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## Expanding programming through the Washington State Youth Summit

By Anne Holland

We are pleased to announce that the Washington State Youth Summit: Connecting Cultures will be taking place in the Yakima Valley and Mount Rainier National Park, July 10-13, 2012. This exciting interactive educational program will bring together 35 students and 6 teachers for four days in the Yakima Valley and Mount Rainier National Park to focus on history, heritage and natural resources.

In the fall of 2011, the Washington Trust and Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation were approached by Judy Walden and Anne Pritzlaff, two nationally recognized preservation consultants and developers of the highly successful Colorado Preserve America Youth Summit, to help develop and manage a similar program in Washington State. The goal of the program is to engage a group of students and teachers (grades 7-12) in activities to encourage appreciation of history and culture, foster involvement in historic preservation, and cultivate leaders in the stewardship of Washington's historic places.

Walden and Pritzlaff developed the Colorado Preserve America Youth Summit in 2007, and the program now has over 1,000 student and teacher alumni. Based on the tremendous success of Colorado's program, Walden and Pritzlaff were encouraged by the National Park Service, a key funder of this initiative, to expand the program to other states. The Trust is thrilled that Washington was selected as the first state to host the Youth Summit outside of Colorado, and especially excited about partnering with Walden and Pritzlaff in the Summit's development and management. "This program is a wonderful opportunity for us to engage young people in understanding and appreciating diverse cultural properties and thinking about ways to protect and interpret them. We anticipate learning

as much from them as they do from us!" says Jennifer Meisner, Executive Director of the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation. The ultimate goal is to create a model that will be replicated again in Washington State as well as other states.

Generous funding for this year's program in Washington was provided by the National Park Foundation's American Latino Heritage Fund, the National Park Service, the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, and the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation. Once participants arrive in Yakima for the opening activities, all lodging, transportation, meals and activities are provided for the participants.

This year's Summit will focus on Washington State's rich Hispanic and Latino heritage. As part of our planning efforts, we engaged many leaders in the Hispanic community including Dr. Antonio Sanchez, Director of Economic Development and International Relations, Office of Lieutenant Governor; Dr. Erasmo Gamboa, Associate Professor of American Ethnic Studies, University of Washington; Uriel Iñiguez, Executive Director, Washington State Commission on Hispanic Affairs; Luz Bazan Gutierrez, President & Chief Executive Officer, Rural Community Development Resources, Yakima, WA; Michael Morales, Assistant City Manager, City of Yakima; and Rosalinda Ibarra, Planning Technician, City of Yakima Planning Division. They all generously provided guidance and helped us develop program content, including important themes to explore and sites to visit. The support and response that we have received from these individuals and others we have reached out to have been tremendous!

We are now actively recruiting students and teachers from all over the

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*Cover photo: SIERR Building stairwell and glass encased elevator. Final design highlights the openness of space and the original daylighting scheme. The grandeur of 1906 architecture is celebrated by minimizing new infrastructure in the high bay ceilings and using glass in new construction, maximizing the visual exposure of historic features. SIERR photo courtesy of McKinstry, ©2011 Dean Davis.*

state to participate in this exciting interactive field school. Our target is to have 35 students and 6 teachers join us for this four-day program. The first half of the Youth Summit will take place in the Yakima Valley where we'll visit cultural and historic sites focusing on their significance to the Hispanic and Latino community. The second half of the program will take place at Mount Rainier National Park where we'll participate in a community service project, have the opportunity to hike and explore the natural environment, and engage in recreational activities and interpretive natural history programs.

The program promises to be informational, educational, but, more than anything, fun, with plenty of activities to keep the participants engaged and enthused. The program will conclude with a Town Hall meeting where students will share with national, regional, state and local leaders and elected officials findings and recommendations that address two core questions: (1) What would draw more Hispanic families to enjoy Mount Rainier National Park? and (2) How could the Yakima Valley share the story of Latino history with heritage travelers?

In the end, the program works to achieve four primary objectives: connect youth and teachers to historic places and landscapes; engage students in historic preservation and conservation activities; expand tools to support teachers' educational efforts around the built and natural environments; and bolster local preservation and heritage/natural tourism efforts.

Please visit our website for the complete draft itinerary, application and to find out more:

[preservewa.org/washington-state-youth-summit.aspx](http://preservewa.org/washington-state-youth-summit.aspx)

Applications are due May 11. For more information about the Youth Summit or how you can become involved, please contact Anne Holland at [aholland@preservewa.org](mailto:aholland@preservewa.org) or 206-624-9449.

## Heritage Barn Spotlight: Getting off the ground



*Calf Creek Cattle Company Barn, the stunning before and after.*

With the Colville Road, the Mullan Military Road, and the Union Pacific Railroad all converging nearby, the historic Lund Dairy Barn is situated at the crossroads of early transportation routes. Today, the barn is home to the Calf Creek Cattle Company, and thanks to funding through the Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation's Heritage Barn Grant Program, it remains standing in fully restored glory. It was, however, a close call. After successfully applying for grant funds in the fall of 2009 to rehabilitate the barn, the owners were faced with a difficult decision: what had been structural insufficiencies turned into total collapse thanks to winter weather. Even with funding through DAHP's Heritage Barn Program, Roy and Karin Clinesmith were uncertain about

the barn's future. Committed to restoring the barn, they employed the help of the local Adams County Historical Society, the McGregor Company, and a friend with a really big crane. Lampson International, a worldwide heavy lift and transport company based in Kennewick, donated the use of a heavy crane. The crane lifted the collapsed barn roof off the ground, holding it aloft for two weeks as contractors rebuilt the structure below. Once the barn was standing again, friends and family pitched in to help paint, restore windows, and generally return the barn to its original glory. For their efforts, Roy and Karin are being honored this May with an award from DAHP for outstanding achievement in the rehabilitation of a Washington Heritage Barn. The acknowledgment is well-deserved!

## RevitalizeWA 2012: Chelan

The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation is pleased to host RevitalizeWA, our second annual Preservation & Main Street Conference, featuring a variety of sessions, workshops and tours relating to the revitalization of our historic downtowns on May 23 and 24, and a special performance of *The Future Remembered* by Book-It Repertory Theater on May 22. Following the success of last year's conference, we anticipate over 200 participants from across the Pacific Northwest; we hope you will plan to join us! Please visit our website, [preservewa.org/revitalizewa.aspx](http://preservewa.org/revitalizewa.aspx), for more conference information.

### Where

Beautiful Campbell's Resort on the shore of Lake Chelan. You won't want to miss the opportunity to check out the historic town of Chelan – from shopping at Riverwalk Books, one of the state's best independent book stores, to eating at great local restaurants, tasting wonderful local wine; come see everything the Lake Chelan Valley has to offer!

### Who Should Attend?

Washington's Main Street communities, preservationists, small business owners, chambers of commerce, "buy/shop local" advocates, city and regional planners, designers, historic homeowners, preservation consultants, environmentalists, elected officials, developers, contractors, craftsmen, heritage and cultural tourism professionals, community

and economic development specialists, educators, students, architects, landscape architects and YOU.

### Conference Program

Want to learn how to create innovative storefront displays on a budget? Find out what a seismic retrofit of a historic building entails? Learn how to navigate tricky construction projects in your community, how parks play a role in economic revitalization, and how to identify and celebrate your local heritage assets. Be inspired by success stories of the revitalization of the historic Eddon Boatyard in Gig Harbor and downtown Chelan's recovery after a devastating fire. You'll also get a chance to hear about the history of World's Fairs as part of our celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the 1962 Seattle World's Fair! RevitalizeWA is an outstanding opportunity

to learn through educational sessions, tours and networking receptions. We'll also again be hosting a silent auction, the proceeds of which will be dedicated to the Washington Main Street Program.

Want to find out more about the Main Street 4-point approach and hear more about the National Main Street Center's revised economic development philosophy? Todd Barman, Senior Program Officer with the National Trust's Main Street Center, will share his vast expertise at Tuesday's "Main Street 101" pre-conference workshop from 1-4pm. Those interested in learning all there is to know about the IRS's compliance requirements for non-profits will want to check out our other pre-conference workshop, "Non-profit IRS Compliance Issues."

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## It's not too late!

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*The Ruby Theatre in downtown Chelan. Don't miss Seattle's Book-It Repertory Theatre's performance of *The Future Remembered* on Tuesday, May 22.*

## 2011 RevitalizeWA Preliminary Conference Schedule

### Tuesday, May 22

- 12:00 pm **Conference Registration Opens at Campbell's Resort**
- 1:00 pm **Pre-Conference Workshops**  
Main Street 101  
Non-profit IRS Compliance Issues
- 4:30 pm **Opening Reception**  
*Announcement of the 2012 Most Endangered Historic Properties List*
- 6:00 pm **Enjoy dinner on your own in downtown Chelan!**
- 8:00 pm **The Future Remembered at the Ruby Theatre**

### Wednesday May 23

- 7:30 am **Registration & Coffee**
- 8:30 am **Opening Plenary** Michael Shuman  
*Local Dollars, Local Sense: How to Revitalize Main Street by Moving Our Money from Wall Street*
- 10:00 am **Coffee Break**
- 10:30 am **Session One**  
Northwest Style: Architecture on Washington's Main Streets  
The Living City Design Competition: Common Ground at the Crossroads of Historic Preservation, Sustainable Progress, and Social Justice  
Tackling a Building Restoration Project: A Contractor's Perspective  
*TOUR: General Downtown Tour by the Chelan Historical Society*
- 12:00 pm **Lunch on your own in downtown Chelan!**  
*Check the registration page to buy a ticket to have lunch with our Keynote Speaker, Michael Shuman. (Register early - only 25 seats are available!)*
- 1:30 pm **Session Two**  
Eddon Boat: Maritime Main Street  
Big City Windows on a Main Street Budget  
Historic Rehabilitation: Are Tax Credits for You?  
*TOUR: Complete Streets & Main Street: Two Ways to Save & Healthy Communities*
- 3:00 pm **Break**
- 3:30 pm **Session Three**  
Landmarks of the Future: The Heritage, Legacy and Promise of World's Fairs  
Building Organizational Leadership Capacity - Best Practices for Non Profit Boards  
Risk Mitigation & Techniques in Historic Building Seismic Retrofit  
*TOUR: Historic Building Rehab*
- 5:30 pm **Excellence on Main Awards Reception**  
*Awards will be presented for Outstanding Partnership, Economic Restructuring, Outstanding Design or Rehabilitation, Business Success Story, Outstanding Achievement in Promotion and Outstanding Special Project.*
- 7:00 pm **Enjoy dinner on your own in downtown Chelan!**

### Thursday May 24

- 8:00 am **Registration & Coffee**
- 8:30 am **Session Four**  
Greetings from Snohomish County!  
Right Way/Wrong Way: Navigating Downtown Construction Projects  
Revitalizing Your Downtown through Parks and Recreation  
*TOUR: Historic Building Rehab*
- 10:00 am **Break**
- 10:30 am **Session Five**  
Strength in Preservation: Revitalization in downtown Chelan  
Volunteer Recruitment and Development  
Building Talk with Mick & Nick  
*TOUR: General Downtown Tour by the Chelan Historical Society*
- 12:00 pm **Conference Adjourns - Thank You!**

## RevitalizeWA Keynote Speaker: Michael Shuman

We are absolutely thrilled to welcome Michael Shuman as our keynote speaker for RevitalizeWA!



Michael is a Business Alliance of Local Living Economies (BALLE) Fellow and Director of

Research and Marketing at Cutting Edge Capital. In an era of tight state and local budgets, downtown revitalization organizations increasingly depend on the creative mobilization of private capital. Drawing from his new book, Michael will share a dozen new tools that communities are using to link the 99% of investors who are not "accredited" (or wealthy) with the 99% of organizations that are small. Some of these tools can be used for downtown revitalization and preservation projects. Among the tools discussed will be targeted CDs, new types of co-ops, local food bonds, local stock and stock exchanges, P2P internet sites, local investment clubs, and self-directed IRAs. Michael's new book, *Local Dollars, Local Sense: How to Shift Your Money from Wall Street to Main Street and Achieve Real Prosperity—A Resilient Communities Guide*, was just released and will be available for sale at the conference!

Michael will be speaking Wednesday morning, May 23rd at our Opening Plenary. Want to have lunch with Michael after his keynote? Register quickly – there are only 25 spaces!

## The SIERR Building: Historic preservation meets energy efficiency

By Kim Pearman-Gillman, McKinstry

*As part of our October 2011 "Going Green" edition of Trust News, we published several "in progress" photographs of McKinstry's SIERR Building (see page 7 in the October issue). This is a full article followup of a great project in Spokane.*



*SIERR November 2011 after restoration. Original windows and doors have been replaced with near-exact replicas utilizing state of the art windows, custom made by Pella. The new windows were able to achieve greater energy efficiency, have considerably less maintenance while creating a more comfortable environment. SIERR photo courtesy of McKinstry, ©2011 Dean Davis.*

When completed in 1907, the Spokane & Inland Empire Railroad (SIERR) facility – located on the Oxbow Peninsula along the shores of the Spokane River – helped advance the western United States' development of electric interurban and city railroads, and was pivotal in transforming the 1,000-person settlement formerly known as Spokane Falls into modern-day Spokane. A century later the complex stood as a dilapidated, crumbling piece of Spokane history that left much to be desired in this important and recently emerging key University District in downtown Spokane.

Last year, McKinstry, a leader in integrated construction, energy, service and smart building innovations, purchased the complex to use as its base of operations for the Inland Northwest with the vision of restoring it to its grandeur and reconnecting it as a vital part of Spokane's urban fabric. The historic renovation and adaptive reuse of the SIERR facility also focused on thoughtful sustainable design and

efficient operations – the building will save 40 percent more energy than a LEED-minimum building its size and is only one of a handful of historic buildings nationally to achieve LEED Gold designation. The transformation will serve as a model for restoring historic buildings to be efficient, smart and clean.

While the facility was near condemnation upon purchase, it remains the largest, most intact building assemblage arising from the early 20th century heyday of the electric railroad in the Inland Empire of Washington state. A 1956 conversion from a railway storage and repair facility for the Great Northern Railroad into a warehouse for a trucking company stripped the building of some of its original historic integrity. All of the tracks system, interior repair pits and railroad-related equipment were removed; nearly all of the windows cinder-blocked in, and skylights and wooden train doorways were removed. By 2010, the building had fallen into such disrepair, that

hundreds of wood shipping pallets served as pillars to hold up a section of the roof.

This project brought together local community partners dedicated to preserving a vital symbol of Spokane's past and created more than 200 direct jobs. McKinstry utilized numerous local Spokane firms to help achieve its vision including general contractor, Lydig Construction; landscape architects, CTA Group; civil engineering, DCI Engineering; historic preservation consultant, Stephen Day of RPNG; and interior design, Design Source. McKinstry completed the interior architecture and mechanical and electrical design/build in house. In addition, more than 30 subcontracting firms and a number of departments within the City of Spokane were involved in the restoration of this icon.

McKinstry began construction in summer 2010 and completed the restoration in just 15 months, with a total of \$20 million invested in the project. Meticulous attention to detail was paid to the restoration of the historic elements of the building and nearly all of the unique, turn-of-the-century elements within the former railcar facility were able to be salvaged. McKinstry worked in close collaboration with the National Park Service to ensure the renovation was preserving the building's heritage. The brick walls are one of the most distinguishing factors of this structure and in order to restore them, more than 12 different cleaning methods were used. The rebuilding of a corner of the building that had been hit by a train required new bricks, and McKinstry was able to track down the original brick maker for a perfect match. All 160 original windows were restored to their original state and seven skylights were re-created, creating ample daylighting—a key efficiency feature of the building that also took it back to its origins as a day-lit building.



SIERR November 2011 after restoration, the Car Barn 2 interior meeting and café area called "Tracks". The historic renovation celebrates the 1906 architecture by leaving the original ceiling trusses intact. New structures within the Car Barn, serving modern day office tenants, recreate in scale and context of the original trains located within the facility. SIERR photo courtesy of McKinstry, ©2011 Dean Davis.

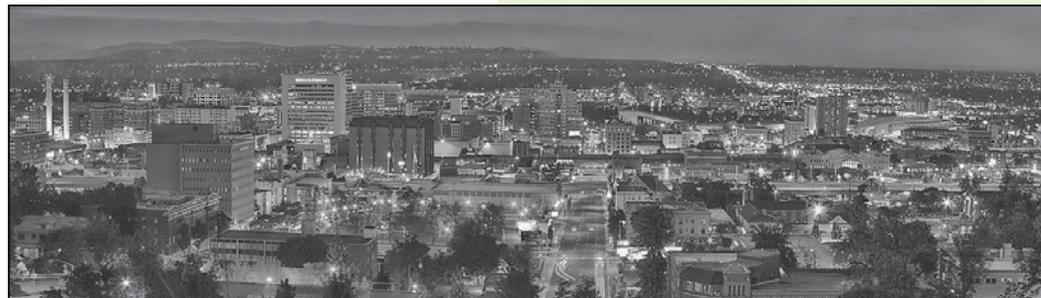
In addition to being fully restored with all the historic significance intact, the building is now a high-tech office space that consumes significantly less energy than an office building of its size. Sustainable features of the building include locally-sourced materials, a closed loop ground source heat pump system, radiant heating and cooling for office spaces, evaporative cooling for the server room, and demand control ventilation for conference rooms. In addition, there is a cistern to collect rain water on the roof and use it for landscape irrigation, full recycling of tenants waste into appropriate composting, recycling and fuel for the waste-to-energy plant. The daylighting features of the building were maintained and enhanced to create natural lighting and reduce the need for electric light sources. Finally, the historic items carefully restored in the building evoke the streetcar and railroad in their heyday—creating a great working environment for the company's employees.

These efforts resulted in a fully-restored, prominent piece of railroad history that will serve as a model of the company's vision for rehabilitating historic buildings to be efficient, smart and clean. The project has also shown that state-of-the-art approaches to energy efficiency can be successfully

aligned with historic preservation's "best practice" standards. McKinstry believes that by making historic structures energy efficient, we reduce the cost to operate them into the future and prove restoration to be a more viable, attractive business proposition.

*The SIERR Building recently received the Valerie Sivinski Rehabilitation Award as part of Washington State's Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation's State Historic Preservation's Officers Awards for 2012. Recipients of the award must demonstrate how the restoration or rehabilitation of an historic property was a laudable effort using the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Preservation, or achieved a satisfactory result by going over and beyond the normal accepted practices.*

*The SIERR Building has also been nominated for a National Trust for Historic Preservation Honor Award.*



Spokane's skyline: a panorama view from Cliff Drive on South Hill looking north. © 2010 John D. Moore, CPP All Rights Reserved.

## SAVE THE DATE!

October 31-November 3, 2012

National Trust for Historic Preservation  
Conference in Spokane, Washington



The landmark renovation of the 1907 McKinstry/SIERR Building, originally a railroad repair depot, is just one example of historic preservation and adaptive reuse in Spokane. Proposed conference field sessions include tours of the Pearl, a downtown affordable housing project, the Honor Award winning Steam Plant Square, the Saranac Hotel, Spokane's first LEED Platinum building, as well as the McKinstry/SIERR renovation.

The field session "Diamonds in the Rough" highlights the city's commitment to brownfield redevelopment, from the derelict railyards on the banks of the Spokane River that became the 1974 World's Fair to the municipal steam plant transformed into a brewery and restaurant, among others. Learn about the challenges and the remedies that helped these rough diamonds shine.

Stay tuned for more conference information in the coming months. For a preview, watch *Beyond Boundaries*, a short film celebrating historic Spokane at:

[preservationnation.org/conference](http://preservationnation.org/conference)

To request a special brochure with information about Spokane for conference attendees, please contact:

[bdsinfo@spokanecity.org](mailto:bdsinfo@spokanecity.org)

## Where in the WA is your Trust?

As anticipated, the photo featured in our January 2012 issue of *Trust News* proved to be much easier to identify with five correct guesses of the Oysterville Baptist Church. Pamela Boyles & Roger Johnson of Tacoma were the first to identify the “little historic church in Oysterville, Washington” with Holly Taylor of Vashon Island a close second. Holly visited the “lovely Oysterville Church built in 1892” on a December trip to Pacific County. She also noted that the church is featured in Arnold and Esther Pearson’s classic, *Early Churches of Washington State*, which catalogs 78 mostly wood frame churches built between 1856 and 1916 in striking photographs and informative text. Published in 1980 by the University of Washington Press, this book is no longer in print but is widely available in used book stores and through online sellers and is well worth the search.

Nancy Bell Anderson of Gearhart, Oregon also supplied a correct guess, but that is not a surprise given the fact that Nancy runs the Knappton Cove Heritage Center in nearby Naselle. Caroline Swope of Tacoma and Derek Chisholm of Vancouver knew of the building from visits to the area.



The Oysterville Church looks much the same today as in this historic photo thanks to the efforts of the Oysterville Restoration Foundation.



The Oysterville Church tower, photo submitted by Derek Chisholm.

For Derek, the photo was “easier to guess than most,” and he sent his own image, a detail of the church’s shingle-clad steeple. He noted that the church is open to the public and makes for an interesting stop on the way to the local oyster shop. He also recommends a walk through the cemetery, something that he has done with his wife with Douglas Keister’s *Stories in Stone: A Field Guide to Cemetery Symbolism and Iconography* as their guide.

For those not familiar with Oysterville, this charming historic village is

located in the southwest corner of our state near the northern end of the Long Beach Peninsula along the western shore of Willapa Bay. Encompassing some 80 acres of the village, the Oysterville Historic District was listed on the state and national registers in 1976 and includes a collection of historic structures, which date primarily to the 1860s and 1870s. This was a time when the local oyster industry was booming after the town’s founding in 1854 with native oysters harvested and shipped directly to San Francisco. Although the oyster industry had largely declined by the 1890s, a significant percentage of the town’s original fabric remains as evidence of the once prosperous community that developed as a result of one of Washington Territory’s earliest industries. Long a popular subject for photographers and artists, the Oysterville Church stands today much as it did when it was built 120 years ago thanks to the efforts of the non-profit Oysterville Restoration Foundation (ORF). Their website, [oysterville.org](http://oysterville.org), highlights Oysterville’s history and features illustrations and descriptions from the *Walking Tour of Oysterville*, a brochure of the Historic District produced by ORF that is available at the Church. Pick up a copy on your next visit!



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**April 2012:** For your next challenge, we are showing just a detail of a distinctive historic location. Email us at [info@preservewa.org](mailto:info@preservewa.org) or call our office at 206-624-9449 with the location pictured in the photo. If you have your own photo of the location, send that to us too. We also welcome images of our readers taken in their favorite places around our beautiful state. Good luck!

## Swenson Say Fagét

*The Washington Trust relies on companies that help protect the places that matter in Washington State. Swenson Say Fagét is a long-time supporter of the Trust, and an expert in historic preservation. At Swenson Say Fagét, their structural engineers are committed to finding the right design solutions and providing the highest caliber engineering services to their clients, which include architects, designers, contractors, developers and building owners. Their success in historic preservation stems from their ability to marry new and existing systems together to provide a cost effective, efficient and safer structure; many of the structures they have upgraded are on the historic register or have been petitioned for historic status.*

Swenson Say Fagét, Structural Engineers and BOLA Architecture + Planning were contracted by the City of Port Angeles to provide a condition report for the city-owned, Port Angeles Historic Fire House. The Fire House is a prominent structure within the city and has a rich history as a public institution and as home over the years to many different organizations and occupants. Its location within the Port Angeles Civic Historic District (which was listed on the National Register in May 2011), along with the 1919 Carnegie Library and the 1915 Clallam County Courthouse, and its public ownership make it worthy of study and restoration planning.

In 1931 a new building was constructed as the first permanent headquarters for the Fire Department at 215 S. Lincoln. The new Fire House was located between the Carnegie Library and Central Park (now Veterans Memorial Park). Also included in the design of the building were spaces for the City Jail and City Council chambers. The Fire House is



*The fire house today. Photo courtesy of Swenson Say Fagét.*

a two-story reinforced concrete and brick structure, designed by Seattle architect William Aitken and built by S. S. Mullen. The building is in the Art Deco style, detailed with ornamental

terra cotta and decorative brick patterns. The terra cotta is notable for its Middle Eastern influenced Art Deco design. The new Fire House was an object of pride for the city, and a grand open house was advertised in the local newspaper to celebrate its completion.

The Fire House remained in service until the

1950s. After this time, a community study recommended the building for use as a juvenile home, which it was for some time. The building also housed the city's first YMCA, the City Sanitation Department, and the Senior Center. By the 1980s, the building was mostly used for private businesses including restaurants, offices and a dance studio. In the 1990s, the fire house was strengthened to mitigate seismic hazards. The main space of the first floor was last occupied by a restaurant until 2006. Currently, the building is vacant except for one occupied office at the southeast corner of the second floor.

The engineering and architectural team assessed the Fire House's existing condition and deficiencies for a yet undetermined public use. A detailed report was prepared to assist the City in program and budget planning.



*View of the historic fire house with its doors open, date unknown. Photo courtesy of BOLA Architecture.*

## Member Profile

# Ed Garretson

*Ed Garretson is a longtime member of the Washington Trust, and one of our most active participants for "Where in the WA." We are happy to feature a little bit about him to help you get to know your fellow Trust members!*

I came to Pullman in 1970 from the east coast and after a year settled in Uniontown, a town of 300 people, 15 miles south of Pullman. I immediately became fascinated with local history as the awareness hit me that these people of Uniontown had settled here only a few generations ago and had left their enduring mark with the St. Boniface Catholic Church building that seated 430 people. I wanted to read the local newspaper during the years when the church was constructed—only to discover that these weekly newspapers were not available. I realized how important it is to preserve our heritage and joined the Whitman County Historical Society. Soon I became involved with the Historical Society's archive. Now retired, I am able to devote 2 or 3 days a week to the archive, and am currently working to find the Uniontown newspapers for the first 25 years of its publication. (We have the issues from 1919 to the last year of publication, 1969.)

My records indicate that I joined the Washington Trust in January of 1978; I have maintained my membership over the years because I have been so pleased with the way the Washington Trust has worked to preserve our physical heritage. Our organization has grown and expanded, and it now plays a critical role in contemporary preservation issues.

Edwin P. Garretson, Jr.  
*Retired Washington State University faculty member*



*Uniontown in the winter of 1916. The large structure with the mansard roof was the 1886 Catholic school, now gone. The house to the right is my 1913 house. Next is the rear of a two story brick house across the street from me, next is the Rectory (1912), St Boniface Church (1905), and the Convent (1906), now the Churchyard Inn, a successful Bed and Breakfast.*

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## The Future Remembered

Join fellow conference attendees at the historic Ruby Theatre for this special performance of *The Future Remembered*. Seattle's Book-It Repertory Theatre has adapted the retrospective book, *The Future Remembered*, that recalls the formal and the funky, the weird and the wonderful event that put Seattle on the national map: the 1962 World's Fair, and we are thrilled to have them performing this piece as part of the conference. This is a must-see performance!

## Excellence on Main Awards

You won't want to miss this year's Main Street awards, Excellence on Main, presented at our Wednesday evening reception. Grab a drink, some light hors d'oeuvres and celebrate as we announce this year's outstanding award winners.

## Conference Registration

Registration is open through Eventbrite! You can find a link on our website, or go directly to: [revitalizewa2012.eventbrite.com](http://revitalizewa2012.eventbrite.com)

Are there five or more individuals registering from your organization? Are you an Affiliate or Main Street Tax Credit Incentive Community? Contact us for a special reduced registration code.

## Lodging

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