

# Fund Drive 2010

Again this year, the Pioneer Oil Museum asks your support. As you can read in the newsletter, the museum has completed Phase I of our expansion. One goal is to increase the visibility and focus of the local gas and oil industry. Thus, we will look to create new displays and exhibits at our renovated Hahn & Schaffner site. These exhibits are meant to draw attention to the long list of accomplishments of the local producers. We hope to emphasize former and present companies that struggled for so many years in the local oil and gas fields. Of course many businesses and oil families still date back to the late 1800's when oil was king in this area.

Another goal is to become more of a regional attraction throughout New York and Pennsylvania. We would like to expand our focus in hopes of attracting more visitors to our new museum complex. We would like to spread the news about the amazing history of the local and gas industry stretching back to the late 1800's and looking forward into the future.

Last summer, we accomplished a great deal of work, but this is just the beginning. Below are listed just a few of the items that need to be purchased and tasks that need to be accomplished this coming summer:

- Renovate an old storage building that will be used to house some working oil field engines that have been donated to the museum.
- Demolish in a methodical way some of the old structures at the site so that some of the tin walls might be saved to build future exhibits
- Grade some of these parcels of land and then construct pole barns to exhibit donated items
- Build exhibits inside the old store (lumber, paints, and other materials need to be purchased)
- Purchase fluorescent lights, tables, exterior paint, and other items
- Complete wiring and lighting in the other structures on site
- Eventually begin to construct outdoor exhibits
- Develop museum website

It is with these goals in mind that we ask that you support our fund drive this year. In order to put the museum and the new Hahn & Schaffner complex on firm financial ground and to help the museum's expansion plans come to fruition, it is imperative that we substantially increase our support. The museum understands that these are difficult economic times, but we would like to ask that you help support **your** museum. All donations are tax-deductible as the museum maintains its 501(c)(3) status.

Also, please consider donating in memory of a loved one. This is a truly wonderful way to preserve that person's memory. Thank you so much for your support.

<b>Oil Baron</b>	<b>\$501 or more</b>	_____
<b>Shooter</b>	<b>\$101-500</b>	_____
<b>Wildcatter</b>	<b>\$51-100</b>	_____
<b>Roustabout</b>	<b>\$26-50</b>	_____
<b>Well Plugger</b>	<b>\$25 or less</b>	_____

Checks may be made payable to:

Pioneer Oil Museum of New York, Inc.  
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Bolivar, NY 14715

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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