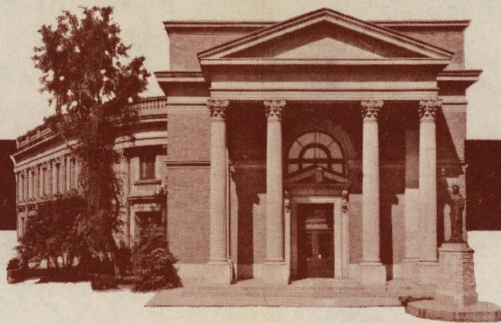


Washington State



Historical Society

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUILDING
315 NORTH STADIUM WAY
TACOMA 3, WASHINGTON

December 13, 1960

MEMORANDUM TO ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS

From: Bruce Le Roy

We are sorry that some of you were unable to attend the Legislators' Night and/or the Board Meeting Saturday past.

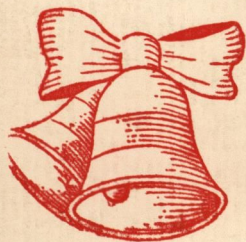
We thought you might like to have a copy of the little program which was set out at each place for the Buffet supper. Also enclosed is a memorandum which was distributed to the legislators who were honored Friday night at the Museum which sets out our reasons for an increase in our Budget Request.

Best Holiday greetings and our warm wish that those of you who were unable to attend because of illness will soon have a speedy recovery.

P. S. Some of you who receive this Memo will have been present at the Legislators' Night but had to miss the Board meeting Saturday which is why we have enclosed both items,



The
Washington
State
Historical
Society's



Legislators'
Night

December 9, 1960

PIERCE COUNTY DELEGATION

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Charles E. Newschwander
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THE PROGRAM OF THE

Washington State Historical Society

The Washington State Historical Society was founded in 1891. The Society acts as custodian of materials related to the history of Washington State: artifacts, manuscripts, printed and pictorial items.

Some of the functions of the Society are: coordination of the activities of 30 local and county historical societies in the state; sponsoring important observances such as the Territorial Centennial, the Lewis and Clark Sesquicentennial, the Lincoln Sesquicentennial in 1959. In 1961, the Society will direct statewide observance of the Civil War Centennial and the Boundary Treaty Centennial.

The Society collects, preserves and publishes materials related to Washington history. Four Awards of Merit have been received from the American Association for State and Local History. In 1960, the Society received a national citation for its work in directing the statewide observance of the Abraham Lincoln Sesquicentennial.

Visited annually by thousands of tourists and hundreds of school groups, the Society is also becoming a mecca for historical scholars and rapidly acquiring a reputation as an important center for historical research.

Many of the services of the Society are made possible only by individual donations and volunteer help.

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For "Legislators' Night" by Courtesy:

Arrangements: Mrs. Grace Frederick
Catering: George Victor
Floral Decorations: Ghilarducci's
Music: Ted Brown Music Company

WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
(Historical Records & Museum Services)

Our budget request for the next biennium will be for \$137,171, as compared to \$111,015, the appropriated amount for the current biennium. The request represents an increase of \$26, 156. The increase requested is due to the following items:

1. Field representative--salary for two years - \$13,300.
(1st permanent staff addition in 12 years)

The addition of a Field Representative is essential because of the greatly expanded program of the Society. In the past two years, the Society has initiated many new services: enlarged acquisitions program; monthly lecture series; new publications program; regional and statewide historical conferences. The Society has made this request twice before. Now it is imperative to deal with the growing services which the Society gives to the people of Washington State. The field representative will assist in acquisitions, public conferences and liason with local and county historical societies.

2. New equipment: radial saw - - \$299.
microfilm reader and lens - - \$535.
Air conditioning (5th floor) - - \$1,000.
Manuscript Storage Cases - - \$490.
Balcony in Library - - \$2,600.
Floor Covering - - \$700.
Blinds - - \$175.

TOTAL -- \$5,799

New equipment for three purposes: replacement of obsolete and/or dangerous equipment; additions to research facilities (microfilm reader and manuscript cases), library balcony to handle new collections; air conditioning on fifth floor which is extremely hot in summer months.

3. Increases in staff's salaries - - \$9,269 (for 7 full-time and 7 part-time employees)

Salary increases have been determined in conferences with State Personnel Standards Board. We are attempting to bring salaries to a level more nearly commensurated with private industry.

4. Increased costs of utilities, contractual services, deductions for retirement and pensions - - \$2,212.
Increased costs - - all contractual services, deductions for retirement and pensions have increased since the last Legislature met. The sum requested is a bed-rock minimum for a two year period (\$2,212).

TOTAL INCREASES - - \$26, 156.

We appreciate the support of the legislative delegation from Pierce County in helping to maintain and support the growth of an outstanding Pierce County cultural and historical asset - the Washington State Historical Society and Museum.