



Log Cabin Museum

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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

You will note at the upper right that this is the 40th year for our SMAA newsletter. Watch for some archived articles in the coming editions. See how we have changed and also hopefully remained true to our mission of preserving County history and promoting local art.

We have some new faces on our Board this year and some of us old ones too! Feel free to contact any Board member with ideas, comments, and of course, offers to help on our committees.

Watch for upcoming events at the Gallery and Museums. We have some new ones and some old favorites. Our second annual Historic Home & Garden Tour is already in the planning stage. Come see us!

Sally Shuster

Art Classes

The Sidney Art Gallery is pleased to offer again this year a monthly art class. I have chosen some selected projects, but if you have a special request to experience a particular art subject, please let me know. To register for any classes, please call me, Pam Heinrich at 360-876-3881. There are a limited number of spaces available in these classes, so be sure to call early.

January 19th, Monday, 6 pm to 7:30 pm --Needle Felting

This Monday evening Pam Heinrich will teach needle felting wool roving. You will make a small animal such as a bird. You need not have any experience and the materials will be supplied. The fee for this class is \$5.00. You need to bring a closed cell foam block and a felting needle. Last year when we had this class we made cute little mice and they were a big hit.

February 24th, Tuesday, 5 pm to 7:30 pm --Nuno Felted Scarf

Patti Ellis will guide you in making a unique piece of wearable fiber art using silk chiffon and merino wool roving with embellishments. The fee is \$45 which includes silk, wool roving, embellishment yarns and a roller, netting and bubble wrap. You need to bring two old beach towels, scissors and a large spray bottle. You will leave with your own personally designed, beautiful scarf to give as a gift or keep for yourself.

March 16th, Monday, 6 pm to 7:30 pm --Beginning Knitting

Chris Stansbery will teach you the basics of knitting including casting on and binding off, the purl stitch, knit stitch, stockinet stitch and garter stitch. There is no fee for this class and the yarn will be supplied. You do not need prior experience. Bring a pair of knitting needles any size between #5 and #8. You will leave with a small knitted project and be able to knit at home on your own projects.

Important Dates to Remember!

Artist Receptions:

Sunday, January 11, 1-4 pm. Winner's Circle

Sunday, February 8, 1-4 pm. Sumi Artists

Sunday, March 8, 1-4 pm. Student Art Show

Events: Save the Dates!

Friday, February 27, 7 pm. Card Party!

Saturday & Sunday, March 21-22 Indoor Garage Sale
(Details for these on page 4)

We will be closed Easter Sunday, April 5th

South Kitsap Artists Association meet on the
4th Monday evenings of the month at the Gallery
For information call Roy Carr at 360-876-5336

Wish List

Stamps—we use quite a few for our various mailings -
any contribution is welcome!

Copy/printer paper

New Members

Jean Redd Michelle Clark

~SIDNEY GALLERY PRESENTS~



John Shuster, Photography



William Walcott, Oil/Acrylic



Elissa Whittleton, Drawing



Patrice Bruzas, Watercolor



Dana Harmon-Phillips, Mixed Media

*Winners Circle
1st Place Winners from
2014 Helen Norris Open
Art Show*

January-The Winners Circle
During January we will be featuring art works by the winners of the May 2014 Helen Norris Open Art Show. Patrice Bruzas was the winner in the watercolor/sumi category. Her incredible talent with watercolor and sumi will be on display and for sale. Dana Harmon-Phillips won the mixed media category with a quilted and beaded wall hanging. She promises to provide some exciting fiber art in this show. John Shuster won first place in the photography category. He will have some new photo work for your viewing pleasure. William Walcott won in the oil/acrylic category and will delight you with some of his beautiful detailed paintings. Elissa Whittleton, first place winner in drawing has some new and exciting pictures to tempt your pocket-book. You can meet all of these artists at their reception on January 11th, Sunday, from 1 pm to 4 pm.

February-Puget Sound Sumi Artists
In February we will be featuring the Puget Sound Sumi Artists. This non-profit group of 100 members established in 1986 meets in Tacoma to demonstrate, teach and share their knowledge of sumi art. They are active in the community teaching sumi classes from kindergarten to grade 12. They also give scholarships to students in Asian art studies. Patrice Bruzas is the chair person for this show and with several artists will display sumi brush painting with calligraphy and collage. They will be demonstrating this Japanese art style at their reception on February 8th, Sunday, from 1 pm to 4 pm. The focus of sumi painting is to capture the essence of the subject with as few paint strokes as possible. To learn more about these artists visit their web site: www.sumi.org.



*Puget Sound
Sumi-e
Association*



March-Student Art Show
This is the 38th annual Student Art Show featuring artwork by the students from South Kitsap High School, Discovery Alternative School, John Sedgwick Jr. HS, Marcus Whitman Jr. HS and Cedar Heights Jr. HS. This is one of our most popular shows and you will not want to miss seeing the students' talents displayed on our walls. We are very proud to host this annual show and encourage our South Kitsap youth in the wonderful world of art. Come to meet the teachers and see some of the students at our reception on March 8th, Sunday, from 1 pm. to 4 pm.

LETTERS TO ANNA

By Mary Peterson

December, 1908

Dearest Anna,

This past year has been one of happiness, health and surprises. The immediate family has dealt with the colds and rheumatism typical of our damp region but we've avoided anything more serious. Our garden thrived because of a two-month hot spell in July and August and the cellar is full of fruit and vegetables, both in bottles and bins. What a feeling of contentment they provide!

The children are well, growing like weeds and are getting to the age when, like the adults around them, they greet the new year with anticipation that extends farther than staying up until midnight on New Year's Eve. Emily and Charles have put a great deal of effort into long lists of resolutions, many of which reflect the very things Louis and I have tried to instill in them. Some are menial, like doing chores without being reminded but more important things like saving a bit of each allowance for charity and helping our elderly neighbors with stacking wood, sweeping pathways, etc. have been added. If the two of them accomplish even half of their personal goals they'll have reached sainthood. Teddy has also made a list but of course it focuses on good deeds and accomplishments aimed at furthering his personal hopes and dreams, i.e. climbing taller trees, making pets of even more rodents than last year and swimming "clear out to the end of the dock, the really long one." I hope he achieves the swimming goal but have failed to offer much encouragement with the other two.

Nothing this year was particularly earth shaking with the exception of one of our dear Grumble brothers leaving on an adventure that we can only hope is temporary but may in fact take him away from us and from his devastated brother for a long, long time.

V. Grumble became uncharacteristically enamored with the leader of a somewhat bizarre musical ensemble that arrived in Port Orchard in May of this year. The band performed at several of our somewhat seedier establishments and the Grumble brothers saw every performance. Gloria, of "Gloria and Her All Girl Band" captured the heart of our dear and much loved friend and brought out a talent for piano playing that few of us knew he possessed. His brother acknowledged that V. once played in a "nasty little watering hole in Gorst but it was many years ago and best forgotten".

I guess none of us are immune to Cupid and V. apparently gave his heart to Gloria, a somewhat burly woman of indeterminate age. The other band members accepted him, shocking the entire community by providing him with an awful yellow wig, a large flowered dress and lots of bangles. They introduced him as "Vivian" in their last local performance. We have since heard that the band is now playing in Shelton and they've changed their name to "Gloria and Her All Girl Band Plus One".

We can only hope that our beloved handyman is the "plus one" and no longer sports the wig, the dress and the jewelry.

We hope he is happy, lives out his hidden musical dreams and perhaps one day returns to all those in Port Orchard who love him and miss him.

I'll end my letter now and wish you and yours a wonderful new year.

Amelia

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~Hours~
Tuesday -Saturday 10 am to 4 pm
Sunday 1 to 4 pm

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FROM THE MUSEUMS

Mary Peterson

Happy New Year to each of you. We've had a memorable year in our museums with a wonderful group of volunteers who have given their time and talents whenever it was needed.

The year ended with the largest group of children, (700 plus parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, etc) greeting Santa Claus during the first two weekends of December. They all left the cabin smiling, waving and telling Santa that they'd see him next year. Our volunteer elves were wonderful and donated many of the busiest hours of the year to the children and the community.

The Historical Museum above the Gallery now has 'Geiger's Pharmacy' and will soon be filled with vintage medical equipment including a wonderful display of items given to us by the pharmacy's namesake when he retired. There is a ladies' dress shop that features lovely, vintage winter clothing and hats that will be changed to spring and summer outfits at the first sign of warm weather.

The Log Cabin Museum has a wonderful new roof and new flower beds that will feature flowers that would have appeared locally over 100 years ago. In May we'll open with the Orchard family living in 1890, as part of a city-wide celebration of Port Orchard's 125th anniversary.

There are many projects scheduled and we can always use new volunteers with new ideas. Please call the Sidney Gallery if you are interested.

Santa's Workshop!

We will be having Santa's Workshop again this year, but have changed the date to the last Wednesday of each month from 5 pm to 7 pm. This workshop is open to any of our members. We usually order pizza and have wine, but you are welcome to bring whatever you would like to eat or drink. You ask-- what is Santa's Workshop? Christmas seems to come sooner every year and instead of working last minute on those handmade gifts for our Christmas show, working a few hours each month seemed to be a better idea. Bring your own project or if you need some inspiration you can help someone else with their project. It turns out to be a fun social evening. You do not have to call or make a reservation, just show up and expect to have some fun. If you have any questions, call Pam Heinrich at 360-876-3881.



We are having a Card Party!

Friday, February 27th
6:30 refreshments
7pm card games begin

Rummy, bridge, canasta, cribbage, hearts, Pinochle, crazy eights, even Go Fish!

Have a fun evening and take home a deck of cards unique to Port Orchard!

\$20 — Contact any Board member or Call the Gallery at 360-876-3693

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Saturday March 21, 10-4
Sunday March 22, 1-4



At the Sidney Gallery

There will be display items, furniture, abandoned art, Vintage clothing and quilts

Many thanks from the editor to the reporting staff

Pam Heinrich
Chris Stansbery
Mary Peterson

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