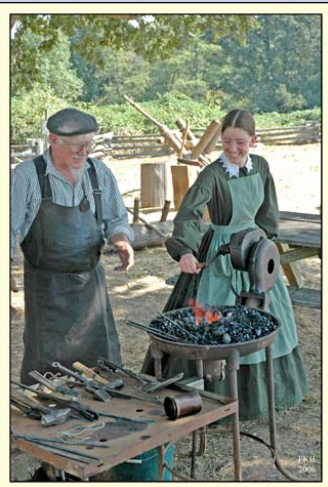


Be Part of Something Special!

Friends of Historic Champoeg has long relied on dedicated volunteers to keep our wonderful programs alive. Continue the tradition of fine visitor experiences by becoming a volunteer at Champoeg.

Join a group of genuinely interesting volunteers and be part of this exciting experience.

Help our visitors understand and develop a connection to the history and culture of this special place.



Blacksmith Bob Connor helps Joia Otto fire up the coals to make a square head nail.



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Volunteering for Friends of Historic Champoeg



Mark Hinds clears the hopper of the apple press, with the help of young visitors. Fresh cider is a wonderful taste of the past!

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Volunteers Make Things Happen!



Young volunteers help bring the past skills to life on a Living History Saturday—this time it is laundry.

Costumes

We provide costumes to reflect the 1850-1870 era. Many volunteers eventually make their own costumes, we offer classes in construction and also character development with their creation.

Training

An annual volunteer training is available in the spring of each year. We cover general interpretive techniques, history of Champoeg, and specific history of Donald Manson and his family. 19th Century individual skills are not covered during these sessions but are learned on site for the most part. Background information is provided so volunteers can discuss the skills of the past with the visitors.

Time Commitment

Each volunteer decides how much time they want to give. Some participate one or two Saturday afternoons during the summer. Others come every week. As a volunteer becomes more familiar with the different events they can make choices based on their own preferences and availability.

Requirements

A passion for local history or for the pastimes of the past is always good! A desire to help bring that history alive is a must. We do partner with the Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation, which requires us to have each volunteer sign and abide by a liability waiver. If a volunteer has difficulty with mobility we can make accommodations.

Why Volunteer at Champoeg?

- Learn more about Oregon History, especially Willamette Valley history
- Share that history in bringing 19th century skills to life
- Be part of a lively, interesting group of volunteers
- Develop skills in storytelling, and communication
- Free Day Use pass while volunteering
- Work with Oregon Parks and Recreation employees to offer the public world class programs

Opportunities For Volunteering

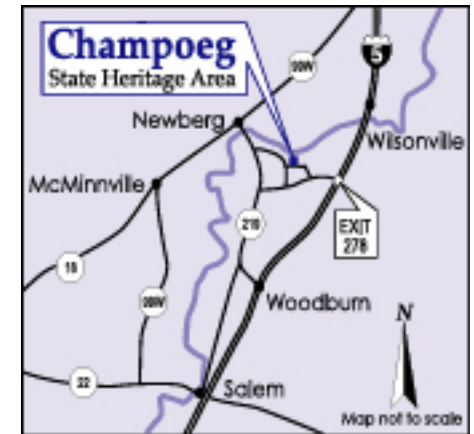
- Living History Saturday Costumed Volunteers
- Historic Butteville Store Event Volunteer
- 1860s Kitchen Garden planting and maintenance
- Costume and Prop Inventory, Repair
- Website Updating/Other publicity
- Working with the Education programs
- Research and Development of new programs



Banding a wheel is a 19th century skill brought to life at Champoeg during Living History Saturdays.



For those who are not comfortable dressing in costume, volunteering at The Historic Butteville Store is another opportunity for involvement.



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