

Soap Creek Schoolhouse Foundation

Annual Newsletter

May 2024

Hello to all the neighbors, friends, and former students of the Soap Creek Schoolhouse.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS !

GARAGE SALE

**Donations: Drop
Off Stuff**
at schoolhouse

Saturday
June 22nd,
9am-4pm

Garage Sale

at schoolhouse

Saturday
June 29th,
9am-4pm

Please no TVs or big appliances.
If you'd like to help with pricing or with
the sale, please contact Nancy Hyde.

NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC

Sunday, July 7th
2:00-5:00 pm

LOCATION:

Adair County Park picnic shelter,
front section "A".

Bring a salad, dessert, or side dish, and
any beer or wine you desire.

Fried Chicken is provided!

Nice playground!
Frisbee golf course is on site.

Everyone is welcome;
foundation membership not required.

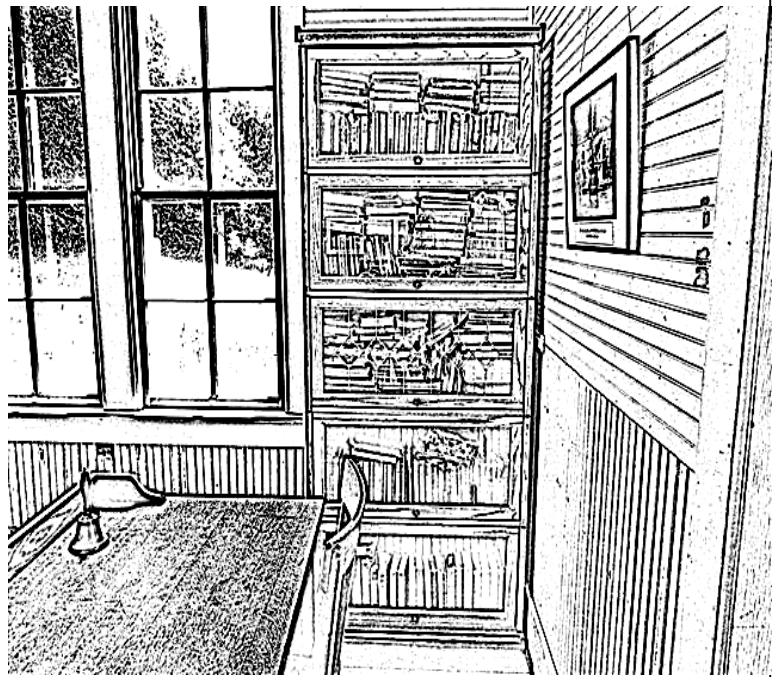
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The shady and pleasant Adair County Park picnic shelter and playground



ANTIQUE SCHOOLBOOKS

Our large barrister's bookcase is chock-full of the over 400 books owned by the Soap Creek Schoolhouse Foundation. Many of these books are original textbooks and readers used at the schoolhouse. Others were donated by collectors, or by students at nearby schools of the same timeframe. The books are available to be used under the supervision of a Foundation Board member, for research or entertainment. Copies of the modern Bob Zybach oral history books may be checked out, with a \$50 security deposit.



HISTORY BUFFS LOOK HERE!

Historian Bob Zybach has provided us with links to his fascinating oral histories and research of the Soap Creek area, and to his very interesting tour book of the valley: http://nwmapsc.com/ZybachB/Oral_Histories/Soap_Creek_Valley/index.html

Thanks so much, Bob! We are all indebted to you for recording the history of our area, and for making these books **free to read online in pdf format**.

Physical copies of Bob Zybach's Soap Creek histories are available to check out from the Soap Creek Schoolhouse with a \$50 security deposit to ensure return.

Also, the schoolhouses's website, www.SoapCreekSchoolhouse.org, contains sections with lots of historical information and photographs.

GOT SCHOOLHOUSE STUFF?

The Soap Creek Schoolhouse has a small collection of original report cards, photographs, student souvenirs, etc. donated by former students. If you have any such materials you'd like to donate, contact Nancy Hyde. Please, only materials from Soap Creek School students. Original documents are preferred, but photocopies are also welcome. Thank you!

SAVE PAPER and POSTAGE

If you're receiving this annual Schoolhouse Newsletter on paper, that means we don't have an email address for you. To receive future Schoolhouse Newsletters via email or to sign up for more frequent "Neighborhood News" emails, contact NHyde@peak.org

SCHOOLHOUSE OPEN FOR VISITORS

Something new this summer: neighbor Dick Woodcock has been opening up the schoolhouse on Saturdays for anyone who wants to drop by for a chat or to see the schoolhouse. Dick says, “we are so fortunate that our little slice of paradise has a community asset like the Schoolhouse. You should be aware that the building is open every Saturday from 3:30 until around 5. Over the last 6 weeks, 20 or so neighbors have dropped by to connect and share stories.

We invite neighbors and friends to join us if it works into their schedule.

Informal and friendly are the passwords. See you there! “

(These sessions will probably not continue in the cold winter months.)

SCHOOLHOUSE BUILDING RENTAL

The Soap Creek Schoolhouse is available for use throughout the year for small meetings of local interest. Please obtain permission and a key by contacting Nancy Hyde.

A \$20 key deposit is required. Rental fees: schools and community groups, no charge. Small private groups, \$20. Profit-making groups, \$20-100, to be negotiated in advance. Ongoing classes: \$5 per day. All groups must leave the premises tidy.

No running water is available. A permanent modern outhouse facility is on-site. Lights, electricity (2 outlets) and heat are available.

Please note: the Schoolhouse Foundation does not endorse any political or religious group but does allow its facilities to be used by such groups.

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FINANCES

**Your Dues and Cash Donations received in 2023 = \$3,209, including:
a combined \$240 given in memory of neighbor Cat Newsheller and
other “Lost Friends and Neighbors”.**

Bottledrop Donations = \$650

Garage Sale Income = \$1,569 more, totaling \$5,428.

THANK YOU!

We'd like to ask everyone who simply enjoys the presence of the Schoolhouse to send in **\$10 for membership dues**. Anyone can be a member, no matter your location! See the donation form below. THANKS!

What did we spend your money on, last year?

1,188 Insurance

588 Electricity

70 State Corporation fees

66 Forest Fire Protection

249 Neighborhood Picnic

365 Maintenance and Repairs

192 Website Hosting

46 Newsletter Printing/mailing

\$2,764 Total

Please provide your email address to reduce printing and mailing costs,
and to receive the frequent neighborhood newsletter. Thanks!



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES and DONATIONS

Name _____ Email(s) _____

Address _____ Phone _____

\$10 Annual Membership Dues \$ _____

Any Additional Donations \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Please make checks to “Soap Creek Schoolhouse” and mail to:
Nancy Hyde, Treasurer, 37845 Soap Creek Road, Corvallis, OR 97330
All contributions are tax-deductible, and a receipt will be sent to you.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Other ways to give: online through the PayPal Giving Fund, the Network for Good, through using the Oregon BottleDrop blue bags and stickers available at the schoolhouse parking lot, or through Oregon BottleDrop personal account transfers.