FUND DRIVE 2017

As always, the first order of business is to thank each of you for your past and (hopefully) future support. As you can see from our newsletter, it has been non-stop at the museum this past year. From construction of a new building to renovations of older structures, the museum continues to grow and develop. There is no doubt that we have made great strides at both of our venues. A visitor from New Jersey this last week of February 2017 was amazed at how much work had been accomplished in just five short years since his last visit. These accolades are due to you and your continued support.

This year's plans include completion of the projects from last year including some major work at the Triangle No. 1 site, the location of O.P. Taylor's important well drilled in 1879. This will include general site work as well as completion of the new pavilion and a path leading from the road (and monuments) to the wellhead. We are also in the planning stages of incorporating more technology at both locations, especially the Main Street site. We would love to have more children visit, and we all know how prevalent technology is in their lives.

Stabilization of the old Shawmut Railroad depot needs to be addressed very soon as well. We will search for railroad depot restoration grants in order to save that structure, but until we receive any grants, we will need to use museum funds as a short-term stopgap.

Please think about supporting the museum in these endeavors as well as all the other activities that we have going on at our locations.

(Just a clarification – your donation now has NOTHING to do with the wine-tasting during Pioneer Oil Days. Tickets for that event will not be available until June.)

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