed flooring and wall repairs
- Eleven outstanding History Pub evenings
- Little Woody brewfest
- Pet Tales exhibit

What's ahead for 2015? Finding Fremont will travel from Nevada and open May 1, more History Pubs, a exhibit on Mirror Pond and the Water Pageant, and helping celebrate Newberry Volcanoes National Monument's 25th anniversary are on the list. Remember, gifts to the Deschutes County Historical Society are eligible as matching gifts to the Oregon Cultural Trust and the Cultural Trust state tax credit. Your support, during the year and through the annual giving fund, makes these projects possible. Thank you and Happy New Year!



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## First Central Oregon "Civil War" Football Game

By Beau Eastes

Reprinted, in an edited form, from The Bulletin, where this article originally appeared on November 28, 2013. Mr. Eastes, a board member with Deschutes County Historical Society, will present on early football in central Oregon for History Pub on January 27.

On Thanksgiving Day 1910, three years before Henry Ford started rolling out cars on the assembly line, Crook County High School defeated the visitors from Bend High in the first prep football game ever staged in Central Oregon.

Who the victors were in the area's first-ever Turkey Bowl was never disputed. The final score, though, was another matter.

The Crook County Journal, the predecessor of today's Central Oregonian newspaper, had the locals rolling past Bend 26-0 on a field near the Crook County Courthouse. The Bend Bulletin wrote about a much closer game, with Prineville winning 16-3.

"The visitors were swept off their feet by the whirlwind attacks and were bewildered by the varied formations," reported the Prineville newspaper, which wrote a lengthy play-by-play account of the game. "It was hotly contested from start to finish. Bend though hopelessly defeated contested stubbornly every inch of ground. They are a gritty gentlemanly bunch and have the material for a winning team."

The only contest of the season for both schools — it was an all-Crook County affair at the time, as the creation of Deschutes County was still six years away — Bend High traveled through Powell Butte and into Prineville by horse and carriage.

Ralph Lucas, an eighth-grader who suited up for Bend, drove the four-horse "bus" that carried Bend's 13 players, one coach, local druggist and apparent superfan Ralph Poindexter, and all the equipment for the Bend team, which at the time had no nickname. (Bend High did not become the Lava Bears until the late 1920s, but its first football team was described as "the blue and gold" by the Crook County Journal.)

The players who made up the first football team in Bend High's brief history — the school's first graduation was held in 1909 — were asked to provide their own uniforms. Khaki pants were purchased, striped gray socks were found, and every Bend High player contributed money to buy a football, according to Claude Kelley, an eighth-grade end in 1910, during a 1960 interview with The Bulletin.

Each player provided his own sweater to serve as a jersey, some white, some purple and some black. Needing helmets, the team had a local harness maker piece together strips of yellow felt used in horse collars.

According to the Journal, Crook County scored five touchdowns, which at the time were worth five points, and converted one extra point in a 26-0 win. McCallister — the Journal did not report first names of the Prineville players — led the Crook County offense with two touchdown runs, including the first of the game, and the contest's lone extra-point kick. Morse and Lister each rushed for scores and O'Neil caught a "forward pass" for a touchdown, a play that just five years earlier was illegal. Crook County dominated possession, the Journal wrote, recording 19 first downs to Bend's one.

"The Prineville boys outplayed their opponents," The Bulletin reported on the front page of its Nov. 30, 1910, edition, "their team work being far superior to that of Bend."

According to The Bulletin's account of the game, Crook County — the school had yet to adopt its current Cowboy and Cowgirl nicknames — recorded only three touchdowns in a 16-3 victory. Bend actually scored first in The Bulletin's story and led 3-0 in the first quarter after "forcing the Prineville team back over its own goal line for a touch-back," for an apparent safety, which in today's game is worth two points.

"According to Coach (M.S.) Lattin of the Bend team," reported The Bulletin, which did not send a reporter on what was then an all-day trek to Prineville for the game, "his boys kicked and tackled better than their opponents, but their team work was very inferior."

Lattin and "Coach Brewster" of Prineville served as the twoman officiating crew for the contest. The Bulletin reported that Bend was "outweighed about eight pounds to the man" and used just two substitutes compared with Prineville's six.

Sophomore Kenneth Minor started at quarterback for Bend, while seniors Bruce Deyarmond and Lyle Richardson were the team's left and right backs, respectively, and Max Richards, another senior, lined up at fullback. Bend prepped for the game with a scrimmage against a local pickup team the Sunday before, winning 6-5.

"From the style of game exhibited then," The Bend Bulletin wrote in what almost certainly was the paper's first prep sports preview on Nov. 23, 1910, "the boys may be expected to put up a hard struggle tomorrow."

The 1910 Thanksgiving Day game kicked off football programs for both schools.

"On the whole it was a most interesting game to watch," the Crook County Journal reasoned after what was the first of many high school football games to come in the region. "There was plenty doing all the time to keep interest at fever beat in spite of the inclement weather. ... It was a clean game throughout, free from unnecessary roughness. Fouls were very few in number and there was no 'wrangling' between players and officials."

Football, the newspaper argued, had a bright future in Central Oregon.

### Annual Chili Feed and Holiday Bazaar 2014

The first major storm of the season hit the same day as the Annual Chili Feed and Holiday Bazaar. Not to be outdone, the event still raised over \$4,000 for the museum in spite of the weather taking a toll on Friday's attendance. The event is about more than just raising money—it is about seeing old friends, too. Thank you to all our members who gave their time, baking skills, and more.

**BIG THANKS** to **Barley Beef** farms and **Strictly Organic Coffee**, who donated beef and coffee for the chili feed. Please think of them when you are looking for great quality from locally owned businesses! You can check out both companies online at <u>www.BarleyBeef.com</u> and <u>www.strictlyorganic.com</u>.

### ALL the volunteers who made this snowy "chilly" feed & bazaar a memorable one!

Carol Selle	John Kent	Linda Morrison	Sandi Carmiencke
Michelle Patrick	Anita & Carl Elliott	Anna Johnson	Glenda Alford Down
Sue Fountain	Ed Barnham	Phoebe DeGree	Jerrie Allison Melton
Sue & John Sholes	Carol Laite	Katie Maxwell	Marcia Houston
Judy Smith	Judith Penner	Chloe Miller	Tami Waters Perkins
Emily Miller	Helen Jones	Tracy Alexander	Joy Rochester
Lily Alexander	Ann Maudlin	Susie Penhollow	
Dorothy Olsen	Elaine & Bob Cosner	Gene Cota	
David Hoenig	Harry Fagen Jr.	Sue Fuller	
Karen Green	Haley Brooks	Peggy Spencer	
Karen Barnum	Andrea McCart	Karen Foehl	
Camila Lopez	Daniela Lopez	Luis Lopez	
Carla Carlton Hunt	Katie Tubbs Rixe	Cindy Bennett Summerfield	

Thank you to Julian Darwin and the Central Oregon Community College Culinary Department.

Everyone who brought both delicious goodies for the bake sale and pies.

### The individuals and companies who donated wonderful items to the raffle!

Hannah Lippke	Deschutes County Fair & Rodeo		
Groom Bend	Nellie Jan Designs		
U' Hane Hawaii Hula Group	Tin Pan Theater		
Gotta Dance Studio and Company	Visit Bend		
Pat Joslin	Moonfire & Sun Garden Center		
Old Mill District	Cascade Theatrical Company		
Adelphi Salon	Wanderlust Tours		
Savory Spice Shop	Susie Penhollow		
Oregon Feed and Pet	Courtney Lupton-Turner		
Massage Now East	Polly Gribskov-Lisle		
Luminescence Salon	Robert Grayson		
Sweetheart Donuts	Dawg Grog		
Naked Winery	Bend Company Tours		
2nd Street Theater	Travis Kindler & Kinco Gloves		

### The vendors & authors...

Rustic Images Fabianne Head Linda Orcelletto John Driscoll Linda Mulholland Bonanza Publishing Linda Quon MaileKai Creations Lisa Smith Les Joslin Jon Abernathy Robert Greyson Nomad Leather Slave Hand Screen Printing

### AND all those who braved the weather to come out and join us!



Holiday Bazaar 2014: Reid School shines in Saturday's snow; bake sale goodies galore; Helen Jones (piano) and Chloe Miller delight with Christmas carols.



# Membership Renewal and Monthly Automatic Gifts Available Through Paypal

You can renew your membership dues or donate directly from the Des Chutes Historical Museum website. Visit the Donate/Join page and click the Donate button.

Paypal offers secure online payments, and you, the member, maintain control of your personal financial information. You can even make your donation a monthly gift by just clicking the box!

### Welcome New Members!

Tom McLeary June Brown Dick Elmer Bodeene Amyot Kathy Fish Amanda Hinchman Leanne Rowley Mr. Ken Sandine Phyllis Hurworth Richard Miron Lloyd D. Corliss Dave Reineke Eddie Kula

# **DCHS Membership Form**

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Address:
City: State: Zip:
Phone:
E-mail:
Email is needed to receive our monthly newsletter The Homesteader.
Individual - \$20 Family - \$30 Donor - \$50
Business- \$40 or \$50 Patron- \$100 Benefactor - \$500
Additional Contribution*: \$ Total enclosed: \$

Want to renew your membership by mail?

Make check payable and mail to:

DCHS, 129 NW Idaho Ave, Bend, Oregon 97701



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# History Pubs: Looking Back to Look Forward

On the last Tuesday of every month, the Father Luke room at McMenamins Old St. Francis School is filled to near-bursting with men, women, and children of all ages packed together for one purpose: to learn about history. (Well, perhaps it doesn't hurt that McMenamins serves a fine pint as well). This program—called History Pub– has been one of the Society's most successful initiatives. Thanks to your support as members, we are able to make these events free for the public to attend.

As we reflect back on the History Pubs of 2014, we can see the enormous width and breadth of topics covered by academics and historians from around the state. We learned about T. W. Davenport, an Indian agent in northeastern Oregon, and about the doomed Tumalo reservoir project in 1913. We heard about that grand explorer of the West, John C. Fremont, and about early settlement patterns following the watersheds in Central Oregon. We saw the relics left by the railroads that crisscrossed the region, and learned about the tribal rock art created by Native Peoples. We delved deeply into the Basque community of shepherds in Oregon and blew the dust off our grandmother's cookbooks to re-discover food history in Oregon. We encountered the tragedy of Oregon treatment of Japanese-Americans during World War II and saw the vanishing glaciers in the Cascades as global temperatures have raised. And finally, we learned about the American experience in World War I.



So, what's on the slate for next year? (History Pub programming takes a break for the Holidays in December, resuming again in 2015). In January, Beau Eastes, sports writer with The Bulletin and board member with Des Chutes Historical Society will speak about the first civil war football game in Central Oregon. And in February, Nate Pedersen, librarian with Deschutes Public Library, and vice-president of the board of directors with Des Chutes Historical Society, will speak about Klondike Kate. (Pedersen previously presented about Frank T. Johns in 2013). As for March and beyond: stay tuned!

Thank you to everyone for your enthusiastic support of History Pub. Here's to another year of interesting and informative programming!

Pet Tales Exhibit Opening December 16



Come see the renovations to the first floor galleries and check out our brand new exhibit on central Oregon pets on Tuesday, December 16.

Bend has a long and proud history of pet ownership our annual Pet Parade was even awarded the Oregon Heritage Tradition designation this year. Taking funny pictures of your pets was a pastime long before the introduction of the camera phone. Come have a smile and laugh over the dogs, cats, (and other pets), of yesteryear. The Pet Tails exhibit is generously supported by Bend Pet Express, the Central Oregon Humane Society, and the Bend Spay & Neuter project.







## Remember The Museum Book Store For Your Christmas Shopping

Amid the hustle and bustle of Black Friday, Christmas sales, Small Business Saturdays, and all the rest, the Des Chutes Historical Museum respectfully submits that it has available fun, interesting, and new books, DVDs, historical photographs, and more on sale at the usual prices. However, they do come with the knowledge that your purchase supports the Museum's programs and collections care, as well as provide unique items for the history buff in your family.

Among our best sellers are gift certificates for historic photographs available in 8 x 10" or 11 x 14" with free mounting.

Membership to the Deschutes County Historical Society is the gift that keeps on giving with access to the Museum in 2015!

# **Mark Your Calendars:**

### December

**14** Volunteer Brunch 11:00 a.m.

### January

- **Board of Directors Meeting** 5:00 p.m.
- 27 History Pub: Civil War Football Game McMenamin's Old St. Francis School Doors at 6:00 p.m., Lecture at 7:00p.m.

### **Holiday Closures:**

Christmas Eve Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Closed Christmas Day Closed New Year's Day