

Silverton Country Historical Society

Museum and Office 428 South Water Street



Curators Corner

There is an error in the article that appeared last month about various Downtown Buildings. In waxing nostalgic over the delights of Steelhammer's soda fountain, emphasis on chocolate messes for ten cents, I didn't pay enough attention to the relationships of the owners of Steelhammers. I wrote ".....Harry Carson Jr.'s father was married to Letty Steelhammer" which is not correct. Letty Steelhammer was a sister to Harry Carson Sr., not a wife. Letty Carson married George Steelhammer and after he died, Harry Carson Sr. managed Steelhammer's for his sister, eventually buying the business. Thanks Jack; I appreciate you calling that to my attention.

There was one donation that came in last month which I didn't have time to tell you about: Gary and Nancy Ohren donated the Warranty Deed and the Abstract of Title from Gary's parent's estate. Oliver and Beatrice Ohren had bought two lots that were part of the Phelps Addition, so the Abstract has some very old names.... T.W. Davenport, Benedict Phelps, J.M Brown; the oldest date I could find, with just a brief glance, was 1863.

The walls and woodwork in the Doctor's Room have been painted thanks to Gary Ohren and Ray and Kathy Hunter. Now begins the process of moving things back into the room and setting up a new display, using the hospital bed that was donated from the Knauf family.

Every year we have an annual cleaning day to get the museum ready for visitors when we open in February. I'm going to schedule two dates this year, just in case we don't get everything done. Tentative dates for cleaning are Tuesday, Jan. 26 and Tuesday, February 2.

Again, we are hoping for more volunteers, especially for hosting at the museum. If we got four more interested volunteers we could expand our Open days to three per week instead of just on the week-end. Silverton has lots of visitors in the spring and summer on other days of the week and I'd love to have the museum

open on a Friday-Saturday-Sunday schedule.

There are also the prospects of some new projects: one idea proposed by the Oregon Garden Group Tour coordinator, Douglas Jenkins, is to have a step-on tour bus guide telling visitors about Silverton's history. A second idea is to start a photo survey of the types of houses in Silverton, along with, hopefully, their history.

We didn't get very many oral histories done last year. Hopefully we can do better in 2010.

Carolyn Hutton

SCHS Annual Meeting January 23, 2010 – 2:00 p.m. Oak Street Church

We hope to see you at our upcoming annual meeting which will again be held at the Oak Street Church, original home of The Woodsmen of the World. The meeting will begin at 2 p.m. with a program by Silverton's storyteller, Gordon Munro. Many of you have been entranced by his stories from the life of Homer Davenport and we are very pleased to have him as part of our annual get-together. At the meeting he will tell us about Musa Geer, an early teacher and cousin of Homer Davenport. We will also hear a story about the 1890 flood as well as a other selections from Gordon's repertory.

After Gordon's program there will be a short business meeting, including election of new officers and board members, and recognition of the volunteer of the year. Refreshments will follow. Join us!

Chris Schwab

**Silverton Country Historical Society
Profit & Loss
January - December 2009**

	<u>Total</u>		<u>Total</u>
Income		Total Facility Expenses	1,605.54
Billable Expense Income	1,618.44	Total 5300 Museum	2,829.13
Contributions Income	1,115.00	5400 Fundraisers	10.00
Unrestricted	<u>3,798.85</u>	5600 Education	
Total Contributions Income	4,913.85	Program Development	
Fundraiser	191.00	Travel	
Membership Dues	1,955.00	Meetings / Seminars	8.98
Sales of Merchandise	527.15	Total Travel	<u>8.98</u>
Services	<u>169.48</u>	Total Program Development	<u>8.98</u>
Total Income	\$9,374.92	Total 5600 Education	8.98
Expenses		5800 Oral History	
5200 Operations		Recording Meetings	164.50
Government Taxes and fees	102.00	Total 5800 Oral History	164.50
Membership Services		Bookkeeping / finance	235.51
Events	313.90	newsletter paper	474.32
Annual Meeting	<u>50.00</u>	Security	90.94
Total Events	<u>363.90</u>	Hardware	<u>108.00</u>
Total Membership Services	363.90	Total Security	198.94
Miscellaneous-Petty Cash	112.82	Uncategorized Expense	<u>209.84</u>
Office	77.98	Total Expenses	\$9,082.20
Equipment	201.99	Net Operating Income	<u>\$292.72</u>
Printing	369.54	Net Income	<u>\$292.72</u>
Software	43.99		
Supplies	391.97		
Mailing	<u>572.67</u>		
Total Supplies	<u>964.64</u>		
Total Office	1,658.14		
Organizational Memberships	75.00		
Outside Services	89.95		
Utilities			
Gas Heat	1,616.24		
Telephone	881.45		
Web service	<u>51.48</u>		
Total Utilities	<u>2,549.17</u>		
Total 5200 Operations	4,950.98		
5300 Museum	125.00		
Book purchases	105.47		
Collections	67.00		
Archival Supplies	597.45		
Display	62.77		
Storage	<u>265.90</u>		
Total Collections	993.12		
Facility Expenses			
Improvements	826.44		
Insurance	713.46		
Maintenance	<u>65.64</u>		

**General Ledger
January 1-7, 2010**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Balance</u>
666 checking	
Beginning Balance	4,030.60
Total for 666 checking	
Petty Cash	
Beginning Balance	46.50
Total for Petty Cash	
SFB check	
Beginning Balance	1,273.55
Total for SFB check	
Zeeb Checking	
Beginning Balance	21,195.96
Total for Zeeb Checking	
Total for 1200 Accounts Receivable	
K M S Financial Services	35,948.97
Beginning Balance	
Total for K M S Financial Services	
Total for 2000 Accounts Payable	
3001 Opening Bal Equity	
Beginning Balance	57,498.32
Total for 3001 Opening Bal Equity	
3900 Retained Earnings	
Beginning Balance	4,997.26
Total for 3900 Retained Earnings	

Silverton Businesses Support SCHS

Several local businesses have joined the Silverton Country Historical Society. We ask that you support them throughout the coming year to show your appreciation.

Citizens Bank
217 E. Main Street

Cooley's Iris Gardens, Inc.
11553 Silverton Road NE

GeerCrest Foundation
12390 Sunnyview Road NE

Gordon House Conservancy
At the Oregon Garden

Larsen & Flynn Insurance
100 S. Water Street

G. Victor Madge Architect, Inc.
760 Mill Street

MiniStorall
931 First Street

Monitor Wood Products
35676 S. Barlow Road

Natural Health Center
216 S. Water Street

Walt Pelett/City Liquidators
Portland, Oregon

Silverton Art & Frame
105 S. First Street

Silverton Chamber of Commerce
426 S. Water Street

Stone Buddha
216 E. Main Street

The Chocolate Box
202 N. Water Street

Lori Webb/Silver Stream Studio
246 S. Water Street

The Silverton Green Store
201 E. Main Street (the Wolf Building)

Homer Davenport Days
Silverton, Oregon

Mt. Angel Publishing/Our Town
Mt. Angel, Oregon

Silverton Appeal Tribune
-399 S. Water Street

Carol's Bookkeeping and Tax Service
406 High Street

Towne House Restaurant
203 E. Main Street



Outgoing SCHS Officers and Board Members: Pres. Larry Thomas, Curator Carolyn Hutton, Board Member Molly Murphy, Past-Pres. Scott Guenther, Vice-President Ray Hunter, Secretary Chris Schwab, Board Member Robin Anderson. Not pictured, Tom Worthen.



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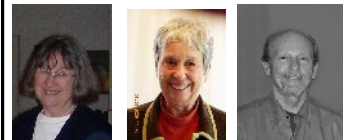


Photograph taken in 1912 by W.L. Jones of the Woodmen of the World Hall built in 1907, now the site of the Oak Street Church.

Thank you to our new and renewing members:

Norman English	Geraldine Gillam
Charlotte Mader	Virginia Tuggle McKim
Vic Gillam	Patricia Low
Kathleen Harris	

Carolyn Chris Larry



Your newsletter staff

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