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Hello Members,

I'm excited to report on the outstanding success of our first annual large scale fundraising event! Our "Springtime Soiree" our expectations, netting more than \$33,000. It was a huge effort on the part of our board of directors, staff, and volunteers. Guided by the experienced hands of board members Maribelle Anderson and Phil Gary, coupled with strong support from the donors of auction lots, we crafted a lovely evening of food, entertainment, and auction excitement. Alyssa Ballard created beautiful, historically themed decorations to set the scene.

Retired sheriff Tom Allman conducted a lively auction, much to the pleasure of the bidders in the audience. Vacation stays on the coast and inland, as well as fun and unique experiences around the county were enthusiastically bid on by the 140 guests in attendance. Colorful narrations of the live auction lots were presented by "in character" actors from the Ukiah Players Theater. The most rewarding of all the lots was the "Fund a Need" portion of the evening. Bids of large and small amounts combined to raise \$9,300 to pay for wallpapering the Held-Poage Memorial Home Museum!

So, everyone involved deserves a big shout out of thanks for making our first ever attempt at a large annual fundraising event a smashing success. This ongoing effort will go a long way toward complimenting the generosity of our donors and membership, resulting in a stronger organization for our future.

Speaking of memberships, June is the month for annual membership renewal, if you are not already life a member. Membership renewal rates are \$50.00 for individuals, \$60.00 for couples, and \$150.00 for patrons. You can mail your renewal to us at: HSMC, 100 South Dora, Ukiah, CA, 95482. You can also renew online by visiting our website at: mendocinocountyhistory.org

Lastly, let me remind you of our upcoming member meeting taking place on Sunday, June 23, at the Long Valley Garden Club, 375 Harwood Road, in Laytonville. Doors will open at 12:30 and the program will begin at 1:00. Guest speaker Art Harwood will talk about the timber industry and the role his family played in that area. Admission is \$10.00. Dessert and beverages will be included. Please call 707-462-6969 to reserve a seat, or email us at: info@mendocinocountyhistory.org. See you there!

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