



Log Cabin Museum

SMAA Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

What a splendid fall we are having. These cool brisk mornings and nights sandwich a splendid hot sunny short day in between. I enjoy the changing of the seasons and find myself scrambling to get all those outdoor projects completed before the inevitable rains come.

The next three months of the year speed by so fast and looking over SMAA's calendar, we have many fun things coming up. Be sure to spend time reading this newsletter. You do not want to miss these events. Come join us in one or all of them.

Speaking of changes, you need to see the gallery if you have not already. We have our new lighting, fresh coat of paint and moved some things around. We hope you like our new look.

Let's also remember to share our good fortune with others. See our article about helping Helpline. We want to be a big contributor in getting food to the needy, so we will be a collection site over the next three months. Stop in see our new shows and drop off a can of food.

I hope to see and meet each one of you over these wonderful holidays.

Best wishes for your health and happiness.
Be Happy, Pam Heinrich, SMAA President



Calendar



(please see insert for details)

Receptions:

Sunday, October 7, 1-4 pm. South Kitsap Artists

Sunday, November 4, 1-4 pm. Pat Bruzas

Events:

Wednesday, October 31, 5-8 pm Trick or Treat

Monday, October 22, 12 noon 20/\$20 Lunch Bunch

Friday, October 26, Bunco at the Gallery

**Saturday, November 24, Membership meeting and
Annual Christmas Party 5:30 pm.**

Saturday, December 8, 1 pm. Christmas Tea

**Saturday & Sunday, December 1&2, 8&9, Pictures
With Santa at the Log Cabin 11 am to 3 pm.**

Raise the Roof on the Log Cabin!

A year ago we started raising money for a new roof for our Log Cabin. So far we have raised \$1442.00. The Kitsap Bank has joined in our fundraising efforts by agreeing to match funds we raise up to \$3200.00. In our efforts to continue to raise money, Bud Barnes, one of our talented artists, has donated a miniature log cabin for us to raffle. Bud spent many hours putting intricate detail into this piece of art. We are selling raffle tickets at the gallery for \$1. The drawing will be November 24, 2012. Please stop by to see this masterpiece, purchase a ticket, and maybe be a winner!



Count the Pumpkins!

Call the Gallery with your # and the first 4 with the correct count will win a prize! 360-876-3693

Helping Helpline

The South Kitsap Helpline has been struggling to fill the food needs of our community this past year. With the holidays soon approaching, this adds an additional challenge to their efforts. To support their efforts, we have decided to be a collection place for gathering foods and funds. There will be a barrel at the gallery over the next three months where we are encouraging our membership and visitors to donate. Please be as generous as you can and thank you for helping us fill the needs in our community. Here are some suggestions: canned fruit and vegetables, macaroni and cheese, canned beans, soup, ravioli, spaghetti o's, top ramen, granola bars, stuffing, gravy, yams, jello. Personal items: toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner. Holiday gifts for children age 0 to 16: new, unwrapped toys. And they could always use money. Make checks payable to: SK Helpline.

If you have any questions call: Pam 876-3881.

**Soup & Salad Lunch at the Gallery- October 22, Noon- Call for Reservations!
360-871-0796**



SIDNEY GALLERY PRESENTS



October - This month the Sidney Art Gallery is once again hosting the annual South Kitsap Artist's Association juried exhibition and membership show. This is their 51st year as a group dedicated to encouraging artists and promoting art. The group offers a variety of artwork in many mediums, including oil and acrylic, watercolor, pastel, photography and pen and ink. There will also be a mixed media section. The SKAA encourages new membership and are happy to have visitors to their meetings and to this show as well. The association meets once a month at the Sidney Gallery to share opportunities in promotion as well as hands-on workshops. This show will display October 3rd - 31st, with the reception on Sunday, October 7th from 1 to 4 pm. Local artist, Marti Green, will be the judge for this show and award the ribbons at the reception on Sunday. Picture at left by South Kitsap Artist's Association member, Roy Carr.

November – This month we are presenting the Sumi-e art by Patrice Bruzas and her Sumi-e class. Patrice Bruzas has won local, national and international awards in Sumi-e and Collage. A Tacoma artist, art is her soul, and it is this enthusiasm she shares with students of all ages.

Sumi-e means: *Black Ink Painting*. Black ink on white paper, simple, elegant and serene. Simplicity is the most outstanding characteristic of Sumi-e. An economy of brush strokes are used to communicate the essence of the subject. The show opens November 3 and ends November 18 with the reception on Sunday, November 4 from 1 to 4 pm. Picture at right by Patrice Bruzas.



December– The month starts out early with our annual member meeting and Holiday party on Saturday, November 24th. The meeting starts promptly at 5:30 pm and this is your opportunity to vote for the slate for the Board of Directors and hear about what we've been working on and what is coming up. The meeting is followed by wonderful food and shopping from 6 to 9 pm. Our staff and volunteers have filled the Gallery with home-made goodies, gifts and fine arts and crafts. This is members-only (or invited guests) and members receive a 15% discount on purchases over \$10 that night. The show will exhibit from November 25th until December 23rd.



Letters to Anna
By Mary Peterson

My Dear Anna,

September 1912

I'll take a moment to write this while waiting for jars to sterilize in a pot of boiling water on the wood stove. Of course the kitchen as well as the entire house is almost too warm to stand and Lewis and the children have gone outside to cool off. I am, as Mother Orchard describes it, "dewy" although between you and me, I'm sweating like a logger and soaked right through to my skivvies. Not a very delicate description but unfortunately apt. I've been making jam all morning and have just started a batch made from blackberries, huckleberries, Oregon grape and black caps. I'm almost through with the jams and jellies and have put up, dried or packed in sawdust everything else in the garden and yard. We were fortunate to be given a big box of dark red Bing cherries and they're carefully layered in sawdust in the basement where astonishingly they will stay plump and juicy well into the winter and spring. A tiresome chore but well worth it.

Our house guests, Molly Brown and Marsha Watson have packed up their potions, unmentionables and finery and have gone their separate ways. I'll miss them...a little. Molly kept us roaring with laughter with her stories of both high society and the dregs of same and Marsha seems to have recuperated fully although still won't speak the name of either of the Grumble brothers. I suspect Marsha would have "lingered in recovery" longer had Mrs. Brown not been here. Molly's enthusiasm and simple love of life is contagious and I'm sure Marsha was afraid she was missing a good deal of fun by staying upstairs languishing in bed. And she was! Between teaching Emily and me the newest dances (at least in New York) and playing what Mother Orchard describes as "the devil's music" on the piano, she filled our home with more laughter, fun and raucous music than it's ever had and likely ever will again. I loved it but it's awfully nice to get back to preserving fruits and vegetables, cleaning spider webs out of the rafters and preparing dinner for just the six of us.

I'm sure Marsha will come back for a visit next spring and I have to wonder if time will soften her heart towards the Grumble brothers and she'll start planning and laying her traps again. I hope she'll eventually find a gentleman who'll tend to her needs and help her ease into old age but I doubt that either of the Grumble brothers have any intention of filling that role.

Take care, dear friend. The jars on the stove are rattling in the boiling water and it's time for me to put down my pen and fill them with the heady fragrance and ruby beauty of summer.

I'll take more time to write when the rains come back and I'm feeling trapped inside.

Amelia



Wish list

♥ Volunteers for the Gallery

Tuesday from 10 to 4

Please call Virginia Collins for information

♥ Bloggers for our website!



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Dates the Gallery/ Museum will be closed
Over the holidays

November 22, 23, & 24 — Holiday preparations

December 8 — Christmas High Tea

December 25 — Christmas Day

January 1, 2013 — New Years Day



Help- We Need Bloggers!



SMAA has a website, a Facebook page, and a Blog. If you haven't visited any of these recently, please do and be sure to "like us" on Facebook. But we need your help!! We are trying to grow our blog readership. Studies show that the more visits you have to your internet related sites, more people hear about you and more people will come to visit. So we need stories and pictures. It doesn't have to be much - as little as 300 words and as many as 8,000- one picture or a dozen. Ideas for stories might be a remembrance of Port Orchard from your childhood, a favorite person, why you are a member of the Sidney Museum and Arts Association and why you continue to be a member, if you volunteer, why you volunteer, why you love art and your favorite piece. We're in the "starting school" time of the year and it could be remembering a first day of school, a story about the changing seasons, a favorite Halloween. If you want to post regularly, we would love to have as many stories as you care to share. To submit a story, please e-mail your story -- either in a Word document or typed into an e-mail, along with accompanying pictures, to stories@sidneymuseumandarts.com.

~ Welcome New Members ~



Jack Sidener

Cassiopeia Reuter

Yekaterina Grokhovskaya

Rebecca Cooper

Julie Roth

Janet Nelson

Kathy Kelly

Chris Kinn

Watch for the newsletter on email soon! If we don't have your email please contact the Gallery at 360-876-3693 or newsletter@sidneymuseumandarts.com.

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From The Museums By Mary Peterson

Another summer season is over at the Log Cabin and we've hosted hundreds of visitors interested in history, curious or just looking for a place to take a breather on their way up the hill. Every one of them have contributed something to the ambience and "aura" of our log cabin museum and their stories and observations have become part of the memories that will live on and be retold to new visitors. Our volunteer staff gave talks and presentations to The Friends of the Library, the Kiwanas and several grade-school classes and we are already planning new outreach programs for the young and not-so young in 2013.

Don't forget Christmas Pictures with Santa on the first two weekends in December and don't be surprised if we contact you with information about fundraisers for the Log Cabin's roof replacement.

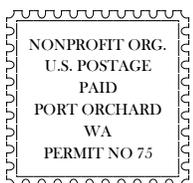
A special thank you to our volunteer docents, cleaners, handymen. You make all of this possible.

Community Outreach at Cruz



August, 2012, found us at the CRUZ for the second year with one of our most successful outreach programs dedicated to children. This year we had 200 small, wooden race cars and several boxes of paint pens set out on a table by the library. Kids of all ages, from two years old to seventy-two painted a race car to take home. Parents, eager to wander among the fancier, full sized cars stood beside the table urging their children to "hurry up, honey" so they could continue their looking and dreaming. Nothing they said could cause the little artists to put down the paint pens and leave until the car looked exactly the way they'd envisioned it. My favorite artist was a father who started out suggesting colors and ended up with the car and the paint pen in hand while the little one stood in front of him at the table and watched daddy paint. When the car was finished the little boy said, "Nice job, Daddy". I gave the kid an unpainted car and a couple of pens so he could do one himself when he got home.

There is no charge for the cars or the painting and the children (and some parents) enjoy creating their own masterpieces.



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