



The Homesteader

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January - March 2023

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT BRIGHTWATER CENTER 22505 Hwy 9

- ◆ **Saturday, Jan. 21, 10:00-11:30am**
"Read All About It! Using
Newspapers to Research Your Family
Tree" by Jessica Stern
- ◆ **Saturday, Feb. 18, 10:00-11:30am**
"Lost Roadhouses of Seattle" by Brad
Holden and Peter Blecha
- ◆ **Saturday, Mar. 18, 10:00-11:30am**
"After the Blast: Mount St. Helens 40
Years Later" by Eric Wagner



WOODINVILLE HERITAGE MUSEUM OPEN: 1:00pm - 4:00pm

- ◆ **Sunday, January 8**
- ◆ **Sunday, February 5**
- ◆ **Sunday, March 5**
- ◆ **Sunday, April 2**

BOARD MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS AT MUSEUM; OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS

- ◆ **Thursday, January 12, 6:30pm**
- ◆ **Thursday, February 9, 6:30pm**
- ◆ **Thursday, March 9, 6:30pm**
- ◆ **Thursday, April 13, 6:30pm**



Upcoming Community Programs

January Program (Saturday, January 21, 10:00am to 11:30am)



"Read All About It! Using Newspapers to Research Your Family", presented by Jessica Stern

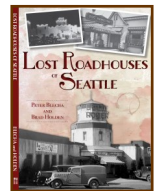
Newspapers are a wonderful resource for researching your family history. News items, obituaries, legal notices and social columns are just some of the places your ancestors' names might appear! Learn some of the best online newspaper archives, ways to find smaller archives, and search tips for getting the most out of your research.

Jessica Stern is a professional genealogist and owner of Black Sheep Genealogy in Woodinville. She has extensive United States research experience, particularly in the Midwest, New England and mid-Atlantic regions, and applies her knowledge of DNA and genetic genealogy to cold case investigations. She was awarded Outstanding Volunteer Genealogist for the Pacific Northwest division by the national society Daughters of the American Revolution in 2016. Jessica lives in Woodinville with her husband Adrian, dog Walter, and two cats, who prefer to remain nameless.

February Program (Saturday, February 18, 10:00am to 11:30am)

"Lost Roadhouses of Seattle", presented by Brad Holden and Peter Blecha

Prohibition came early to Washington State – in 1916 – and kicked off an unforgettable era of nightlife. Prohibition went national in 1920, and a network of roadside inns, taverns and dancehalls just outside Seattle's city limits thrived well into the rockin' 1950s, providing illicit entertainment for those seeking a good time. (Continued on page 2)



President's Message



Celebrating the New Year gives us the opportunity to pause and reflect on where we have been and, of course, to set resolutions intended to make the coming year better than the last. While 2022 had its share of challenges, there were several bright spots we should celebrate. For the Heritage Society, we were able to reopen our beloved museum to the public. Our Community Programs also returned with interesting and informative presentations. We gathered for our annual Ice Cream Social to share stories with old and new friends alike. And, thanks to supporters like you, we were able to repaint the interior of the museum and refinish our wooden deck.

We now look to the future and new opportunities to further fulfill the Heritage Society's mission and vision. Along with new exhibits at the museum, 2023 will see us expand our social media presence and improve the usability of our website. Our Collections Committee will continue to catalogue and curate our artifacts and photographs so stories of our community can be shared with future generations. On behalf of the Board, I invite you, your family and friends to join us in making 2023 a year to share with our posterity. Welcome 2023!

Upcoming Community Programs *(cont'd from page 1)*

Spurred on by early car culture and strict liquor laws, places like the Spanish Castle, The Jungle, and the Black Cat sprang into being. Commonly called roadhouses, many of these remote outposts existed along two newly built and parallel stretches of county highways, far from the prying eyes of city police. Fabled speakeasy operator 'Doc' Hamilton founded some of these hideaways.



Author. Historian. Finder of Old Things. When not out searching for local historical artifacts, **Brad Holden** enjoys writing about the more illicit side of Seattle's past. He is a columnist for Seattle Magazine, is a contributing writer for HistoryLink.org (an online encyclopedia of Washington state history) and his work has also appeared in the Seattle Times. His trilogy of books related to local Prohibition history - including his latest book, "Lost Roadhouses of Seattle" - are available online and at bookstores everywhere. He lives in Edmonds, WA.



Peter Blecha is a Staff Historian with HistoryLink.org, the Director of the Northwest Music Archives, and an award-winning author. A member of the Pacific Northwest Historians Guild, and former longtime Senior Curator at Seattle's EMP music museum, Blecha has been acknowledged as: "the premier expert in his chosen field of research" (*Seattle Weekly*, 1988); "Seattle's best-known collector" (*Scram Magazine*, 2006); the "Indiana Jones of Rock 'n' Roll" (*The Rocket*, 2000); and a writer who "deserves a place in Northwest music history for his important role

in preserving its history and promoting its legacy" (*Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, 2005)

October Program (Saturday, October 15, 10:00am to 11:30am)



"After the Blast: Mount St. Helens 40 Years Later"
presented by Eric Wagner

On May 18, 1980, the world watched in awe as Mount St. Helens erupted, killing 57 people and causing hundreds of square miles of destruction. Everyone thought it would take ages for life to return to the mountain, but scientists who visited soon after were stunned to find plants sprouting up through the ash and animals skittering around downed trees.

Ecologists have since spent decades studying life's resilience in the face of seemingly total devastation. Through their work, the eruption of Mount St. Helens has become known as the greatest natural experiment in Pacific Northwest history.

In his talk, Eric Wagner, PhD in Biology and award-winning environmental writer, takes you on a journey through the blast zone. He explores not only the surprising ways plants and animals survived the eruption, but also the complex roles people have played, all while showing how fascinating Mount St. Helens still is 40 years after the blast. Eric will take you on a fascinating excursion through and beyond the blast area to illustrate these discoveries and how they have influenced the thinking of ecologists.

Christmas Events at the Museum

The DeYoung House was festively decorated inside and out for the holidays, thanks to many creative volunteer elves!

We were excited to welcome back our friends from Brittany Park for our annual Christmas Tea.

Twelve folks joined us for a tour of the Museum, yummy treats and a story about Santa, which sparked memories of Christmases past, and a lively guessing game about some of the more mysterious items in our Collections.

Our annual Members' Christmas Brunch was a fun affair with lively discussion, a great meal, and Christmas carols played by Tom Ormbrek on the harmonica!



General Store

Books:

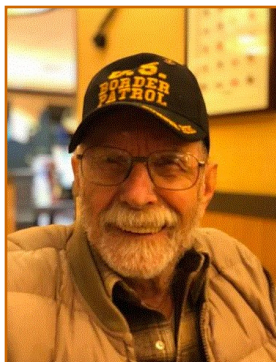
- Images of America: Woodinville	\$15
- Village in The Woods	\$10
- A Glimpse of Woodinville	\$5
- Woodinville Coloring Book	\$3

DVDs (all \$5):

- The DeYoung Family
- John Emil Halver III
- School Days – The '40s & '50s
- Woodinville Methodist Church History
- Life on Hollywood Hill
- Woodinville – The Early Days
- The Molbak Story

Send check to WHS, POB 216, Woodinville 98072, or pick up at the museum on Sundays.

Obituary: Theodore "Ted" Johns



Theodore "Ted" Johns was born to Theodore George Johns and Pauline A. Smith Johns on November 30th, 1931, in Jefferson City, MO. His family lived wherever his dad could find work; he never attended the same school for an entire year until the family moved to Woodinville, where Ted began the 8th grade at the brick schoolhouse.

It was there that Ted met Dorothy Denning, who was in the 5th grade at the time. Both attended the little Methodist church across the street and were later married there on August 1, 1952.

Ted graduated from Bothell High School's class of 1949. He planned and participated in many reunions and was very active with keeping track of alumni and classmates. He also served on the ESD Board, the Northshore Schools Board, and was honored to personally present all three of his sons their high school diplomas.

Ted and Dorothy are lifetime members of the Bothell High Alumni and the Woodinville Heritage Society.

For 28 years, Ted was a volunteer for the Woodinville Fire Department. He also served seven years in the National Guard.

Professionally, Ted was a toolmaker. He and his son, David, were in business together for many years at For-D, Inc., where Ted worked until he was 85.

Ted and Dorothy have three sons: Dennis (Linda), David (Verlynn) and Snake (formerly Dwight) (Kimberly); six granddaughters: Mary (Karl), Maggie (Darrin), Kristin (Jeremy), Julia, Malynn and Nicole; six great-grandchildren: Logan, Roslyn, Kara, Teddy (his namesake), Ruth and Eliza. Ted and Dorothy celebrated 70 years of marriage before Ted's passing on August 16, 2022.

50 Years Ago by Carol Harris

Recently I was gifted a 1972 LIFE Magazine, and while I was interested in the **Dropout Wife** and the **Sonny and Cher Comeback**, I was amazed by the advertisements!

I'm not sure how much one issue cost back then, but of the 88 large, glossy pages, 50-1/2 were ads. They included:

11 ¾ pages on cars (Datsun, "a miniature muscle car"; Saab, "built for Swedish winters"; and "see the USA in your Chevrolet")

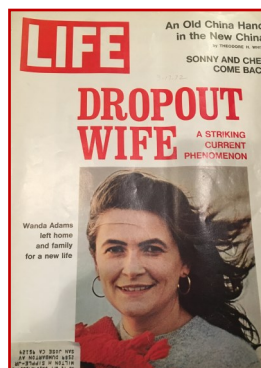
9 ½ pages on cigarettes (How things have changed!)

6 pages on travel

4 pages on liquor

3 ½ pages on insurance (to take care of problems related to items 1-4!)

15 ¾ pages on various goods and services (including pleas to join the Air Force, eat Cool 'n Creamy Cups, and not forget the Blue Dot Flashcubes)



And not to be forgotten, a feature pictorial article on fishing: "To make opening day something special, Missouri state hatchery employees stocked a river flowing through Bennett Springs State Park with 7,800 rainbow trout, some weighing up to nine pounds. Nineteen hundred eager anglers turned out. A number of them caught fish, while some merely caught other fishermen."

Sustaining Memberships



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**"Images of America:
Woodinville",**
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De Young House Update

The Museum Board has made a conscious decision to keep membership dues affordable so anyone can afford to belong to the Woodinville Heritage Society.

Each year, it takes over \$15,000 just to pay for heating, keeping the lights and electricity on, insuring and maintaining the DeYoung House. This doesn't include special maintenance projects like repainting the inside of the house and re-staining the deck. It also doesn't include outside yard maintenance, the cost of which has been generously donated by Al and Donna DeYoung since 2009. We rely on additional donations to pay for our operating costs.



If you are interested in supporting the Woodinville Heritage Society-The DeYoung House please mail your contribution to:

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PO Box 216, Woodinville, WA 98072

The Society would like to thank the following members who contributed this year to our "Do Not Come Event" - they have helped raise \$3,800 so far:



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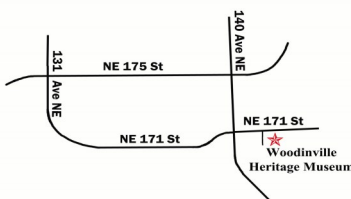
Come visit us at the Woodinville Heritage Museum Admission is always FREE!

Located in the DeYoung House

14121 NE 171st Street
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We are open to the public 1pm—4pm
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The Society's *mission* is to acquire, preserve and perpetuate the artifacts and history of the greater Woodinville area.
Our *vision* is to be viewed as an essential partner in the fabric of our community.