



**Mennonite Heritage and Agricultural Museum**

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Dear Friend of the Museum:

I hope you have had the chance to see and enjoy at least some of the 150th anniversary programs presented this year! I would like to thank the anniversary committee and all the volunteers who made everything possible.

This year, we again hired Painting Services to paint the 1906 Preparatory School, and it made sense to include painting the Friesen House and Goessel Bank building also. They did a great job!

In 2025, the board would like to stabilize the floor and update the kitchen area in the Prep School. This will make the area a more efficient workspace and prioritize safe food handling practices while preserving the structural integrity of the building. As always, there are other ongoing maintenance needs.

I invite you to express your support for the museum with a financial contribution. Additionally, farmers have the opportunity to donate livestock or grain commodities as a reduction of income on their income taxes. Please consider making a donation to the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum when you market your grain. Those age 70 ½ or older may reduce their taxable income by making qualified charitable distributions to the museum from their Individual Retirement Accounts.

The museum is seriously in need of more board members. For 2025, we have openings for one-year, two-year, and three-year terms. So, if you like Mennonite history, Goessel history, history in general, or old farm machinery, we would welcome you on the board. The Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum draws people from all over the world, many who would most likely never come to the Goessel community otherwise. An active board is needed to keep the museum going.

**THANK YOU** for considering these needs and your time and support for the museum!

*John M. Janzen, President of the Board*

**MY 2024 CONTRIBUTION**

I would like to support the museum financially.

Enclosed is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ designated for:

\_\_\_ Prep School/Building Maintenance

\_\_\_ General Operating

\_\_\_ Where Most Needed

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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