



Jessica Wall, education coordinator, and Diane Anderson look over artwork created by local school children. Jessica is providing engaging experiences for children throughout the area. See Page Three.

Dinner Auction Tickets Go on Sale February 1

The Poulsbo Historical Society is busy planning the 9th annual Codfish Dinner and Auction, and we are getting really excited to see all of our hard work pay off! We have started collecting donations from our generous community and anticipate offering a wide variety of unique silent and live auction items. We will be collecting in-kind donations through the month of January, so if you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution, we would be incredibly grateful.

This auction is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and the proceeds help us create exhibits and programs that will help preserve the unique history of Poulsbo for decades to come.

You may purchase your tickets beginning February 1 on the website at PoulsboHistory.com or at the Maritime Museum, 19010 Front St. NE. The dinners sell out, so buy early.

Please mark your calendars now, and plan on joining us for this exciting and fun-filled evening!

9th Annual PHS Codfish Dinner and Auction

4:30—9 p.m. Saturday, March 21

Poulsbo Sons of Norway Lodge

18891 Front Street, Poulsbo, WA 983370

Time: 4:30-9pm

Home Port Capital Campaign

We're still tallying end-of-year gifts, but—thanks to your wonderful support—we've raised more than \$930,000 for the Home Port Campaign! That gives us the funds we need to accomplish our goals.

See David Shields' article, Page Two, highlighting the many accomplishments made possible by funds from the Home Port Campaign!

We're blown away by the amazing support all of you have shown for this project. Thanks to you, the Poulsbo Historical Society now has a permanent place on Front Street!

**THANK
YOU!**

**for giving us a
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on Front Street!**

Capital Campaign Supports Progress and Plans at Maritime Museum

By David Shields

There were a number of significant accomplishments at the Maritime Museum in 2019. They include the delivery of the Steamer HYAK replica pilot house, replacement of the building heat plant, completion of a multi-phase roof replacement, and installation of structural gussets and siding at the gable ends of the boat shed. (See photo below.)

- There is also an exciting list of things on the drawing board for our Maritime Museum this new year.
- The HYAK steamer bow and pilot house replica has already begun its next phase with workers from the Boat Shed (the non-profit boat building facility in Gig Harbor that constructed the pilot house replica) returning to create and install deck edge caps at both levels, tem and railing, chocks and cleats forming the bow and jack staff.
- Locally PHS volunteers will renovate and install the exhibit's flag pole/mast.
- Specially cut clear vertical, or standing grain western red cedar, has been donated by the Smyth Lumbermill of Indianola to be planed, laminated, steamed and bent to match the radius and forward face of the pilot house replica. At that point the ship's name will be hand carved to match the original and will be set in place.
- Vintage ship's navigation lights, area and flagpole lights, and a new sub-panel will also be installed to enhance the viewing experience.
- Inside the Maritime Museum, plans are afoot to create a new exhibit showcasing the Alaska King Crab fishery that was homeported in Poulsbo in the 1950s.
- Once the dust settles on these items, it is hoped that radiant overhead heating can be installed under the Boat Shed roof trusses, making this area more tenable for large events and evening programs.

The above list constitutes an aggressive undertaking fueled by donations and volunteer labor.

If you are able to contribute artifacts, assets, time, and/or skills, contact David Shields at 360-850-2389 or email PoulsboHistory@gmail.com



Something for your Sweetheart at the Maritime Museum Store

By Kathy Holodnak

With the holidays over, the Museum Store is looking forward to fun new products in 2020. We will continue to carry your favorite caps and shirts. With new designs in the works, sweet jewelry and nautical earrings and necklaces will remain great gift items.

Valentines Day is fast approaching, so remember you can save a trip to the mall or box store and find all your treasures in the Museum Store in charming downtown Poulsbo.

The Museum Store is proud to collaborate with Historic Downtown Poulsbo Association as well as our own museum's curatorial and education schedules. Frequently you will find featured items that relate to events and activities downtown or even right in our own museum.

Check us out regularly.... You'll be glad you did!

Education Outreach



In November, PHS teamed up with Poulsbo Parks and Recreation to offer "Salmon Crafts and Cider"- an event that ran in conjunction with "Kitsap Salmon Tours" at Fish Park. After viewing the salmon in the creek, visitors were invited to the Martinson Cabin, where they were encouraged to create fish-based artwork and had hot apple cider. Everyone was appreciative of the cider, as it was cold and wet out that day! Here is an attendee drawing the salmon he saw across the street!



In October, Maritime Museum guests got to "pick a pumpkin from our patch" to decorate! We enjoyed painting pumpkins, eating halloween cookies, and sharing costume ideas with one another. The children came up with some pretty creative (and scary!) pieces- and since they were foam, they will be cherished for many years!

With fall and the holidays behind us now, we are excited to announce our spring calendar! We are anxious for the new events and sincerely look forward to the different and unique ways we get to interact with our community! Be sure to check out our upcoming lineup, and we hope to see you in one (or all) of our amazing museums!

January 2020

14 Monthly Program: 2019 PHS Year in Review

9:30 a.m. Poulsbo City Council Chambers

18 Focus on History: Winter in the Pioneer Days Come learn what it was like to survive winter in the pioneer days!

Martinson Cabin 12-3 p.m. (all ages)

20 Stories and Cupcakes

A special reading of "Paul's Place", followed by cupcakes, discussion, and cabin tours! Martinson Cabin 11 a.m. (all ages)

31 Museum Day! Learn about Poulsbo's unique maritime history at the Maritime Museum! Explore our museum library, go on a scavenger hunt through the exhibits, and make a fun paper craft to take home! Maritime Museum 12-3 p.m. (all ages)

February 2020

8 Frozen! (location and time to be determined)

Watch Frozen, learn about the traditional Sami Reindeer Herders, and make Frozen- related crafts! (all ages)

11 Monthly Program: "Oysters on the Brink" A look at the history, conservation, and future of Puget Sound's native oysters- speaker Paul Dorn. 9:30 a.m. Poulsbo City Council Chambers

14 In LOVE with Poulsbo! A fun creative writing and art workshop dedicated 11 a.m. -1 p.m. (adult workshop)

14 LOVE is in the Air! Come make fun Valentine's Day crafts! Maritime Museum Boatyard. 2-4 p.m. (all ages)

March 2020

6 Movie Night and Popcorn in the Boatyard! Join us for a free showing of Boys in the Boat with free popcorn! Maritime Museum Boatyard. 6:00p.m. (all ages)

7 Upcycled Can Planters! Come learn how to create one-of-a-kind planters that you can use this spring for all your seedlings! Maritime Museum Boatyard. 12-3 p.m. (all ages)

14 Spring into History! Join us for a fun 45 minute walking tour of historic downtown Poulsbo- followed by a coffee social hour at Hot Shots Java! Meet new friends, and learn something new about our fun town! Meets at the Maritime Museum. 10 a.m. (all ages)

21 The 9th Annual PHS Codfish Dinner and Auction. Poulsbo Sons of Norway (See story, Page One.)

April 2020

14 Monthly Program: "ORCAS!" A close look at the history, conservation, and future of our most beloved Salish Sea Residents. Presented by Orca Network. 9:30a.m. Poulsbo City Council Chambers

*Events and programs are subject to change. Check our website, PoulsboHistory.com If you have any questions please contact Jessica Wall, Education Outreach Coordinator, at 360.440.7354 or poulsbohistorycoordinator@gmail.com. Programs are always free, and donations are always welcome (and greatly appreciated).

Collections and Exhibits

By Judy Driscoll

The core of any museum is its collection. In 2019, 56 people donated artifacts and photos from their family and organization histories. Among other things, we have received Victorian mourning clothes, logging tools from Dick Meyers' collection, two Poulsbo boats, Chet Gausta's fishing memorabilia and writings, wedding dresses from the 50s and 60s, a Moe family bunad from Norway that belonged to the late Sharon Reitan, and School District attendance records from 1904 – 1970.

Being short of storage space, we rented a new heated storage unit and filled it with sturdy shelves. Artifacts were re-inventoried, labeled and packed away in storage boxes. We can now find artifacts when we need them. But it didn't take long to fill. In hopes of finding the needed funds to purchase archival storage boxes and create some larger display areas at the Heritage Museum to display more artifacts, we have applied for a grant. Hopefully we will receive word on that shortly.

HERITAGE MUSEUM: Major exhibits this year were: Standing on the corner – a pictorial exhibit of events over 100 years on the corner of Hostmark and Front Street,

The Centennial of the Armistice of WWI and some of its legacies like the founding of the American Legion, and the Spanish Influenza: our unwanted legacy. In addition, we continued our display of the Poulsbo Volunteer Fire Department.

A small but fun exhibit features Poulsbo Grade School marbles champion from the 1930s, Myrtle Knutson, and her marble collection. "Have You Lost Your Marbles?" invites you to stay awhile and play a game of marbles on the museum floor!

In December we added a collection recently given to us from the estate of Chet Gausta. Featured is "A Penny for Your Thoughts" a collection of 93 penny postcards belonging to Inga Tiedeman, Chet's mother, dated from 1907 to 1925. That exhibit will remain throughout 2020.

Upcoming for 2020 are exhibits focusing on the Centennial of Women's Suffrage, National and Local Elections, Music in North Kitsap, and finally finishing our permanent commercial display.

MARITIME MUSEUM: We installed new story panels on the wall of the boat yard. Our biggest new exhibit was the widely anticipated arrival of the replica *HYAK* Pilot house. The unit arrived from the Gig Harbor BoatShop in late April. Installation hit a few snags with integrating it into safe walkways and entrances for the general public. The crew from Gig Harbor is working on a solution to the problem, and our hope is to finally have the pilothouse open for the public and reconfigure the fence to enhance the view by spring.



Stay and play a game of marbles at the Heritage Museum!

Tours start again in April, and we'd welcome new volunteer guides

Since 2016 we have partnered with American Cruise Lines, in offering walking tours for tourists on their weekly cruise ship stops in Poulsbo. In 2019, our guides hosted 635 tourists. Two tour groups arrived by bus from California and Texas. Tours brought about \$6,350 to the general budget for the Historical Society.

We have four loyal tour guides and are always looking for more. In 2019 we lost one of our faithful guides with the sudden death of Bob Hawkinson. Bob was on the scene faithfully every Friday during the tour season from late April through October and is sorely missed. If you enjoy meeting new people and showing them downtown Poulsbo, give us a call and we'll train you to be a tour guide. It is easy and fun and only requires about an hour and a half a week during the summer.

If you have never taken a walking tour of Poulsbo, call the Heritage Museum and we'll set you up with a tour at your convenience. We like to have at least four people, so bring along your family of any age. With your membership you get a discounted rate of \$5 each or \$20 per family.



Research sources offer treasures of information

By Judy Driscoll

Research is such a quiet topic, we tend to forget that it is a major part of our program. The Maritime Library under the direction of Jeannie Charters, is gaining a reputation for being a wonderful repository of maritime history on Liberty Bay and in Puget Sound. We can boast many one-of-a-kind volumes and a wide variety of very readable books from documentaries to novels. A benefit of your membership enables you to check out books from this library by presenting your membership card.

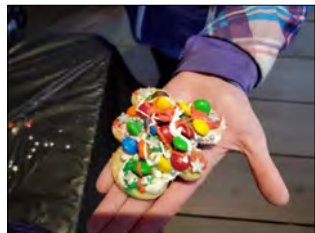
The Heritage Museum has a smaller library of books encompassing family histories, local history and Scandinavian cultural topics. We also have many resources for those researching early Poulsbo people, homes and businesses. Browsing through early phone books, NKHS Annuals from 1922 – 1995, census records, biography files, subject files on all aspects of local history, obituaries, school records, and old newspaper files is an enjoyable way to spend a day. We are continually adding to our old homes collection of house histories. Most recently we received School District attendance records from 1904 to the early 1970s. Want to see where Great Grandma went to school? Come see us! In addition, we have over 10,000 photographs scanned and available for your perusal on the computer.

During 2019 we had 15 requests for individualized research. The topics ranged from information on a grandfather who went from Norway to California as a miner, traveled to Washington and was thought to have died in Poulsbo – requested by a researcher in Norway – to Nordic traditions on wearing wedding rings.

Once a month we host a small group of members interested in genealogy who gather in the Heritage Museum on the first Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m., to share their research stories, trials and tribulations. It is a relaxed and enjoyable sharing group rather than a serious research group, and new people are always welcome.



**2019
In Review**



Top Left: Log handling program at Western Red Brewing. Top Right: Poulsbo Boat Rendezvous. Middle Left: Arrival of HYAK pilot house replica at the Maritime. Above: WWI Armistice exhibit at the Heritage. Left: Delicious youth project.

By the numbers	
Heritage Attendance	1541
Maritime Attendance	23,876
Martinson Cabin	539
Program attendance	435
Auction attendance	226
Board Meeting volunteers	552 hours
Auction volunteers	400 hours
Accessions volunteers	1244 hours
Exhibits volunteers	300 hours
Greeter volunteers	9567 hours
Construction/Maintenance vols	350 hours

To become a volunteer, call 360-440-7354 or email PoulsboHistory@gmail.com

Past, Present, Future Collide in a Burst of Energy

The more we do the greater we grow. Membership in the Historical Society not only admits you to a wide variety of programs, field trips and volunteer possibilities, but it also gives you a quarterly newsletter, mid-quarter updates on events via email, and a discount at the Maritime Museum store, 50% off on photo orders, and check-out privileges at our libraries. Monies brought in from membership help keep the lights on and the doors open. They go directly to support our facilities and programs.

Besides the tangible benefits, taking part in our activities puts you in community with an enthusiastic and interesting group of people – all interested in sharing our community’s past and actively promoting Poulsbo’s future. Simply put, it’s where past, present and future collide in a burst of energy!

Our members come from all walks of life and a wide span of ages. We are young, old, employed, retired, active, sedentary, givers, seekers, native born and newcomers. We are an equal opportunity organization. If you are new to our organization, welcome, and let us know what your interests are.

For those of you who have faithfully supported our work over the years, we thank you for your faithful and continued support in time, talent and treasure. Without you, the accomplishments of the past 20 years and particularly this past year would never have been reached.

Thank You, “Early Bird” Members!

Mary Ann Acosta	John Guju	John Hutchins	David Shelley
Grant & Farrel Alexander	Mike & Marlene Hattrick	Kim Iwersen	Jim & Ginger Shields
David Amos	Nathaniel Hattrick	Ryan Jauregul	Gordon Stenman
JoAnn Anderson	Jim & Sarah Hattrick	Scott & Sandy Klipper	David Stith
Jim Barker	Mary Hattrick	Vernon & Pat Martinson	Steve & Lana Swann
Remo Barr	John & Cami Hattrick	Mark & Karen Molinari	Jim & Mary Swoboda-Groh
Bill Bjorklund	Cameron Hattrick	Chris Morrison	Irene Moyer Tyrrell
Chuck & Mary Lou Caldart	Haukur Hazen	Carin Nelson	Bill & Sandra Walgren
Valentine Campbell	Tom & Patty Henderson	Devin Odell	
Cyrus Campbell	Brian Henshaw	Lea Olson	<i>If your name is not on this list,</i>
Michelle Clemens	Brian & Lora Heryford	Charles & Shirley Randall	<i>please use the form below to</i>
Tom & Judy Driscoll	Marvin Hogue	Gerald Reitan	<i>pay for your 2020 dues.</i>
David Edwards	Kathy Holodnak	Kurt Serwold	

Membership Form

Name(s) _____

Business/Corp Name & Title _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State & Zip _____ Today’s date: _____

Email Address (PHS use only) _____

Please mark your membership category and mail with your check to Poulsbo Historical Society, PO Box 844, Poulsbo WA 98370. You may pay by credit card at the Maritime Museum.

_____ \$25 Individual

_____ \$100 Patron

_____ \$40 Family

_____ \$500 Corporate over 20 employees

_____ \$75 Business under 20 employees

Maritime Museum now the property of Poulsbo Historical Society!

In March Poulsbo Historical Society completed payments for purchase of the Poulsbo Maritime Museum. The property was bought in stages, first the boatyard and now the museum building and property. The facility normally attracts over 22,000 guests a year to the complex, which includes the museum, museum store, visitors center and public restroom.

"This purchase is a major accomplishment that was completed in just over two and a half years, and we have so many people to thank for making this possible," says Board chair Tom Henderson.

The purchase of the entire facility was made possible by a combination of individual donations, community and legislative grants. Through ongoing pledges and annual gifts, individuals contributed \$116,232.95 of the funds, in donations ranging from \$10 to over \$40,000. Another \$215,750.00 was generously provided by community foundations including the Suquamish Tribe and the C. Keith Birkenfeld Memorial Trust \$7,500 and \$200,000 respectively. Approximately 40% of the overall project goal was made available through matching funds provided in a \$389,663.40 State Department of Commerce grant.

Thank you to Rep. Sherry Appleton, Sen. Christine Rolfe and their amazing staffs for their guidance and support of PHS throughout the state grant process. The property's previous owner, Jeff Nilsen, provided many incentives along the way to make the purchases possible as well. Thank you to all who donated their time and money to provide a permanent home for Poulsbo's unique Maritime history!

The property at 19010 Front Street represents the first real estate owned entirely by the Poulsbo Historical Society. The Heritage Museum in City Hall is a joint owner/lease arrangement with the City of Poulsbo, while Martinson Cabin is owned by the City of Poulsbo with PHS overseeing historic content and docent services. Additionally, the Historical Society is developing its "fourth museum," an online presence with exhibits and activities on its website at www.poulsbohistory.com

**THANK
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on Front Street!



PHS Aweigh!

We miss you! Since we haven't been together during this time, we encourage you, kids and adults alike, to explore your history from home. See the projects and programs on our website and take a deeper dive into Poulsbo's past. See the virtual census exhibit, conduct a mock census at home, explore pioneer life, write a story or essay, take the trivia challenges, enjoy coloring historic photographs and rosemaling designs. <http://poulsbohistory.com/phs-aweigh/>

The Mission of the Museums Moves Forward

By Judy Driscoll

SO WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED DURING OUR “STAYCATION?” Work has just moved from the museum offices to our homes. Some of us have been having a field day catching up on long-waiting projects. All of our newspapers have been cataloged, scanned, and stored in archival boxes. Our grade school classroom photos are currently being organized into a binder rack according to school and will be ready for viewing by visitors to the Heritage Museum when it re-opens. In the process of doing this, we are trying to identify as many students and teachers in the photos as we can and date them as closely as we can. From time to time we have been posting them on Facebook and enjoying listening while former students from those classes try to identify their classmates...what was Jackie’s last name?...who is that boy in the striped shirt and glasses?...I think that boy on the end moved away after that year,...I remember Gary – he got me in trouble for giggling in class....what was the name of my fifth grade teacher? It’s amazing how quickly we forget the things we think we’ll always remember! That is why a museum and historical society are important. We are the repository for the recent past as well as the distant past, so you can tap into it for your own memory’s sake and for the future of the generations following us.

The most exciting thing that has happened during this past month, at least for those of us who work on accessions and finance, is the opening of PAST PERFECT ON THE CLOUD. – the new edition of our archive software that allows up to ten of us to work on our collection and records from our home computers. For the past three years, we have had to schedule computer time in the Heritage Museum because only one person at a time could access the program. Now our financial clerk can enter dues and donations from home at the same time that our accessions people are working on collections, and committees are running endless reports...all from our own computers. We’re still learning all the ins and outs of the new format, but especially during this time of shut down, it is proving to be a life-saver for us!

Jessica’s husband, Damian, has been working at editing a few of our oral interviews and we hope to begin posting some of those on our website soon. We have over 100 interviews and won’t be able to put all of them on the web, but from time to time we’ll link a few of them, so that visitors to our website can tune in and listen to Poulsbo pioneers! Eventually we hope to also post some of the videos of our monthly meetings. If you have any technical expertise in working on either of these projects, let Jessica know and we’ll put you to work, right in your own home!

We like to have a little history in each issue of TIME AND TIDES, and with so much happening the past couple of months, I’ve hardly had time to dig something up. But a snippet of history fell into my lap last week and made one researcher very happy. I was contacted three years ago by a genealogist looking for any information she could find on the Rex family who had 3-4 children at Martha and Mary Children’s home. I was able to find a little information for her at that time, but she mentioned that she had never seen a photo of any of the children.

Last week while working on the school photos, I noticed the back of one old photo had a few names on it, and right there in the front row, clear as a bell, was Walter Rex! Being an unusual last name, I instantly remembered it as one of our research projects. I emailed the photo to her and literally within ten minutes she answered back. She was so excited it took her three emails to tell me all about showing the photo to her mother and how excited they both were to find this link to their great grand uncle. That is what makes working in a museum so much fun...making those connections and seeing how it affects another’s life.

Class of 2020 Making History is now featured at the Maritime Museum, an interactive exhibit with graduates and their families providing photos, articles and memories that will become part of the Historical Society’s archives of the 2020 pandemic era. Mementoes may be posted on the fence. Photos and memories may be emailed to NKHS.PoulsboHistory@gmail.com



Senior signs at North Kitsap High School, a photo by Susanna Leche, a senior parent, shared with Poulsbo Historical Society for the Class of 2020 Making History collection.

Supporting the Past, Present and Future

What to expect:

- Bid for items June 20-27.
- Make donations (Raise the Paddle!) June 20-27.
- Join the celebratory zoom event on June 27



No sooner had we started selling tickets to this year's auction, than the state issued the stay at home order. What to do? At first we rescheduled it in late June, but as the quarantine lingered on, we needed to rethink the event. Completely cancelling it wasn't a good option since that event is our main fundraiser each year; providing our general budget and usually at least one special project. So the new plan is now in effect. You will be receiving emails providing the link to the auction and inviting you to join us for our first Gone Fishing! online auction. The same wonderful auction items will be offered, thanks to generous businesses and friends, but you'll have to forgo the delicious SONS codfish dinner. Items will be on the website ready for you to begin bidding on June 20 and will remain open for bidding until June 27. This can be done in the comfort of your own home! We will still have some of the fun events that normally accompany our on-site auction in a live gathering the evening of June 27. So be sure to mark your calendars and start watching the Auction website on June 20. The format is easy to follow, and payment can be made by credit card.

Operating during a Pandemic

By Judy Driscoll

We have been closed for business and visitation since March 16 but that does not mean that we have stopped working. In fact, in some ways we are busier than when we were open! Our Board and committees have been meeting via Zoom. Our mission is fully intact and in action.

Money flies out and creeps in. The biggest worry we had when the pandemic hit, was finances, of course. Not only were we shutting down our major financial event, the auction, but we were losing revenue from our gift shop and monthly bills like utilities and wages and mortgages continue, pandemic or not! Another area of revenue we are losing – probably for the whole summer, unless there is a dramatic change, is our cruise ship tours. From April to November, we have been receiving \$300-\$400 per week from Friday walking tours, that amounts to about \$8000/year. Of course, cruise ships have had to cancel, creating another budget hole.

Despite all the gloom and doom, it has not been all bad news. We received nearly \$4600 during the **Kitsap Great Give** the end of April, and we thank those of you who donated at that time for standing by us! In addition, we qualified for \$5,000 from the National Endowment for Heritage organizations to be used specifically for wages and utilities with a few supplies permissible. This has to be used by October 31, and we have to give an accounting of how it was used. We have also received \$5,000 from the SBA PPP loans. These are funds allocated for non-profits to aid with salaries and utilities. These funds also have a deadline. If we use at least 75% of it for salaries, we don't have to repay it. Our treasurer says there is no problem doing that! We're thankful that we received this support so that we won't completely deplete our reserves. For those of you who are curious, it takes approximately \$8,000 per month to pay monthly bills in areas that are set amounts and can't be cut. Your executive committee has gone over the budget with a fine-tooth comb to find areas where we can perhaps make some small adjustments.

TIME AND TIDES on-line is one of those adjustments. It costs approximately \$600 per issue to print and mail the newsletter. We can save nearly all of that by posting it on-line and archiving it on our website. We will only be printing and mailing for the few who do not have computers. To keep you updated between issues of the TIME AND TIDES, you will be receiving weekly email updates to announce events (live or on-line) and happenings in the historical society. Keep an eye out for them and join us for any that pique your interest!



Programs moved online during the Pandemic. Education outreach coordinator Jessica Wall collaborated with Poulsbo Library branch manager Sharon Lee to produce the first live online program. Copy and paste this into your browser: <https://www.facebook.com/poulsbohistorymuseum/>

We are open: PoulsboHistory.com

Jessica Wall, our creative Education Outreach Coordinator, has truly been on the front lines during this pandemic. She not only is caring for her family and teaching her two elementary students at home, but she had the task of revamping her whole education focus. What a challenge to move all your small group activities that have been in months of planning, to re-creating it as an on-line project where both adults and children can log in to our website and entertain as well as educate themselves on Poulsbo History! She has been posting events and activities on Facebook, Instagram, and Macaroni Kids. If you don't have any of those – go to our website www.poulsbohistory.com and click on **POULSBO AWEIGH**. You'll find games, trivia questions, contests and even coloring pages to entertain you and your children and grandchildren during those Covid-lag times. Establishing this program has taken the work of several people to get all the technology worked out. In addition to Jessica, we take our gob hats off to Jeannie Charters, Elsa Watson and Karen Molinari who have assisted with hours of website work and promotion ideas. Creating the website as the “fourth museum” has been a goal for some time, and we are so fortunate that Jessica and her team are making it possible.

Jessica has focused strategically on traditional local culture. Rosemaling has been one of her recent offerings on the website. It's personal for Jessica because her Oregon grandmother, Anna Donnor, was known throughout the Pacific Northwest and painted and taught with Norwegian artist Sigmund Aarseth who was showcased in Poulsbo in the 1970s.



This pattern by Anna Donnor is available on the PHS website at <http://poulsbohistory.com/wp-content/uploads/Rosemaling.pdf> for aspiring rosemaling artists and children looking for a refreshing coloring activity.

Poulsbo, of course, had many of its own rosemaling artists. Rosemaling was a specialty of Annie Campbell, who painted beautiful designs in the Scandinavian tradition. Born and raised in Poulsbo, her work was a staple of local arts and crafts fairs and galleries throughout the 60s – 80s. She also instructed local artists in the art of rosemaling, often assisted by Alice Gastineau, another Poulsbo born and bred artist who enjoyed the Scandinavian art. When Poulsbo started sprucing up and chose a Scandinavian theme for its business district, Annie Campbell teamed up with local sign painter, Margie Schmuck and the two of them transformed Poulsbo's Front street. Margie's forte was the sign work and fanciful figures, while Annie specialized in the rosemaling effects. Traces of their work can still be found in downtown Poulsbo. An interesting treasure hunt can be had by roaming the shops of Poulsbo, finding traces of their art both inside and out. Often a telltale signature will be the clue as to who did the painting. You might start at Sluys' Bakery. And don't stop at downtown. Red Apple Market has preserved some of their designs high on their walls.



Annie Campbell rosemaling in Red Apple Market.

Part of the PHS education outreach philosophy is to share and collaborate with community educational resources. In this spirit we invite you to check out SEA Discovery Center's summer online lessons for pre-school through middle school students and virtual aquarium tours and virtual low tide beach walks for folks of all ages. Each week features a new topic. Check out their website www.wvu.edu/sea

Ready for Summer 2020, However It Unfolds!

By Judy Driscoll

Waterside Events

WOODEN BOAT RENDEZVOUS. This year's Wooden Boat Rendezvous is still being planned, and we hope that by August 28 isolation regulations will allow it to proceed. This year's event is under the capable direction of Matt Diehl. Save the date and watch for further updating as we get nearer to that weekend.

VIRGINIA V. Those of you with old-time ties to Poulsbo will remember that the VIRGINIA V plied the waters daily between Poulsbo and Keyport carrying civilian workers to Keyport during WWII. Jeff Griffin has been working with the Virginia V Foundation, and there is a strong possibility that they will be able to bring her to town at the Poulsbo Port on July 19. All this is predicated on Covid regulations, of course, but we hope to have her open for tours on board, and perhaps some entertainment. All this is still in the planning stage at this time. If you would like to help with this event, contact Jeff.

Reopening Museums

We have some volunteers who will not be able to work a shift at the museum due to health issues. The board, and store managers, and other volunteers are planning for re-opening, procuring personal protective equipment and re-arranging the store to allow for better distancing and traffic flow. Karen Shields has made PHS-custom face masks for volunteers. Our new point of sales system will make checking out purchases nearly hands free, and store practices are being revised to meet the guidelines. If you are not presently volunteering at one of our museums, we would be ecstatic if you would be willing to take a shift. In the beginning, we will only open the Maritime gift shop for a couple of days a week on weekends when the visitor traffic is in town. We will increase the days as the volunteer help and traffic allow. To volunteer email maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com or call her at 253.363.1287.

The Heritage Museum will open with WA Phase 3, probably in late June, Wednesday—Saturday if we have enough volunteers. It is a much quieter venue, with not as many visitors, so would be a perfect spot for those of you who don't want to take too many chances of being in a crowd. When we heard that groups were being limited to 10 people, we laughed and said "Wow, if we got 10 people at a time in our museums we would be thrilled!" If you want to volunteer at the Heritage you can leave a message at 360.440.7354 for Wally Oyen.

We hope to have the Martinson Cabin open on Saturdays starting the beginning of July. There again, it is a quiet spot with seldom more than 4-5 people there at a time. It's a good spot to catch up on reading! Gordon Stenman will answer your questions and make a place for you on the schedule. Leave a message for him at 360.440.7354.



Dave Shields, far left, works on new display at the Maritime Museum. Wayne Paulson, above, sets up the Point of Sale system. New equipment (below) will be used for the Point of Sale system at the Maritime Museum.

To Volunteer

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Thank You to Poulsbo Historical Society Members — 2020

Thank you members! Your support allows us to operate three museums: the Heritage Museum in City Hall, the Martinson Cabin in Nelson Park, and the Maritime Museum on Front Street. Because of you, Poulsbo Historical Society can provide walking tours of historic downtown Poulsbo, present a growing number of educational activities for children and their families, offer monthly programs to highlight the history of the community, and develop libraries and reference materials for local, regional and national researchers.

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To find out more about the great things that PHS is doing in our community, renew your membership or join, please visit our website at

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Providing New Ways To Preserve and Share History

By Judy Driscoll

THE BEST OF TIMES, THE WORST OF TIMES. Since opening the Maritime Museum in 2015, we have cast longing eyes at the property to the north of the boatyard. Last fall, we were approached by Wally and Nan Heffner, owners of the two lots on the north, with the information they were interested in selling the property and their first choice was to offer it to the Poulsbo Historical Society so that the old home built in 1908 would be preserved rather than taken down by a developer. At the time, the Quilt Shoppe was nearing the end of their lease, and it looked like they would probably renew their lease for another two years. The executive board toured the house and left happy with the idea that we would have at least two more years before we needed to make that decision.

Fast forward to Spring 2020. Within weeks of burning the mortgage on the Maritime Museum, the Heffner's notified us that the Quilt Shoppe had decided not to renew its lease, and the building would be available for sale in November 2020! Gulp...we had just closed down for COVID. We were short of funding for lack of our annual auction dinner, and we were still recouping from the last capital campaign. But this was a once in a lifetime opportunity. After much deliberation with the Heffners, the Executive Committee, the full Board, and our fund-raising Bellwether Group, the board, in a unanimous decision at a special Board Meeting on October 16, 2020, decided to pursue the purchase of the Heffner properties. These include the vacant lot north of the boatyard and the 1908 Nilsen-Sonju house. It is a big undertaking in these precarious times, but one the Board sees as the most positive step we can take at this time.

Purchase of the lots will allow us to unite our two major museums into one campus, increasing the foot traffic for the Heritage Museum dramatically. It will also allow us to eventually build an archival storage and conference area on the vacant lot. For the time being the City Hall space will be retained for the PHS Archives, but with changing needs at city hall and changing administration in two years, we may eventually lose that space.

Stay tuned for more particulars on this project in the coming weeks and months, but we felt it was mandatory that we inform our membership of our intentions before the rumor mill beat us to it. Is it the best of times? Yes, this is a prime location and purpose. Is it the worst of timing? Yes, we are all aware of how uncertain 2020 has been, but as a board we are determined to make it work and excited for the possibilities this opens for us as an organization making history relevant for the community!



Happenings

HYAK COMPLETION

A welcome site at the end of September in the boat yard was the completion of the front fencing, the addition of the guardrails on the pilot house, additional ambient lighting and some touch up painting. It's amazing how a little bit here and there sparks things up! Then in October the new flag masthead went up with help from some crane guys. The final touch to the pilot house was the installation of the replica HYAK sign, carved by master carver Duane Pasco. Thank you to David Shields for acting as the foreman for these projects.



COLLECTIONS

COVID may have kept us home, but work on the collections has continued full force. A grant made it possible for us to subscribe to Past Perfect on-line which allowed us to work from home on various parts of data entry on our museum software and key to following our collection.

In addition, another grant purchased a new large display case and bookcases along with archival boxes to house our complete School Collection. When the Heritage museum re-opens you will be able to not only view the display but browse our school class photo collection and help us identify your ancestors and maybe even yourself! We also have school attendance records from as early as 1890 available for research.

POULSBO BOAT PARADE

Matt Diehl and his team put together an amazing socially distanced Poulsbo Boat Parade. In non-COVID times this would have been part of a Poulsbo Boat Rendezvous. Planners are looking to 2021 and the opportunity to expand even further, bringing in other boats unique to the history of Liberty Bay. For more on this year's event see <http://poulsbohistory.com/liberty-bay-boat-festival/>



Keeping Us Strong!

As mentioned throughout this newsletter, the COVID-19 pandemic has challenged Poulso Historical Society in what can be opened to the public, when volunteers can return to museums, how we can reach the community through social media, where to find operating funds when usual channels are significantly lessened.

THANK YOU to the individuals listed below who stepped forward to create a pool of matching funds for the Fall/Winter annual appeal. As of press time, the donors are:

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THANKS so much to these supporters for their generosity. And thanks to all others who are deciding NOW to contribute to Poulso Historical Society to

- Finish 2020 strong.
- Provide a firm foundation for the many challenges and opportunities on the horizon in 2021.

We Can All Participate!

Poulso's newest museum will showcase the collections now on display in City Hall and will allow for expanded interpretive exhibits and public research access. But it will take new tools, equipment and supplies to keep it all functioning smoothly. Packing has begun; volunteer now!

Here are some services and items that will be needed. To contribute, email Curator.PoulsoHistory@gmail.com or leave a voicemail message at 360.440.7354.

- Moving company services
- Strong backs from individuals or service organizations
- 50" or larger TV and wall mount
- 15 armless chairs...prefer padded seats
- Lawn mower and other yard maintenance equipment
- Landscaping shrubs
- Landscaping advice
- Laptop for research center
- Small printer for research center
- Printer cart for research area
- Small computer desk for research area
- Security cameras
- Utility sink
- Plumbing services for sink
- Electronic services (for TV, computers etc.)
- Large heavy-duty painter's canvas to protect activity room floor
- Coffee cart
- Single serve coffee maker and tea kettle



PACKING IS UNDERWAY! *The PHS logo face mask that Judy is wearing was made by Karen Shields. Karen is providing PHS face masks to all contributing to the Fall/Winter annual appeal.*

Education Outreach: Always New Things To Do and Learn

Education Outreach Coordinator Jessica Wall did a fantastic job on our first ever Liberty Bay Festival. If you didn't get a chance to attend on-line, be sure to go to our website or Facebook page and see some of the film clips and activities available. She coordinated the PHS participation in the Poulsbo Chamber of Commerce Halloween Hunt. This socially distanced event featured a stop at the church graveyard, brochure/guides, and treats. Family-friendly activities and projects are added regularly to the website.

HOLIDAYS

Stay tuned for virtual Holiday treats coming up. Jessica is busy getting her gifts in order and preparing holiday surprises for us even though we won't be able to meet in person. If you are on Facebook, add Poulsbo Historical Society to your newsfeed so you don't miss out. There may be some activities you can actually take part in real-time – like the ornament exchange offered at the Martinson Cabin – open on Saturdays. You bring an ornament from your home collection, hang it on the tree at the cabin and choose one off the tree that someone else has hung. A fun way to trade ornaments around. Holiday recipe sharing and tradition sharing will be offered on-line.



Christmas Is Coming To the Maritime Museum!



SOCIAL DISTANCING - VOLUNTEERS WE NEED YOU!

If you are interested in volunteering this Fall/Winter, contact Mary Ann at 253.363.1287 or email her at maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com DO plan on visiting the Maritime Museum Store for your Christmas shopping. MANY lovely gift ideas!!!

