



# The Homesteader



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

## Mark Your Calendar:

### March 3, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

Heritage Museum Open  
DeYoung House

### March 14, 6:30 pm

Board Meeting  
DeYoung House

### March 20

Northend Heritage  
Societies Forum—  
meets twice yearly

### April 6, 9:30 am

Annual Membership  
Meeting and Board  
Elections  
Program: Molbak Family  
Sammamish Grange

### April 7, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

Heritage Museum Open  
DeYoung House

### April 11, 6:30 pm

Board Meeting  
DeYoung House

### May 5, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

Heritage Museum Open  
DeYoung House

### May 9, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

Board Meeting  
DeYoung House

### May 18, 10:00 am

Program: Unlocking the  
Secrets of Family Photos  
DeYoung House

### Beginning Memorial Day,

the Heritage Museum is  
open every Sunday, 1:00  
to 4 pm until Labor Day.

March-April 2013

## In Memory of the Johnsons

**Esther: 1916-2013**

**Beryl: 1913-1983**

Beryl, Esther, and baby Kent arrived here from Nebraska in 1937 where Beryl had worked as a trained Ford mechanic. They lived in the small area above the Hollywood Garage located next to Mabel's Tavern. By 1940 they had a house in Bothell and, according to the 1940 census, Beryl worked 48 hours a week for \$700 a year. When John Koch's Blacksmith Shop, across from the Woodinville Cemetery,

became available in 1946, Beryl purchased part of it and later expanded to carry parts and changed the name to Woodinville Motors. When NE 175<sup>th</sup> was widened in the 1980s, there was no longer room in front for the gas pump and big front doors so Beryl's son Kent used the building as offices and a small manufacturing plant. The shop was eventually burned by the Fire Department to make room for the Woodinville Sports Fields.

Beryl and Esther were active in the church and community in both Bothell and Woodinville. They helped found the Woodinville Heritage Society in 1975.

—Gloria Kraft



*Beryl Johnson's  
Woodinville Motors*

## President's Spring Message

2013 is already turning out to be a remarkable year for the Woodinville Heritage Society. We are so fortunate to have Linda Packard as our new *Homesteader* editor. Linda brings solid

editorial experience and a fresh perspective to the Society's newsletter. The Board and I are looking forward to working with Linda to continually improve your *Homesteader*.

Preserving the Woodinville Schoolhouse is our primary focus for 2013. We are very excited to partner with the Woodinville Chamber of Commerce and the

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Woodinville Repertory Theatre to bring life back to this icon. Our shared vision is to have City Council and City of Woodinville put a general obligation bond issue on the November ballot. There is a lot of work ahead and we are going to need your help to make this dream a reality.

The year started off very busy. In early January as one group packed away the Christmas decorations, another group began to prepare the basement for a major transformation. Within just a few short weeks we have converted one of the basement rooms into our archives and partitioned another area to serve as the Society's office. The Archives Room now houses our 5,000 documents, photos, and library. In addition, our archiving software, PastPerfect, is up and running so we can now start organizing and scanning all of these valuable historic documents. This is an amazing software program that will also allow us to communicate with our membership easily and

professionally. The final phase of our basement project will provide space and shelving for our rich collection of objects. We hope to have this area completed by the end of May.

On April 6th our Board elections and General Membership Meeting will take place at the Sammamish Grange. The meeting will begin at 9:30 am and will be followed by a very special program featuring Jens and Laina Molbak, who will share with us their family and business history here in Woodinville. Please plan to attend this exciting event and don't forget to bring your family and friends. Some programs in the making for later this year include workshops on genealogy, an ol' time summer picnic, and a program featuring Elsie Mann and her recently completed book on the history of Maltby. Keep an eye on *The Homesteader* and announcements for details of all of these events and more!

—Rick Chatterton

**A Glimpse of History...**

Woodinville hosted a never-to-be-forgotten event called the Seattle Pop Festival in late July, 1969. Promoter Boyd Grafmyre staged the festival on the grounds of Gold Creek Park when it was managed by Woodinville resident Charles (Chick) Dawsey. The event drew more than 50,000 rock fans over the three-day period to hear 25 groups and individuals, many of which are still familiar names today in the music industry.

They included Santana, Led Zeppelin, The Doors, Bo Diddley, Chuck Berry, Ike and Tina Turner, Vanilla

Fudge and the Chicago Transit Authority. Tickets for the event cost \$6 per day or \$15 for the weekend. Water and food had to be hauled in to handle the overflow crowds, area roads were overwhelmed, and sanitary facilities were inadequate. But the event thrilled the participants and launched a number of local groups.

Music resounded throughout the valley and into the nearby hills, and no one who lived within a radius of the Park ever forgot their brush with some of the icons of the rock music world.

(Excerpt: *The Homesteader, March 2000.*)

**Welcome New Members**

*Mary Bertram  
Stephanie Cosgrove  
Dorothy Marston  
Joe Montero/Brickyard Brewery  
Tom Quigley*

**Woodinville Museum Open**

For local residents, there is a continuing display of county maps, spanning 1905 to 1970s, of the Woodinville area so visitors can visualize where their own homesite was located in that era.

"We also have a hands-on children's table where kids can play with various objects of bygone days, while adults are viewing such new exhibits as our early 1900s teacup collection," said Collections director Suzi Freeman.

(See page 3 for more museum information on docents and exhibits.)

## Docents Are Important!

The Woodinville Heritage Society has 20 volunteer docents who serve the DeYoung Museum as guides when the museum is open to the public the first Sunday of each month. The next opening is Sunday, March 3, 1-4 pm. (Beginning with Memorial Day, the museum will be open every Sunday, 1-4 pm, until Labor Day.)

Docents take turns staffing the museum in pairs twice a year or more often if desired, pointing out items of interest for visitors and answering questions. Museum members are invited to become docents by calling Terri Malinowski at (425) 483-8344 or emailing her at [terrim1@earthlink.net](mailto:terrim1@earthlink.net).

A committee headed by docent Mary Bertram recently created a handy reference binder for each docent, containing a brief history and timeline of Woodinville happen-

ings, information about the museum exhibits in each room, and other pertinent details. Mrs. Bertram joined the Heritage Society last year, moving here from Decatur, Ill., where she was involved for many years in the two historical museums there. Working on the binder with her were Claudia Cordes, Suzi Freeman, Terri Malinowski, and Pat Morrison.

Currently, The DeYoung Museum offers a special exhibit depicting the 12 general stores that served Woodinville from 1887 to the 1970s. Pictures and artifacts are displayed in one of the museum rooms.

Coming in June will be a new exhibit about the early-day Hollywood Farm founded by Frederick Stimson, which later evolved into Chateau Ste. Michelle Winery.

—Terri Malinowski



We have joined the 21<sup>st</sup> Century! We have created Facebook pages for the **Woodinville Heritage Society** and the **Woodinville Schoolhouse**.

If you have a Facebook page, please "LIKE" both of these pages and join us as we continue to build the future with our past.

**REMINDER:**  
The board elections  
are coming up in April.  
Please,  
remember to vote.

## Unlocking the Secrets to Family Photos

A hands-on workshop to help you identify those old, unlabeled family photos will be given on Saturday, May 18th by the Woodinville Heritage Society at the DeYoung House located at 14121 NE 171st in Woodinville.

This session will be from 10:00 am to noon. Learn the difference between tintypes, carte-de-visite, cabinet cards, post-card photos, and, finally, those little Brownie photos.

Space is limited so registration is required. When you call or email, a list of supplies will be provided.

To sign up, contact:  
Gloria Kraft  
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*Do you have photos similar to this one?  
Bring them to Gloria's workshop on May  
18th, 10 am to noon.*

## Available from the General Store

### Books:

- *Village in the Woods*..... \$16
- *A Glimpse of Woodinville*..... \$10
- *Woodinville Coloring Book*..... \$5

### Life in Woodinville DVDs:

- The DeYoung Family.....\$7
- John Emil Halver III.....\$7
- School Days - The '40s & '50s..... \$7
- Woodinville Methodist Church History.....\$7
- Life on Hollywood Hill.....\$7
- Woodinville - The Early Days.....\$7

Books and DVDs can be purchased by sending a check for the total amount *plus \$2 shipping for each item*. Don't forget to indicate which books and DVDs you would like to purchase.

Send your check along with your name and mailing address to:

Woodinville Heritage Society  
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DVDs are also available for purchase (\$7 each) at the **Woodinville Weekly Office** (just east of the Woodinville Post Office), 13342 NE 175th Street.

### Our Mission:

The Society's mission is to acquire, preserve, & perpetuate the artifacts and history of the greater Woodinville area.

### Our Vision:

We will be viewed as an essential partner in the fabric of our community.



### The Heritage Society is now a proud member of:



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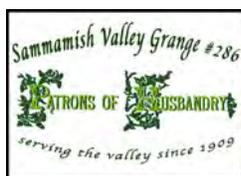
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