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# Tread of Pioneers Museum

## Annual Report

*Annual Meeting: June 23, 2010  
5:30 pm*



**Mission:** The Tread of Pioneers Museum serves the community by preserving the history and heritage of the Steamboat Springs area.

**Vision:** To educate and increase public awareness of our historical and cultural heritage, the Tread of Pioneers Museum collects, preserves, interprets and displays memorabilia from our past.

## A Message from the Director, Candice Bannister

*"History is the witness that testifies the passing of time; it illuminates reality, vitalizes memory, provides guidance in daily life and brings us tidings of antiquity." Cicero*

The Tread of Pioneers Museum has proudly served the Steamboat Springs community for over 50 years. In 1959, a concerned group of Routt County residents had the foresight and vision to begin saving this county's historical treasures. Today, we honor the museum's founders and their vision by continuing to preserve and share the unique history of this area and by following national museum best practices.

While we are behind the scenes creating exhibits and preserving and documenting the diverse collection of documents, stories, photographs and objects, we are also out in our community presenting a myriad of educational programs. We are leading curriculum-based school tours for children, recording oral history interviews, or presenting history lectures, tours or films. We believe that our local history offers an exciting opportunity for the public, both locals and tourists, to connect to and appreciate the uniqueness of this area.

We cannot thank enough our team of committed volunteers, Board members and countless supporters and members. It is passionate community support that fuels the success of the Tread of Pioneers Museum.

***Thank you for your generosity and support!***

### 2009-2010 Museum Highlights

- Over 2,780 volunteer hours in 2009!
- 2009 Museum Attendance: 11,926 visitors; over 400 school children
- **Exhibits:** Enduring Voices: Celebrating the Ute People of the Yampa Valley; When the School Bell Rings: A Story of Education in Routt County; Foundations of Steamboat: The Appel Family; Foundations of Steamboat: The Stanko/Willett Family; exhibits at the Yampa Valley Regional Airport, the Bud Werner Library, top of the gondola, Howelsen Place and other locations throughout the community
- **Events and Fundraisers:** Annual Meeting; 9th Annual Pioneer Day Block Party; 15th Annual Festival of Trees; 30th Annual Leckenby Award; 28th Annual Larson Award; 32nd Annual Yule Log Hunt; 1st Annual Community Square Dance; 50th Anniversary Celebrations
- **Educational Programs:** Brown Bag Summer Lecture Series; Ghost Stories from Historic Colorado; Preserving Your Family Heirlooms; Lovely Local Ladies: The Women of Perry-Mansfield; Downtown Historical Walking Tours; Olympic Heritage Walking Tours; Open House at the Historic Mesa School; A Victorian Childhood; Scavenger Hunt for Kids; Family Scavenger Hunt of Downtown's Historic Buildings; Open House at the Legacy/Hutchinson Ranch; The Olympic Experience; Vintage Ski Fashion Show; curriculum-based school tours; author book signings; historical film showings and more!

#### Other Projects:

- Oral history initiative: 100 oral histories recently added to the historical record

## Many thanks to the following businesses, organizations and individuals:

1772 Foundation	Outback Merchant Maps	<b>Yampa Valley Community</b>
Ace at the Curve	Tyke Pierce	<b>Foundation:</b>
John and Margaret Allen	The Porches of Steamboat	<i>Benita Bristol</i>
Alpine Bank	Rabbit Ears Motel- Greg Koehler	<i>Downs Family Endowment</i>
Animal Assistance League of	The Rosi Family	<i>Lufkin Family Endowment</i>
NWCO	Routt County Cattlewomen	<i>Murtha Family Endowment</i>
David Arnold	Royal Flush	<i>Emmett Olson</i>
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Brown and Brown of Steamboat	Ingrid Scott	<i>Endowment</i>
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Phillip and Dasha Durian	Steamboat Ice	
East West Frame Shop	<i>Steamboat Magazine</i>	
Elk River Farm & Feed	<i>Steamboat Pilot/Steamboat</i>	
Dan and Katherine Ellison	<i>Today</i>	
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Gloria Gossard	Steamboat Springs Questers	
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Frederick and Suzanne Hartung	Eric Steinberg	
High Point 4-H	Arianthe and Paul Stettner	
Ed and Jayne Hill	Andy and Barb Stofan	
Historic Routt County!	Strings Music Festival	
IBM	The Summers Family	
Louise and Darrell Jansa	Joyleen and Dennis Swanson	
Robert and Julia Jessup	TIC	
The Kerst Family	The Temple Family	
Kinnikinnick	<b>Tread of Pioneers Museum</b>	
Charles Leckenby	<b>Members!</b>	
Main Street Steamboat Springs	Carl and Jan Vail	
Marabou	Colin Wagner	
Millennium Bank	Wal-mart	
Ellen Miller	Wells Fargo Bank	
Delmar and Roberta Moellenberg	Whiteman Primary School	
Museum and Heritage Fund	Stan Whitemore	
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## We Gratefully Thank Our Many Friends and Supporters

### The Volunteers

Carolyn Bagley, Karen Bennett, Ginni and Omar Campbell, Marianne Capra, Alexis Casale, Lavon Cheek, Charlie Conroy, Ann Cox, Kim Crawford, Kathy Curcio, Cheri Daschle, Penny Deihl, Eva Dworakowski, Linda Fiorella, Katie Fletcher, Claire and Rob Fraser, Erica Gallagher, Bill Gay, Nancy Gray, Jackie Grimaldi, Jayne and Ed Hill, Louise and Darrell Jansa, Charlotte Jensen, Betty Leipold, Annabeth Lockhart, Rick Longlott, John and Bobbe Marshall, Marilyn and Art Mastoras, Susan Nahlik, Sandra Niederhauser, Faith Parmer, Jim Peterson, Ann Regan, Kate Richardson, Ann Root, Nancy Rosi, Boo Ross, Melinda Sherman, Judy Sherrod, Laura Siverling, Nancy Smith, Jack Sprengle, Leslie Steen, Barb and Andy Stofan, Marian Tolles, Shannon Tridle, Jan and Carl Vail, Shaunna and Brian Watterson, Nancy Working, Sandra Worthen, Daniel Woycio, and Pat Zabel

### Sponsorship

Thank you to *all* of our sponsors who have supported our events and fundraisers. Special thanks to **Yampa Valley Bank, Ace at the Curve Home and Hardware** and **Conroy Moving and Storage** for supporting the Festival of Trees. Many thanks to all of the Festival of Trees decorators too!

Our sincere gratitude goes to the Crawford, Gossard and Lufkin families who continue to support the museum in so many ways.

## Special thanks to all of our museum members!



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## Annual Meeting

Wednesday, June 23, 2010

### Evening's Agenda

*Annual Meeting* 5:30 to 6:00 pm

*Annual Meeting Business*

*Exhibit Viewing and*

*Refreshments*

6:00 to 7:30 pm



### Tread of Pioneers Museum Board of Directors:

Kim Crawford    John Marshall  
Claire Fraser    Jim Peterson  
Erica Gallagher    Melinda Sherman  
Bill Gay    Andy Stofan  
Nancy Gray  
Jayne Hill

### Museum Staff

Candice Bannister, Executive Director  
Katie Adams, Curator  
Katy Taylor, Museum Assistant (Store/Volunteers)

Statement of Activity  
Year ended December 31, 2009

	2008	2009
<u>Revenue</u>		
Mil Levy	198,155	205,827
Admissions & Membership	34,084	32,732
Fundraising & Donations	43,247	46,769
Investment Income & Interest	-15,130	27,096
Other Revenue	13,361	9,873
Museum Store Sales	22,059	20,729
Total Revenue	295,776	343,026
<u>Expenses</u>		
Program Expenses	50,731	128,312
Building Operation & Maintenance Exp.	64,957	63,952
Fundraising Exp.	8,241	6,833
Museum Store Costs	15,149	26,326
Administrative - Personnel	98,277	29,532
Administrative - Other	54,073	24,849
Total Expenses	291,428	279,804
<u>Increase in Net Assets</u>	4,348	63,222

**Treasurer's Note:** During 2009 the Museum modified the method of reporting various expenses. The primary change was the allocation of personnel costs and overhead expenses to functional categories in accordance with the guidelines of the American Institute of Certified Public Accounts.

Statement of Financial Position as of  
December 31, 2009

	2008	2009
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash	63,641	49,323
Inventory	29,295	35,633
Total Current Assets	92,936	84,956
Land and Improvements	99,232	99,232
Building and Improvements	582,977	598,819
Equipment & Furnishings	61,245	61,245
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	-323,776	-349,233
Total Property and Equipment	419,678	410,063
Reserve for Building Funds	391,314	454,664
Endowment Funds	77,613	91,168
Total Other Assets	468,927	545,832
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>981,541</b>	<b>1,040,851</b>
<u>Liabilities and Net Assets</u>		
Accounts Payable	9,575	8,718
Total Current Liabilities	9,575	8,718
Net Assets		
Restricted	7,813	4,760
Net Investment, Property & Equipment	419,678	410,063
Undesignated	544,474	617,310
Total Net Assets	971,965	1,032,133
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>981,540</b>	<b>1,040,851</b>