
Pacific Highway: 1913 - 1926¹

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Hamilton's One Stop: 1940s - 1956 was a full service Richfield Gas Station and a cafe. It was called One Stop because you could get both food and gas there at one place. The owners were Homer H. and Maude Hamilton. It is assumed the Hamiltons bought the place in the 1940s. It had an "L" shaped counter, a table, and some booths. There was also a banquet room with a grand piano which Maude Hamilton played beautifully. The second story was living quarters.

1950 - 1953 Catherine Wingerd was the cook at the Hamilton's One Stop café in 1950. Wilma Wingerd was a waitress there from 1951 - 1953.

1956 - 1958 Catherine Wingerd managed Hamilton's One Stop from 1956 - 1958. The Wingerds loved Maude even with her voice that sounded like a cranky old sergeant. During the fall of 1956 the Wingerds moved into the second story living facilities. Son David Wingerd painted a sign, "Under New Management". He worked there from 1956 - 1958 as a gas station attendant; he pumped gas and did whatever else was needed.

1. Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society. March, 2006. *Auto Camps In Northern Josephine County: 1910 - 2001*. Hugo, OR.

Hamilton's One Stop: 1920s - 1961¹

In **1956** the Shell Company contacted Catherine and informed her that they would paint her whole building if she would change to Shell. So, they painted it white. It was a full service gas station selling gasoline for 19¢ a gallon (i.e., provide gas, check water, check oil, clean windshield, etc.).

The café always had a 99¢ "daily" special when Catherine was in charge. She made about a dozen pies of all flavors each day. They were the best pies around and sold for a dollar each. She did the basic pies, apple and cherry, and lots of others, like cream pies and peanut butter cream. Roy Fry would deliver gas for Shell and always ordered a cherry pie to take home to his wife. Faye Wingerd was a waitress from 1956 to 1958. If no one was outside when a vehicle drove up she became a gas station attendant. She learned where the dip stick was to check the oil.



Waitress Wilma Wingerd: ca., 1951 - 1953
Courtesy of Duane Stone

U.S. 99: 1926 - 1959 Monument Drive: 1959 - 2010

1958 There was always lots of traffic going by, especially 18-wheelers and logging trucks. However, when I-5 freeway was finally paved it rerouted all the normal traffic away from U.S. 99. Most of the business dried up for Hamiltons and it was closed..



Waitresses Faye Wingerd and Jean Bishop: 1958
Courtesy of Faye (Wingerd) Poole

In **1959** the segment of U.S. 99 along Hamiltons was acquired by Josephine County and in 1960 it was named Monument Drive in honor of murdered Oregon State Trooper Burrell M. "Milo" Baucom.

1961 The Hamiltons operated the facility until Homer passed in 1961. He pumped gas and Maude sold coffee, donuts, soft drinks, and sandwiches.

Want more information? Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood*.

Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The *Hugo Neighborhood* is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually per family and normally used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

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Hamilton's One Stop: 1958
Courtesy of Faye (Wingerd) Poole

The Wingerd family managed Hamilton's One Stop
from 1956 to 1958: Simon Wingerd, Father;
Catherine Wingerd, Mother; Wilma Wingerd,
Daughter; Faye Wingerd, Daughter; &
Buford Wingerd, Son

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