

## Hugo Community Sign Maintenance Committee

The *Hugo Community Sign Maintenance Committee* has two functions.

1. Maintenance of sign support structure, and
2. Maintenance of four cedar signs.

Art Chatham is remembered for his 2001 - 2002 dedication and wood working skills which resulted in Hugo's four signs.

The Hugo Community Sign was originally installed in phases. The structure was installed July 2002. The hanging signs were installed on a community sign



**Tom Walker At Letter Work**

dedication day which was May 10, 2003.

During the spring of 2006 Blake and Jacque Hardwick, Janet McKy, and Mike Walker refurbished the four signs. Tom and Mike Walker

removed the signs from their structure and replaced them back to the structure after they were renovated.

The major task of the Hugo Community Sign Maintenance Committee is to periodically inspect the sign structure and signs and determine when maintenance is needed. The job also includes coordinating volunteers to do the work of sign maintenance. The Hugo Neighborhood Association is responsible for all costs. Volunteers work pro bono.

## Community Sign Dedication: May 10, 2003



Discussion and inspections by members of the *Hugo Community Sign Maintenance Committee* lead to the 2009 - 2010 sign renovation project.

**Consultation** Professional advice from Craig Skinner, Elite Floor Installations, was that the four cedar signs should not be sealed with oil based paints because of the wood's huge shrink and swell properties. The signs needed wire brushing, oil based paint removal, and then a sanding down to good wood. The last step was to apply a penetrating oil (e.g., due to its polymer-like properties linseed oil

can be used on its own or blended with other oils, resins and solvents as a penetrator and varnish in wood finishing, etc.).



**Tom Chabot & Tom Walker Linseeding:  
March 2010**

## Community Sign Renovation: 2009 - 2010



**Hal, Tom, Chris, Tom & Mike  
Sanding Maintenance Phase: 2009**

The Hugo community is continually indebted to Mrs. Lee Joy Walker for getting the necessary sign permit and allowing the community sign to be placed and maintained on her property.

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**Want more information?** Contact a member of the *Hugo Community Sign Maintenance Committee*.

## 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 promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

### Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote the social welfare of the citizens of the area by working to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and by preserving, protecting, and enhancing the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, as requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually and used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Make checks to the *Hugo Neighborhood* and send them to a member of the Land Use Committee. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

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*Tom Chabot & Tom Walker:  
April 4, 2010*

**July 19, 2009 - April 4, 2010**

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