



Baker Cabin Historical Society, "To create and perpetuate a property of interest and historical value, for community use"

October 2022

Help us restore a treasured Baker Cabin artifact

A prized piece of history included in the Baker Cabin collection is sitting in the shed at the site, awaiting restoration. In the earliest days of the community, as Horace and Jane Baker occupied their cabin, Horace operated a ferry that carried wagons and travelers across the Clackamas River. The ferry is documented in a photo from about 1880, showing mules and a wagon making the crossing.

That very wagon from the photo was donated to the Baker Cabin Historical Society by Arner and Linda Madsen. Today, it's stacked in pieces because it needs work before it can be put on display. The wheels need to be rebuilt before the wagon can be reassembled and rolled out for people to see.

Baker Cabin Historical Society would like to add this to the overall collection. The wheels are currently being restored by an honest-to-goodness wheelwright in Shelton, Wash. The estimated cost for fixing all four wheels is \$1880. If you would like to donate to this effort, it will speed the work on this wagon and help tell the story of the early days of our county.



Make a Donation

The Baker Cabin Society is a non-profit association that works off your donations. Click on our donation link to make a donation today. Or mail your check to:

Baker Cabin Historical Society
P.O. Box 741
Oregon City, OR 97045

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We are fundraising for \$1880 to restore the weathered and broken wheels that once rolled on early Oregon Territory roads carrying stone, building supplies, and pioneers around the Carver area and beyond. You can be a part of history by donating today!



The generosity of Arner and Linda Madsen brought the wagon to the Historic Society. But that's just the beginning. The wagon's years of wear and tear are plain to see. We'd like to give it the tender loving care it deserves!

If you happen to have any information about this wagon, we'd love to hear from you. Drop us a note at BakerCabinHistory@gmail.com if you have memories or news about this interesting piece of Oregon history.



— SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 5th —

Fall-Fest Open House and Concert, 3 - 7 p.m.

Get caught up with your friends and neighbors, eat a festive dinner, enjoy a fabulous musical night, and get holiday photos taken in our historic setting. An **Alphorn Quickstep** and some zippy polkas in our special **concert at 6 pm** will set the mood!

Details coming soon.

3-6 pm **Open house** and photos featuring our pioneer backdrops (great for Christmas cards)!

3-6 pm **Oktoberfest-style dinner** available on site!

6-7 pm **Fall concert** featuring Phil and Gayle Neuman—don't miss the alphorns!

