'Tis the Season for Annual Giving

Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to tell the story of Deschutes County and those who have played a part in shaping its history.

Over the past year, DCHS has:

- Earned grant awards to restore the Odd Fellows Cabins at Paulina Lake
- Earned grant funding to create the new exhibit Cruisin’ 97
- Offered 11 free presentations through the History Pub program at McMenamins
- Dedicated DCHS’s first commissioned sculpture, Community Beauty, by Jenny Ellsworth in memory of Charlene Blahnik
- Exhibited artwork by Ray Eyerly and historic photos of Deschutes County
- Hosted community events like The Little Woody, the Children’s Festival, Shakespeare in the Park, Chili Feed, the Oregon Heritage Conference, and more!

We would not be able to offer such a wide range of events and exhibits without your support. Please see P. 5 for a form to show your support today, or go to deschuteshistory.org to pay online.

Tor Hanson’s Images of America: Sunriver Just Published by Arcadia

Two books in one year! That makes 2018 a landmark year for Central Oregon author Tor Hanson. Closely following his early 2018 book on Camp Abbot in Arcadia Publishing’s popular Images of America series comes his sequel on Sunriver, the resort and residential community built on the same site south of Bend. And just in time for Christmas shoppers!

In ten chapters and over 200 photographs, Tor’s just-off-the-press Images of America: Sunriver clearly and concisely explores the story of the land that in the 1960s began to become the Sunriver we know today, the evolution of that unique community, and the people who have made and continue to make it happen.

The focus, of course, is on the Sunriver that means so much to Deschutes County, to Oregon, and to the rest of the West Coast. Telling this story is accomplished in Tor’s unique personal style which, aided by well-selected historic and current images and a couple maps, impart the fascinating story of this residential and resort community and its lifestyles and how its residents strive successfully to secure, sustain, and share what they have.

Most members of the Deschutes County Historical Society know author Tor Hanson. A native of Sweden, Tor has lived in Bend for more than 25 years. He is a member of the historical society’s board of directors and until recently editor of this newsletter. Tor holds a degree in information and public relations from Skurup Folkhögskola in Sweden and is a freelance writer for various magazines and newspapers. The images Tor used in this new book are curated from the Sunriver Owners Association, Sunriver Resort, Sunriver Chamber of Commerce, Deschutes Historical Museum, and other sources.

~ Les Joslin
DHM Shop Offers Several Arcadia Titles for Holiday Season Shoppers!

Central Oregon writers—two from Bend and the Deschutes County Historical Society in particular—have produced titles published by Arcadia Publishing, of special interest to Bend and Central Oregon residents and readers. More titles, which may be of particular interest to people on your holiday shopping list, are available at the Deschutes Historical Museum shop. These titles are published at $21.99 (except for the most recent one about Sunriver listed for $23.99), and DCHS members get a 10% discount.

Images of America series books on the Central Oregon communities that can be found at DHM are those about Bend, Redmond, Camp Abbott, Prineville, Madras, Crook County, and Sunriver.

The First Oregonians  $23
Edited by Laura Berg
Revised & expanded, this 2nd edition is a comprehensive view of Oregon’s Native peoples from past to present. Written, in part, by members of Oregon’s nine federally recognized tribes.

Collectible Coins: Fremont Expedition
Copper Coin: $15
Fremont Expedition Silver Coin: $65

Assorted Framed Poster Art  $50
Posters illustrated and designed by local artist Paul Leighton. Subject to stock on hand.

Kids’ Corner
Butterfly Wings $12
Jump Rope  $10
Wooden Train  $7.50
Dream Catcher  $10

All DCHS Members receive 10% Store Discount
A Membership makes a great gift, too!

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Deschutes Historical Museum
Gift Shop Buying Guide

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

2018 DCHS Board of Directors:
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DCHS Members get a 10% discount.
From the Event Coordinator, Susie Penhollow:

There was a great article published in The Bulletin on Nov. 11, 2018 titled “Chili Feed Keeps History Alive” written by Kyle Spurr. Kyle came to the museum and interviewed Kelly and me during a very busy and noisy time. Needless to say, it was difficult for him to hear all the information clearly. While Kyle’s story was great, there just wasn’t time to give him the WHOLE story. I sent a “Letter to the Editor” with corrections, but it was not published. I would like to fill in a few details, and correct a few statements here.

An event like the DCHS Chili Feed does not continue successfully for over 30 years without the help of a dedicated group of people. The Chili Feed was started by my mother, Millie Chopp, and Louise Brogan in 1986. They worked on the event together until my mother passed away in 1994. Louise continued to lead the Chili Feed, and I helped along with Wilma Merrett, Lucy Halvorsen, Peggy Wonser Spencer, and Ann Maudlin. We were later joined by Karen Barnum, Tina DeMelo, Jerie Schutte, Elaine Cosner, and Sue Fuller. I took the event over in 2006 with Louise’s help. Louise has always been an important part of this fundraiser and helped grow the event to what it is today, and we are

THANK YOU CHILI FEED VOLUNTEERS!

The Deschutes County Historical Society would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who made this year’s Chili Feed & Heritage Fair a great success! We far surpassed our goals, making nearly $6000. From the bakers of pies and goodies, those donating raffle items, piano players, and to all the volunteers for their time and support. THANK YOU!

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Jack, Lily, and Tracy Alexander
Janet Alexander
Shari Anderson
Bette Andrew
Rebekah Averette
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Karen Barnum
Barbara Batis
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Adrian Bennett
Mary & Denis Berrigan
Carolyn Boddie
Bonnie Boyd
Bonnie Burns
Melinda Clark
Lloyd Corliss
Elaine & Bob Cosner
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**DCHS NEWS**

**WANTED:**

**We Need Your Help for Cruisin 97 Exhibit**

DCHS is looking for home movies that show travel along Hwy 97. Many of us have seen the online video transfer of a car arriving in Bend in 1967 and pulling up to the Pilot Butte Inn. We are looking for pieces like that to include in next year’s Cruisin 97 exhibit. We are interested in all years, as these can help detail the transition from the downtown of the 1940s to the downtown after Hwy 97 moved to 3rd Street. Contact kelly@deschuteshistory.org if you have materials you’d like to share.

**Deschutes Historical Museum Geocache Update**

The DHM’s “1813 Mini-Me Rock” geocache was included in the October 2018 issue of the Homesteader, and at the time there had been 50 recorded visits. As of the end of November, there have been 69 visits, including one on Thanksgiving day!

If you are familiar with Geocaching, you know that there are thousands of little treasures hidden all over Deschutes County, including 531 in Sisters, 820 in Redmond, and 20 in LaPine. You can find them by visiting Geocaching.com on your computer, or by downloading an app to your smartphone.

Nate Pedersen created the Museum’s geocache in May of this year. In the Cache description he includes, “After you find the cache, you can step into the nearby institution to see the real thing.” Folks send a message every time they find it. One entry remarked, “Found it! I love it when geocaching teaches me something about the history or geology of an area! Thank you for placing this cool cache! I even had a little help from a lady who works at the Historical Society. She letterboxes!”

Visit geocaching.com for more information about how you can participate in this worldwide treasure hunt.

**Last Blockbuster on Earth**

In 2004, Blockbuster had over 9,000 locations across the United States. By summer of 2018, there was only one left: Bend, Oregon.

The weekend trip to Blockbuster with family and friends was a critical component of growing up in the 1990s, but nostalgia alone couldn’t save the franchise. The 2008 recession, followed in short order by alternative DVD delivery services (Netflix and Redbox) and the meteoric rise of video streaming combined forces to push Blockbuster into bankruptcy. In 2011, the failed company was purchased by Dish Network, who, two years later, closed all remaining video stores owned by Blockbuster. Independent video stores, however, who had licensed the Blockbuster name, were able to carry on.

One by one, however, those independent Blockbusters also closed down as Internet speeds increased and video streaming became commonplace across the country. In early summer of 2018, there were two Blockbusters left in Alaska and one in Oregon. The Alaska stores finally closed that summer, leaving the Bend store as the last one standing. National media attention soon followed and the Bend Blockbuster became a tourist site as well.

The Bend store, owned by Ken Tisher since 1990, has no plans to close its doors anytime soon. It remains a well-used and beloved part of the community.

“An excerpt from an Oregon Encyclopedia entry by Nate Pedersen

**Memorials**

**Dorothy Stenkamp**

League of Women Voters of Deschutes County
The end of 2018 is nearly here, and reflections on the previous 11 months have begun. For the Deschutes County Historical Society, new collections and stories have made their way to the museum throughout the year, with much appreciation for those who make it a point to save pieces for future generations. Help us preserve and share our unique history for future generations by filling out the form below to show your support today, or go to [www.deschuteshistory.org](http://www.deschuteshistory.org) to pay online via our secure website.

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**DESHUTES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**YES!** I want to help DCHS keep history alive!

Enclosed is my gift of: ________________________________

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129 NW Idaho Avenue
Bend, OR 97703

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The Museum’s Elf will be returning!

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**SAVE THE DATE December 16, 2018**

**LET'S PARTY!**

It’s that time when the Staff at the Deschutes Historical Museum say “THANK-YOU for all you do!”

You are invited to the DCHS Volunteer Appreciation Brunch at the Deschutes Historical Museum. Brunch starts at 11:00 am, with presentations at noon. To make the occasion extra fun & festive wear your favorite UGLY SWEATER to the party, or any festive sweater!

Please RSVP:
Phone: 541-389-1813
Email: Vanessa@deschuteshistory.org

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Remember to include the Deschutes Historical Museum in Your Holiday Shopping!