

## Footprints Across Poulsbo — A new event for Poulsbo and Kitsap County

If you enjoyed our Ghosts in the Graveyard event last fall, we will be taking a similar show on the road on June 18! From 10 AM to noon that Saturday, you are invited to take part in Footprints Across Poulsbo, an interactive Story Walk that get you moving through the city's past, present and future. This is one of 11 walks presented this fall by Josh Farley of the Kitsap Sun and their partner, Kitsap Moves.

Gather your family (all ages welcome!) and pick up a map at the Pavilion in Waterfront Park. Then trek around Poulsbo as you learn some history, as shared by a local actor or history enthusiast. You can reward yourself with a sticker at each stop while getting your day's exercise at your own pace. The two-mile walk will feature both residential and commercial parts of Poulsbo. Walkers, who fill each sticker spot and make it to the end at our Heritage Museum, will receive a small, but attractive prize.

This event brings together a number of local organizations providing assistance for the route, which was researched and designed by Judy Driscoll of Poulsbo Historical Society. Participating are City of Poulsbo, Parks and Recreation, Jewel Box Theatre, Rotary of Poulsbo/North Kitsap, and Coffee Oasis, as well as other volunteers from Poulsbo Historical Society.

In connection with the event, we are still looking for volunteers to sit at each stop with the re-enactor and hand out map stickers to those trekking the route. A few stops will also have water bottles to hand out to the walkers. Plan on being available from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM that day. To volunteer, **let MaryAnn know if you would like to sit at a station and hand out stickers!** Reach her at 360-440-7354 or [MaryAnn.PoulsboHistory@gmail.com](mailto:MaryAnn.PoulsboHistory@gmail.com)

## Memorial installed at the Maritime

Thanks to David Shields, right, for spearheading the drive to install a Fishermen's Memorial at the Maritime Museum to honor the fishermen and vessels that made Poulsbo their home port. David acquired the propeller, which came from the "Olympic," a haibut schooner built in 1911. Local businesses, Watsilla Defense Systems and Valykrie Enterprises donated their time to polish and prepared the propeller for display. PHS volunteers coordinated the installation.



### In Memory

Kathy Hogan (1943-2022) was a past president of Poulsbo Historical Society. She was an active participant in the activities of PHS until just the last four years. She died in May of Alzheimers, at the home of her daughter in Gig Harbor.

### Take a look at what's inside!

- 2 Museum operations continue to expand and excel
- 3 Order your tickets now for the July 16 Dinner Auction
- 4 Saturday activities continue to please the crowds
- 5 Summer events to enjoy
- 6 Thank you, members!

# MUSEUM UPDATES



## How much *weight* do you pull?

We are fortunate that there are many creative volunteers at PHS. Recently, Maritime volunteer Chris Morrison asked if he could recreate a pulley exhibit he had seen in San Francisco at Fisherman's Wharf. Not ones to turn down an offer like that, we cheered as Chris went about his project. The exhibit is now complete in the boatyard, and visitors can pull the ropes, to experience the difference various pulley configurations make when lifting a barrel. We applaud Chris and his very professional and educational exhibit. Our thanks to Damien Wall for producing the wood-cut signs for the exhibit.



## Digitizing Our Collection

Our resourceful volunteer, Jim Godschalx, who has worked with accessions for the past several years, has taken on the project of photographing our entire collection! He studied commercially built stages but decided he could improve on the design to get just exactly what he wanted, so he built his own portable light box to bring out the best in each artifact.

We have now reached a point where we need to make photographs of our artifacts more accessible and usable to our visitors, both on site and via internet. Currently, we have nearly 80 storage sized boxes, each containing anywhere from 3 to 20 artifacts, some as small as a lapel pin, some as large as a bowling ball! This number keeps growing as more items are donated to us. This is a long-term project, requiring precision, care, and above all, patience. For each artifact, Jim not only photographs the front and sometimes the back also, of the artifact, but notes its name and number on a chart so that we can enter the exact location on our museum software and attach the digital photograph to the artifact record in the software program.



This aids us by giving a visual record for researchers who may be looking for a particular item. Eventually, we hope to enter our artifact collection on our website, so that researchers and casual browsers alike, can see our artifacts and perhaps be enticed to visit our whole collection at one of our museums.

## Looking to get involved?

### **Greeters are needed at several of the museums:**

- Tuesday mornings at the Heritage
- Third Saturday afternoons at Martinson Cabin,
- Second and fourth Sunday afternoons (2-5 PM ) for the summer at the Heritage.

### **Also Asking for:**

- Donations are requested for the lawn include whiskey barrels to be used for a container garden and a light-weight battery-powered lawn mower.
- Anticipating when funds are raised for the lift (similar to an elevator), a volunteer project manager will be needed to coordinate electrical work and construction associated with the installation.

To volunteer or for more information, contact Mary Ann Acosta at 253.363.1287 or email [maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com](mailto:maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com)

# POULSBO HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S 11<sup>th</sup> 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, July 16

Doors open at 4:30PM

Clearwater Resort

[poulsbohistory.com/auction](http://poulsbohistory.com/auction)



**The more you participate, the more you will enjoy!**

### Order your tickets now!

- Use the QR code shown above, or go to [poulsbohistory.com](http://poulsbohistory.com)
- Not an online shopper? No problem! Tickets may be purchased seven days a week at the gift shop in the Maritime Museum, 19010 Front Street NE, Poulsbo
- Tips for seating: Arrange with your friends to sit together. Submit the information when you order tickets — include names, email addresses and phone numbers. Or later, you can email [maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com](mailto:maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com) with the information.

### PLUS! Remember we are always looking for interesting items to bid on during the auction.

- Are you a pretty good cook? Would you provide a dinner-for-six as an auction item?
- Could you provide two lessons in belly dancing? ;-)
- Do you have unused gift cards that you could donate?
- For these and other auction donations, contact Mary Ann Acosta, [maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com](mailto:maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com) 253.363.1287

For those of you who are wondering about the change in venue, we have moved from the Sons of Norway Hall as their maximum seating number has been reduced from prior years. We are looking at a second social event (in early 2023) and are looking forward to holding it with our friends at the Sons of Norway.

## Thank You For Your Support!

Just like the annual dinner auction, the Kitsap Great Give is an important source of revenue for Poulsbo Historical Society, which operates four museums that reach thousands of people each year with informative displays, walking tours, family-friendly activities, programs, and research support.

Many thanks to everyone who participated in Kitsap Great Give. When all the funds are counted, it is expected to total about \$20,000. This is incredibly important to providing services!



## There's Always Something Happening!



**Above:** Mother-Daughter Tea at Martinson Cabin. **Upper**



**Right:** Westmoreland Tree Service provides some needed trimming. **Below:** PHS in the Viking

Fest Parade. **Lower Right:** Bill Bjorklund seeding the Heritage lawn.



## Become a Walking Tour Guide

There are some 80—90 volunteer jobs performed for the Historical Society EVERY month, most of them are performed weekly. Many of the greeters at museums have been welcoming people to our exhibits for years. Other volunteers maintain the facilities (including recently upgrading the lawn and flower beds at the Heritage), provide creative support to the educational activities, host fundraising activities, lead walking tours, process archives, create exhibits and the many behind-the-scenes functions that keep us strong and healthy.

Right now there is a great need for walking tour leaders. These volunteers host a small group of visitors from the American Cruise Line ships that come into Liberty Bay. The walks only take about an hour, starting at 9 AM and cover the two-block downtown area. The typical schedule is one walk per week. Background historical information is provided; a welcoming personality is very much appreciated. Contact Judy Driscoll at [jtdris@comcast.net](mailto:jtdris@comcast.net) or leave a message at 360.440.7354. Sign up with her to attend a walk and see if being a tour leader is for you!

## Poulsbo Historical Society

# SUMMER EVENTS

4 Museum Locations

Free Admission ~ Family Friendly

Saturdays @ IIAM

## June



- 6/4: **Pride Observance** - Heritage Museum
- 6/11: **Midsummer Flower Craft** - Martinson Cabin
- 6/18: **Footprints Across Poulsbo** - Waterfront Park\*10AM
- 6/18: **Juneteenth Observance** - Heritage Museum
- 6/25: **Nautical Adventure** - Maritime Museum

## July



- 7/3: **Patriotic Scavenger Hunt** - Maritime Museum
- 7/9: **Junior Curator Program** - Heritage Museum
- 7/16: **History Rocks!** - Maritime Museum, Boatyard
- 7/16: **11th Annual Dinner Auction Fundraiser\***  
- Clearwater Casino 5:30pm \*purchase tickets early!
- 7/23: **New Life in a New Land** - Martinson Cabin
- 7/30: **Salty Scavenger Hunt** - Maritime Museum

## August



- 8/6: **Coast Guard Day** - Maritime Museum, Boatyard
- 8/13: **Pandemic Reflection Painting** - Campus Lawn
- 8/20: **Liberty Bay Preview** - Maritime Museum
- 8/26-28: **2nd Annual Liberty Bay Festival\***  
- A weekend long event with boats, music, crafts & more!

- \* Find event details and more information on our website.
- \* Please contact us for any special needs or questions.
- \* Due to weather or revised Covid guidelines, events are subject to change.
- \* Join in the PHS fun! Event supplies may be limited, visit us early and often!

## BECOME A PROGRAM PARTNER



Support an event and help keep Poulsbo's History Alive! For just \$50, you and your family will be recognized as the Program Partner for a weekend you choose. Help PHS create meaningful experiences by becoming a Program Partner today!





# Our Old House

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

## Summer Evenings ON THE LAWN!

PLEASE JOIN US

Take part in a fun historical program, tour the Heritage Museum, enjoy summer treats, and get an update about the Historical Society's project to purchase and preserve the historic Nilsen-Sonju House.

On your choice of dates:

June 9, 5:30PM, Nautical Craft for Grown-ups

July 28, 5:30PM, Poulsbo History Trivia

August 11, 5:30PM, Music Trivia with a '40s Flare

To receive an invitation, please RSVP by:

- visiting [poulsbohistory.com/summer-evenings](https://poulsbohistory.com/summer-evenings)
- emailing [maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com](mailto:maryann.poulsbohistory@gmail.com)
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## Liberty Bay Festival — Let's Make It a Big Celebration!

Mark your calendars for the second annual Liberty Bay Festival, August 26-28. There will be boats on display/tours including classic yachts and military vessels, a Bayside Showcase of interesting water-related activities and history as provided largely by local community non-profits in the park, live entertainment in the pavilion, exciting museum events, and much more! Downtown merchants (HDPA) are looking for ways to add to the excitement, so watch for emails to learn more.

This event is a companion to the Poulsbo Boat Rendezvous, a long-standing tradition of owners of Poulsbo boats, built locally by Ronald Young in the first half of the 20th Century. There will be boats to view along the waterfront. Others will be in the water, providing a parade on Saturday, and offering rides in the Bay as time/weather permit. To register your boat, go to <https://poulsbohistory.com/poulsbo-boat-rendezvous/>

Liberty Bay Festival is looking for volunteers to assist prior to and on the days of the event. For more information Jessica Wall, Education Outreach Coordinator, at [poulsbohistorycoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:poulsbohistorycoordinator@gmail.com) or call 208-596-8291.

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