



STILLAGUAMISH VALLEY MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

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Hours of operation: Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

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What do a **LEMON**, a **SASQUATCH** and a **FIRE ENGINE** have in common?



They will all be at

Pioneer Day on July 20th

11:00 AM – 3:00 PM

The lemonade stand, a Sasquatch scavenger hunt and of course, our new (old) fire engine will be there along with all our great activities and old-time music.

Come join the fun!

Two important notes:

- ⇒ Correction to last newsletter. The donated fire engine was sold to the town of Bode (not Rogue) as reported in the April newsletter.
- ⇒ The July 8 and August 12 Board Meetings will be meeting at a new time. 12:30 PM. This will be a trial time to see if it works better for the Board Members.

Annual Dues \$20.00; Lifetime Membership \$200.00

UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT ROY HARRIS

Hi everyone,

I hope all is well with you and your families. Summer has brought some interesting times for the museum. The Board approved moving forward with building a display building to accommodate three fire trucks. We are targeting the City of Arlington's old fire truck #1, truck #2, and the World's Fair fire truck. The Board of Directors reviewed possible scenarios for the garage structure and approved a three-car pole building garage. The building would have a metal roof with metal sides. There will be three roll-up vehicle doors; with each door having two panels that contain windows. The other three sides of the building will have windows.

The officers have been working with the City Planning Department to verify the building space and location. The officers are currently working to submit the required forms to ensure that our design meets the city's design standards for new construction. All of this work needs to be completed before a permit to build the structure can be applied for. We will keep our members updated as progress is made.

Other activities that volunteers are working on include finalizing plans for the 2024 Pioneer Day celebration on July 20th; reviewing and cataloging documents to be added to the library and research area; evaluating and selecting new items that are offered for acquisition to the museum.

New benches have been constructed and will be installed later this summer in the park. Ground maintenance work to clear blackberries and ivy from under the forest trees in the park area is well underway and should be completed by the end of August.

Part of our antique gun collection has been installed on horizontal viewing racks in the

Library and in our military display. Research on each of the rifles is currently being carried out.

We've finished up the last school field trip groups. These tours included 30 to 50 participants, which kept our volunteers hopping.

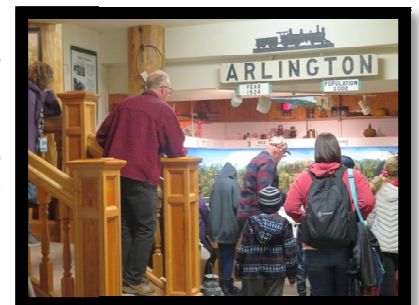
AND, we have 5 new member volunteers that have received introductory docent training during the school field trips.

There are many activities occurring throughout the year that are normal and routine maintenance or upkeep of the museum. We thank all our volunteers for the valuable work and expertise they bring to the museum.

Roy



Part of the gun display as shown in the Library. Rex Martin has been instrumental in getting these displays organized.



A tour group at the ever-popular train display



Gary Benham tuning up an old White-Rotary Treadle sewing machine in preparation for Pioneer Day.

FROM VICE-PRESIDENT GREG HUSTED

The TV in the Library is getting used on a more regular basis to show videos and slideshows (photo collections) especially during large field trips. Currently, scrolling on the screen are the newly-digitized photos that were completed in the 2023 digitization grant. Many of these photos are quite amazing in their clarity. You might enjoy coming in when the museum is open, sit down and enjoy the 'show'. Bring a friend or family member and watch our history scroll by.

A second TV has been placed in the outdoor/wildlife area upstairs on the mezzanine. It features video of the ponds/creek/fish ladder and it too, is pleasing to watch and very much in keeping with our theme upstairs.

By the way - if you have a SMART TV that you would like to donate; we would gladly accept it!



Sally Shinstrom with a tour group in our outdoor/wildlife area. (Note TV, as mentioned above, to Sally's right).

AND...CONGRATULATIONS GRANDPA & GRANDMA! We don't get to celebrate babies much, so this is a fun addition to the newsletter.

BABY NEWS!

VICE-PRESIDENT GREG AND BETH HUSTED ARE NEWLY-MINTED GRANDPARENTS OF A BEAUTIFUL BABY BOY...NATHANIEL.



MEMORIALS

In memory of:
KAREN KAZEN
BILL BRODERSON
WES ROSENBACH

Given by:
Loren & Pat Kraetz

In memory of:
MARY NELSON

Given by:
Joann Gray

In memory of:
SHIRLEY PROUTY

Given by:
League of Snohomish County Heritage

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- 1: Loren Kraetz 2025
- 2: Linda Anderson 2025
- 3: Rex Martin 2025
- 4: Michele Heiderer 2024
- 5: Terry Legare 2024
- 6: Ralph Knutson 2024

DONATIONS

\$437.00

MUSEUM VISITORS
TOUR GROUPS
PRIVATE

**ANNUAL MEETING
AND PIONEER PICNIC**

Sunday,
August 18, 2024
@ noon

Potluck followed by
annual meeting.

Pioneer Hall

COMMITTEES:

- Advisory Program Committee
- Advisory Governance Committee
- Advisory Acquisition Committee
- Advisory Financial Committee

Stilly Stitchers

2nd & 4th Tuesday ~10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Pioneer Hall ~ Coffee & Tea provided
Bring your project, your lunch and invite a friend.

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