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Common Challenges Faced When it Comes to Restoring Historic Buildings

August 18, 2025

By: Advanced Restoration Inc.

Restoring historic buildings across Milwaukee and the surrounding areas often comes with unique challenges that can't be addressed through standard renovation practices. These structures carry decades, sometimes centuries, of craftsmanship, material use, and construction methods that require careful consideration to protect their original character. At Advanced Restoration, we've worked with many property owners and managers who seek to preserve the historic integrity of their buildings while bringing them back to life.

Material Matching Can Be Complicated When Restoring Historic Buildings

One of the most common issues during the restoration of a historic building is finding the right materials. [Brick](#), mortar, and stone used in the early 1900s or even earlier often differ in texture, size, color, and composition from those available today. Using modern substitutes can lead to mismatches that change the appearance of the building or affect its structural behavior. Even a slight variation in mortar mixture or brick color can stand out, disrupting the visual harmony of the façade.

Advanced Restoration sources materials with great care to match original components as closely as possible. This step protects both the structure's historical look and its long-term performance. Histor-

ic masonry preservation isn't just about aesthetics—it's also about using materials that interact with the building the way the originals did, especially when it comes to moisture movement and breathability.

Uncovering Hidden Structural Damage

Many historic buildings appear sturdy from the outside, but they often conceal years of wear be-

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Section 106 is Threatened

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act faces a critical threat following a July 24, 2026, vote by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) to approve a sweeping draft rewrite of its implementing regulations. Preservationists and Tribal Nations warn the changes would gut core legal protections. [1, 2]

Key Threats and Proposed Changes

- **Eliminated Mandates:** Removes requirements for federal agencies to try to avoid, minimize, or mitigate damage to historic sites.
- **Reduced Tribal Input:** Strips mandatory consultation requirements with Native American Tribes regarding sacred and cul-

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Weston Area Development Association

WADA was organized as a nonprofit to assist in obtaining grants, appropriations, donations, and other types of funding to work on historic preservation, economic development, and more in the Weston area — not just downtown.

Weston needs funding to restore the downtown buildings as well as develop economic opportunities for the community. WADA will work cooperatively with local, state, and federal government resources.

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hind their walls. Water intrusion, foundation settling, or neglected maintenance can cause significant damage that isn't always immediately visible. Once restoration work begins, uncovering these hidden issues can significantly alter the scope of the project.

For example, damaged load-bearing walls, failing chimneys, or deteriorated parapets are common in older Milwaukee structures. If these areas are left untreated, they can become safety hazards. When restoring historic buildings, the process often begins with a detailed assessment to catch underlying damage early. Advanced Restoration conducts a careful review before any surface-level work begins so that necessary structural repairs are addressed right alongside visual improvements.

Navigating Historic Preservation Regulations

Another challenge is meeting the standards set by local and national preservation guidelines. Milwaukee and many surrounding communities require approvals or permits before any changes can be made to buildings with historic status. These rules often cover more than just design. They can limit which materials may be used, how repairs are carried out, and whether updates, such as window replacements or entry modifications, are allowed.

Working with a contractor familiar with these regulations can save property managers time and stress. Advanced Restoration understands the importance of adhering to preservation requirements while also helping building owners move forward with updates that enhance the structure's safety and functionality. The goal is to respect the building's past while making it suitable for modern use.

Managing Moisture and Weathering Issues

Historic buildings in Wisconsin deal with extreme seasonal shifts. From freezing winters to humid summers, masonry materials expand and contract in response to changes in temperature over time. If past repairs were made with incompatible materials or if aging features, such as [flashing](#) or mortar joints, have deteriorated, moisture problems can develop quickly.

Restoration work often includes repointing, waterproofing, and brick replacement to protect against further weather-related wear. These are delicate steps that require attention to the original design while updating vulnerable areas. Advanced Restoration approaches moisture management with long-term performance in mind, especially for historic commercial and institutional buildings throughout the region.

Preserving Architectural Details

Decorative brickwork, hand-carved stone elements, and unique cornices are common in historic Milwaukee buildings. These architectural details often define the structure's look but can be easily damaged by improper repairs or harsh cleaning methods. In some cases, past renovations may have already removed or altered these features, making accurate restoration more difficult.

Restoring historic buildings involves studying the building's original design and employing preservation techniques that revive these details without causing further harm. Whether it's carefully rebuilding a damaged archway or replicating a specific pattern in the masonry, retaining these features adds both value and beauty.

<https://advancedrestoration.org/common-challenges-faced-when-it-comes-to-restoring-historic-buildings/>

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tural resources.

• **Discretionary Public Notice:** Makes public participation and local government notification completely optional at the whim of federal agencies.

Narrowed Definitions: Changes what qualifies as a "historic property" and excludes major cultural landscapes from review. [1, 2]

Current Status and Next Steps

• The ACHP advanced the draft to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) for review.

• The rule has not yet been formally published for public comment in the Federal Register.

Preservation groups and the National Trust for Historic Preservation are organizing opposition and urging the public to contact lawmakers. [2, 3, 4]

[1] <https://savingplaces.org>

[2] <https://culturalheritagepartners.com>

[3] <https://culturalheritagepartners.com>

[4] <https://savingplaces.org>

Reach out to Oregon's federal delegation immediately to urge them to legally challenge and halt the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's (ACHP) sweeping draft rewrite of Section 106. Because the ACHP recently voted 15 to 5 to advance these rules to the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), congressional and executive opposition is the primary tool available before the rule enters the Federal Register for public comment. [1, 2, 3]

Contact Oregon's U.S. Senators: Submit an electronic message or call the offices of Senator [Ron Wyden](https://www.wyden.senate.gov/) <https://www.wyden.senate.gov/> and Senator [Jeff Merkley](https://www.merkley.senate.gov/). <https://www.merkley.senate.gov/> [2]

♦ **Contact Your U.S. Representative:** Locate your specific lawmaker via **Cliff Bentz** at <https://bentz.house.gov/> [4]

Thank Active Officials: If you reside in Oregon's 3rd Congressional District, thank Representative [Maxine Dexter](#), who alongside Senators [Wyden](#) and [Merkley](#) has already been publicly fighting back against this rollback. [2, 5]

Write to Governor [Tina Kotek](#): Urge the Governor to coordinate with the State Historic Preservation Office (Oregon Heritage) to formally contest the exclusion of state-level oversight. [4, 6, 7]

Prepare for the Federal Register: Sign up for

regulatory alerts via Restore Oregon or the [National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) to submit a formal comment as soon as the mandatory 30-day public window opens. [2, 4, 8]

These core talking points are sourced directly from advocacy updates by [Restore Oregon](#) and the [Cultural Heritage Partners War Room](#): [2, 3]

• **This Isn't Streamlining, It Sidelines the Public:** The rule change does not improve efficiency; it strips ordinary citizens, local municipalities, and historic societies of their legally protected right to weigh in on federal projects impacting their neighborhoods.

• **Good Process Creates Better Projects:** Section 106 reviews are designed to identify costly problems early, reduce localized conflicts, and avoid project-delaying lawsuits. Erasing the mandate to avoid or mitigate harm will invite litigation, causing worse delays.

• **Eviscerating Tribal and State Sovereignty:** Redefining "consultation" to mean merely "seeking and considering" views—rather than actively working to reach an agreement—strips power from State and Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs/THPOs) and hands total control to federal agencies and private applicants.

• **Irreplaceable Economic Loss:** Historic preservation is a proven investment that drives local Oregon tourism, creates jobs, and anchors Main Street economies. Once these cultural landscapes and historic sites are destroyed, they are gone forever. [9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14]

"I am an Oregon resident, and I am calling/writing to urge you to legally challenge the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's recent partisan vote to strip the public's voice and remove mandatory protections from Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. These proposed changes would hand total discretion to federal agencies, allowing them to bypass local communities, ignore State and Tribal preservation experts, and destroy our shared cultural heritage. Please use your oversight authority to block this rule at OIRA and protect Oregon's historic, natural, and cultural assets." [1, 2, 3, 7, 13]

[1] <https://www.swca.com>

[2] <https://restoreoregon.org>

[3] <https://culturalheritagepartners.com>

[4] <https://savingplaces.org>

[5] <https://www.youtube.com>

[6] <https://www.oregon.gov>

[7] <https://www.instagram.com>



Pendleton, Oregon recently hosted a major gathering of over 300 vintage and restored vehicles for the Model A Ford Club of America National Convention from May 31 to June 7, 2026, at the Pendleton Convention Center. Some of them passed through Weston, stopping off at the Long Branch Café & Saloon and Stagecoach. (Contributed photos)



Seeking Weston Area Historic Preservation Advocates!

Weston Area Development Association (WADA) was organized as a nonprofit to encourage restoration and revitalization in downtown Weston and the general area that results in economic development and a positive sense of community. We have a vision to preserve and enhance the historic charm and uniqueness of the history of Weston.

The Weston Area Development Association (WADA) will work cooperatively with local, state, and federal government resources as well as other organizations and individuals.

Interested persons should be at least eighteen years of age, live in Weston preferably but not required. The WADA Board looks for members who are willing to commit time and energy to our Mission and Vision.

Board of Director positions are 3-year terms beginning in the corporate year of January to December. The Board meets monthly via Zoom.

If you are interested in joining us please request our board application form by email at WADA97886@gmail.com. If you prefer to call, you can reach us at 541-626-7229. Check us out at: <https://WestonOregon.com>

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Our food comes to us once a month from the Oregon Food Bank distributed through CAPECO in Pendleton. We use donated funds to supplement what we get from CAPECO.

We buy eggs, cheese, milk and butter each month with a cost of about **\$3000/month**.



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WESTON FARMER BIG WINNER, POTATO SHOW

The sweepstakes ribbon, the highest honor accorded at the annual Weston Potato Show, went this year to Walter Rayborn, prominent Weston farmer. The show closed Saturday night and results of the judging are announced as follows:

Certified Netted Gems: Walter Rayborn, W. L. Rayborn, Herman Henderson, Ralph Lansdale.

Certified Rural Type: W. L. Rayborn.

Mountain Seed Netted Gems: D. W. Ulrey, Alec McCorkell, Will Burkhardt, Noah Bonewitz.

Mountain Seed Rural Type: F. R. Clifton, Raymond Ferguson, Albert Davis, Joe Wurzer.

Sweepstakes Ribbon: Walter Rayborn, points 939.

Netted Gems Commercial Potatoes: D. W. Ulrey, W. L. Rayborn, Arthur Gould, Roy Hyatt.

Commercial Potatoes, Rural Type: W. T. Purcell, F. R. Clifton, Raymond Ferguson.

Oats: Will McCorkell, F. R. Clifton, Raymond Ferguson.

Barley: W. L. Rayborn, O. Reinmann, Newt O'Harra.

Wheat: Johnson Bros.

Sweet Corn: Roy Hyatt, Will Hall, R. H. King.

Popcorn: Vern Cable, F. R. Clifton.

Field Corn: Roy Hyatt, Vern Cable, F. R. Clifton.

Cabbage: Roy Hyatt, D. W. Ulrey.

Turnips: Will Hall, Vergil Hall.

Biggest Squash: Will Purcell.

Canned Fruit: Mrs. A. Jensen, Mrs. Selmer Thompson, Mrs. E. E. Tucker.

Canned Vegetables: Mrs. E. E. Tucker, Mrs. A. Jensen, Mrs. B. Keizur.

Peas: Washington-Idaho Seed Co.

Beans: Will Purcell.

School Exhibits: District No. 19, Weston, first; District No. 49, Weston Mountain, second.

Individual School Exhibits: Glenn Davis, Nadine Hyatt, Roy Eves.

Needlework: Mrs. A. F. Futer, Mrs. L. I. O'Harra, Mrs. T. L. McBride.

Quilts: Mrs. Thomas C. Gettings, Mrs. E. R. Haney, Mrs. James P. Lieuallen.

Single Farm Display: D. W. Ulrey, first, points 81; Will Purcell, second.

Girls' 4-H Club, Sewing: Lois Gilliland, Merna Adkins, Violet Keizur.

Girls' and Boys' 4-H Club, Sheep: Ilene Anderson, Hugh Gilliland, Verne Cable, Archie Beamer, Lois Beamer, Stanley Fisk.

Girls' and Boys' 4-H Club, Pigs:

Brood sow class: Hugh Gilliland, Archie Beamer, Myron Greer.

Market class: Emery Purcell, Eunice Cable, Dan Cable.

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BIG VARIETY TO BE SHOWN AT WESTON POTATO, GRAIN SHOW

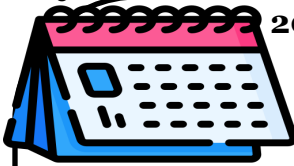
The third annual Umatilla County Potato Show, usually referred to as the Weston show because it is Weston's own, will be held Friday in Memorial Hall.

The premium list has been published and shows a wide variety of provisions for entries. The seed potatoes that have made the Weston mountain district famous will be featured during the show, but many other farm products will be shown.

One of the features will be the best single farm display. Judging of this feature will be on the basis of 25 points for quality, 15 points for potatoes, 15 points for forage crops, 15 points for grains, 10 points for vegetables, fresh, canned and dried, 10 points on miscellaneous and another 10 points on arrangement of the display.

Other crops and products on which premiums will be offered include seed potatoes, commercial potatoes, potatoes grown by members of boys' and girls' clubs and the best exhibit of sewing, barley, wheat, oats, dent, flint, sweet

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2026 Weston Calendar

Weston History Exhibit Opens at the Long Branch Cafe—Come view the exhibit's photos and related historical research. Sponsored by WADA.

October 24—104th Annual Potato Show

AA Meeting on Thursdays at 5:30pm at Weston Community Church. All are welcome!

Weston City Council meeting 3rd Tuesday at 6pm.

Telling the Story: America at 250 Years Ends: Saturday, September 26, 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Location: Heritage Station Museum,
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Phone: 541-276-0012 Wheelchair-accessible venue,
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Oregon 250 Calendar:

<https://tinyurl.com/w6hmzafr>

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Local Links

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Athena-Weston School District: <http://www.athwest.k12.or.us>

Weston Middle School: <http://wms.athwest.k12.or.us/>

Athena Elementary School: <http://aes.athwest.k12.or.us/>

Weston Planning Commission: <https://tinyurl.com/ypz5fdn6>

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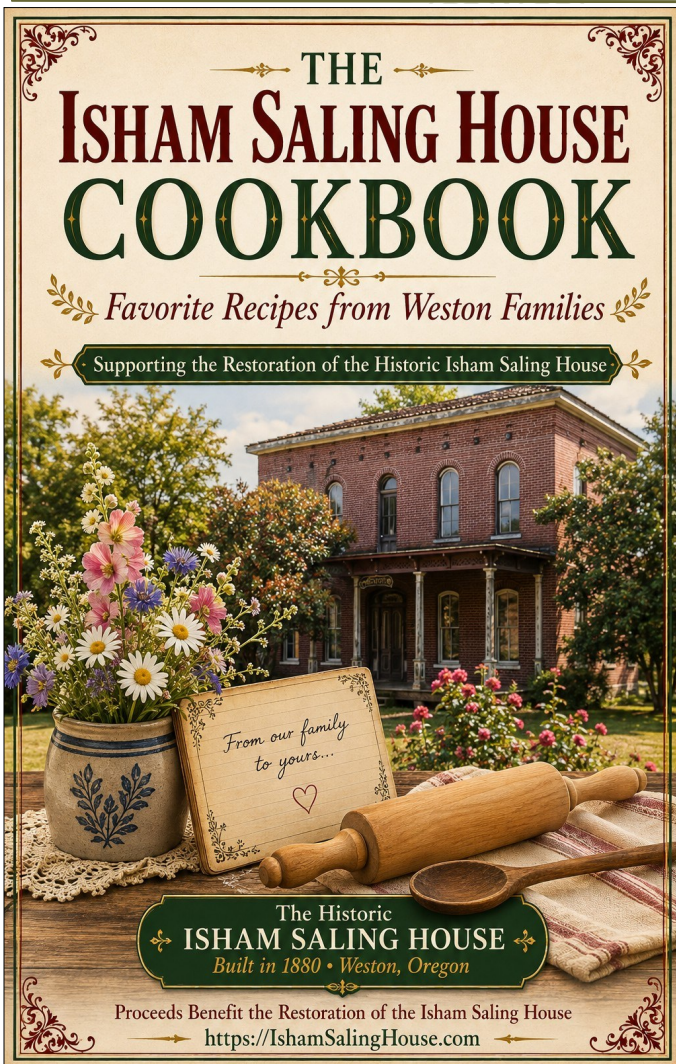
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Saling House Cookbook was Published 29 Years Ago

The Saling House Restoration Committee published a cookbook in 1997 as a fundraiser. It contained about 120 recipes from members of the committee.

WADA is republishing the cookbook. Initially the all-potato recipe cookbook was going to be published but we are not able to find that particular cookbook. So WADA has chosen to republish the Saling House Cookbook with a variety of recipes from appetizers, breads, meals, desserts, and more.

The cookbooks will be on sale at this year's 104th Annual Umatilla County Potato Show. All proceeds will go towards restoration of the house. The cookbook will also be available online at Amazon once it is published.

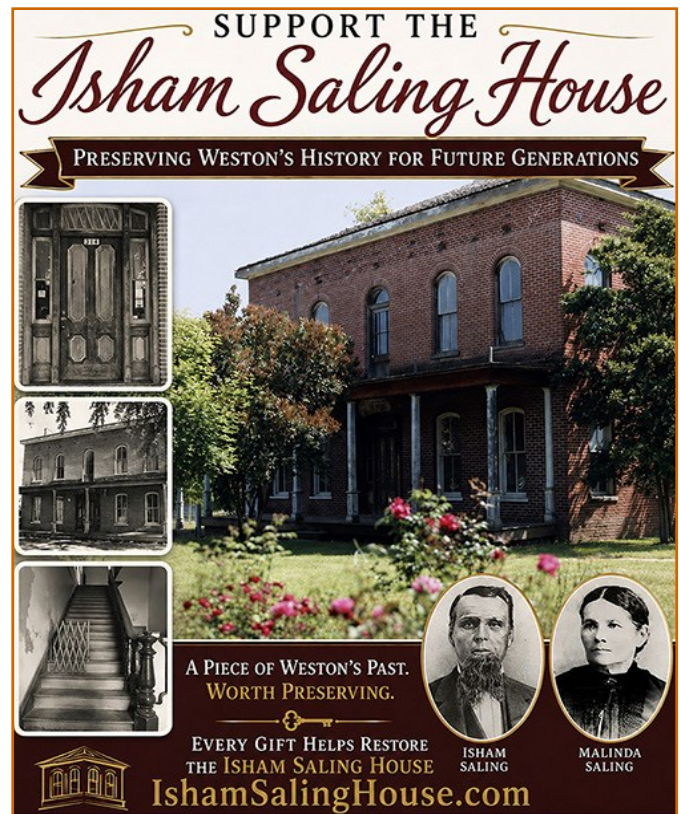
and popcorn, beans and canned fruits and vegetables.

A delegation of Yakima potato growers and seed buyers will be in Weston for the show.

E. R. Jackman, crops specialist of Oregon Agricultural College, will judge the exhibits at the show.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the affair include Will Hall, chairman, and Will Beathe, Alex McCorkle, Jay Smith and Clark Wood. Fred Bennion went to Weston today to assist in preparing exhibits for the show.

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The city has secured \$32,000 in grants from the Wildhorse Foundation and The Kinsman Foundation to initiate the restoration. However, current bids and estimates exceed \$128,000, leaving a funding gap of approximately \$96,000 that must be filled to complete the south wall's restoration.



Despite its enduring legacy, the rear of the building—especially the south side—faces serious threats due to severe weathering and ground settlement, exacerbated by its proximity to Pine Creek.

Repairs made in the 1970s unfortunately used the wrong type of mortar, resulting in rapid deterioration. While restoration work in 2012 utilized \$190,000 from the city's contingency fund, this was the first such effort in 25 years and did not fully address all necessary repairs.

The City of Weston urgently seeks public support to stabilize the mortar and complete the vital tuck-pointing repairs on the south wall.



The exterior was recently completed for this round of repairs and is awaiting waterproofing once the mortar has cured properly. That should be completed in June.

HOW TO GIVE: DONATION INSTRUCTIONS



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The Weston Area Development Association (WADA) is partnering with the City of Weston to facilitate donations for this project, making donors eligible for tax credits. WADA is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization (EIN: 28-808736669), and all donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Donors are encouraged to consult a CPA or tax attorney for guidance regarding their contributions.



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THANK YOU FOR INVESTING IN WESTON'S HISTORY AND FUTURE!

Weston Potato Show Subject of Chamber Dinner

WESTON, Sept.30 – The first fall meeting of the Weston chamber of commerce was held in the Community hall with a venison supper, following which there was animated discussion of the coming Potato Show, Weston's outstanding autumn event.

C.M. Sly, president of the chamber, introduced Walter Holt, county agent, who gave an address on farming subjects of general interest, and also suggested ways of making the Potato Show count for the most to the community.

President Sly appointed a general executive committee to promote the show, consisting of Miller Rayborn, Joseph Wurzer and Claud Price. They will select sub-committees to talk of arrangements for displays and set definite dates for the show.

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Weston Commercial Historic District (added 1982 -- #82001515)

E. Main Street between Water and Broad Streets, Weston, Oregon

Historic Significance: Architecture/Engineering, Event

Architectural Style: Italianate

Area of Significance: Architecture, Commerce, Industry, Agriculture

Period of Significance: 1925-1949, 1900-1924, 1875-1899

Owner: Local, Private

Historic Function: Commerce/Trade, Education, Industry/Processing/Extraction, Social
Historic Sub-function: Clubhouse, College, Manufacturing Facility

Current Function: Commerce/Trade, Domestic, Government, Recreation and Culture
Current Sub-function: Business, Museum

The Weston Commercial Historic District is one of only two Historic Districts in Umatilla County.

<https://historicwestonoregon.com>

Transit Bus Schedules

Bus Schedule Links Below

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Commuter Bus Routes - The Hopper, Arrow, Rocket, and Whistler are Commuter-route buses that are primarily connecting outlying areas with a central city through bus service.

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Blue Mountain (Kees) Cemetery

www.BlueMountainCemetery.com

Information on Burials including photos of headstones, some obituaries, and other related historical information can be found on this website. There is also a map on the website. The original website was a labor of love by Bob Gilliland. It was a miracle that it could be recovered from an archive website with only a few items not recoverable as the domain had expired. **New digital map is online!**



<https://IshamSalingHouse.com>



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WADA is a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization. All donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law. We recommend that you consult your CPA or Tax Attorney regarding donations. Tax ID: 88-0783069

Here Are Ways to Support Our Mission & Programs

- ◆ **Become a Member!** Join today!
WADA depends on memberships and donations to cover administrative costs such as insurance, publishing the monthly The Blue Mountain Dispatch, postage, phone, memberships in organizations that benefit WADA, and more.
<https://tinyurl.com/48unenka>
- ◆ **Support the Isham Saling House Restoration Project**
WADA became the Stewards of the Isham Saling House during 2024. While restoration projects have been accomplished, there is more that needs to be done. Your support of this project saves an important Weston icon.
<https://tinyurl.com/hhnvrnu9>
- ◆ **Oregon Cultural Trust**
For more than two decades, the Oregon Cultural Trust has played a vital role in enriching our state's cultural resources, supporting more than 1,600 nonprofits across Oregon. We have woven a unique and awe-inspiring cultural tapestry, united by artistry, defined by stories and guided by wisdom. We are listed as *Weston Area Development Association*.
<https://www.culturaltrust.org>
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- ◆ **Advocate for WADA and Historic Preservation!** Contact your local leaders and your mayor to promote the importance of Historic Preservation in our community. Contact your state legislators and congressional leaders to promote the importance of Historic Preservation in our community as well as state-wide. Historic Preservation projects benefit the local economy.
- ◆ **Employer Gift Match Program** Does your employer offer a matching gift program to allow you to double your donation to a non-profit? We welcome your support. Please contact us for our tax information!

WADA is a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization and has not provided any goods or services in exchange for this contribution. All donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law. We recommend that you consult your CPA or Tax Attorney regarding donations. We are registered with Gold Star at <https://www.guidestar.org> and registered with Benevity for ACH donations.

Support Historic Preservation in Weston!



Scan QR code to donate

501 (c) (3) nonprofit Tax ID: 88-0783039

Donations may be mailed to:
Weston Area Development Association
PO Box 256
Weston, OR 97886
or online at:
<https://tinyurl.com/yckn3uv7>
Registered with Benevity for donations.

City of Weston
PO Box 579
114 Main Street
Weston OR 97886
<https://www.CityofWeston.org>

Phone: (541) 566-3313
Fax: (541) 566-2792
Recorder@CityofWestonoregon.com

City Hall Hours:
Monday - Friday
8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, and
2:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Closed 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

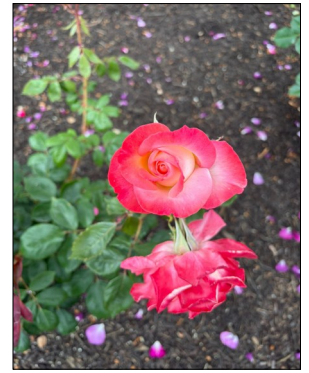
Weston Public Library: 541-566-2378
www.CityofWestonOregon.com/library

Police/Dispatch: 541-966-3651
Fire: 541-566-2311
Public Works: 541-566-3976

Payments can be made via phone (debit/credit), online, or the drop box on the side of City Hall.

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Celebrating Our Community with Weston Community Development Commission

If you haven't stopped by to smell the roses in the Memorial Rose Garden you are missing a treat, a "pick me up", a blessing!



Instead of the lady in a red dress, here we have the lady in the red shirt and bench—Weston's bench makeover is officially in its "I'm judging this paint job (in a good way)" era.

WCDC and the town of Weston residents beautification crew: you nailed it.

The town looks great! That bench looks like it's ready to host a very important meeting called "Take a Break." Also, I'm not sure she's a Weston resident or a passing-through master bench painter... either way, the craft is top-tier. No she's a resident for sure! Thank you Debbie for your hard efforts to help the town shine! We appreciate you!

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61566031404288>



★ WE NEED ★ VOLUNTEERS!

*Help strengthen our community —
your time makes a difference.*

GET INVOLVED

Whether you can volunteer
once or take on a larger role,
we'd love to have you join us.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



WADA Board Members and Advisors

Provide leadership and help guide
community initiatives.



Isham Saling House Open House

Assist with welcoming visitors and
event coordination.



Annual Potato Show

Be part of a fun local tradition — help with
setup, activities, and more.



Annual Weston Citizens Award Dinner

Support this special evening honoring
community members.



Grant Writer and Fundraiser

Help secure funding and resources to support
our community projects and events.



Together, we can make it happen!



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 24, 2026**



**9:00 A.M.
TO 5:00 P.M.**



**MEMORIAL HALL
WESTON, OREGON**

POTATO SHOW FAIR & BAKE-OFF CONTEST



- ★ Come view the entries in the Annual Potato Show Fair!
- ★ Vegetables, Baked Goods, Crafts, and More!
- ★ Bake-Off Contest – **NEW THIS YEAR!** Anything goes! Enter your best pies, cakes, cookies, breads, and other homemade treats.
- ★ Ribbons awarded in all categories!

WESTON HISTORY & COMMUNITY



THE HERITAGE ROOM FEATURING WESTON HISTORY

Saturday, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Weston Area Development Association
& Weston Cemetery Maintenance District 2



QUIET NEIGHBORS GUIDED TOUR OF THE WESTON CEMETERY

Starts at 2:00 P.M. at the cemetery



SHOP ARTISAN BOOTHS & EXHIBITS

Check out information booths and more!
Visit with old friends
and make new ones!

FOOD & FUNDRAISERS



EVERYTHING POTATO LUNCHEON

By Weston Food Pantry

Meal cost is \$
Soup, roll, pie or cookie,
coffee, lemonade, water.
10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
or until sold out



THIS YEAR'S EVENT SUPPORTS THE WESTON FOOD PANTRY!

Please donate nonperishable food items.
Containers at front door
and in the dining room.
Monetary donations accepted
at the Heritage Room.



FRIENDS OF THE WESTON LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Memorial Hall – Club Room
Saturday 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
\$1.00 per bag sale at 3:00 P.M.

FUN FOR KIDS & FAMILIES



FACE PAINTING ★ **INDOOR ACTIVITIES**
(Times TBD)

APPLE PRESSING BY MONSTRIOUS!

10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
Bring a small container for cider to take home.
Weather permitting.

PONY CART RIDES

After apple pressing. Weather permitting.

PETTING ZOO This is weather permitting.



THROUGHOUT THE DAY

PETTING ZOO ★ FACE PAINTING ★ PLAY OUTDOOR GAMES ★ PLAY GROUND FUN ★ CHECK OUT INFORMATION BOOTHS AND MORE!



HOSTED BY
**WESTON AREA
DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION**

QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION

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and more!

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Please support the businesses that support our community!

104th ANNUAL

UMATILLA COUNTY POTATO SHOW

CELEBRATING 104 YEARS

of Community Tradition

SINCE 1922 ★ WESTON, OREGON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

MEMORIAL HALL ★ WESTON, OREGON

*Honoring our agricultural roots while celebrating
community, creativity, and local talent.*

★ SPONSORS NEEDED ★

Help preserve a 104-year
community tradition.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

- ★ GOLD SPONSOR \$500
- ★ SILVER SPONSOR \$250
- ★ BRONZE SPONSOR \$100

Your support helps fund ribbons,
awards, advertising,
and event operations.

★ VENDORS & EXHIBITORS WANTED ★

Showcase your talents
and products.

Seeking:

- Craft Vendors
- Food Vendors
- Handmade Goods
- Produce & Garden Entries
- Canning & Preserved Foods
- Handiwork & Hobbies

*Blue ribbons and
bragging rights await!*

★ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ★

Be part of this historic event.

Volunteer opportunities include:

- Setup
- Registration
- Judging Assistance
- Hospitality
- Cleanup

*Even a few hours
makes a difference.*



SUPPORTING THE WESTON FOOD PANTRY

Enjoy the famous Everything Potato Lunch & Dessert
while helping support local families through food pantry donations.

★ HOSTED BY ★

**WESTON AREA
DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION**

QUESTIONS OR INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING?



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Preserving Our Heritage.

SAVING WESTON'S HISTORIC BUILDINGS.

Preserve Today. Protect Tomorrow.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LEVELS



INDIVIDUAL / HOUSEHOLD MEMBER

- ✓ \$15 Student
- ✓ \$25 Individual
- ✓ \$45 Household
- ✓ \$50 Preservation Friend
- ✓ \$100 Preservation Contributor
- ✓ \$250 Preservation Advocate
- ✓ Other \$ _____

Join
Today!



BUSINESS / NON-PROFIT / GOVERNMENT MEMBER

- ✓ \$45 (Non-profits & government agencies)
- ✓ \$100 Preservation Contributor
- ✓ \$250 Preservation Advocate
- ✓ \$500 Preservation Patron
- ✓ \$1000 Preservation Circle
- ✓ Other \$ _____

MEMBER BENEFITS



Support historic preservation in Weston



Help revitalize our community and local economy



Stay informed and make your voice heard



Join a network of neighbors, businesses & supporters



Help keep Weston's history alive for future generations

Your
Support
Makes a
Difference!

OTHER GIVING

- ✓ WADA (Unrestricted – use donation as needed) \$ _____
- ✓ Isham Saling House (Unrestricted – use donation as needed) \$ _____
Online: <https://ishamsalinghouse.com/donations> (Secure site)
- ✓ Historic Preservation Fund for future projects \$ _____
- ✓ Please send me information about including WADA in my Will or making gifts of stock.



MEMBER INFORMATION

Contact Name: _____

Company/Organization (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

Your email address will ensure that you receive timely communications from us and helps save postage costs. We do not share your information.

PAYMENT INFORMATION



Enclosed is a check payable to Weston Area Development Association. Total: \$ _____



Pay online at: WestonOregon.com/support-wada/ (Secure site)



All donations to WADA are tax deductible as allowable by law. 501(c)(3) Tax ID: 88-0783039

TELL US MORE! I AM:

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| ☐ Historic homeowner | ☐ Historic building owner |
| ☐ Contractor/Consultant | ☐ Part of an historic district |
| ☐ Historic Preservation Commission Member | ☐ Planning/Zoning Board Member |
| ☐ I am interested in volunteering | ☐ Historic Society member |
| | ☐ Architect/Engineer |
| | ☐ Non-profit |
| | ☐ Government |

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Future!

JOIN
TODAY!



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