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## Legion Hall Restoration Update #4

Progress is being made on the engineering design for the seismic retrofit of Crockett's Memorial Hall (Legion Hall). Strength tests have been completed on the bricks and mortar of the exterior walls. Test results are being analyzed by our engineer, Holmes Culley, and we eagerly await the findings.

Geotechnical evaluation of our site will happen soon. Purcell Rhoades of Pleasant Hill has been hired to study the soil conditions that allowed settlement of our structure to occur in the past. Soil conditions must be addressed in our restoration of Memorial Hall.

The stained glass American Legion emblem has been safely removed from the ceiling of the hall. It will be cleaned of grime and made ready for reinstallation in the restored building.

We have had to postpone our fundraising efforts for this year. A good date for the "Walk of Honor for Our Veterans" across the Carquinez Bridge could not be found this year close to Veterans Day in November. This two-year old event raises money for veterans' services, and the organizers want it to be as successful as possible. Conflicting events among veterans groups and competing fundraisers at this time of year caused ConocoPhillips to propose a permanent rescheduling to May. May 21 has been chosen for the next "Walk of Honor." This is near Memorial Day and is also officially designated "Armed Services Day." Because of the rescheduling, we have postponed our dinner/dance fundraiser until May, and our matching funds program through the Foundation has also been postponed.

As ConocoPhillips invites corporate donations to support the "Walk of Honor', it is already apparent that a May schedule will be more successful in raising money for restoration of Crockett's Memorial Hall. All of the organizers hope that May will improve the sustainablility of this event, as well.

We are planning some tree pruning/removal for this fall, at which time a few volunteers are needed. The CIA is planning some initial beautification efforts for winter/spring, as well. Volunteers will be sought for soil preparation and planting when the time comes. More on that next month.

Previous updates on our Memorial Hall project can be found on our website: <u>www.town.crockett.ca.us</u>

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