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Tread of Pioneers Museum

Annual Report

*Annual Meeting: June 14, 2012
5:30 PM*



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Museum Mission Statement: The Tread of Pioneers Museum is a not-for-profit historical institution that promotes an understanding and appreciation of the history of the Steamboat Springs area by collecting, preserving, exhibiting, interpreting, and sharing that history and heritage with audiences of all ages and interests.

Vision Statement: The Tread of Pioneers Museum will be a valued place where people may encounter, explore, and learn about the past. With diverse audiences and Steamboat Springs' unique heritage at its core, the Tread of Pioneers Museum is a historical leader in the Yampa Valley.

2011-2012 Museum Highlights

- 2011 Volunteer hours: 2,985 2011 Museum Attendance: 11,566 visitors
- **Exhibits:** Sign of the Times: the 1960s; Foundations of Steamboat: The Gooding Family; Foundations of Steamboat: The Appel Family; Rex Gill: The Man, the Mountains, the Desert; 150 Years of Masonry in CO; exhibits at the Yampa Valley Regional Airport, the Bud Werner Library, top of the gondola, and other locations throughout the community
- **Events:** Annual Meeting; 11th Annual Pioneer Day Block Party; 17th Annual Festival of Trees; 32nd Annual Leckenby Award; 30th Annual Larson Award; 34th Annual Yule Log Hunt
- **Educational Programs:** Brown Bag Summer Lecture Series; Lovely Local Ladies; Downtown Historical Walking Tours; Olympic Heritage Walking Tours; Open Houses at the Historic Mesa School; Life of a Mountain Man; A Pioneer Childhood; Scavenger Hunt for Kids; Family Scavenger Hunt of Downtown's Historic Buildings; Ute Beading Program; Historical Bike Tours; Crawford Open House; Pioneer Christmas Stories; Victorian Valentines; curriculum-based school tours; author book signings; and more!

Other Projects:

- Launched the "Raise the Roof on 8th and Oak" capital campaign. Broke ground on the museum expansion project.
 - Museum collection inventoried and moved to off-site storage location for expansion construction.
 - Museum staff collaborated on Steamboat Springs exhibit at the new History Colorado Center in Denver.
 - Updated the museum's hands-on Discovery Kits for teachers and students.
 - Ongoing digitization initiative: films, photos, documents, oral histories, etc.
 - History of Skiing video exhibit created and installed.
 - Historical photograph collection website launched.
 - Expanded historical programs, tours, outreach, and partnerships.
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Growing for the Future

By Jim Peterson, Expansion Project Co-Chair



For many years the Tread of Pioneers Museum has realized that the old collections building was overcrowded, lacked needed environmental controls, and was unsafe for the collection and staff. The tiny building was not sufficient to serve our community's treasures for the future. After many years of analysis by the staff and Board of Directors, working with architects, city planning, and city council, and fundraising, the museum has embarked on the much needed expansion project.

Construction of the new collection facility and exhibit space began on May 1 with estimated completion by the end of this year. The new building will add much needed exhibit space that will allow the story and heritage of Steamboat Springs to be told in greater detail. The new collection facility area will provide museum quality storage and curatorial work space to care for the many historical artifacts that are in the collection now and for those artifacts that will be added in years to come. The new facility has been designed with adequate space to serve the community for the next 30 years. History is made every day, and this facility will allow the museum to preserve our history for future generations.

The financial ability to build this new facility was made possible by generous gifts from the Gloria Gossard Estate and the Crawford family, donations of all sizes from many community members, and grants from various foundations. We are thrilled to announce that we received significant grant funding from the Gates Family Foundation, Boettcher Foundation, and the El Pomar Foundation, as well as the Routt County Museum and Heritage Fund. The museum's Board of Directors and staff would like to thank everyone who assisted in the planning of this project over many years and to the community members who gave so generously to this project.

We Gratefully Thank Our Many Friends and Supporters

The Volunteers

Lynn Bear, Janice Bell, Sansé Berry, Tammy Bradshaw, Ginni Campbell, Marianne Capra, Alexis Eiland, Jean Coen, Ken Collins, Sharon Compestine, Mike Cook, Charlie Conroy, Kathy Curcio, Cheri Daschle, Penny Deihl, Linda Fiorella, Katie Fletcher, Vikki Franz, Claire and Rob Fraser, Nancy and Gary Gray, Gail Hanley, Jayne Hill, Louise Jansa, Charlotte Jensen, Candice Jones, Paul Knowles, John and Bobbe Marshall, Lore Marvin, Marilyn Mastoras, Susan Nahlik, Sandra Niederhauser, Susanna Orzech, Faith Parmer, Jim Peterson and Kathi Meyer, Kate Richardson, Ann Root, Boo Ross, Elizabeth Rutledge, Melinda Sherman, Laura Siverling, Ann Slagle, Nancy Smith, Julie Solley, Jack Sprengle, Andy and Barb Stofan, Marian Tolles, Shannon Tridle, Jan and Carl Vail, Shaunna and Brian Watterson, Betsy White, John Wither, Sandra Worthen, Pat Zabel

Sponsorship and Donors

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 following families who are major donors for the “Raise the Roof on 8th and Oak” Capital Campaign and other museum projects: Allbright, Andrews, Chaney, Crawford, Dittman/Huffington, Fraser, Gossard, Hefty, Orton, Sprengle, Steinberg, Summer, and Swanson.

Special thanks to all of our museum members, Ace Hardware, Duckels Construction, Eric Smith Associates, Four Points Surveying and Engineering, Steamboat Ski and Resort Corp., and the City of Steamboat Springs!

Annual Meeting

Thursday, June 14, 2012

Evening's Agenda

Annual Meeting 5:30 to 6:00 PM

Annual Meeting Business

Construction and Exhibit

Viewing and Dinner 6:00 to 7:30 PM



2011-2012 Tread of Pioneers Museum Board of Directors:

Sansé Berry Lore Marvin
Mike Cook Jim Peterson
Claire Fraser Melinda Sherman
Nancy Gray Nancy Smith
Jayne Hill Andy Stofan
John Marshall

2012 Outgoing Board Members: Claire Fraser, Nancy Gray, Jayne Hill, John Marshall

2012 Incoming Board Members: Paul Knowles and John Wither

Museum Staff:

Candice Bannister, Executive Director
Katie Adams, Curator
Jill Lindstrom, Museum Assistant (Museum Store/Volunteers)

Statement of Activity
Year Ending December 31, 2011

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
<u>Revenue</u>		
Mill Levy	261,575	264,659
Admissions & Membership	31,391	32,867
Fundraising & Donations	36,050	16,520
Capital Expansion Donations	0	53,610
Gloria Gossard Estate Donation	0	197,791
Investment Income & Interest	20,983	3,767
Other Revenue	17,159	9,329
Museum Store Sales	18,534	16,287
Total Revenue	<u>385,692</u>	<u>594,830</u>
<u>Expenses</u>		
Program Expenses	143,833	137,318
Building Operation & Maintenance Exp.	68,804	68,310
Fundraising & Grant Expense	13,995	7,781
Museum Store Costs	25,007	22,490
Administrative Costs	65,869	64,715
Total Expenses	<u>317,508</u>	<u>300,614</u>
<u>Revenues in Excess of Expenses</u>	68,184	294,217

Statement of Financial Position as of
Year End December 31, 2011

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Cash	105,339	337,836
Inventory	41,589	36,393
Accounts Receivable	4,675	2,870
Total Current Assets	<u>151,603</u>	<u>377,099</u>
Land	99,232	99,232
Building & Improvements	598,819	598,819
Work in Process - Expansion	0	34,714
Equipment & Furnishings	61,245	67,424
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>-375,825</u>	<u>-403,251</u>
Total Property and Equipment	383,471	396,933
Reserve for Building Funds	463,418	519,232
Endowment Funds	<u>106,008</u>	<u>104,328</u>
Total Other Assets	569,426	623,560
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,104,500</u>	<u>1,397,592</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Accounts Payable	5,806	4,178
<u>Capital</u>		
Restricted Funds	1,500	251,401
Fund Balances	823,072	573,170
Retained Earnings	205,934	274,626
Net Revenues	<u>68,188</u>	<u>294,217</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & CAPITAL	<u>1,104,500</u>	<u>1,397,592</u>