



2023 Annual Report

History & Heritage Board (HHB) and the Annual Report

The Lynnwood HHB was established on August 10, 2015 (Ordinance No. 3150). Ordinance No. 3150 repealed Ordinance 2445 related to creation of the former Historical Commission which took effect June 1, 2003. Lynnwood Municipal Code Title 2, Chapter 2.30 provides the general organizational and procedural provisions.

The HHB serves as an “advisory body” to the City of Lynnwood. The Board’s duties include advising and making recommendations to the Mayor, City Council, staff and other Boards and Commissions in the City of Lynnwood with regard to historical, cultural, and heritage recognition, promotion and preservation activities of historic sites, buildings, artifacts, and parks; partnering on exhibits, events and operations of Heritage Park and the Interurban Trail; and performing such other duties as the mayor or council may direct.

This Annual Report provides a summary of the HHB’s work during the year, including significant discussion issues, actions and recommendations. It is intended primarily for the Mayor and City Council, but may also be of interest to other commissions, organizations and individuals who may have an interest in history, heritage, and culture.

The Board’s Mission is “Connecting community members to the history and heritage of Lynnwood to build a positive sense of place” by:

- Collaborating with community partners to collect and promote the history and heritage of Lynnwood.
- Recognizing history and heritage sites through signage, markers, historic registry and interpretive information.
- Advocating to preserve nature, parks, sites, buildings, and artifacts, and for City policies and legislations that are informed by an understanding of history and heritage.

2023 Accomplishments

Over 100 hours of volunteer time.

- Won \$15,980 Snohomish County Historic Preservation grant.
- Improves the accessibility of the Interurban Railcar #55 (Trolley), with help from grant above, and partnering with **Lynnwood-Alderwood Manor Heritage Association and Museum**.
- Posted 6 history YouTube videos about Interurban Railroad and Demonstration Farm, that resulted from partnership with **Lynnwood-Alderwood Manor Heritage Association and Museum**.
- Managed signage and dedication of “Jean and Gary Rogers Trolley Barn”.
- Continued to work on signal box wrap of Lynnwood Veterans, that included a call for photos, and visiting Memorial Day event at Veterans Park.
- Received a Malstrom Award of excellence from the League of Snohomish County Heritage Organizations for the 2021 history comic book project “Crossing the Road”.
- Hosted 3 History & Heritage Days in summer, with storytelling by Snohomish tribe artist Pamela Bond, Heart Art Healing, Camp Fire, Legos, coloring sheets and comic book giveaway.
- Created new updated version of the Heritage Plan.
- Managed design of new trolley sticker.
- Hosted joint Arts Commission/History & Heritage Board booth at Fair on 44th, with art project that painted 15 2x4 wood studs and then donated to Habitat for Humanity for building materials.
- School Bus Grants offered.
- Partnership with the Arts Commission.
- Continued Photo exhibit at Senior Center about the Demonstration Farm.



Videos project

6 Videos about the Interurban Rail Car #55, Trolley, and the Demonstration Farm. Collaboration with Lynnwood-Alderwood Manor Heritage Association & Museum.

The screenshot shows a YouTube channel page for the Lynnwood Alderwood Manor Heritage Association. The channel has 20 subscribers and 6 videos. The page features a navigation menu on the left with options like Home, Shorts, Subscriptions, and Explore. The main content area displays six video thumbnails with their respective titles and view counts:

- Chapter 1, Seattle - Everett Interurban Story: The Beginning of the Seattle - Everett...** (266 views - 7 months ago, 3:18)
- Chapter 2, Seattle Everett Interurban: The Niles Cars** (152 views - 7 months ago, 3:59)
- Chapter 3, Seattle - Everett Interurban: Waiting for the Interurban** (155 views - 7 months ago, 4:02)
- Chapter 4, Seattle - Everett Interurban: The End of the Line** (171 views - 7 months ago, 6:42)
- Chapter 5, Seattle - Everett Interurban: Finding and Restoring Car #55** (91 views - 7 months ago, 8:51)
- Alderwood Manor Demonstration Farm** (116 views - 7 months ago, 4:38)

Interurban Railcar #55 (Trolley) – Accessibility Improvement

Won \$15,980 Snohomish County Historic Preservation grant. Purchased wheelchair lift. Installed gas struts.



Lynnwood Veterans Signal Box at 196th and 40th

Slated to be done in 2024.



Jean and Gary Rogers Trolley Barn

Dedication of “Jean and Gary Rogers Trolley Barn” to our devoted volunteers.

JEAN & GARY ROGERS TROLLEY BARN

IN GRATITUDE AND RECOGNITION FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND PASSION
AS DOCENTS AND CARETAKERS OF THE INTERURBAN CAR #55 (TROLLEY).



Jeanne and Gary Rogers are second-generation railroaders, and our resident experts of the Trolley. They have meticulously preserved and contributed material about the Interurban Railroad from Jeanne's family collection. They aided in the era-specific restoration of Car #55, which is now dedicated to Jeanne's father, Walter Shannon, one of the last Interurban motormen. Jeanne and Gary have both served on Lynnwood's History & Heritage Board, on the board of the Lynnwood-Alderwood Manor Heritage Association and Museum, and have given numerous tours of the Trolley as Heritage Park Docents.

Dedicated 2023

History + Art on your Phone

www.DiscoverLynnwood.com receives the latest updates to continue as a FUN way to learn about history, art, and what's happening in Lynnwood. On smartphone or computer.



2023 Board members

Crys Donovan	Position 1	Expires 12/31/23
Josh Brown*	Position 2	Expires 12/31/23
Vacant	Position 3	Expires 12/31/24
Vacant	Position 4	Expires 12/31/24
Vacant	Position 5	Expires 12/31/25
Joanne Lord**	Position 5	Expires 12/31/25
Gary Rogers***	Position 6	Expires 12/31/23
Cheri Ryan	Position 7	Expires 12/31/24
Councilmember Shannon Sessions	City Council Liaison	

*Board member Brown resigned on November 2.

**Board member Lord joined on July 11.

***Board member Rogers passed away on July 2.

--We gave 114 hours of volunteer time in 2023.--

2023 Attendance

	10- Jan	14- Feb	14- Mar	11- Apr	9- May	13- Jun	11- Jul	8- Aug	12- Sep	10- Oct	14- Nov	12- Dec
Crys Donovan # 1	√	√	E	√	E	√	√	E	√	√	√	√
Josh Brown # 2	√	√	E	√	E	E	√	E	E	E	n/a	n/a
vacant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
vacant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Joanne Lord	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	√	√	√	E	√	√
Gary Rogers # 6	√	√	E	√	E	E	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cheri Ryan # 7	√	√	√	√	√	√	E	√	√	√	√	√