

EARLY BIRD WEEKLY



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Why take a pic of our Sergeant at Arms in a funny blue hat? Because I can!

When you find someone that can fill the Foundation's coffers with fines based on what socks the club attorney is wearing ... yeah, she deserves a place in the newsletter!



We are partnering with our sister club, **Club Rotaria La Plata Huila**, in Colombia in sanitation projects. Yes, we do playgrounds, but we also engage with our partner club in improving healthful access to clean water and sanitation by building and training their countrymen how to build, use and maintain their own systems.

You can view the La Plata club's video on their [Facebook page here](#).

Breakfast is returning! Bon Appetit will be back in the saddle serving weekly breakfasts and Early Birds will have an opt-in/opt-out option. Even if you opt out, you'll still be able to pay at the buffet line.

Summerfest: [Kendall Ekerson](#) has been maintaining our web site and social media presence. She could use some help. Also, if you have Summerfest yard signs, bring them to next week's meeting so we can re-use them!

Britta Mansfield was our speaker last week representing the Executive Director of the Willamette Falls & Landings Heritage Coalition.

The coalition was formed in 2006 as a partnership of public, private and nonprofit organizations all sharing a passion for the 56 river-mile heritage area, from Keiser to Estacada, and they are working to have it established as a National Heritage Area.

Some of the sites Britta has worked with in Newberg include the Minthorn House, Rogers Landing, George Fox and the

Newberg Downtown area.

The coalition understands the importance of our complex histories including neglected and untold stories. "Unearthing this history and seeking to discover and tell all stories is core to our work. We believe that promoting diversity and equity helps us share a true and more complete history. Our goal is to grow stronger together through understanding our shared and unique heritage, and respecting our diverse traditions, cultures, and experiences."

When you try and relate something that is tedious and challenging to accomplish it is often referred to as "an act of Congress."

Well, becoming designated a National Heritage Area quite literally requires an Act of Congress.



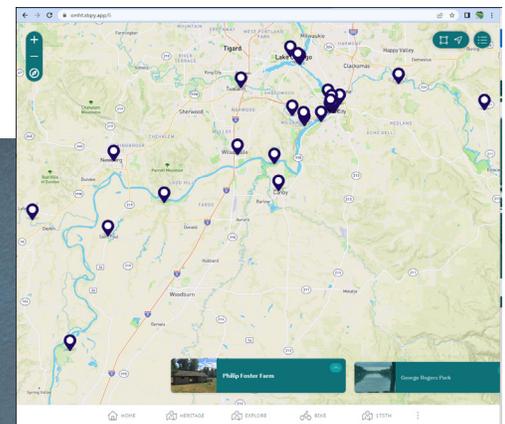
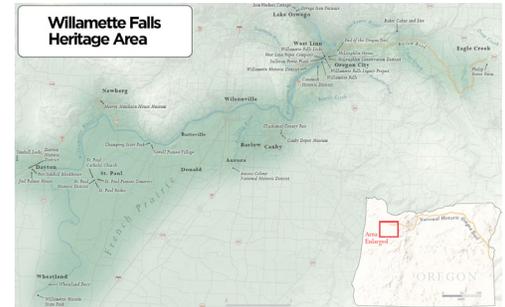
Among coming projects:

Half Century Business Club. Every five years the Coalition seeks to honor for-profit businesses that have been operational within the Heritage Area for 50 years or more. Members of the Half Century Business Club have been operational for 50 years or more. Some of them may have been sold to different owners or may have moved locations but all are offering the same or similar services within the Heritage Area. In Newberg some of those include Cameo Theater & 99W Drive-in, A-dec, Johnson's Fine Furniture, Naps Thriftway, Attrell's Funeral Home and Khron's Appliance.

Old Oregon Photos. The coalition is curating collections of historic area photos and reaching out to local museums to submit their own for broader public access. They

recently acquired a business called [Old Oregon Photos](#) following the death of its founder and sole proprietor, John Klatt. His site held 4,000 restored Oregon photos.

Virtual Tours. Oregon Mt. Hood Territory has one already available at <https://omht.stqry.app/6> that has many of the Heritage Sites already pin-dropped.



The coalition has had a soft launch of their own virtual tour site and is working with OMHT to flesh it out.

How you can get involved is by following and promoting via social media, volunteering at booths, markets and festivals, visiting events, and [direct donations](#).

Q: Will my property rights be affected by being designated in a Heritage Area?

A: No, we will not be encroaching upon or acquiring properties. And we will discourage trespassing by posting guides to public access areas.



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