

New Stories To Hear

'Ghosts in the Graveyard' Returns to the Poulsbo Cemetery

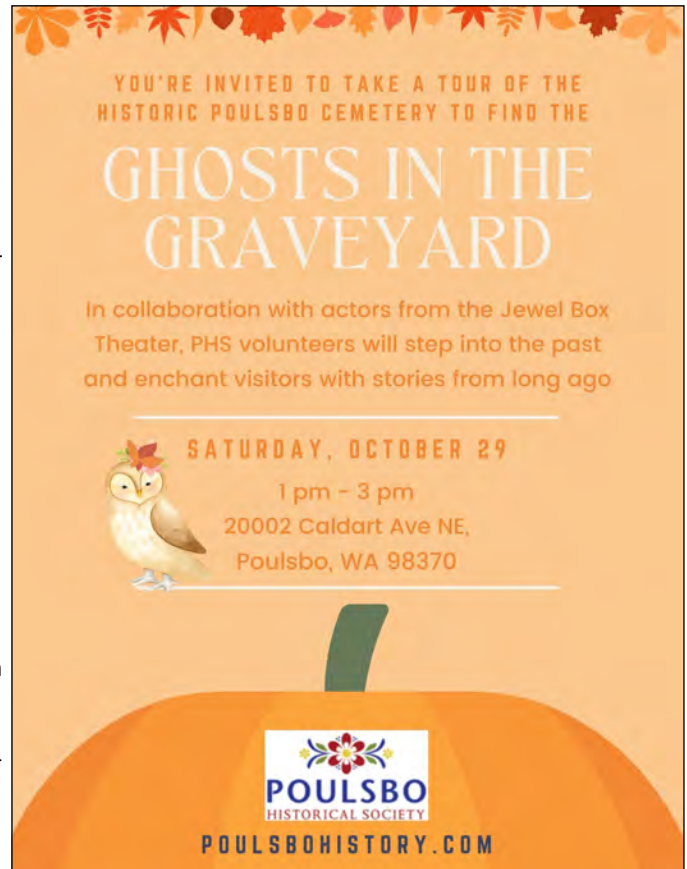
What can you learn in a cemetery? Join PHS and the Jewel Box Theater on Oct. 29 in the Poulsbo City Cemetery to hear voices from the past tell you of their lives.

This is not a time of haunting, but a wonderful chance to reminisce about history in a quiet and thoughtful way. Meant for all ages, it is a natural time to teach children that a cemetery is a place of history and remembrance, not a fearful, death-filled place.

Costumes are welcome as are pets on a leash and attended at all times (and cleaned up after, as needed).

Allow a good hour to an hour and a half to visit our nine voices, then come to the pavilion in the cemetery for cider, light refreshments, an equestrian history exhibit., and fun craft activities.

Volunteers will direct you to parking within the cemetery in the parking lot or to the lower grassy lot. Please do not park on nearby residential streets.




YOU'RE INVITED TO TAKE A TOUR OF THE
HISTORIC POULSBO CEMETERY TO FIND THE

GHOSTS IN THE GRAVEYARD

In collaboration with actors from the Jewel Box
Theater, PHS volunteers will step into the past
and enchant visitors with stories from long ago

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29
1 pm - 3 pm
20002 Caldart Ave NE,
Poulsbo, WA 98370



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Thursday, November 17 at 6:30 PM

Meeting of Poulsbo Historical Society

Election of new Board members

Recognition of early members

Updates on museum exhibits and improvements

- **Enjoy the social hour and refreshments!**
- **If you are not yet a member of PHS, you will be able to join that evening. (Or see the website link on Page Two to join now.) Memberships paid in November and December are good throughout the coming year.**
- **Nominations to be on the Board are welcome. We are looking for people with broad community connections to assist in the growth and development of PHS goals.**

Let's do this!!

Poulsbo Historical Society

Fall Events 2022

Archive and Research Center (ARC)

Did you ever wish you could browse through the un-displayed artifacts in our collection? Here is your chance to browse and render much-needed service to the ARC at the same time. We will host our annual 'catch-up' day for filing, inventorying, accessioning and storing of artifacts in our collection. What a great way to learn how curators in a museum work!

Since the Front Street museums will close that day in preparation for holiday openings, experienced and new volunteers are invited to the Archive and Research Center on the second floor of City Hall to make the many chores seem like play! There are jobs aplenty for all levels of experience from ages 12 – 99.

We will open at 9 AM and close when the work is finished. Come for the whole day or for just an hour or two...you choose. Many hands make light work!

It's not necessary to sign up, but if you'd like to, give Judy Driscoll a call at 360-697-3033 or email her at jtdris@comcast.net

Heritage Museum, Nov. 9-15

The Heritage Museum will close during the week of Nov. 9 while the long-awaited HVAC system (heat pump) is installed throughout the building. Good-bye wall heaters! Thank you to those who have made this possible through your capital campaign donations.

If you're ready to get into the holiday spirit you are invited to help decorate the Heritage Museum for the holidays on Nov. 14 and 15, 10 AM – 2 PM.

If you want to help but can't come either of those days, give Judy Driscoll a call at 360-697-3033 or email her at jtdris@comcast.net. She will be happy to find a work slot for you on another day.

NOTE: See Page Six for other opportunities to help with projects on the various museum campuses.

Halloween

Oct. 29 Ghosts in the Graveyard 1-3 PM at Poulsbo City Cemetery

Oct. 29 Drive-by Trick or Treat 1–3 PM at Martinson Cabin

Oct. 31 Trick or Treat Downtown 4-6 PM at the Maritime Museum

November

Nov. 5 **Salmon Crafts and Cider** 11 AM to 2 PM at Martinson Cabin, part of the Salmon Days event at Fish Park

Nov. 12 **Letters to Heroes** 11 AM at the Heritage Museum in honor of Veterans Day

Nov. 19 **Historic Landmark Driving Tour** 11 AM. Get your self-guided tour information at the Maritime Museum

Nov. 26 **Holiday Open House** 10 AM—4 PM at the Heritage Museum, Martinson Cabin, and the Maritime Museum

Nov. 26 **Tree Lighting Ceremony** 4:30-6:30 PM. Watch for details on location and related activities

December

Dec. 10 **Stories and Cupcakes** 11:30 AM at the Heritage Museum

Dec. 17 **Scandinavian Ornament Swap** 11 AM at Martinson Cabin



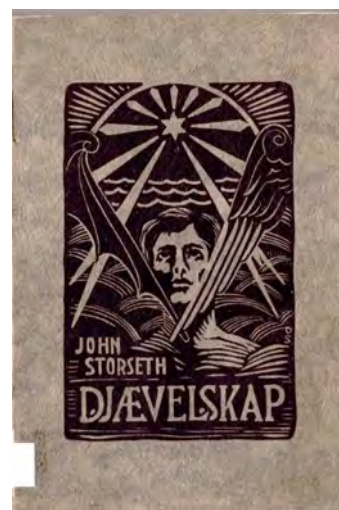
We love our family events! (Pictured here: Coast Guard Day in August)

History Walks in the Door

By Judy Driscoll

During the summer, I received an email from a woman in Seattle. She explained that she likes to visit antique and second-hand shops and while in a second-hand shop in Seattle, she ran across a bin of wood-cut and lithograph blocks. Twenty-five cents apiece seemed like a good bargain, so she bought a bunch. When she sorted through them, she noticed some commonalities through a set of about 10 blocks. Fortunately for her, and for us, one block had a book title on it, so she began researching on google. Within a short time, she found the book DJÆVELSKAP written by John Storseth. A little more research on Mr. Storseth led her to contact me.

John Storseth was an active pioneer in the Poulsbo community. He had a lovely home in Vinland across the street from the Vinland Lutheran Church. He was a logger, a church-school teacher, a farmer, and an active participant in the Farmer's Cooperative Creamery in Poulsbo for at least 15 years. There are many more facets to the life of this scholarly man...author (always in Norwegian), theologian, reporter to the Washington Posten, and the list goes on. He authored DJÆVELSKAP in 1933 and had it edited and apparently illustrated by his friend and wood-cut expert, Ole Sunde whose name appears in the copyright information and whose initials appear on the wood blocks. Happily, we have a copy of Mr. Storseth's book in our library.



Wanting to see our museum, our gracious donor, Debra Stevens, made a special trip to Poulsbo to walk her artifacts into the museum. We spent a delightful time comparing the blocks with illustrations in the book and discovering that some blocks matched pictures of Mr. Storseth's house that we have seen in other publications. What a treat to receive this gift! Watch for the blocks and book on display soon in the Heritage Museum. If you know how to read Norwegian, or know of a translation of the book, we would love to hear from you. About all we know is that it does have a theological theme...perhaps another Pilgrim's Progress adventure?

Coming Soon to the Heritage Museum

In November we will be installing two new exhibits at the Heritage Museum. Christening Gowns and Baptismal Certificates will take center stage in the Hearts and Home room. We have several lovely christening gowns in our collection and a few ornate baptismal certificates, but not many photos or stories. If you have something in the arena of baptisms you would like to share for our display talk to Judy about how we might be able to tell your story. You can reach Judy at jtdris@comcast.net or leave a message at 360.440.7354.

Our Tending to Business room will say good-bye to "It Pays To Advertise" and open "Call for the Doctor... quick, quick, quick," featuring the medical and pharmacy history of Poulsbo. Again, if you have stories or artifacts you would like to share in those fields for the exhibit, talk to Judy Driscoll about them. Both exhibits will be up for over a year, so the things you share will be needed for at least that long.

There's ALWAYS something to do!



Judy Driscoll at work on the new Bay Discovery Room in the Maritime Museum.



Patty Henderson and Bill Bjorklund check the new electrical panels at the Heritage Museum. This work was necessary in preparation for the new heating and cooling system to be installed in November to provide the climate control needed for the treasured artifacts of the museum. This work also paves the way for the lift to provide ADA-friendly access to the second floor.

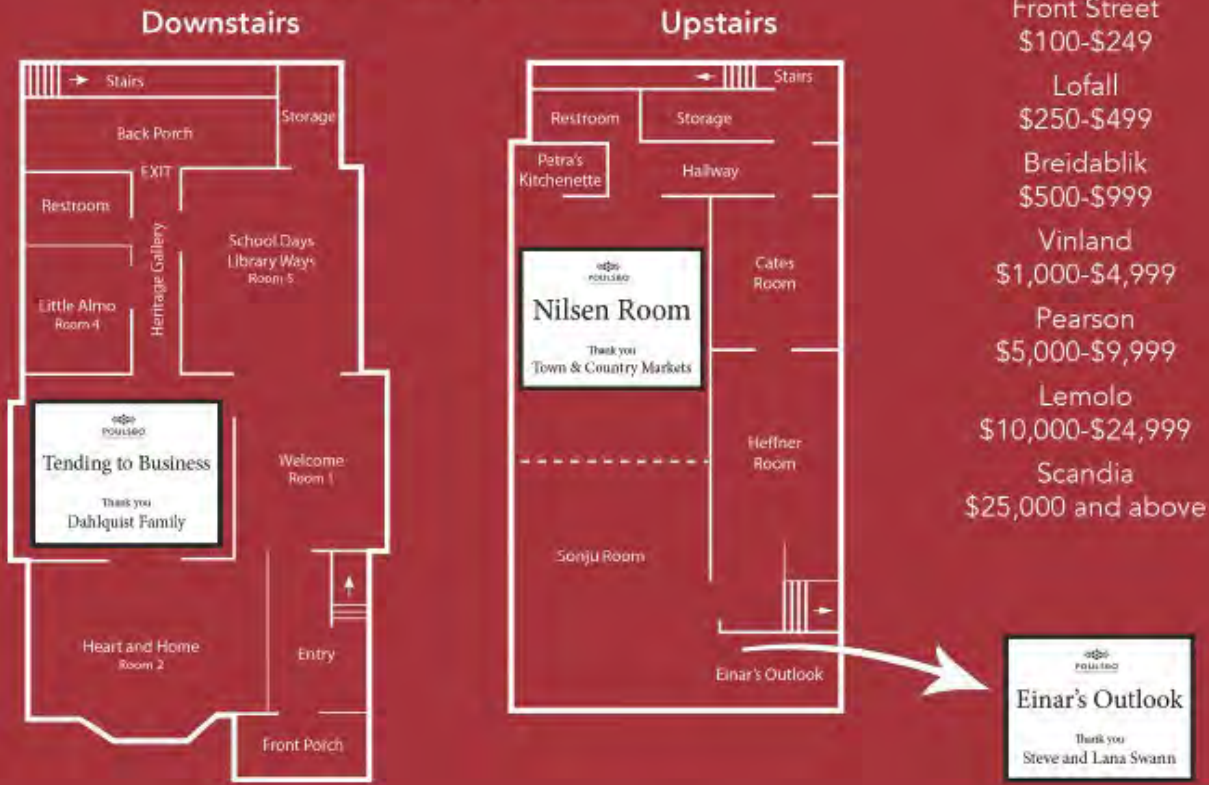


Damien Wall, Chris Morrison, and Jerry Reitan keep the Hyak beautiful and safe from whatever the weather may bring.

**Thank you for donating
to the Capital Campaign!**

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Nilsen-Sonju House



Naming Opportunities

\$10,000: Heritage Gallery, Petra's Kitchenette

\$15,000: Entry, Einar's Outlook

\$20,000: Cates Room

\$25,000: Nilsen Room, Sonju Room, Heffner Room

\$50,000 Rooms: Welcome, Heart and Home, Tendii Business, Little Almo, School Days & Library Ways

Watch this space for more opportunities!

Without the Poulsbo community and its support, there would be no Heritage Museum on Front Street and no preserved Nilsen-Sonju House. In honor of that, we look forward to acknowledging major gifts to the capital campaign on the plaques that adorn each room.

If you're interested in claiming one of the rooms for yourself or your family, please let us know. Gifts can be pooled over the course of years, and multi-year pledges are very welcome. All donors will be gratefully acknowledged on our donor wall at the end of the campaign.

To donate or make a pledge go to www.poulsbohistory.com/capitalcampaign or call Mary Ann Acosta, Director of Operations, at 253.363.1287.

Thank you!

Get Involved!

Request for Volunteers

Archives and Research - Related

- Filing photos and documents at the Archives and Research Center (ARC) at City Hall
- Oral interview transcription at the ARC or from home
- Oral interview editor at the ARC or from home

Heritage Museum - 19020 Front Street NE

- Greeter on Sundays, 10 AM to 1 PM
- Greeter on Mondays, 10 AM to 1 PM

Campus Lawn

Any of the following: mow, trim, weed (including front fence lines and the parking area). These are done on an as-needed basis, but it would be great to have several volunteers to share the load.

Other Facilities Maintenance

We welcome anyone with any of the skills usually required for home maintenance and minor repairs! You don't have to come every week... even if you are only available from time to time, your skills and assistance would be MOST welcome!

Event/Fundraising Planning

Volunteers are welcome for the planning and presenting of the spring annual dinner auction and for the new Fall event.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Mary Ann Acosta at MaryAnn.PoulsboHistory@gmail.com or 253.363.1287



Holiday Gift Ideas

The Museums Gift Shop will soon display charming holiday gifts. From stocking stuffers to Poulsbo-themed items and decorations, you will get your shopping done! AND proceeds from the Gift Shop go directly to supporting the museums and historical programs. Located in the Maritime Museum, the store will hold its holiday open house on Nov. 26, but word is that you can find Christmas items even a little earlier than that! :-)

Another great gift idea is a membership to Poulsbo Historical Society. The recipient will get 10% off shopping in the Gift Shop and receive invitations to programs and events. <https://poulsbohistory.com/join/>

Please and Thank You!

Thanks so much to everyone who made the 2022 annual dinner auction SO successful! Record-setting donations help support the ongoing operations of museums and programs and give a big boost to the

goal to pay down the mortgage on the Heritage Museum property. Thank you!

Please save the date! The 2023 dinner auction will be held April 1 at Clearwater. We hope to see you there!