Bothell Historical
Museum

Bothell, Washington

Spring Membership Meeting

Saturday, April 16th, 2016

11 am to 2 pm at the Lytle House

Come by to find out what is happening at your Bothell Museum! Renew your membership or join for the first time. Sign up to be a docent or for other volunteer opportunities. The museum buildings will be open in case you haven’t visited in a while.

Lunch (pizza) will be provided.

Know someone that might be interested in joining the Museum?

Please bring them along.

Plus a program on the “Beckstrom Family In Bothell”

See Page 4 for details

Museum Opens for 2016!

Sunday, April 3rd, 1 to 4 pm

WhatsSup Stand-Up Paddle and Surf

Steve Holmes, the operator of this local company that rents out water sports equipment near the Museum, has offered to do fund raising days at his business, giving us a portion of the day’s proceeds. July 10th and 17th have been selected for these efforts. If you have the opportunity, stop by and rent something or just say hello.
Calendar for 2016

April 3rd, Sunday—Museum Buildings open Sundays April thru October, 1 to 4 pm

April 16th, Saturday—Membership Meeting, 11 am to 2 pm.

May 29th, Sunday—Petals on the river memorial event, 1 pm at the bridge.


August 21st, Sunday—BHS Alumni Picnic, 11 am to 4 pm at Blyth Park

October 26th, Monday—General membership meeting at City Hall, 10 am.

November 28th, Monday—Decorate the museum for the holiday, 10 am.

December 4th, Sunday—Christmas Tea, 1 to 4 pm at the Hannan House.

December 11th, Sunday—Museum Buildings open 1 to 4 pm for Christmas

Message from our Co- Presidents

Nancy & Don Sparling

Spring (wet) spring has sprung! We are looking forward to the Museum buildings opening on April 3rd, and the membership meeting April 16th. We hope to see your there!

The Board of Trustees has been working with the City of Bothell to apply for a grant from 4Cluture to make repairs to the front porch of the Hannan House. Deterioration of the structure has caused sagging. This is the reason for the yellow warning tape.

Thanks to all the volunteers who worked at the Museum the past year!!

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Olson Design
Downtown Bothell Custom Design Jeweler
10034 Main St.

Country Village Shops
Bothell Everett Hwy.

Neil McGee
DDS
425-486-4428

Bothell Newspaper Website
Papers 1908 to 1939 in a searchable database.
Read the news from Bothell’s Past!
http://bhm.stparchive.com

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Museum Location: 9919 NE 180th Street Bothell, WA 98011 (in The Park at Bothell Landing)
www.bothellhistoricalmuseum.org, and you can find us on Facebook.
MEMBER NEWS

Jeanette Backstrom Retires from Board of Trustees

By Sue Kienast

Jeanette Backstrom has retired from the Board of Trustees of the Bothell Museum. As a member for 40+ years and treasurer for most of those years, she has performed multiple duties during those times. As treasurer, she has kept the Museum in the “black” by keeping meticulous records down to the penny, making monthly and annual reports, providing information to obtain grants, paying bills, updating our insurance, distributing mail and maintaining our status as a 501(c)(3) corporation.

Her dedication, reliability and attention to details will be especially missed. She not only served as a docent, but she made all docents feel welcomed, plus filling in on numerous occasions; helped with organizing and doing our tours; provided great program ideas and lectures; worked on the accession committee for years with long-time member Betty Bendokas; helped maintain the Memorial Board and made sure the Museum acknowledged the donors; created wonderful window displays with Ellen Carnwath; updated our scrapbooks with Polly Roberts; and much, much more. As was stated at the last annual meeting, “Jeanette was more than a treasurer, but a true treasure”.

Her service as a volunteer, dedication and attention to details was more than expected, but done with a true desire to preserve the history of Bothell. Jeanette will still be around to add her insight and expertise on the future, but she will be missed on the front line.

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Petals on the River

Memorial Day Weekend, Sunday, May 29th, 1 pm at the Bridge

A Museum annual event to honor our members and friends. Bring flowers to throw off the bridge as the memorialized names are read.

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Memorial Donations Received

January 2015- January 2016

“In Memory”

Jane Boyd Poage  Roberta Carlyon  Bill Robinson
Doug Poage  Frank E Jackson Jr.  Boots Heebink
Doug & Dan Irby  Alan Backstrom  Gladys & Charles Kaysner
Peter Kienast  Kevin Counard  Jeanne Louise Pyle
Joyce Holmes  Eric Lindroth  Frank A Migliore
Bill Stain  Sue Rohrback  Doris Liston
Marshall Paris
Spring Meeting Program—The Beckstrom Family in Bothell

April 16th, 11 am to 4 pm at the Lytle House

Special guests at our Spring Meeting will be descendents of the Beckstrom Family, early homesteaders in Bothell. They will share “stories” of their parents and grandparents, as well as photographs, documents and other memorabilia. Among these are naturalization papers and records of the homestead filing (161 acres). Required at the time was a listing of all the items owned, including all livestock.

Andrew and Augusta Beckstrom arrived in Bothell in 1883 with 2 children. They lived in an abandoned cabin until they built the cabin that is now part of our Museum. Their next child, John, was the first recorded birth in Bothell. Eventually, 11 people lived in the cabin, including Andrew’s father, before they built a larger house.

We look forward to their visit and the opportunity to learn about the history of the family and the cabin to share with visitors to our Museum.

Membership Changes

You may have noticed the membership renewal form is now dated by year. We have changed to yearly memberships January to December. In the past, all members had different renewal dates, which was difficult to keep track of. If you renewed after June in 2015, you are good for this year.

Envelopes for your 2017 membership dues will be included with the Autumn newsletter.

Wooden Bowls made by Mike Hughes

Five Left!

When you come in the Hannan House, you will see wonderful bowls Mike made from repurposed wood from the oak trees cut down at Ricketts school. Mike donated them, and they are for sale to benefit the Museum.

Thanks to our Volunteers and Supporters

We are grateful for our volunteers who recorded over 2,000 hours in service to the museum. Listed here are some of the projects they worked on:

- Docents in the museum buildings
- Renovation of the Hannan House
- Digitizing old pictures
- Care of Museum artifacts
- Outreach
- Writing Grants & Applications
100 Years Ago

Bothell Sentinel

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100 Roads No Longer Guess Work.

This will be a driver go far out of
way in order to strike a better

The question seems almost too
be dignified with an answer
at it is done hundreds of times
day without the least thought be
given to the reason for it.

In fact it is done the very
cosser the less efficient high
way. The no one will deny and
so the question of just what
efficiency highway squarely before

is an important consideration.

The roadbuilding was in its in
cause it was a matter of con
sequence which had to be worked out ac
ting on the theories of those best

at it today. Formerly roads

not after one man s idea, but
numeros plans and various speci
fication so that a study of them now
to light the fiasco under which

were constructed.

We no longer have to rely on theor
ies. We have the cold facts before
us. It is not difficult to determine what

and what method of construction

paper a building roads that will

more efficient today than will be

for the use of future gen

erations. If you realize that the question of

road is a problem that affects you

only as is any interest you own.

No matter in what line of eng

adventures you may be interested you
can read the book of the overcon
struction of main highway overcon

struction. It is the best topic of the day

and is thoroughly studied by State

and City officials as well as tax

throughout the United States.

In appearance is the man who has

enjoyed the history of former mistakes

of the taxpayer, always the tax

who will suffer from the faulty

construction of roads being built today.

This will give you an opportunity, you

ill, for that the pioneer road

would have been glad to make

of the roadbuilding naturally ar

in order to do about it.

It is human nature to learn only by

experience, yet he who prof

experience of others is more wise.

Some have tried temporary and slip

pavements hundreds of times and

have found them cruel.

School Board Meets.

At the last meeting of the school

board, Mrs. R. H. Lyon was of

recognized as a member of the

board and that lady accepted

the position. The appointment

been made by Supt. M. E. Dur

ham by unanimous request of the

people of the district. At this

meeting E. M. Chase shifted the

burden of secretaryship upon Earl

G. Rice who took his medicine

gracefully and will endeavor to

make as good an official as Mr.

Chase. Of course he will have to

go some.

And this year Chase will serve

as presiding officer for pure glory.

The secretary is the only salaried

office and the only officer that

must work. Mr. Chase figured

that he had worked enough at

home and as he did not need money, it

came easy for him to surrender

his place. For a long time this

office has caused some lively scrap

no-one wanted it, but now

they have found a man who delight

in hard work and he will

have a job as long as he is on the

board. In view of what we

know about that office, we are

doubt as to which to extend—congratula

tions or sympathy.

Seniors Practice Play

The seniors of the high school

ave at last satisfactorily arranged

with the “higher-ups” the schedule of

hours to rehearse their play,

Mrs. Briggs of the Poultry Ranch.”

The hours are as follows—Mon

day 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday

and Wednesdays 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Thursday 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. This

arrangement will accommodate all

members so that those living at a

distance from school may prac

tice two afternoons after school while

those who cannot practice at that

time may do so at the evening

hours.

The seniors plan to stage this

dramatic masterpiece some time

about the early part of May.

Deplorable Outlook.

The News—Independent pictures

“deplorable possibilities” in the

following words which he credits to

anon. The lines fittingly ex

press the grave possibilities of all

the newspaper men for they are

going the limit to persuade their

subscribers to pay up. This is a

fair sample of the aforesaid limit—

It is rumored that a certain

young lady in this town knaes

bread with her gloves on. This

incident may be peculiar, but there

are others. Now we NEED bread

with our shoes on. We need

bread with our pants on. We need

bread with our shirts on. We need

bread with our pants on, and un

less we corral some of the out

standing accounts on our books,

we will need bread without any

ingredients, and this town will look

like the Garden of Eden if col

lections don’t improve soon.—Anon.

The Puget Sound Power and

Light Co. has installed a new tran

former on the hill in front of the

school and made connections

Light After Darkness

Mrs. C. A. Bowen, wife of Dr.

Bowen of the University M. E.

Church, spoke to a fair-sized audi

cience in the Methodist church on

Tuesday under the auspices of the

Women’s Foreign Missionary

society.

The subject was “China” and as

the Bowen’s were formerly sta

tioned as missionaries in that coun

try, Mrs. Bowen was able to give a

very comprehensive and impres

sive talk.

Her word pictures of the life of

China at its best, were well drawn

and were so dark and despairing that one cannot imagine what the

remote portions of that empire

must be. Mrs. Bowen told this

awfulness in such a cheerful way

that her hearers might well have

been pardoned for accusing her of

lack of feeling over the pitiful

condition of the Chinese people

but these threats were dispelled when

with the dawn of hope, for her clim

x was glorious — the “Great wall”

had been punctured and trains

were running into the heart of the

“walled city,” the palace had been
duced to the public, idols had

crumbled, temples opened

for Christian worship, and church

collections were raised in the

pagan kingdom, and countless

thousands were coming to the crib

and in fact she closed with the thot

that the way that lead to dark

ness had come to light at last.

Miss Harriet Wyzy writes that

she has been busy doing substitu

tion teaching every week so far this

year and for weather, it has been

much milder in Illinois than in W

ashington.

A boost for Poinsetter is a blow at the “pork barrel system.” With

Roosevelt at the head of the ticket,
Fall Meeting at McMenamins

Guest speaker Patti Forte-Linna
McMenamins Artist

Schoolhouse Open

Hannan House Open

Flowers for “Petals on The River” Event

Petals On The River
Volunteer Opportunities

At our Spring membership meeting there will be sign-up sheets available for you to join our committees in working on Museum projects. Or you can join anytime you want by calling or leaving us an email. If you can think of any other activities to work on, please let us know.

Grant Writing—Help prepare grants for submittal to 4 Culture and other agencies.

Cleaning—Help with keeping our Museum buildings swept, vacuumed and dusted.

Computer Help—Enter collection information into the Past Perfect database and other computer projects.

Newsletter—Write articles, edit, proofread and otherwise prepare this newsletter for publication.

Christmas Decorating—After the Thanksgiving Holiday, help decorate the Museum buildings for Christmas. Bring greens for the exterior, put up the tree and decorate the interior of the Hannan House.

Christmas Tea—Help with planning the Tea and preparation for this event.
   May include baking cookies.

Event Planning—Be on the committee that would be planning future meetings and find guest speakers.

Outreach—Help guide special tours of the Museum or take information to the schools and other organizations.

Publicity—Distribute information about upcoming Museum events to local papers and City agencies.

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2016 Membership Form
Bothell Historical Museum, PO Box 313, Bothell, WA 98041
425-486-1889 bothellmuseum@gmail.com

Name ___________________________ Date ______________

Address ___________________________ State _______ Zip __________

Phone ___________________________ Email ___________________________

Send future newsletters to my email address? __________

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

_____ Business $50.00     _____ Family $20.00     _____ Individual $15.00

_____ Senior $10.00 (65+ years)     _____ Other

_____ I would like to learn more about volunteering

_____ I would like to make a donation $ ________________

_____ I have items to donate

_____ Memorial Fund Donation $ ________________

In Memory Of __________________________

BHM qualifies for tax exemption under 501 (c) (3) and your contribution is deductible to the extent allowed by law. We qualify for matching gift contributions by those employers who offer this benefit.

Checks should be made out to Bothell Historical Museum and mailed to the above address.

We Thank You For Your Support