Dedicated to enriching life in the Greater Hansville Communities

Like most businesses and organizations, GHCC was significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and the State-wide lockdown that began in March 2020. Our organization normally has a full calendar of social events ranging from the St Patrick's Day Dinner in March to the Children's Christmas Party in December. We were unable to rent the Center for private parties and gatherings and all indoor GHCC functions had to be cancelled. Starting on June 1, Kitsap County moved to Phase Two and we held some virtual and limited-capacity events through the balance of the year. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we were able to build the Endowment, maintain our Scholarship Program and cover most of our operating expenses with a limited impact on our fund balance.

2020 Accomplishments:

- We reached out to newcomers to our community with a free Soup Night in January, hosted a Neighbor's Lunch and the Pinewood Derby in February and held two of our popular Tuesday Talks during the first quarter.

- Our newsletter the Greater Hansville Log transitioned to an on-line format in June. This has enabled us to expand its content and include colored photographs submitted by our readership. We will print and duplicate copies for people who do not own or operate a personal computer upon request. We also maintained and enhanced our website: hansville.org.

- We awarded $7,000 in scholarships to four undergraduate students from the Greater Hansville Area.

- We offered a virtual Rummage Sale periodically throughout the second half of 2020; posting merchandise stored in the Norwegian Point Boathouse on line and scheduling visits by customers.

- We organized a Fall Book Sale "by appointment only" inside the Center which was well-attended.

- We hosted a virtual Candidates' Night in October using a webinar format. Candidates for Kitsap County Commissioner and State Legislative District positions answered questions about topics of local concern.

- We organized a Food Drive in aid of the ShareNet food bank and a drive through Hallowe'en event for children in October.

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One of our renters, Pam Lindgren RN, provided Foot Clinics two times a month in our East Room during the first quarter of 2020 and from June 1 onwards

- We collaborated with Hansville Community Church on their "drive-through" Easter Egg Hunt. GHCC was the final stop and bags of candy were distributed to participating children.

- We contracted with a landscape architect to redesign the landscaping around GHCC's building. The design is being implemented by volunteers to minimize costs.

Appreciation:

We wish to express our gratitude to the generous individuals, families and businesses who gave to the Center at a time when pandemic restrictions limited what we could offer the community. Donations were received as follows: the General Fund ($4,781), the Endowment Fund ($60,122) *, the Scholarship Fund ($5,000), the Log Production Expense Fund ($430), the Neighbor's Lunch Fund ($110) and Donations matched from other Donors ($548). Since GHCC is a 501© (3), all contributions are potentially tax-deductible. **

2021 and Beyond:

Christy Mackey has kindly agreed to return to the helm as Board President in 2021. At the time of writing this report, Kitsap County is in Phase Three, which allows for some limited-capacity events. The progress of the pandemic remains uncertain, however. Please continue to visit hansville.org and read the Hansville Log to keep abreast of current developments.

*Includes a $50,000 Legacy Gift

** GHCC also acts as a fiscal agent for neighborhood organizations i.e. Hansville Helping Hands, Buck Lake Native Plant Garden, the Hansville Greenway, Little Boston Library support, the Hansville History Project and Norwegian Point Park which are separately organized.

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