# SHERIDAN MUSEUM OF HISTORY

MAKING HISTORY MATTER

Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter!

## What's New at the Museum

### WHAT WAS NEW IN 2022

The museum became home to several morning coffee groups as well as community civic groups to hold their meetings. We welcomed 29 new museum members in 2022.

We participated in Farm Fest at Yamhill County Heritage Center, Hometown Days and Harvest Fest. We became a member of the Sheridan Chamber of Commerce.

Doug Decker presented facts about the Tillamook Burn and Donna Hulett shared the story of the Willamina Murder Quilt for all to enjoy. Alyssa Green will be working on more speakers for this coming year.

Dan Eden has assumed the administrator role for our Facebook page and Bruce Rogers designed and made a beautiful oak cabinet for our gift shop.

We quickly sold out of our 2023 "then and now" calendars that were printed by the Bulletin Board. If you are interested in getting a calendar, we are taking orders....just let us know.

Nov. & Dec. saw our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Holiday Handmade Bazaar and it was even more successful than 2021.

Huge strides have been made by Donna Firestone in getting our collection inventoried and recorded for the future.

Our visitations have been amazing. We even surpassed the number of visitors we had back in 2019 as we topped over 2500.

Thank you for believing in the museum and coming to enjoy what our volunteers have done.

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We thank all members who joined the museum family in 2022. Our newest members are:

- John & Debbie Grimm
- Elizabeth "Liz" Hawk

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### **VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**

ANNE BALLANTYNE was the middle child of five. Her parents were Patricia and Roy Scott. The family moved to Sheridan in 1968. Anne's mother was a 4th grade teacher at Chapman Grade School. Her father worked as a farm manager and was quite the handyman. Anne graduated from Sheridan High School in 1972.

Anne married Lloyd Ballantyne in 1992. They met at the Sheridan Bakery where Lloyd was the owner. Anne and Lloyd became museum members in 2018 and instantly were volunteering wherever they were needed. Tragically, Lloyd was killed in an accident in 2021. He is missed by everyone.

Anne does amazing, counted crossstitching work. She

makes beautiful wall hangings, bookmarks, kitchen towels and more. Anne has brought her love for handwork to the museum, and for



the past 2 years she has been the driving force behind the museum's Holiday Handmade Bazaar, held in Nov. and Dec. She came up with the idea during the pandemic.

Anne has agreed to become the manager of the museum's gift shop in 2023. Her creativity shines and her enthusiastic attitude about the Sheridan Museum of History is so greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Anne, for your hard work in making the museum even better.

### **VENUE DONORS FOR 2023**

A special thank you to the following businesses and families for being annual venue donors.

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### YOU ARE A GIFT.

Your support, through memberships, donations, and volunteerism, puts the power of the history of Sheridan into everyone's hands. Together, we are preserving the history of the past and shaping the present for future generations to enjoy. Thank you for your support now and in the future.

### THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

A special thank you to our amazing volunteers who keep our museum open on Saturdays and special occasions plus do so much to keep things running. Our volunteers believe in the importance of preserving the history of our area and protecting the collection for everyone to enjoy ... today and beyond.

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### HISTORICAL TIDBIT

### About the Sheridan Museum of History

The Sheridan Museum of History Heritage group came together in 2005 under the leadership of Jane Hensley. The group was asked to put together a historic display for the 125<sup>th</sup> birthday of the City of Sheridan.

We had the opportunity to open an actual museum in 2012 thanks to Lucy Hebert who provided the location. Our collection grew rapidly at this point. In 2017, we found a vacant 1913 building that used to house the Bakery and an Insurance Company that needed a lot of renovation work. We spent the entire year getting the building up to code and "move-in ready." We moved in January of 2018.

Today, our historical society maintains and owns the building. Our collection includes items related to farming, logging, automobiles, trains, a general store, household items, quilts, clothing, a schoolhouse, post office, military, scouting and fire department.

### Interested in getting involved? Become a Greeter!

Do you have an interest in Sheridan's history? Do you enjoy visiting with people? Did you know that we had over 2500 visitors last year?

We would like to be open another day, but we need a few more volunteers to be Museum Greeters. You don't have to know about all the artifacts to be a greeter and training is provided.

Visit us on Saturdays from 10am to 3pm to learn more about this opportunity.

### OUR GOAL:

"At the end of the day, we want to be the Best Museum that we can be."