

Turning Vision Into Reality (With Your Gifts)

PDHC is making significant progress toward the community's goal of developing a Heritage Center that celebrates the unique history of our area in an authentic, character-rich setting. The 1916 Northern Pacific Depot is already in steady use as venue for history-focused events, such as Palouse People talks and Depot Days. As restoration continues, Pullman Depot Heritage Center will become



Produced by the Integrated Design + Construction Lab (ID+CL) of WSU's School of Design and Construction, interactive models and renderings, like the one above, display the historic Depot in its future restored state. WSU-SDC - ID+CL

a vibrant and accessible cultural experience that attracts people of all ages and serves as a landmark asset to downtown Pullman.

In the midst of careful planning for the Depot's restoration, the unexpected discovery of the building's original green roof tiles, followed by the subsequent discovery that those original roof tiles are still being manufactured by the Ludowici company today, led to an updated vision for the project, as shown in the adjacent image by WSU's ID+CL. Now, thanks to our many donors and recent anonymous gifts of \$300,000, that updated vision will be realized.

Accessing Heritage Capital Project grant funds to complete roof replacement, window restoration, electrical upgrades, and restroom accessibility requires a two-thirds match from community donations (see article below), and this is where we'd like your support to keep the restoration moving forward. We've set a campaign goal of \$125,000. Join us as we preserve and make our history come alive!



Celebrating our 2nd annual Depot Days, volunteers in period costumes march in Pullman's Lentil Festival Parade. Festivities also included a Palouse People talk by historian Kathy Meyer on Northern Pacific's Great Big Baked Potato, several new heritage displays, and a reception honoring Mary Schweitzer and Bob King, benefactors whose notable generosity is deeply appreciated by the PDHC Steering Committee.



At a Depot Days evening reception, Dr. Wendy Powers, inaugural Cashup Davis Family Endowed Dean of WSU's College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences, is flanked by Pullman Mayor and honorary PDHC co-chair Glenn Johnson, and PDHC Steering Committee chair Linda Hackbarth. photo - WSU CAHNS

Depot Ranked Sixth for Legislative Funding

The Heritage Capital Project Advisory Panel met August 23, 2022, to rank a list of applications recommended to the Washington State Legislature for funding in the 2023-25 biennium. The panel recommended a grant award of \$237,000 for the Whitman County Historical Society, to be used for ongoing restoration of the Northern Pacific Railway Depot in Pullman. The award comes on the heels of a similar award of \$258,000 in the previous 2021-23 biennium. Funding is awarded in the form of expense reimbursement and requires a two-thirds match, so the nearly half a million dollars of legislative appropriations require double that amount from other sources including private donations.



RESTORATION UPDATE

Your donations support our continuing restoration efforts. Masonry is the current emphasis and will finish this fall. Roof restoration will begin soon. Next up windows, electrical and accessible restrooms. Stop by!



An ID+CL rendering displays the Depot's restored Main Waiting Room highlighting the original terrazzo floor, plaster beams, oak trim and enameled brick wainscoting. WSU-SDC - ID+CL



Roofing tile samples are compared for best color match to originals. Tiles for the Depot's 9,000 square foot roof will be manufactured at the Ludowici factory in Ohio and installed by CMR Construction & Roofing.

Palouse People and BookTalks

We are planning the fall and winter schedule. Do you have a story to tell about our regional heritage? Have you authored a book about our region? Contact us if you interested in sharing your story! pullmandepot.events@gmail.com

The Freight Room is open on Saturdays from 1:00 - 4:00pm.

Use the Whitman St. entrance for easy access.

Next Book Talk - October 13

Amanda Van Lanen
The Washington Apple: Orchards and the Development of Industrial Agriculture

See you at the Depot, where
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ALIVE.**

CONSIDER MAKING A GIFT TODAY Contributions to the PDHC are tax deductible.

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