

# P & H Elevator Preservation Society

Christmas 2022

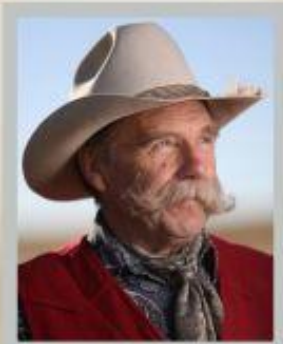
Celebrating our Seventeenth Year

Issue #40

## P&H Elevator Christmas Party

**January 14, 2023**

**Located in the Hub  
(Stettler Rec Centre)**



BJ Smith

Doors open at 5:30 followed by  
meal at 6:00 and door prizes  
and entertainment by  
BJ Smith, cowboy poet

Advanced tickets can be purchased at  
P&H Elevator and Wells Furniture, \$40 per person.  
Advanced tickets qualify you to be entered into  
our draw to have your ticket reimbursed.

Tickets will be available at the door.  
For more information call 403- 742-4703  
or email [stettlergrainelevator@gmail.com](mailto:stettlergrainelevator@gmail.com)

**EVERYONE WELCOME**



## ➤ Season's Greetings

*We wish you the best in 2023 and we thank you for your help and support over the past year! The P&H Elevator Preservation Society feels very blessed to have such faithful supporters, donors, volunteers, and community members. Thank you! Have a great holiday season.*

## ➤ In Memory of Herb Knowles

Herb Knowles was a dedicated elevator volunteer for many years. He could be found at the elevator most Saturday mornings and throughout the week, tinkering on various projects. He loved helping out with any work that needed done at the elevator.

Herb was born on Oct 13, 1932. He was passionate about his Black Angus herd and he knew each animal by name. He was also very dedicated to his family and local museums. Sadly, Herb passed away on Sept 22, 2022, just weeks before his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. He had even planned to celebrate this big milestone at the elevator!



Herb was quite the character and he will be remembered by everyone at the elevator. He loved sitting down for a cold root beer and visiting with the volunteers and visitors. If there was work to be done, he wanted to be doing it! He kept the lawn mower in pristine condition and he often made small trips to the hardware store to gather supplies for projects around the elevator. He donated some of his history books to our collection. We appreciated his hard work and generosity and he will be missed.

## ➤ Our Harvest Barbecue (October 1<sup>st</sup>)

Instead of a Harvest Supper with a turkey dinner, this fall we decided to hold a Harvest Barbecue! The event was held from 3 to 6 pm on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Our volunteers barbecued up delicious hamburgers and sausage dogs and there were also baked beans, salads, refreshments, and ice cream with strawberries for dessert!

The event also included demonstrations and entertainment. Our guests enjoyed fresh baked goods made on our wood burning stove, watched our threshing machine thresh some wheat, saw our antique wringer washing machine in action, and more.



The barbecue was a great success and we had a great turn out. Thank you to everyone who supported us at the event, and thank you to all of the volunteers who helped make the event possible!

The funds we raised are being put towards finishing the Feed Shed Addition. We hope to put down floor coverings soon.

## ➤ Our Local History Book Collection

Due to the generosity of our donors and the hard work of our volunteers, the elevator has accumulated a stunning collection of local history books! Our collection has over 300 books – and growing! The books cover the history of many communities in Alberta. If you are interested, they are available for public viewing. The books cannot be removed from the elevator but we are happy to photocopy any book sections that you would like to take home.

We would like to sincerely thank Frank Hackler of Drumheller for his donation of over 250 books. We cannot describe how thankful we are for his contribution! His generosity to the elevator has been incredible and he deserves recognition.



We would also like to thank Ron McCullough, who got our collection started several years ago with his generous donation of about 25 books. Finally, we would like to thank our volunteer Oliver Bull. He has been hard at work cataloguing and organizing the collection and he has put in many hours of work on the project. **Thank you!**

We are still missing some original versions and updated versions of local history books. If you are able to help us acquire more, we would greatly appreciate it!

### ➤ **Coffee Stop**

If you are around town on Wednesday, Thursday, or Saturday mornings between 9 and 11 am, why not stop by our coffee stop? We would be happy to see you! Come enjoy coffee, cookies, and good company. The coffee stops are run by volunteers and they are by donation.

Did you know that the elevator coffee stops are our way of continuing the long tradition of community gatherings at the grain elevator? For many years, farmers would stop by the office to catch up with neighbours and snack on some peanuts. The elevator was essential to Stettler's sense of community – and it still is!

### ➤ **2022 in Review**

For the first part of the year, COVID was still winding down so not too much was going on around the elevator. Summer was also very slow, with few visitors. During the summer and fall, our volunteers were able to work on various projects. We also hosted AGES (Alberta Grain Elevator Society) for their annual meeting and we were visited by the Canadian Coasters Car Club.

## ***In Memorium***

***The following names have been added to our memorial board.***

### **Susan Mitchell**

Donated by Donna Langille, Dave McCourt, Dorothy McQuoid, Brenda Becker, Doug & Marilyn Christie, Joan Strandberg, and Stan Eichhorn

### **Herb Knowles**

Donated by Ray & Linda Kneeland, Susan Stewart, Janice Gabert, Richard Stenlund, Donna Langille, Sheryl Osterod, Joe Knowles, Norma Leslie, Albert Bauer, Duncan McNeill, Jim Spencer, and Stan Eichhorn

## **Annual Memberships**

**2023 Memberships are appreciated**

**Adults \$20.00 a year**

**Children \$2.00 a year**

**Lifetime \$150.00**

P&H Elevator Society

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**Membership 2023**

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## Plans for 2023

- We hope you can join us for our Christmas Party on January 14! It will be our first Christmas Party since January 2020 and it would be great to see all of the friends of the elevator again.
- We will work on completing the P&H Community Centre (the feed shed addition). We will also be restoring Scotty's Office, the old Wheat Pool office that we moved to our property in 2021. We also hope to do some landscaping!
- One of our projects will be installing the pneumatic wagon lift in the elevator. It is one of the early mechanisms that was used to lift and dump wagons in elevators and it will be operational!
- As always, we will hold fundraisers including our Pancake Breakfast in May and our Fall Supper.
- We will also do ongoing building and equipment restoration.

## In Memorium

Jim Baugh  
Clarence Blaney  
Bill Chapman  
Mae Dempsey  
Werner Kruger  
Rudolph Hennel  
Lydia Scheerschmidt  
Ken Penosky  
Maurice Smith  
Hardy Scheller  
Rod Walstrom  
Morris Turville  
John Baird  
Gerald Tobin  
Vivian Aldcorn  
Jim Andersen  
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John Fischer  
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John Anderson  
Dan & Marie Barnech  
Chris Fischer  
Rick Smith  
Steve Gordon

Dale Handyside  
Rex Shuckburgh  
Phyllis Hague  
Kay Scheerschmidt  
Coy McKay  
Len Watson  
Jim Scheerschmidt  
Walter Treherne  
Lloyd & Helen Smith  
George Smith  
Jack Chapman  
Walter Haustein  
Ken Bauman  
John Kvill  
George Layman & Letiasa Stotts  
Judge Wm. B. & Mary Gray  
Paul & Anna Scheerschmidt  
Marion & Gertrude  
Scheerschmidt  
Clarence & Lydia Chapman  
Adrian & Wilma Glasier  
Leo & Vera Shuckburgh  
Manny & Melissa Gray  
Earl & Wilda Gibbon  
Harvey & Reta Pooley  
Al & Verna Leinweber

Don Tash  
Juri & Marie Klaus  
Paul & Agnes Klaus  
Archie & Edith White  
Louis & Mary Zeigler  
Thomas D. Lyle  
Archie Smith  
Glenn Nixon  
Norman McCourt  
Bernard Gendre  
Jack Groat  
Henry Eichhorn  
Scotty & Phyl Wood  
Tom O'Shea  
Fred Scheerschmidt  
Grace Primus  
Dave & Ann Harbison  
Gordon McCallum  
Vic Stuckey  
Clyde Rigsby  
Sam & Agnes Martin  
Ed Reieron  
Joe Baltimore  
Roy Klaus  
Dugall Wood  
Alan Keibel  
Joyce Gordon  
Susan Mitchell  
Herb Knowles

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