

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION

*of the*

**CAPE BLANCO  
HERITAGE SOCIETY**



**CBHS BOARD MEETINGS:** Currently held at Point.B Studio at 10:00 AM on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.  
**PLEASE NOTE:** Our meetings are open to everyone who would like to attend. We invite and encourage anyone interested in CBHS to participate!

# Travel Through Time ~ The Masterson Collection



*The Hughes House and Ranch circa 1905 (Masterson Collection)*

The ranch spread on the south side of the Sixes River. Also visible in the upper left is the home built for James Hughes by [P.J. Lindberg](#).

2024 has been an excellent year for The Cape Blanco Heritage Society with several gifts from generous patrons whom we will fully acknowledge in our next quarterly newsletter, *The Heritage Journal*, which will be released in late January/early February 2025. It is thrilling to see how many of our members truly care about our historic sites and to know that our work to support our cultural heritage is appreciated and that we have support to continue this work in the future. Thank you so much!

One such donation we received is

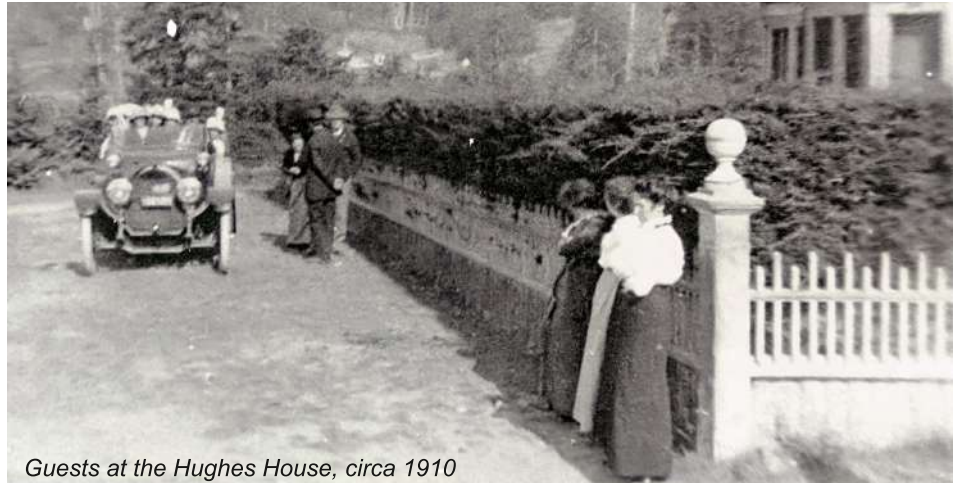
an incredible collection of images of the Hughes House from Deborah Masterson. These negatives are from the collection of her father, Patrick Masterson, an author, historian and photographer of note who owned and operated Pioneer Photo in Port Orford in the 1960s and 70s. Patrick was also the great grandson of Patrick and Jane Hughes and the images in this collection provide priceless glimpses of the home as it was back in the heyday of the ranching years. The photo above shows the spread including many of

the outbuildings essential to the business operation such as the barn, creamery (*the building with the large roof on the far right*), the bunkhouse for hired hands (*near the family home*), carriage house, smokehouse, chicken house and a slaughterhouse.

We are working with the family to identify many of the people in these photographs as well as creating a map of the buildings of the ranch as seen in the era represented. Prints of the full collection will be on display at the Hughes House as an exhibit in 2025. ❄️



*Snow at the Hughes House, date unknown*



*Guests at the Hughes House, circa 1910*

# There's No Place Like The Hughes House For The Holidays

Anyone who attends a Christmas event at the Hughes House knows just how special it is, and in 2024 this Southern Oregon Coast Tradition did not disappoint! In addition to the Holiday Teas hosted by Port Orford Main Street, the Cape Blanco Heritage Society introduced our new [Silent Art Auction](#) to support our historic sites (*watch for more of these in 2025*) and hosted a Christmas Concert featuring the delightful jazz stylings of Shaymus Hanlin. The performance was recorded in its entirety for the CBHS archives.

selves this year, introducing exhibits of historical importance such as the wedding gowns of the Wagner family and the War-era quilts of Kirk Johnson. This is the 34th year for this event and we are pleased to continue this annual affair. We enjoy learning about activities at previous events and hope to reintroduce caroling and evening lighthouse tours in the not-so-distant future. Be sure to check out the next issue of the Heritage Journal for more photos and a list of everyone who contributed to make this year something truly special. ✨



Shaymus Hanlin

We cannot thank the supporters of the Cape Blanco Heritage Society enough for their gratitude during the holiday season and year round.

## Become a MEMBER of the CAPE BLANCO HERITAGE SOCIETY



OUR MISSION: To provide interpretative and educational services for the Cape Blanco Light Station, Historic Hughes House and Ranch and the Port Orford Lifeboat Station. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and your donation is tax-deductible.

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**Cape Blanco Heritage Society. P.O. Box 1132 Port Orford, Oregon 97465.**

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CITY/STATE/ZIP:	BUSINESS or ASSOCIATE	\$ 50
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FAVORITE CBHS SITE:	LIFETIME MEMBER/MAJOR GIFT	\$1,000
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