



# Rainier, Oregon Historical Museum

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Welcome to the new Rainier, Oregon Historical Museum, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of Rainier's long and rich history. It is our goal to collect and archive historical photos and memorabilia that relate to our town and the genealogies of the families who once lived here and those who still do. Everything collected will be available electronically to the public for research and for enjoyment of learning of the events that shaped our community over the last 165 years. **We've been working with the city in acquiring a space in the city hall in a room across from the library that the city plans to remodel in 2016.**

Some interesting facts that you may not know: the Columbia River once froze over and a wagon pulled by a team of horses crossed over the ice, that a stockade was built in town to be used as protection against an Indian uprising, and that German saboteurs in WWI set fire to the Columbia River Door Company in Rainier that made spruce engine girders for English airplanes.

We're inviting the public to join us. For those who are interested, there are several ways to participate. You can volunteer your time, make a donation and become a supporting member (see back for details). Please think of us if you have any items you wish to donate. And if you are moving or planning to disperse any items, let us know if you find anything of historical significance. Also, if you have old photos that you wish not to part with, we can scan them and add the images to our collection for others to enjoy. Please call Judy Doving at 503-369-1971 or e-mail **Kay Heflin** at [kay-lynn2@hotmail.com](mailto:kay-lynn2@hotmail.com) or **Martha Van Natta** at [martha13@hotmail.com](mailto:martha13@hotmail.com).



**Meet the ROHM board members: Front row seated L to R: Kay Heflin (President), Martha Van Natta (Vice President), Carl Pellham (Director). Standing L to R: Mike Clark (Treasurer), Rick Burnham (Director) and Judy Doving (Secretary). We're dedicated in creating a new museum that will preserve our history.**



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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### Annual Membership (\*)

- Individual Membership \$20
- Renewal of Membership \$15
- Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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(\*) A portion of the membership fees and monetary donations will go towards our goal of reaching \$400, needed when we apply for IRS tax exempt status.