



HARRINGTON OPERA HOUSE SOCIETY

Preserving Our Heritage

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Annual Newsletter – March 2021

President's Letter

The year 2020 will never be forgotten and I'm sure we are all very thankful that it is over. But I am reminded that this is not the first pandemic weathered by our 1904 Opera House and I can't help but wonder about the Spanish Flu of 1918. Though Harrington was hit hard by the influenza, events were held as usual that year. There was a dance, an orchestra performance and a masquerade ball, among others. I would like to see a masquerade ball again, wouldn't you?

Our recent pandemic year was less eventful. We did not hold any performances, but the rummage room came through! It seems that many people were thankful to get out of the house to spend time among the rummage; helping, shopping and mingling with friends. We have an unprecedented amount of new inventory, so watch for our next event!

It has been a surprisingly good year for grants and donations in addition to the rummage donations. We have continued to make both big and small improvements to our historic building with your donations. Currently we are doing major reconstruction in the rummage room.

We want to thank everyone who donated time or money to the Harrington Opera House Society this year. We are so looking forward to holding events again in 2021. We've missed you!

Ellen Evans,
2021 President
Harrington Opera House Society



*We continue to maintain this beautiful space!
Looking forward to seeing you here
when we once again present awesome entertainment!
Watch our website & Facebook page for updates.*



Members and volunteers are needed to share in the future accomplishments of the HOHS!

YOU

Can

- Provide event suggestions and/or
- Offer your volunteer time/skills and/or
- Join the HOHS as a member and/or
- Donate to HOHS or memorialize someone to benefit the HOHS.

Just return the enclosed HOHS Support Form!

Thank You!

HOHS MISSION STATEMENT

The Harrington Opera House Society is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the rehabilitation and preservation of the Harrington Opera House for the purpose of providing and promoting cultural opportunities which will enhance community and economic development and which will also promote the cultural heritage of Harrington and the surrounding areas.

Rummage Fundraising

Three rummages were held this year; Leap day, Fun in the Sun and Treats no Tricks. Even as crazy as 2020 was, the quantity of items arriving continued to astound us. Vintage treasures were mixed in with the ordinary and not so ordinary stuff of life; some old; some even really old; some gently used, at times even new. The odd, the unusual, even one of a kind. Then came the shoppers, as they found treasures and needful things to take home, their generosity reflected that of the donors of those items.

The monies raised this year and last are being used in part to construct a new stairway to the basement in the west end of the building. Also electricity and lights are planned for the rummage room. And part goes to general operating expenses. Tentative plans are for three rummages this year in May, June and July. Watch for ads in the Lincoln Advertiser. Also, some items will be featured on-line, so follow us there.

The ongoing overflow of support of the Historic Harrington Opera House speaks volumes. It is a true blessing to be part of a caring community. Our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one; you make a difference! Come & rummage - we might have just the thing(s) you are looking for!

Carol, HOHS Rummage Chair



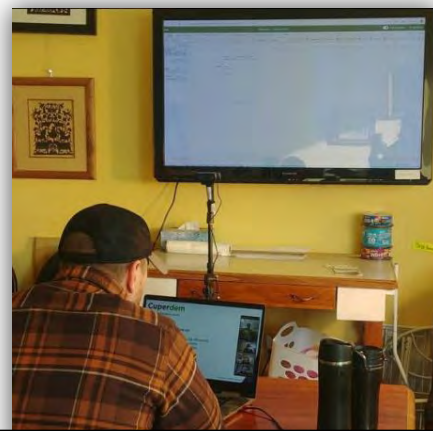
While the HOHS has not been able to present performances or presentations for the public, the Society continues with building upkeep, fundraising efforts, and supporting the Harrington community.



Harrington Community Halloween Activities



New handrail installed!
Thank you Lorraine Gilliland



Zoom Room in The Art Room! Hi speed internet & equipment available for business, organization or family use.

A few images from over the years



First event in the Opera House - 1904



Pre-1907 Postcard



LEFT

The HOH Auditorium in 1992 when the Harrington Opera House Society was formed. The last prior event was a Valentines Dance in the 1950s.

RIGHT

A view from the stage in 2008 when we cut a hole in the floor to add a new staircase.



LEFT

2008 Bronn & Katherine Journey Concert

RIGHT

Bank Block in 1994

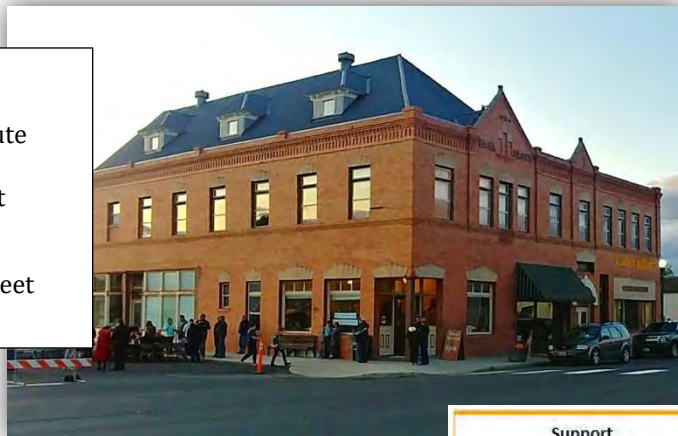


LEFT

2019 Concert Alicia Mielke flute with piano accompaniment

RIGHT

Fall Festival Street Dance - 2019



Historical photo albums are available to view in the lobby of the Harrington Opera House.

Tours are available by request.

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