

# Bothell Museum Sentinel

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## Bothell Historical Museum

*Celebrating the History of Bothell*



### Civil War Veterans Headstone Dedication

Remembering Bothell Pioneer Civil War Veterans Robert Campbell and John Rhea: The Bothell Historical Museum invites you to attend the dedication ceremony of Headstones for two early Bothell pioneers, both veteran soldiers of the Civil War. The ceremony will be at 10 am on Sunday, August 13, 2023, in the Bothell Pioneer Cemetery, 10816 Valley View Rd.

### Hannan House 130th Anniversary Celebration

Come join us in our birthday celebration on Sunday, August 13 from 1 to 4 pm in the Park at Bothell Landing.

This will be a perfect day for you to dress up in 1893 fashions, bring your own picnic lunch and picnic on the lawn in the Park, come play some old-fashioned games, and have some popcorn and a birthday cupcake.

Games will be available throughout the grounds and will be ones played in 1893. Try your hand at Cup and Ball. Play Quoits. Indulge your inner child by playing hopscotch (which goes back to ancient Rome, used by soldiers to hone their footwork). Try: the Hooey Stick, Jump Rope—both single and two ropes, a giant version of Tic Tac Toe.

You are invited to make a take-home craft; A Button Whirligig. See if you can make a buzzing sound with yours.

In the buildings, we will have checkers and Chinese checkers set up, should you want to play.

Visit our re-enactors set up in the area by the Hannan House.

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We have lots of things for you to see, take part in, ask questions about, and see what our ancestors did for activities. Visit all three of our buildings—docents will be available to answer your questions.

Hope to see you there for our birthday celebration.



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We are halfway through summer. We had a successful Spring Membership Meeting with Karin Poage of the Yakima Fruit Market as our guest speaker. Many people turned out for our Petals on The River celebration.

We had a very successful Independence Day celebration. The city, once again, had its pancake breakfast in front of the Lytle House which is across the walkway from the museum buildings. We had 185 guests go through the museum.

The window displays in the parlor of the Hannan House continue to change. The current display is centered around the Hannan Family and the Hannan House 130th Anniversary Celebration on August 13th. Be sure to look in the front windows if you are passing by.

Susan Gardner is our new Membership Committee chair and she is helping Jill with Event Planning. We are still looking for a newsletter editor, and pioneer article writer, and help with data entry into our Past Perfect Database. If you are interested in any of these roles, please contact the museum at [BothellMuseum@gmail.com](mailto:BothellMuseum@gmail.com)

Interested in being a docent? Signing up for one or more 3-hour Sunday shift between April and November? Contact Jill at [jillk@bothellhistoricalmuseum.org](mailto:jillk@bothellhistoricalmuseum.org)

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### Van Museum Tours by Mary Evans

I have been fortunate to serve, with Board approval, as chairperson of the Metro Van Pool Program. These trips to other museums were available to museum members and guests. Unfortunately, at this time, these tours are going to be discontinued. The van program operates with a volunteer driver who has several responsibilities related to our trips. He retired effective May 2023. I have advertised in several sources for a volunteer driver and have worked with our Program Coordinator based at UW Bothell. There has been no driver currently available. I, with the rest of the Board, have decided to end the program at the end of July 2023 until a driver is found. Should anyone want more information on driving for us you may contact me, Mary Evans, at my number in the membership directory or email me at [marye@BothellHistoricalMuseum.org](mailto:marye@BothellHistoricalMuseum.org)

**Nancy (Nims) Sparling**

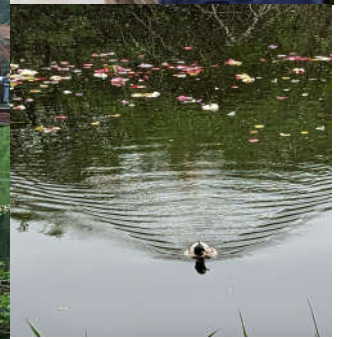
Nancy Sparling of Bothell, WA, passed away peacefully with her husband Don by her side, after a six-year battle with pulmonary fibrosis. She was preceded in death by her parents, Bruce and Janet Nims, sister Nickie Parsons and son Matthew Sparling. She is survived by her husband, Don Sparling, and numerous loving friends and family members.

Nancy attended Bothell High School, graduating in 1962. She attended nursing school at Shoreline Community College, graduating in 1974. As a highly regarded registered nurse, Nancy provided care for the children at Seattle Children's Hospital in the Rheumatology and Oncology Clinics.

Nancy and Don were introduced to each other in January 1974 and married one year later, in January 1975.

After retirement, Nancy and Don moved to Nancy's family home in Bothell. There Nancy became involved in the Bothell Historical Museum Society, eventually becoming co-president with her husband Don from 2012-2017.

**Petals On The River**



**Online Donations**

Did you know that you can send standard and memorial donations online to the Bothell Historical Museum using PayPal from our web page? Open the [bothellhistoricalmuseum.org](http://bothellhistoricalmuseum.org) home page, hover on the **About The Museum** tab then click on **Donations**. Enter the amount and the additional amount to cover the museum fee if you wish. For a Memorial donation, Choose Memorial Donation then specify in whose name you are giving the donation in the optional **note** field at checkout. Please share your address with us so we can send you an appropriate **Thank You** note.

# Bothell 4th of July Activities

The City had the 4th of July Pancake Breakfast in the Lytle House and requested that we open the museum during which we had at least 180 visitors between 8:30 am and 10:30 am.

We had 2 vehicles with 8 passengers and 7 walkers in the parade. The cars were courtesy of Brooks Biddle Automotive. Many of the walkers and riders were descendants of the Hannan Family. The photos were taken by our museum photographer, Thiviya Ganesharaja.

## Pancake Breakfast



## Parade



## The Hannan House – New Life

### Hannan House—1894

The previous issue of the Sentinel highlighted the Hannan family. In June of 1890, William “Billy” Hannan bought a lot from David C. Bothell on Main Street and started constructing a “proper house with running water” for his future wife, Jamima “Mima” Campbell, the daughter of Civil War Veteran Robert Campbell and Mary Ann Bothell. The house, built in the late Queen Anne/Victorian style, was finished in 1893.



Billy and Mima raised their two children, Almon “Dick” (b. 1895) and Gladys (b. 1898) in that house. Dick served in WWI and when he returned he lived in the house with his mother according to the 1930 census. By the 1940 census,

the house was occupied by Dick, his wife, and daughter (both named Margaret). Gladys and her husband Ross Worley lived in a house next door.

### Hannan House with water tower—1907



Several events occurred in 1967. The Bothell Historical Society was formed with Gladys Worley as one of the founders. Bothell residents undertook a program of community revitalization, with the assistance of the University of Washington's Bureau of Community Development. Through that effort, the long-term dream of creating a Bothell Historical Museum was formulated.

### Hannan House on Main Street—1930s



In 1968, the former residence of the pioneer Hannan family on Main Street became available. The Northshore Bank had purchased the property for its value as a future parking lot.

Through a series of negotiations with John Hughes and Joy Vitulli of the Museum Committee with the bank board, a no-charge lease agreement was achieved.

The bank agreed to donate \$125 monthly to the Museum for upkeep. In 1969, the Beckstrom Cabin was moved from its original location on

## The Hannan House – New Life

100th Avenue NE, north of St. Brendan's Catholic Church, next to the Hannan House on Main Street.

In March 1969, the original Museum Committee joined several other interested parties which began to meet regularly to plan for a museum opening on July 4th as part of the community's annual celebration.

Fundraisers were organized and visits were made to other museums for display and procedure ideas. Publication of a Bothell Historical Quarterly newsletter was launched with Terri Malinowski as the editor. Acquisition of artifacts was pursued with temporary storage provided by John Hughes in the Northshore Citizen building.

Immediately after signing the lease, the house was cleaned up and renovation proceeded. John Hughes and Terri Malinowski asked 24 businesses and individuals in the community to pledge \$85 annually to cover expenses. By May 1969, 15 of the necessary 24 such gifts were received. May through June of 1969 the cleaning and renovation proceeded with over a dozen volunteers working daily through May and June 1969, preparing the Hannan house for its July 4 opening as a museum. They were Betty and Charles Bendokas with their son Tom, Mary Jane and Don Creger, Nan Hughes, Peggy and George Moore, Nancy and Marshall Paris, Joy Vitulli, Terri Malinowski, Barie Colbert, and Ruth Thomas. Furniture and artifacts donated by others including Carol (Hinckley) Brown, Edna Ray, and the DeYoung and Kaysner families were arranged on the first floor.

On July 4, 1969, the first floor of The museum was ready to open as scheduled. Gladys Worley was chair of the Hostess committee. Gerhard Ericksen's 1894 ledger book from his Mercantile store was set out as the guest book for visitors to sign as they entered.

Hundreds of residents visited that day.

**Nancy Paris**



MRS. MARSHALL PARIS IS A PAINTER—OF HOUSES!

### Move to Park at Bothell Landing



The monumental task of finding, furnishing, and opening the museum had been accomplished in less than three months to the amazement of all. Gladys and her docent volunteers greeted visitors Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 4 pm. Many of the guests were groups of schoolchildren. The hours were expanded in 1970 to 11 am to 5 pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

In 1978 the City of Bothell acquired the Hannan House and the Beckstrom Cabin. Both buildings were relocated to the Park at Bothell Landing. The Hannan House was moved on December 22nd, 1978.

**{FOR THOSE CURRENTLY NOT MEMBERS} 2023 Membership Form**



Bothell Historical Museum membership fees cover Jan 1 to Dec 31, 2023. Your support makes it possible for us to care for the museum buildings, to showcase Bothell's rich history for the public, and to provide resources and research for our community. You are an important part of our mission.

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**Membership Levels**

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**PLEASE CHECK YES OR NO FOR ALL QUESTIONS**

I would like to have my contact information included in a Bothell Museum Directory for members only.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to volunteer.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to receive newsletters and mailings.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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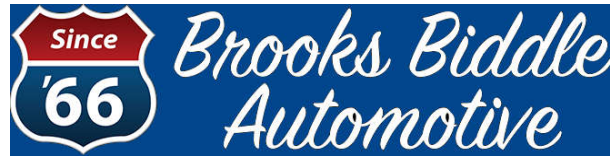


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