


**POULSBO HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S 12TH ANNUAL
CODFISH DINNER AUCTION**

PLEASE JOIN US!
This fun and festive event only happens once a year, and you won't want to miss it. Get your tickets today and come ready to meet up with friends, hunt for treasures, enjoy a lovely dinner, and support a terrific cause.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 1
DOORS OPEN AT 4:30PM
CLEARWATER RESORT**

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Patty Henderson, Board president and chair of this year's auction, is planning a lovely setting with a friendly atmosphere for you to visit with friends, view the auction items, and enjoy the delicious cod fish dinner (other dietary options available). A time to celebrate community and a year of growth and service, the event is intended to raise funds to support the work of the museums and to raise money for the most recent acquisition, the Heritage Museum.

Tickets are on sale on the PHS website now. Use the QR code above, or go to PoulsboHistory.com Tickets may also be purchased at the Maritime Store. Please be sure to buy your tickets by March 15.

We are so grateful for all the volunteers who come together to put on this important event. There are still some ways you can help:

- Donate items for the silent auction or live auction.
- Become a sponsor!
- Sign up to assist with activities the evening of the event.
- Come to the planning meetings, and join in the fun of presenting this special evening. Contact Mary Ann Acosta, 253.363.1287 or MaryAnn.PoulsboHistory@gmail.com (You can also contact her if you have questions regarding buying tickets or becoming a sponsor!)

What's Up at the Museums

By Judy Driscoll
Curator and Museums Director

The heat! A big thank you to those who have donated toward the HVAC systems at the Heritage and Martinson Cabin museums. Thanks to you, our volunteers are now working in comfort and our collection is better protected. We will also enjoy being able to work in air-conditioned comfort at the Heritage Museum this summer and not have to shut down due to the heat.

We have four new exhibits at the Heritage this year. The Tending to Business room is displaying the history of medical and drug store services as well as a display of wood printing blocks from the John Storseth book DAEVILSKAP. In the Hearts and Home room we celebrate Valentines and ways of communicating "tender" messages in the past with diaries, autograph books and postcards as well as valentines from the past. Also in that same room we have a display of early Poulsbo christening gowns and baptismal certificates.

The Maritime hasn't added a new exhibit yet this year. Instead we are working at de-bugging a video problem in our bay and oyster plant exhibits. If you have some technical expertise in editing and/or close captioning, we would love to have you contact Judy Driscoll to talk about it. We'd like to get things running smoothly before the tourist season kicks off in full force.

In addition to enjoying heat and improved electrical systems at the Martinson Cabin, we have moved a few new artifacts there, so if you haven't been in for a while, come view the Norwegian goat pelt quilt already on exhibit. We hope to add a few more artifacts now that we have the thermometer under control. If you enjoy poking around in the dirt but don't have a garden area of your own, we always enjoy having volunteers for an hour or two of weeding around the cabin. The daffodils will be blooming soon so you can enjoy them at the same time! We will be having a spring tea at the cabin in May and it would be great to have the grounds looking spiffy for that.

Watch the quarterly activity calendar (enclosed) or the monthly email newsletter for activities being held at all our venues this spring.

Volunteer Opportunities at the Museums

... a fun way to do community service, meet locals, and welcome visitors. A deep knowledge of history is not required — we're looking for kind, friendly people!

Heritage Museum: Monday mornings

Maritime Museum: Sunday afternoons

Martinson Cabin: Fifth Saturday afternoon of the month

A great start for a new year!

**To offer your technical expertise, contact
Judy Driscoll at PoulsboHistory@gmail.com**

**For other volunteer positions, call Mary
Ann Acosta at 253.363.1287 or email her at
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Houses and Neighborhoods Make Popular Research Topics

If you haven't already seen it, there is an interesting hand-drawn, illustrated map of Lemolo, created in 1937. One is hanging on the wall in each of our museums. If you really like it, we have been able to have it photographed and reproduced as a poster for sale at the Museum Gift Shop.

By Judy Driscoll

Research during the winter has been interesting in that one thing seemed to lead to another. We've been house hunting. Last fall a new man volunteered to help with research and wanted a project to do. We assigned him to researching homes on Sixth Avenue to add to our House History Collection, a popular research area. If you are not aware of that collection, it is an on-going project started several years ago. When we are asked to research a particular house in the area, we go through old maps, on-line assessor's records and our own newspaper articles and photographs to record as many references to the house and its owners as possible. In our binders at the Heritage Museum, are paper copies of those histories. We keep updated digital files on our museum computer.

When we have spare time, you might see us roaming a street in Poulsbo, snapping a photograph of each house on the street to provide reference for future projects. So, if you live on Sixth Avenue don't be surprised if you see a man strolling the street, snapping photographs. Or, if Michael Stills happens to knock on your door (not too likely to happen), or strike up a conversation with you on the sidewalk, don't be alarmed, he's just working the project! Michael might be more familiar to you as the impersonator of Jersey Billings at last fall's cemetery event. Michael has thrown himself into this project and is doing a far more thorough job than we ever envisioned. If you have old photos of your property or land abstract information you think might be useful to him, you may contact him through our PHS office or bring it to the Heritage Museum, and we'll be sure to get it to him. We can always scan your photos if you want to keep them, or you can send them to us digitally and we'll incorporate them into the record. By the same token, if you want to take a gander at our records, feel free to come to the Heritage Museum and browse your way through them!

No sooner had the Sixth Avenue project begun when we started getting requests for house histories in Lemolo. This usually happens when a new owner settles in and gets curious about the history of their home. So far this winter we have researched two or three Lemolo properties.

To get started on research of your house/neighborhood, email PoulsboHistory@gmail.com

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for their support of
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and programs.**

- ◆ Memberships run for a full calendar year.
- ◆ They provide invitations to special events and a 10% discount at the Museums Gift Shop.
- ◆ Also importantly, they demonstrate to funding organizations the broad support of the community and help keep the doors open for those who are just discovering Poulsbo's history.

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