

# TIME AND TIDES



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WINTER 2013

## LOOKING BACK

As we look forward with eager anticipation to an exciting and profitable 2013, we would like to take a moment to review the many accomplishments of 2012. During this past year, we were able to share several interesting and insightful programs with our members and the community. We celebrated our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Codfish Dinner and Auction fundraiser. We are very happy with the great attendance and financial success of this first time effort! We look forward to another even more successful "2<sup>nd</sup>" Annual Codfish Dinner and Auction this spring.

On a sad note...this past year Poulsbo lost one of its dear and supportive residents. Soon Hood, owner of the Book Stop, located in downtown Poulsbo, died after a long battle with cancer. She will be truly missed, however she left behind a legacy consisting of the book, "**Spirit of Poulsbo**", a beautiful book which she was instrumental in funding and publishing. Her

family has generously allowed the Poulsbo Historical Society to hold all copies and make them available to sell through the museum, online and at several local bookstores.

We also have a delightful one page 2013 calendar featuring "**Women Who Made a Difference**" in Poulsbo through the years.

Also, if you have had reason to stop in to the City Hall this past year, you would have seen the wonderful old Codfish dory, that has been totally restored by Dave and Jim Shield and Jerry Reitan. This dory was taken from the C.A. Thayer, operated by the late Captain Ed Shield. This same group of volunteers is currently in the process of restoring an old Poulsbo boat. If you have the skills, the interest, and the time to donate in helping put this vessel back in to 'ship shape' condition, please contact Jerry, Dave or Jim

Thanks to Becky Erickson for designing the calendar and for In-Health Imaging for funding the actual printing and publishing of the calendar. Copies may be purchased for \$5 at the museum or online at: [www.biblio.com](http://www.biblio.com)

## LOOKING AHEAD

Events planned for 2013 : We have several enjoyable, entertaining and instructive programs planned for the months ahead! Our next open evening program will be held on February 1, at 7pm, on the first floor of the City Hall. The presentation will consist of a visual and oral history of Port Madison from the first European Settlers in 1843 up to the present day



Then, of course, we have the before mentioned 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Codfish Dinner and Auction fundraising event. This will take place on March 30<sup>th</sup>, from 5pm until 9pm. Tickets are available for purchase at the Museum, the Martinson Cabin and at the Sons of Norway Hall. Other exciting, fun and profitable fundraising plans and events are simmering and will be announced in our Spring Newsletter!

## HELP NEEDED!

Help is still needed in all areas of putting together another successful Codfish Dinner and Auction. If you are interested in sharing yourself and your time, please call either Dale at, 360-697-1033 or Lyn at 360-697-2304. We are also in the process of collecting donated items, packages, baskets, or services to put in our silent and live auctions. If you have anything you may be willing to donate, again, please give us a call. The following is a list of suggested items and information regarding auction donations:

**All Active (Live) Auctions Items** must be identified not later than Friday, March 15 to allow publicizing these larger items. All Silent Auction Items must be identified not later than Friday, March 22 to allow creation of individual bid sheets. Bring donated physical items to the the Museum Office by Monday, March 25, or large items to the Sons of Norway by Friday, March 29 after 3:00 PM.

**Active (Live) Auction Items** - larger value items could be subjected to oral bidding. The decision on whether to have an Active Auction will be made later. These items will be identified in advance publicity.

**Silent Auction Items** - lower value items would be subjected to silent auction

**Note:** Due to our 501(c)3 status, donations may be eligible for tax donations.

## Examples of potential donations:

- Airplane/boat/sailboat ride/tour w/ lunch
- Art or crafts
- Business gift certificates
- Cabin/condo/house/RV for a full week or weekend
- Car/antique car ride with picnic lunch
- Dinner for 4-6 persons
- Framed pictures/photos
- Gift basket
- Guest memberships/passes for golf
- Guided Fishing/crabbing trip
- Professional services
- Retail or restaurant gift certificates
- Store/restaurant discounts
- Tickets - sporting events or theater



## **Opening Feb. 1. WOMEN IN THE WORK- PLACE**

What kept women busy in the 20th century? What drew them out of their homes and into the workplace? What kinds of jobs were considered appropriate for women? The fishing industry, World War I and II, the Depression, all were events that had great impacts on the lives of women in and around Poulsbo. Come see what kept some of Poulsbo's early women employed. The exhibit will open on Feb. 1 and be our major exhibit this year.

**Opening March 1. WHO'S BUSINESS IS IT?** The exhibit will explore advertising and artifacts from Front Street and Poulsbo Junction businesses. If you are a business person today, come learn what your predecessors were doing to promote their businesses.



**FROM THE ARCHIVES:** As technology improves, we try to update our paper archives to fit new formats. In the past, we often copied old family photographs and documents on a copy machine when people weren't able to give us the originals. While the reproductions were great for their time, they are not suitable for printing out for display on today's equipment. We are excited when we can re-scan an old photograph into new digital formats that are so much clearer. So if you have loaned us photos and documents in the past for copying, we would be happy to have you consider bringing them to us again to be re-scanned. It will make our collection much more useable. If you have the ability to re-scan your own photos and documents, and email them to us in jpeg form at 300 dpi, that would be great, too. Email them to Judy Driscoll at [jtdris@comcast.net](mailto:jtdris@comcast.net) and we will add them to our digital files.



**NOTE:** If any of you have expertise on old telephone switchboards, Judy would love to have someone come help put our old switchboard together in the museum. It has been moved in place but is in disarray !

### \*\*\*HISTORY TIDBIT\*\*\*

By 1950 North Kitsap's commercial codfish industry had dwindled as refrigerated floating canneries made salt-dried codfish a thing of the past. But the desire to chase the deep-swimming cod by local sports fishermen remained high. And cod in the waters of Puget Sound, as close as Agate Passage, were still plentiful.

Fishing Derbies for both salmon and cod grabbed the attention of local sports fishermen, as early as 1941. There were many sponsors and derbies over the next thirty years, often followed by a Codfish Dinner at the Sons of Norway. Those derbies and dinners are remembered as highlights of the year by many living residents today. Poulsbo Historical Society's 2nd Annual Codfish Dinner planned for March 30, 2013 at the Sons of Norway Hall will focus on stories of the early derbies in the North Kitsap area. Come for a great dinner prepared by the ladies of the SONs, listen to a few fish tales, find out who some of the "biggest yerks" were, and join in on the fun of the fund-raising auction! Tickets are available for \$25 each at the museum office and the Sons of Norway office. Get 'em quick before they go the way of the old fishing derbies...GONE!



## THANK YOU'S

We would also like to take a moment and thank all of our many, many wonderful supporters and members. Especially, the Poulsbo Rotary for their very generous offerings, both monetary and helping whenever needed!

### SPECIAL Thank you's also to:

**Becky Erickson** – Becky was instrumental in designing and putting together our wonderful 2013 Calendar

**Central Market** (Tom Hall) - for promoting and selling the SPIRIT OF POULSBO books this past Christmas

THANK YOU to ALL of  
our Wonderful  
Volunteers!

**The Dale Anderson family** - generously donated many artifacts from the Myreboe Dry Goods and Reliable Hardware stores. They are important additions to our early Poulsbo collection!

## THIS 'N THAT REGARDING BUSINESS:

### Budget/Financial Status -

Budget/Financial Tracking Info for 2012 Actuals and 2013 Planned Budgets was distributed at the January General Membership Meeting and is available to any member upon request

**2012 Actuals** - The Board is please to announce that PHS operated in the financial black this past year, earning approximately \$1,300 above expenses. The major revenue came from the dinner/auction and book sales. Thanks to all who helped so much with our fundraising efforts!

### SPECIAL NOTES:

**Evening Meeting, 1 Feb, Port Madison**

**No Morning Meeting in Feb**

**March General Meeting will be:**

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## Membership Categories & Rates (Mark Appropriate Boxes Below)

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Family</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Business (&lt;20 employees)</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Corp. (&gt;21 employees)</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Patron</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Sustaining</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

### This Membership is a

- Membership Renewal**  
 **New Membership**  
 **Gift Membership**

### Member/Contributor/Contact Information

Name (s)

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Business/Corp Name & Title

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Mailing Address

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City, State & Zip

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E-mail Address (not shared)

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Please fill in the above renewal form and mail with your check to:

Poulsbo Historical Society  
 PO Box 844  
 Poulsbo, WA 98370



### Special points of interest:

- **Poulsbo Book Arrives!**
- **Poulsbo Boat Project**
- **New Projects**
- **Tons of Volunteer Opportunities!**
- **House Histories**

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## Message from the Board President

On July 5th, PHS President, Dale Rudolph passed away while awaiting a lung transplant. Dale had been a champion of Poulsbo Historical Society for many years, serving as our City Council liaison during his years on the City Council, and for the past year and a half as our Board President after he retired from the City Council. During that time he worked tirelessly to help put the new museum on a firm footing and to keep our programs moving forward. His enthusiasm for the Society and its programs will be sorely missed.

Normally the Board elects new officers in December after the membership has elected new Board members. As elected Vice President, I will be moving into the role of acting President until elections in December.

In the meantime, the Board will be taking this interim time to take a good look at planning for the future. As part of this planning, we would like to hear from you. What ideas would you like to see us pursue? What talents or interests do you have that we might be able to put to work in our pro-

gram? The possibilities are endless and there's no time like the present to bring them to us.

Now is also a good time to begin thinking about volunteering your time as a member of our Board of Directors. With the loss of 3 active members this summer, we are in need of filling some big holes in our program. Currently we have 7 men and only 2 women on the board (other than our museum co-ordinator). It would be nice to see another woman or two on the board to help balance our focus. This Board is a very congenial group, with many ideas. There is always something interesting going on, so if you feel so inclined....don't wait to be asked. Talk to any board member or contact me, and I can answer any questions you might have about working with us.

Your Acting President:

**Jim Shields**

## POULSBO BOAT UPDATE

Restoration of the Poulsbo Boat continues. By the time you read this, the work of the wooden boat school in Port Hadlock will nearly be complete. Students at the school have replaced many of the boat's ribs and tightened up the skeleton. When they have finished, the boat will be returned to Poulsbo for our volunteers to complete. There is still a lot of work to be done, so don't be shy about contacting

**David Shields** with your offer of help. We also need more donations to fund this project. We are searching out grants but have not yet procured any.



Above: Our boat in rehab at Port Hadlock...a work in progress.

## EXHIBIT PLANS

While our **WOMEN AT WORK** and **WHOSE BUSINESS IS IT?** exhibits continue until December, we are beginning to think of next year. As part of our holiday season we'll replace the Business exhibit with a Holiday theme. If your family has "Kids with Santa" photos from any era, bring them in for us to scan (or scan them and send them to us) and we'll tack your kids or ancestors to the wall!. For a later exhibit, we're also looking for family portraits. So start looking in your closets and see what is gathering dust that we might be able to use.

In 2014 we'd like to spotlight local boat builders. Poulsbo had many, but we need more artifacts or photos in order to form an exhibit. If you have something you could loan us in this topic area, contact Judy at the museum.

If you have an interest in designing or helping put exhibits in place, Judy will be happy to have your input. Contact her at 697-3033.

## THANK YOU :

This summer two families of recently deceased members named Poulsbo Historical Society as beneficiaries of memorial funds in their obituaries. Thank you to the families of **Archie Lien, Dale Rudolph** and **Joyce Knudson** for thinking of us. As a non-profit 503c corporation donations not only benefit the program of the Historical Society, but also provide charitable contribution tax benefits for the donor.

We have also received artifact donations to our collection this month. A descendant of the **Malde** family brought us two boxes of artifacts, everything from wire-rimmed glasses to tiny pencil lead containers from an early pencil box.

As a community we are sad to see Poulsbo's favorite quilting store, **HEIRLOOM QUILTS** close, but we are thankful that the owners thought of us as they were closing and donated their store sign, a Poulsbo "artifact" for twenty-eight years. Thank You Heirloom Quilts for adding to Poulsbo's history.

## GOT A FEW MINUTES?

There are always things to be done in a museum and every museum relies heavily on volunteers to keep the shelves dusted, decorated, and presentable to the public. Our museum is no exception. Recent deaths among our volunteers have left some large holes in our greeter and volunteer schedules. Archie Lien had volunteered at the Martinson Cabin every month until a month before he died in June. Dale Rudolph volunteered as a greeter in the downtown museum in addition to his work with the board. So we are especially feeling the need to help fill some greeter slots on the schedules. If you have 1-3 hours a week or a month to help out, please contact the museum at 440-7354. Usual shifts are 3 hours, but if you don't have that much time, talk to us...we can be creative and split a shift with someone else. Drop by the museum and we'll see what will fit your schedule and ours!

## WALK-A-BLOCK



American Cruise Lines may have taken a vacation from Poulsbo for the summer, but walking tours have continued. Two tourists from Hawaii called while planning their itineraries and scheduled a tour with us. They had a great time comparing Poulsbo's flowers and weather with Hawaii's. Luckily, they were here on a sunny day!

In August we welcomed a group of 9 senior citizens from Oak Harbor for a walking tour. We revised that tour a little to fit their interests, and included 4th Avenue in it. So if you've got friends or family visiting and want to show them the town, give us a call. With a day's notice we can set you up with a walking tour.

American Cruise Lines will return on September 6 for two more months on Friday mornings. If you'd like to be a tour guide, let the museum know, and we'll get you trained. It's an enjoyable way to share stories of downtown with tourists.

# ARCADIA BOOK: POULSBO Arrives!

August 2013

The big news this month is the arrival of POULSBO, a pictorial book authored by **Judy Driscoll** and **Sherry White**, featuring vintage photographs of Poulsbo and its surrounding communities.

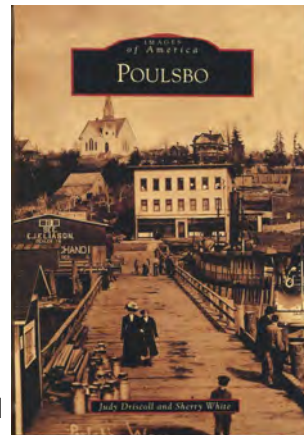
We have long wanted to get more history of the communities tied to Poulsbo on record, but previously there was so much to tell and so little space that it just didn't happen except on a limited scale. When the Arcadia Company contacted us about producing a Poulsbo book for their *Images of*

*America Series*, we decided to focus on the communities tied to Poulsbo by our zip code. So Breidablik, Lofall, Vinland, Big Valley, Lincoln, Lemolo, Scandia and Pearson, here is a tip of the hat to you. This book has given us the chance to begin presenting your history. It isn't a comprehensive story but one that finally shines the light on your beginnings. Our hope is that this will inspire residents of these areas to dig into their archives and make their history known.

*Images of America-POULSBO* will be unveiled at a book

signing the evening of Thursday, August 22, 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. This is our quarterly membership meeting and is open to the public.

The book contains 128 pages of photos and captions. A sturdy paperback priced at \$24.00 including tax, makes it a wonderfully inexpensive Christmas present, or a welcome hostess gift. Buy a bunch!



## Y'ALL COME!

Quarterly Meeting:  
August 22nd 7 p.m.

City Council  
Chambers

## LEMOLO:

### A History

with Snouaert,  
Stanley and Hogan

### *Images of*

### *America::*

## POULSBO

book signing

## LEMOLO: A HISTORY

Featured as part of the book signing event on Aug. 22 at 7 p.m. will be a presentation on Lemolo History in photos, artifacts, and oral presentations. A group of long-time Lemolo residents have been busily compiling their knowledge to introduce us to Lemolo history. **Jeanne Snouaert**, **Kathy Hogan**, and **Peggy Stanley** have been spearheading the work on this presentation. Rumor has it that they may have snared a couple more helpers for the evening's event. It will be exciting to see what they have to show and tell us! Come and bring a friend. It looks like a full evening, and we'd like a full house!



A peek inside:

Looky-Lous from  
Poulsbo chauffeured by Ron  
Young visit the real  
estate tent for Lemolo  
Acres. 1915

## HOUSE HISTORIES

If you attended our July meeting you saw some of the house histories we have gathered. The project continues. So if you see someone strolling your street snapping shots of your house...don't shoot, unless you have a camera! We're just photographing streets to give us bench-lines for future house histories. If you would like to help with this project, contact **Judy Driscoll** at the museum. If you have history about your home, bring it in, we'd love to scan it and add it to our database on homes in and around Poulsbo.



## IN THE WORKS:

Other than our regular programs, exhibits, and on-going projects, some other ideas are being floated. We are presently working on a **THEN and NOW** calendar for 2014. The focus is on businesses in Poulsbo. If you own a business and would like to sponsor a page of the calendar, contact the museum as soon as possible. Our deadline is looming!

A group of water-oriented members are exploring the idea of developing a maritime collection as part of the Poulsbo Historical Society's museum collection. This is still in the formation stage, so if you have an interest in helping pursue this idea contact **David Shields, Jerry Reitan**, or any other member of the Board, and we'll put you in touch with the movers and shakers of this idea.

Our program chairman, **Hildur Gleason**, has lost half her committee with the death of Dale. She would like some interested volunteers to help her brainstorm program topics, speakers etc. A virtual program think tank. If you like doing that, contact Hildur at the museum. There will be no November quarterly meeting this fall. We will have a morning meeting on the second Tuesday Nov. 19, 9:30 a.m.

**RESERVE THE DATE!** March 22, 2014 is the date reserved for the **Annual Codfish Dinner-Auction Fundraiser**. It's not too early to volunteer! Contact 440-7354.

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## MEMBERSHIP

If you have paid your annual membership dues in the last three months your membership card is enclosed in this newsletter.

New memberships or renewals paid in September are credited to the 2014 membership year. Fill in the renewal form and mail with your check to Poulsbo Historical Society PO Box 844, Poulsbo, WA 98370.

### Membership Categories & Rates (Please Mark)

**Student** \$10.00 \_\_\_\_  
**Individual** \$20.00 \_\_\_\_  
**Family** \$30.00 \_\_\_\_  
**Business (up to 20 employees)** \$50.00 \_\_\_\_

**Corp. (over 20 employees)** \$100.00 \_\_\_\_

**Patron** \$100.00 \_\_\_\_

**Sustaining** \$500.00 \_\_\_\_

All memberships run from January 1 to December 31 of the calendar year.

### Member/Contributor/Contact Information

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Business/Corp Name & Title \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (not shared) \_\_\_\_\_

This Membership is a :

Membership Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

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December 2013

## Special points of interest:

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## Message from the Board President

**FROM THE PRESIDENT.** Society News: Our new website has a fresh new look, and is full of great information. If you haven't seen it yet, going to the old address [www.poulsbohistory.org](http://www.poulsbohistory.org) will take you there. We're still getting our museum store on line, but everything else is looking good. Thank you to Lyn Playle, museum coordinator, who has been burning the midnight oil getting the information into the new program. As a related note, PHS has a new email. After fighting our old mailbox too often, we have opened a new mail account. You can change your email address book to [poulsbohistry@gmail.com](mailto:poulsbohistry@gmail.com) or contact us through our new website. Mail sent to the old info address will still reach us. It

will be forwarded to the gmail account, so it makes sense to just use [poulsbohistry@gmail.com](mailto:poulsbohistry@gmail.com). We are attempting to update all our forms, signs, sites etc. So if you notice something that hasn't been changed yet, let us know. The website template allows us to update it whenever we like, which will be a bonus for keeping the news new.

**NEWS FROM THE MUSEUM:** We welcomed two new museum greeters this quarter. Carol Tomas and Mary Ann Acosta are working one Wednesday afternoon each

month, so if you're around town on a Wednesday, stop in and introduce yourself to them. They have computer skills for which we are doubly thankful. We've put them to work on some of our cataloging and indexing projects.

We love it when a visitor sees something that needs to be done and goes about doing it! That happened last week when George Riddle of Allyn, WA walked in the door and handed us a beautiful hand-made wooden sign for our entry hall. Thank you George, and come back to see it in place!

## END OF THE YEAR REMINDER:



As we near the end of the year, if you are looking for a place to donate to beef up your charitable contributions, consider donating to the Historical Society. As a registered

503c non-profit, the Poulsbo Historical Society is a great place to donate!

In this issue you will find a renewal blank for your 2014 dues which are due in December. Some early birds have already paid, so look at your PHS membership card and see what the “year” date shows. If it reads 2013, you need to renew. If it reads 2014 you can relax for another year.

## SPEAKING OF CALENDARS:

If you haven't seen the colorful new 2014 PHS calendar THEN & NOW – you're missing out! The idea was the brain-child of the late Dale Rudolph. The design was by Blue Sky Printing, and we think they did a marvelous job of taking Dale's idea and making it a reality. We thank 15 businesses in town who sponsored a month on the calendar to help cut the cost of production.



When you visit their businesses, be sure to thank them for their support of our organization! BEACHSIDE BOUTIQUE, BLUE HERON JEWELRY, BLUE SKY PRINTING, BOEHM'S CHOCOLATES, CLARK CHIROPRACTIC, GLENN M. ANDERSON -EDWARD JONES INVESTMENTS, HARE AND HOUNDS, HOT SHOTS JAVA, LAW OFFICE: TOLMAN KIRK CLUCAS, LIBERTY BAY AUTO CENTER, LIBERTY BAY BOOKS, RAEVYN BLUE ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES, POULSBO RED APPLE MARKET, THOMAS REDFERN, D.D.S., P.S., and SLUYS' POULSBO BAKERY. If your business or family would like to sponsor a calendar page for 2015 please contact the Poulsbo Historical Society.

We haven't decided on a theme yet, but we will early in 2014. If you'd like to help with the next calendar project, let us know! Finally, be sure to buy one or more at the museum, or at several businesses in town who have graciously offered to display and sell them for us. At \$10.00 apiece, they're a steal, and they'd make wonderful Christmas presents for the person who has everything!

### **\*\*\*Special note\*\*\***

Both the PHS 2014 Calendar and PHS Memberships may now be purchased ONLINE through our website. Go to “VISIT” on the menu bar and choose “SHOP.” We are now accepting payment through PayPal, major credit cards, or with personal check! Right to your doorstep!

## NEW ACCESSIONS:

Board member David Shields was invited by Roy Romstad to go through the Romstad boat house before it was sold recently. While sorting through a pile of lumber, Dave spied a board with engraving on it...his heart skipped a beat when he realized it was a name plate off the old mosquito fleet VERONA which plied the waters of Liberty Bay in the 1920s and early 30s. The name plate will soon be mounted above the door in the museum. We've promised David when we get a venue open for a maritime collection, the name plate will go to that venue. But for now, if you want to take a gander at it, come to the museum!

Also new to the museum is a window from the original Pearson School dating back to 1887! It was a gift to us from Les Schmuck who also furnished a photograph of the window in action! Thank you Les for the donation, Jerry Reitan for stabilizing the panes and Larry Mitchell who mounted the old window in one of our museum window frames, wavy glass and all!

## VOLUNTEER FAIR:

In September, the Greater Poulsbo Chamber of Commerce sponsored the first North-end Volunteer Fair. Twelve enthusiastic organizations set up at the fair, but a very disappointing number of people looking for a place to volunteer showed up. It's too bad, because there were some pretty impressive exhibits to view, and some interesting projects being undertaken in our area. All was not lost, however, as the interaction between the organizations was wonderful, and those representing PHS were very pleased with the enthusiasm shown for our programs. The feeling among the organizations

was that it would be a very worthwhile event to repeat at another site...possibly the Farmers' Market, or downtown. So keep watching and in a few months you may see another Volunteer Fair announced. When you see it... plan to attend and meet all the non-profit organizations in the area!

Speaking of volunteers...Even though we may start sounding like a broken record, we would certainly welcome some fresh faces to help with some of our on-going projects! Our core group of museum greeters are actively involved, but we could use



## NEW EXHIBITS

We are presently changing our exhibits. For the holidays come see a celebration SANTA: and the kids who made him famous! Following the holidays WOMEN IN THE WORKPLACE will retire, and an exhibit on BOAT BUILDING on Liberty Bay will fill our main exhibit area. We will also be featuring Family portraits and photographic equipment. If you have an old family portrait, consider loaning it to us for a few months, and you may see your family hanging around the museum!

Our school exhibit is currently featuring Breidablik School from 1893-2013.

## WALK A BLOCK:

The fall walking tour schedule has now concluded, but while it was on, it was breathtaking for the guides who were kept busy meeting cruise ships and busses! In addition to our regular Friday cruisers who walked, we also provided walking and riding tours for 56 Norwegians, 9 Minnesota and North Dakotans, and a bus load of tourists from the Sacramento area.

A new twist was an impromptu bus tour of Vinland, Breidablik, Lofall, Port Gamble, Big Val-

ley, and Lemolo for our Norwegian and North Dakotan tourists. It went well and may be repeated if other tour groups are interested in following suit. In all we walked 246 tourists around Poulsbo during 2013 – a record number which also added over \$2400 to our bank account! If you'd like to get in on the action of being a walking tour guide, let us know, and you can practice your "spiel" over the winter and be ready for next spring's tours.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

**January 14 9:30 a.m** Ferries from 1930-1950—Dennis Johnson

**February 11 9:30 a.m** Jeff Tolman interviews Mr. K.



# THANK YOU'S

## DONATIONS AND MEMORIAL GIFTS FOR 2013 as of December 1:

Every museum survives on donations. The Poulsbo Historical Society has been blessed this year to receive over \$9,000 in monetary donations (over and above our dinner/auction fund-raiser), all of which have enabled us to do things we were unable to fund in our yearly budget. As we near the end of 2013, we want to acknowledge our kind donors. We hope we are not missing anyone. If you gave to us this year and do not see your name listed, please do ask us about it so we can correct our records. We do want to be as accurate as possible.

**In memory of Dale Fullerton:** Denny & Beata Stensager

**In memory of Jay Hamilton:** Mike & Marlene Hatrick

**In memory of Lisa Crabtree & Chuck Stroud:** Mark & Patty Nesby

**In memory of Archie Lien:** Glen Johnson, Jenny Zacher, Earl & Norma Hanson, Steve & Hildur Gleason

**In memory of Dale Rudolph:** Mike & Christi Ryan, Earl & Norma Hanson, David Shields, Herb Myers, Paul & Megan Holmberg, Steve & Hildur Gleason, Jim & Carol Slade, Tom & Judy Driscoll, Gordon & Susan Hanson, Mike & Marlene Hatrick, Frank & Catherine Gomes, Carl & Christine Goodson, Cora Caldart, Mark & Patty Nesby, Barbara Rudolph and family.

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SUMMER 2013

## Special points of interest:

- **Successful Fundraiser Dinner!**
- **POULSBO BOAT**
- **Historical Tidbits...did you know...?**
- **Membership news**
- **Poulsbo is becoming a tourist destination around the country!**

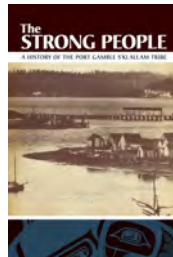
## Message from the Board President

Our 2013 Fundraiser Dinner was a great success. Thanks to all who donated to the auction, dessert dash and raffle. We raised over \$15,000 (compared to \$11,000 last year), had some 75 auction items, a raffle item, and over 20 donated desserts. The raise the paddle activity was again very successful. Many folks have told me the dinner, prepared by our partner, Sons of Norway, was the best codfish they had tasted! Todd Tidball did a wonderful job as auctioneer, in his first time ever! The discussion of past codfish derbies and dinners was popular enough that the April 9 morning meeting continued the storytelling.

Thanks to all who volunteered to help make this a successful event. Special mention to our Auction Committee who led the effort, including Lyn Playle, Judy Driscoll, DJ Bruce, David Shields, Jerry and Sharon Reitan, Wayne Paulson, Grant Alexander, Ted Portmann, Mike Ryan, Hildur Gleason, Mickey Albanese, Jim Shields and PK Maclean.

On Saturday, May 4, 7:00 PM we had a

presentation on the History of the Port Gamble S'Kallam Tribe. Kelly Sullivan, Tribal Executive Director of Services, Ted George, Tribal Elder, and Ron Hirschi, former Tribal Biologist all spoke about the history and activities of the Tribe, based on the new tribal history book "The Strong People." This was a wonderful opportunity for us to learn more about our former classmates, friends and neighbors, their history and culture.



**"The Strong People" a history of the Port Gamble, S'Klallam Tribe.**

Also, on Friday, May 3 the first of four Spring and eight Fall visits occurred, conducted by American Cruise Lines. The 100-passenger capacity American Spirit dropped anchor south of the Liberty Bay Marina and were lighted to Oyster Plant Park. They were bussed into downtown Poulsbo for a couple hours, then departed the

shore by 12:00 PM. PHS was present to conduct a downtown historical tour for seventeen visitors.

Your President, Dale Rudolph

## POULSBO BOAT

The Poulsbo Historical Society is in the process of restoring an original, 1946 Poulsbo boat. This is the Organization's second restoration project, the first being a 1920s Codfish Dory, which is on permanent display in the 2nd floor lobby of Poulsbo City Hall, located at 200 Moe Street.

The Poulsbo boat is 16 feet long, cedar plank on rib construction, powered by a one-cylinder inboard motor and was built by Ronald Young in the basement of the Young's Block building on Poulsbo's Front Street. It is one of 750 such boats built at that site. Our boat is currently being

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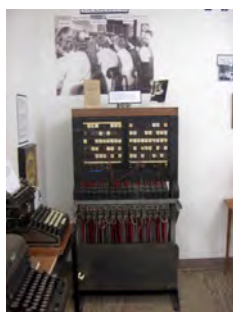


stripped of all paint inside and out in preparation for moving to the Northwest School of Wooden Boat Building in Port Hadlock. There it will be a summer class project undergoing replacement of several planks and numerous ribs. For more information about the boat, or how you might participate in the project, contact Dave Shields at 260-850-2389 or Jerry Reitan at 360-779-3374.

## New Exhibit

### WOMEN AT WORK

If you haven't seen it yet, come see the new exhibit at the Heritage Museum. **WOMEN AT WORK** explores the diverse roles women have played in Poulsbo's workforce. As part of the exhibit, two artifacts have been installed in the museum, that will probably remain on permanent display. One is a telephone switchboard—and yes, you can plug in the connectors, but no long distance calls, please. The second is a Bergman loom built in Poulsbo by John Bergman at the Yarn Barn. We hope to have it warped soon so visitors can try their hand at weaving.



## A BIG WELCOME :

WELCOME to a new greeter and archive volunteer, Pam Grossman. Pam is a retired history professor and has recently volunteered at the Keyport Naval Museum. She is presently learning our Past Perfect Museum program and is using it to help catalog and index our collection...an on-going kind of job that makes all our research easier. Welcome aboard, Pam!

THANK YOU to ALL of our  
Wonderful Volunteers!

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

Research is a large part of our work at the museum. This year we have logged over 17 research requests. The range can be anything from locating great grandpa's barn to requesting a list of former Poulsbo attorneys. Some of these requests lead to fascinating stories. As happened last week when a drop-in visitor set us off on the trail of the Gustav Mattila family of Pearson. A search of the 1909 and 1928 plat maps turned nothing up in Pearson. However, we remembered that the Mattila name was connected with a photography studio on the 1910 surveyor's map of downtown Poulsbo. It was a small building standing just north of the Liberty Bay Bank building (now Gifts of Promise). So we turned to our Kitsap County Herald database searching the Mattila name. The drama that unfolded about the Mattila family underscores how precarious life could be in the early 1900s. Here is their story:

Gustaf Adolph Mattila was born in 1860 in Finland and immigrated to Minnesota in 1888. There he met his future wife, Sophia Kemp, also of Finland, who emigrated in 1891. They married shortly after her arrival, opened a "confectionery" in Ely, MN and began raising a family of six children; Emil, Olga, Sylvia, Tygne, Katri, and an unnamed child who died in Minnesota.

By 1905 the Mattilas were farming in Pearson at the base of Pearson Point. This land was later owned by the Paul family. Gustaf, (a.k.a. John), opened a photography studio at Pearson in 1906. Perhaps some of our early Pearson photos were taken by him. "Remember him when you want photographs" the Herald reminded its readers.

Six months later tragedy struck the Mattila family. Fourteen year old Emil died a painful death of lock jaw when he accidentally shot his hand with a revolver. Blood poisoning was common before antibiotics were known. The Baptist church at Pearson was "crowded with relatives and friends of the deceased. Great quantities of beautiful flowers testified to the high esteem in which Emil was held. School closed to allow the children to attend in a body to pay their respects to a beloved friend and schoolmate." [KCH]

A year later misfortune again struck. The Mattila family had moved to the top of Lincoln Hill near the Sommerseths and Foldviks. In October of 1907 Mr. Mattila was driving to Poulsbo with several crates of chickens loaded on his wagon. "His horse shied and became unmanageable. It came running down the hill from the MVA hall, straight out onto the wharf and off the side of the wharf into the water. Before anything could be done for them the horse and most of the chickens drowned. When Mr. Mattila saw that he could not gain control of the horse he let it go, and saved himself.

“While Mr. Mattila sustains quite a loss in the drowning of a good horse and many chickens, he is to be congratulated in that he escaped without personal injury,” the Herald intoned.

Seven months later in 1908 this sad article ran in the Herald: “A little daughter of Mr. Mattila who lives near the Lincoln school house was burned so badly Monday, that she died a few hours after the accident occurred. The child had been playing with some matches

which she lighted and her clothes caught fire and every stitch on her body was burned. The doctor couldn’t find a spot that the fire had not scorched. The child was alone when the accident happened.” Eight year old Katri is buried in First Lutheran’s cemetery. The Matilla family returned to the Pearson area a short time later.

In 1910 Mr. Mattila announced, “I have started a photograph gallery in the building next to the Liberty Bay Bank and will be in shape to turn out first

class work. See me when you want your pictures taken. J.A. Mattila.”

By 1910 the Mattila family had added four more children to their ranks, Reino, William, George, and Lauri. They often appeared in the rolls for perfect attendance at the Pearson School.

In 1914 tragedy struck again in April when Gustaf Mattila died. His death must have had a profound effect on Sophia Mattila. She was now the head of the family with seven children

Olga married in 1916 and moved to Seattle. Sophia supported the rest of the family until 1918 when she succumbed to a nervous breakdown in the spring of 1918 and died sixteen months later. Olga took the younger children to live with her in Seattle.



Above: The Liberty Block building under construction in 1915.

## WALK-A-BLOCK (OR TWO)

Our walking tour season has opened in a big way. The first week in May we walked a senior English class from North Kitsap High School around town. They were studying Greek and Norse mythology and were assigned the task of writing a Poulsbo “myth” from the knowledge they gained about early Poulsbo.

That walk was a good refresher course for our tour guides as

they prepared for the addition of American Cruise Lines to the regular tour schedule. The first cruise line tour was Friday, May 3 when we walked seventeen tourists from points east (Maryland, Nebraska, Iowa, Texas, Florida, Montana) and a few points south—Oregon and California. Last week we had a couple from New Zealand!

A great time was had by all. The cruise tours will take place

every Friday morning in May and again in September and October. But you don’t have to wait for a scheduled tour. Gather a group of four or more and give us a call at the museum. With a day’s notice we can set you up for a tour. It’s a fun way to introduce visiting family and friends to our community,



spend a full 3 hours? Let us know and maybe we can split your shift with another person...we can be creative! Give us a call at 440-7354, or better yet, drop by the museum and we’ll see what will fit your schedule and ours!

## GOT A FEW MINUTES?

Every historical society needs volunteers in every size, age, and condition! Even if you don’t have hours to spend, taking on any of a myriad of projects, small or large, can be a gigantic help. Sad to say, our oldest greeter at both the Martinson Cabin and the Heritage Museum, Cora Caldart, will no longer be able to help us. We

are certainly missing her gentle smile and soft-spoken ways at the museum! Our best to you, Cora, and thank you for the time you so graciously gave us. Now we need to fill the big shoes Cora has vacated! If you can spend 3 hours a month greeting guests at the cabin, or in the museum, we’d certainly like to hear from you! Can’t

## MEMBERSHIP

If you have paid your annual membership dues in the last three months, look for your membership card in this mailing. If you don’t see it...check your wallet to see if you got it in the last newsletter. If you still don’t see it, contact us. We can check to see if your dues are current. We rely heavily on receipts from membership dues to pay the monthly bills!



# THANK YOU!

High on the wish list for our archives was a flat file for storing maps, oversized photographs and posters. The good fairy granted our wish in April in the form of a 14-drawer flat file given to us by ADA Associates when **Herb and Elda Armstrong** retired. There were smiles aplenty around the library as we unrolled long-forgotten documents and inventoried them into the new file. Thank you Herb and Elda for thinking of us! The Armstrongs also added to our collection with many old surveyors' instruments and tools as well as some city maps that will be invaluable in locating residences of families in the 1930s. Working in the museum can be quite an education. We're presently learning about drafting and surveying!

A huge THANK YOU to the many volunteers who stepped in to set-up, run, and take down our annual Codfish Dinner and Auction. We'd especially like to thank **Todd Tidball**, who stepped up to the plate (or was it the mic?) a few days before the auction and offered to be our auctioneer when two other auctioneers cancelled. Todd did a wonderful job and was entertaining as well as efficient!

Another proficient volunteer was **Margene Smaaladen**, who, when asked her for input on the dessert auction, jumped in with arms loaded with decorations and set up the attractive dessert display! Margene had us salivating over the luscious desserts provided by our donors.

**Mickey Albanese** headed our decoration committee for the second year in a row. Her attractive and clever decorations again added to the fun of the evening. She and her crew are to be commended for their can-do attitude.

Thank you, **Kathy Raiment**, for introducing us to the Auction Tracker computer program and training our museum director, Lyn, in its use. Kathy has handled the Rotary Auction proficiently for several years. As we become better acquainted with what the program has to offer, we'll be more efficient at handling the check-in and check-out processes. Things just keep getting better and better!

Finally, a **HUGE** thank you to all the businesses and individuals who graciously donated wonderful baskets, services, articles, trips, and tours to be auctioned. Without your donations there would be no auction!

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