



# The Homesteader



Woodinville Heritage Society, P.O. Box 216, Woodinville, WA 98072 [www.woodinvilleheritage.org](http://www.woodinvilleheritage.org)

## Mark Your Calendar:

December 2013

### Dec. 12, 6.30 pm

Board Meeting.  
DeYoung House

### Dec. 14, 10 am

Annual Christmas  
Membership Brunch  
including Christmas  
Reading.  
DeYoung House

### Jan. 9, 6.30 pm

Board Meeting.  
DeYoung House

### Feb. 13, 6.30 pm

Board Meeting.  
DeYoung House

### Mar. 13, 6.30 pm

Board Meeting.  
DeYoung House



## Did you know how this tool was used?

Congratulations to Mavis Board who was the first to come up with the right answer: a chicken catcher. This one is from Heisdorf and Nelson.

--Suzi Freeman

## President's Message

The fall leaves have all dropped, as have the temperatures outside, and the days are getting shorter. Winter and the holidays must be just around the corner. Let the decorating and festivities begin! Please join us on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am to decorate the DeYoung House for Christmas. The Heritage Museum will be open at 1:00 pm that same day. I just love the holiday charm the decorations bring to the House.

On December 14<sup>th</sup>, we will host our Annual Christmas Brunch at the DeYoung House starting at 10:00 am. This is always a wonderful event with holiday cheer, good food, and plenty of festive memories.

I am excited to share with you news from the Fund Raising Committee. Joining me on the Committee from the Board are Lucy DeYoung and Kevin Stadler. In addition, we are lucky to have member Terry Straka and welcome Lindsay Sullivan. Each committee member brings to the organization unique

talents and fund raising experiences. We are committed to raising \$10,000, annually, to cover the costs of operating and maintaining the DeYoung House and Heritage Museum. To accomplish this task we are currently engaged in a fund raising campaign. You may have received a letter and contribution slip in the mail. Please consider making a charitable contribution to the Heritage Society. Your contributions are deductible for federal income tax purposes to the extent allowed by law. 2014 is going to be especially exciting as we expand our fund raising efforts. Look for special gourmet dinners at the DeYoung House, fun game evenings at different locations around town, wine & cheese tastings, and perhaps an old time ice cream social.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to wish you and yours a warm and wonderful Christmas, with best wishes of happiness throughout the New Year.

--Rick Chatterton

## Annual Christmas Brunch

The annual Christmas Brunch of the Woodinville Heritage Society is Saturday, Dec. 14, 10 am at the DeYoung House. Members and their families and guests are welcome!

Please feel free to bring something brunch-like...cookies, Danish, fruit, cheese, breads, egg

casseroles, meat snacks... whatever sounds good. We'll be serving in the main parlor, after which there will be a brief program with our Christmas Reading. Come join us to view the decorated house and Christmas tree as well as seeing friends.

--Terri Malinowski

## Judie's Roses

Judie Phillips (1940-2013) accomplished many things in her lifetime, but her passion was roses. She was co-founder of the Skagit Valley Rose Society, past president of Seattle Rose Society, and co-president of Heritage Roses Northwest. She was an American Rose Society Certified Horticulture Rose Judge and Master Consulting Rosian.

A long-time Woodinville resident, Judie felt that the DeYoung House with its white picket fence needed old-fashioned roses. Before she died she made arrangements to have a new vinyl fence installed (see photo). The roses have been ordered and will be planted next spring. They will be David Austin varieties what will bloom all summer, look and smell old-fashioned but without the hassles.

Thank you, Judie, for a memorable gift.

--Gloria Kraft



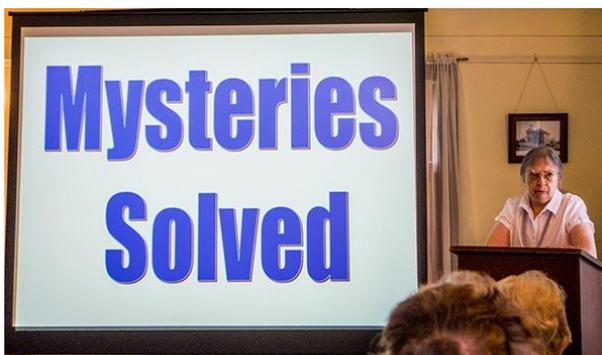
### Wanted: Photos for Scrapbooking

We're looking for photos or brochures of any functions the Heritage Society was involved in over the last thirty-eight years. We are putting together a scrapbook. Please call Suzi Freeman at 425-483-9250 or email to [suzibelle@comcast.net](mailto:suzibelle@comcast.net).

**Welcome New Members:**  
**Joan Appleby**  
**Betty Hayes**  
**Alice Stenstrom**

## September Program: Elsie Mann

In September, our Maltby historian Elsie Mann presented an interesting talk about Maltby, Grace, and Cathcart in the early days as described in her new book *Maltby and Neighbors*. If you missed her presentation and wish to purchase her book, she can be contacted at [candemann@msn.com](mailto:candemann@msn.com).



Elsie Mann solves mysteries about the Maltby area and gets the audience laughing and talking.

## **The Durham Family Donates Photos to Our Collections Committee**

Collections is a fascinating committee. We always find interesting items and everything stops while one of us reads it to the others in the group or we pass it around. Be it an artifact or a photo, we find it is like pieces of a puzzle that we can put together.

Last month Phyllis Keller and I drove up to Port Orchard. Gwen Braile is a 91-year-old woman who is a descendant of the Durham family who homesteaded here in Woodinville. She had items that no one in her family was interested in and she wanted the Woodinville Heritage Society to have them.

We received three small albums with photos of the old house, many of the family, and she had written who many of them were. It was a great find. We were also given

a seventy page comb bound book with a history of one of the Durhams, who served in the Civil War. We also received a breakdown of the eleven children of the Durhams.

Shortly before we went up there, Brian Ritt stopped by the museum. He is also a Durham descendant. He wanted to know what info we had. He had just begun his search and he and his cousins are now compiling what they have. We will meet with them after the first of the year to see what they have found.

I drove up to the old forty acres (south of Woodinville High School) that the Durhams had lived on. The old pond Brian spoke of is still there. I feel like I found a link to the Holy Grail.

**--Suzi Freeman**

## **The Perfect Christmas Tree: A Hollywood Hill Christmas Memory**

Around 1961, we were living in a small cottage on Hollywood Hill, while my husband, Doug Weber, was attending Graduate School at the UW. We were really pinching pennies, as we had wanted to create a special Christmas for our two preschoolers.

While out walking on the power line easement, I noticed a PERFECT tree, which was under the electrical wires, so would have to be removed anyway. I dashed home and called Doug to hurry home and dig up this tree. We never cut trees, but always dug them and replanted them somewhere else.

I rearranged the tiny living room so that there was room for the tree beside the couch, while Doug went out with the children to dig up the tree. He was gone a very long time, which seemed odd, as the power line wasn't that far away. Finally, he appeared with the children, with what looked like a green branch in his backpack, and no tree.

With great enthusiasm, he removed the backpack and ceremoniously presented the tree. It was a very scraggly five-foot Douglas

Fir, which was quite crooked and had very skimpy branches. I looked at it with awe, and then at Doug, and asked him to explain, please??

He said that he found where the "perfect" tree was, but there was only a hole, so he walked through the woods looking for another one. After looking and looking, he kept passing this poor skinny tree which was struggling to survive. Finally, inspired, he decided that in the Spirit of Christmas, he would bring this poor tree home, decorate it, make it feel special, and replant it in the sun where it could grow to be a "perfect" tree.

I loved that idea and we continued to have "rescue" trees every Christmas after that, and planted them somewhere where they could have a good life. That first tree is still growing on Hollywood Hill, and is now quite tall. I am happy when I see it beside the home where we used to live. We have many more perfect tall Christmas trees where I live now, on Bear Creek, all of them starting out as scrawny hopeful firs.

**--Wendy Walsh**

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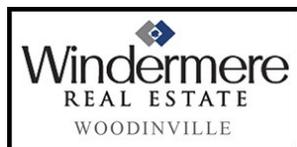
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