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Our best wishes for your holiday season!

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Save the Date for
our Upcoming
Events!

Dec. 24-28, Jan. 1 & 18-
Museum Closed for the
Holidays

Jan. 21- **Third Thursday
Opening** Art from the
Sitka Residency and *Ex
Libris: A Historic Look at
Bookplates* opening party

Feb. 12- **Family Day**
featuring Valentine's and
pioneer crafts

Feb. 17- **Crossroads
Lecture**

Feb. 18- **Third Thursday
Opening**

Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 6-
**Archaeology Training
Workshops**



Our best wishes for your holiday season!

Please note we do have a few seasonal closures coming up:
December 24th through the 28th, New Years Day, and
January 18th for Martin Luther King Day

Quilting Volunteers to the Rescue for



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Featured Article



Don't miss our exciting Crossroads Lectures in December and January. We will welcome two local experts for fascinating talks on regional history!



Help Us Go Green!

We've started a new campaign to lighten our environmental impact. If you're a regular reader of our e-newsletter and would like to opt-out of snail mail in the name of going green, please [email us](#) with the subject line "Go Green!" and include your name and mailing address in the body of the e-mail.

Our staff, volunteers, and friends at the [Westside Quilters Guild](#) have taken on the big job of re-rolling our historic quilt collection. We are about two thirds of the way finished with re-rolling, doing condition reports, measuring, photographing, and updating our records. There has been a steady parade through the office every month or so of unique and colorful quilts, it has been fun to see the different patterns as they're processed. Thanks to everyone who has generously helped us with this important effort to preserve our local history!

To learn more about this and other fun volunteer opportunities, [visit our website](#) or give us a call at 503-645-5353. **The Westside Quilters Guild will also be partnering with us to bring you a beautiful quilt exhibit in 2010!**

Family Day: Holiday Crafts and Native American Beading

Saturday, December 12, 10am-2pm

A great way to get into the holiday spirit as a family, join us for fun with holiday crafts and Native American beading. [Print Arts Northwest](#) will lead seasonal crafting with reindeer ornaments and puppets, snowmen gift bags, and print-your-own wrapping paper.

We will be joined by visiting [Oregon Historical Society](#) Tradition Bearer, Brigette Whipple. Brigette will bring along colorful Native American beaded horse regalia examples, tell us about the history of the beading, and lead a hands-on beading activity suitable for all ages. This great activity is in conjunction with our new traveling exhibit, [Oregon is Indian Country](#).

Cookies and juice will be plentiful courtesy of [Beaverton Bakery](#). Our warmest thanks to Family Day sponsor the [PGE Foundation](#).



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Oregon" Crossroads Lecture

Wednesday, December 16th, 3:30-4:30pm

In conjunction with our current exhibits *This Kalapuya Land* and *Oregon is Indian Country*, guest speaker Dr. David G. Lewis from the [Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde](#) will join us to illuminate early tribal treaties in our region.



An in-depth look at treaty negotiations, the talk will put a human face on a widely misunderstood chapter in American history. Dr. Lewis will focus on key aspects of local history—the first treaties negotiated in 1851 by Anson Dart, the treaty process, motivations of the United States, and the ultimate outcomes of the treaties. He will also describe how cultural views shaped the tribal relationship with their ancestral homelands. [Learn More.](#)

Save the Date! Join us for our exciting January Crossroads Lecture when author and former Oregonian reporter and editor R. Gregory Nokes joins us to talk about his new book "**Massacred for Gold: The Chinese in Hells Canyon.**" A shocking untold story of racism, murder, and cover-ups along Oregon's Snake River.

Read more about this fascinating story at the [author's website](#), or read the reviews by [The Oregonian](#) and [Willamette Week](#).



Give a Family Membership!

Give the gift of history to your nearest and dearest with an annual family membership to the Washington County Museum. For only \$50 dollars, a family can enjoy all the benefits of being a museum member for an entire year:



- Unlimited FREE admission to our exhibits and the Robert L. Benson Research Library
- Subscription to our monthly newsletter
- FREE admission to our fun Members Only Annual Reception - 2 passes for family
- FREE admission to our Crossroads Lecture Series -

- Monthly - 2 passes for family & friends
- \$10 discount on 2 or more tickets to the Annual Gala
- 10% discount at the Museum store

Your membership is also a gift to the local community- helping us to preserve our history for years to come!

[Click here](#) to learn more about membership or to purchase a membership online. You may also purchase memberships over the phone or through the mail, give us a call at 503-645-5353 to find out more.

Hillsboro Library to Host Book Release Party for "Hillsboro: Images of America"

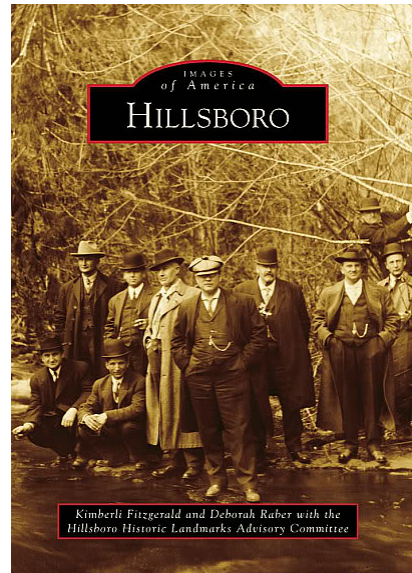
Saturday, Dec. 12th, 1-3pm at the [Hillsboro Main Library](#)

Gather with the community to celebrate the publication of a wonderful new book about the history of Hillsboro, "Hillsboro: Images of America."

Co-authors Kimberli Fitzgerald and Deborah Raber worked with the Hillsboro Landmarks Advisory Committee, taking the book on as a labor of love and donating their time to the project. They will be in attendance to talk about their experience gathering and organizing content for the book.

And for a bit of trivia, we can proudly claim that over 90% of the photographs used in the book come from our archive! **You can purchase "Hillsboro: Images of America" from our gift shop at the museum, or over the phone at 503-645-5353.**

To learn more about the event, contact Hillary Garrett [via email](#) or at 503-615-2482.



NEH Grant Shapes Up Our Shelves!

We are proud to announce the completion of our Robert L. Benson Library re-shelving project. We were fortunate enough to receive a \$5,000 NEH grant last year to upgrade our outdated wooden shelves with powder coated steel shelves.

These shelves will help us as we work toward best museum practices and will be moved into the new archives storage space once our remodel is completed. Our heartfelt thanks to the volunteers who helped us with this project, and to [The National Endowment for the Humanities](#) for their generous gift.



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