The beautiful scenery of Clatsop County, its forests, beaches, rivers, and towns has provided artistic inspiration from the time the first humans set foot within its boundaries. Works of all types, from the intricate carvings, bead work, and basketry of the native peoples to the drawings, paintings, and photographs of artists of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries to the present, have featured elements of this region.

In 1908 a relatively new medium captured this beauty. The motion picture *The Fisherman’s Bride* was filmed in Astoria. This was the first commercially produced movie in Oregon. Since that time there have been over 25 feature films made in Clatsop County and more than 300 throughout Oregon.

One of these films has arguably the largest following of devoted fans: *The Goonies*. Since its release twenty-five years ago it has drawn many fans to our region.

They want to see firsthand the beauty of Cannon Beach, Ecola State Park and Haystack Rock. They want to see the view of Astoria from Mikey and Brandon Walsh’s house. And, they want to see inside the old county jail where Jake Fratelli made his dramatic escape in the opening scenes of the movie.

June 4-7, the fans will get their wish. During the 25th anniversary celebration of *The Goonies*, the Clatsop County Historical Society will open the new Oregon Film Museum housed in the former county jail.

The museum will feature items and information about films made throughout all of Oregon.
Musings

Dear Friends & Members,

Thank you for all of your support in the past and especially in 2009. It has been a tremendous year for the Clatsop County Historical Society. We’ve had a terrific response to our temporary exhibits and our programs and, despite the economy, enjoyed a substantial increase (almost 15%) in attendance at the Flavel House and good numbers at the Heritage Museum.

The revitalization of the Heritage Museum continued with the creation of the temporary exhibit “The Most Wicked Place on Earth,” which opened on March 18, 2010. If you have not had a chance to come and explore the exhibit, I urge you to do so. We’ve even created a “Vice & Virtue” game to go along with it! The exhibit will continue in the Parker Gallery for the remainder of 2010 while we begin to create a new permanent gallery about John Jacob Astor and the founding of Astoria in time for the Astoria Bicentennial next year.

Our programs attracted large audiences. Mother’s Day Tea & Scones, the Astoria Historic Homes Tour, Old-Fashioned Fun & Games, Plum Pudding, a Victorian Christmas in the Flavel House, and the annual Holiday Dinner & Silent Auction were all well attended and received. Perhaps our most talked about annual event, Talking Tombstones drew more than five hundred people to Astoria’s Pioneer Cemetery.

Thank you for all your enthusiastic response to our efforts and I hope to see you at the annual meeting or one of our events soon!

McAndrew Burns
Executive Director

ABC Update

by: Paulette McCoy, ABC 2011 Director

The Astoria Bicentennial Celebration committee extends an invitation to artists and creative designers to enter the Astoria Bicentennial Celebration art contest. The committee is seeking art for the official poster, merchandise, T-shirts and other products. The winning artist will receive a cash prize of $500. The contest ends April 12, 2010. For complete contest rules and submission guidelines go to www.astonia2010.org/contestonart.html, or contact us by email at abc2011@cumtux.org or phone 503-325-5889.

The Astoria Bicentennial Celebration will kick-off its 199th Birthday on Earth Day, April 22, 2010 by planting 200 trees around the city. Pacific Power, who had its beginnings in Astoria one hundred years ago, generously gifted these trees to celebrate their Centennial and Astoria’s Bicentennial next year.

The Bicentennial committee plans to have city-wide participation in this planting extravaganza, including the sixth grade students from Astoria Middle School, U.S. Coast Guard volunteers, Astoria Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, Tongue Point Job Corps Landscaping Students. Other individuals and groups are most welcome, too.

Planting will begin at 9 am, Thursday, April 22 with a lunch break at noon and continues until 4 pm. Contact Astoria Bicentennial Headquarters at 503-325-5889 (abc2011@cumtux.org) if you or your group would like to get involved in the first official Bicentennial event.

The official Bicentennial Store is pleased to announce its newest additions: a lovely sterling silver charm and pendant of the bicentennial logo designed by Holly McHone of Holly McHone Jewelry, wine glasses imported from Germany and a special Bicentennial Blend Coffee from Columbia River Coffee Roaster. While in Astoria, drop in at the storefront on the 126th St. Docks and check out the official Astoria Bicentennial merchandise! (Open Mon–Fri 10 am–5 pm, Sat. 11:00 am–4:00 pm.) Call 503-325-5889.

News Briefs

Collections Corner

In 2008 the temporary exhibit VICTORIAN LÖGBÖK featured a large selection of clothing from the Heritage Museum’s collection and was a favorite with the visitors. Since that time, items that would have been a wonderful addition to that exhibit have been donated to the museum.

Virginia Collins, Great-great-granddaughter to Captain George Flavel, has recently donated an incredibly ornate jacket. The short-waisted black silk coat is covered with intricate jet beadwork with black ostrich feathers around the collar and cuffs. The lining is bright pink and the label inside shows that it was made at Madam Denova’s c a n n i n g .

Another heirloom with ties to Astoria and its salmon heritage was given by Ann Yancey Syrett. She has donated the wedding gown worn by her great-grandmother Lila Holway Sanborn in 1881 when she married pioneer salmon packer and Astoria cannery owner George Washington Sanborn.

The gown served again as wedding dress for Ann’s mother, Jean Schofield Sanborn, upon her marriage in 1946 to Carl Vancy in the Sanborn family home at 1711 Grand Avenue in Astoria. Later, Jean modeled the dress at several historic fashion shows including one during a tea party hosted by Margorie Halderman in honor of Lady Violet, Barrow’s Astor, and Lady Irene Astor in 1961 when the Astors were visiting for Astoria’s sesquicentennial in 1961.

Mrs. Syrett especially wanted the dress to be at the Heritage Museum for Astoria’s upcoming bicentennial celebration. “For my part,” she added, “I am delighted that Lila’s gown has made a return journey to where it spent so many years, and where it rightfully belongs.”

Along with the dress, the ensemble includes its lace and orange blossoms-trimmed veil, its bustle, the matching beaded shoes, elbow length gloves, handkerchief, orange blossom hair piece and feathers tipped raff. Also included were a silk parasol and a silver and horn-handled silk umbrella which belonged to Lila.

From the Archives

While it may be a slow process, digitizing the photos within our collection is a worthwhile effort that will ultimately make them truly accessible and useful to researchers. Digital collections reduce the need to frequently handle original photographs and documents. They facilitate improved cross referencing and keywording which enables researchers to locate and assemble related items more efficiently and bring to light relationships that may not have been apparent under previous collection methods.

Helping this effort to move forward is Michael Wentworth. Michael began volunteering in the Archives this past fall and has been working on a wonderful set of photos from the Swayne collection. These photos were from an album created by Louis M. Swayne and range in date from the late 1800s to the 1930s. Many of the images feature early architecture and street scenes of Astoria, past social events, and various groups of people. Several prints are by local photographer Elmer Cox. The album was donated to the Historical Society in 1959 and the images from it have been frequently used in past Cumtux issues, other publications, museum exhibits and by researchers.

Eventually the digital collections being created will be available on our web site, www.cumtux.org.
Volunteer Tea Time

If you have volunteered to help in the past, or planning to do so in the future, with the Mother’s Day Tea, Tea & Scones, for the cruise ships, or the Tea & Plum Pudding events, or just enjoy a cup of tea, you will want to attend our special Tea Time for Volunteers Thursday, March 18th at 10:00 AM in the Flavel House Museum.

We will have a special guest on hand to educate us about tea and the finer points of the traditional afternoon tea time. Also, our newest staff member, Curator Amber Glen will be there to discuss her efforts to photograph and catalog items in the house. The catalog, when completed, would be in the house for docents to refer to when needed.

This event will give us the opportunity to serve you some tea along with some other tasty treats as a small thank you for all you do to help the historical society. Space may be limited, so please RSVP by March 16th to let us know that you wish to attend.

Events Spotlight:

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Once again the Clatsop County Historical Society can not say enough Thank You’s! to LJ Gunderson and her team of volunteers that worked so hard to make this annual fundraiser the festive and fun event it has become. And while the 2009 dinner and auction was a success, it also was marked by a bit of sadness. After five years as the event chairperson, volunteer recruiter, sales promoter, room decorator, costume designer, food server, wine sommelier, song leader, comedic entertainer, auctioneer, table busser, dish washer, and diaper changer (the Director of Marketing’s); LJ Gunderson is passing her Santa’s hat to the next brave supporter.

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LJ and the countless other volunteers, along with the generosity of Chris and Jennifer Holen of the Baked Alaska Restaurant & Lounge, have helped raise over $75,000 for CCHS.

Oregon State Senator Betsy Johnson, CCHS Board Member, Randy Stemper, and Historical Society supporter Eric Paulson enjoy a moment during the annual Holiday Dinner and Auction.

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Treat Mom to an Annual Tradition

On Saturday, May 8th, the day before Mother’s Day, you will have an opportunity to honor the mothers in your life by treating them to a relaxing cup of tea during the annual Mother’s Day Tea & Scones event at the Flavel House Museum.

Tea is served from 1:00 - 4:00 pm. The cost is just $8 for CCHS members and $9.00 for non-members and includes a self-guided tour of the house.

Annual Meeting Planned for Sunday, March 7 at 12:30 PM

Get a Sneak Peek at the Robert Drucker Collection

At the annual meeting on Sunday, March 7th, members will have the advance opportunity to have a sneak peek at the wonderful Native American artifacts and vintage metal banks from the personal collection of Robert M. Drucker. An opportunity that will likely not happen again for several more years, so you’ll not want to miss it.

Those attending the annual meeting on March 7th will see some of the items from the Robert M. Drucker collection, a soon to be new addition to the Heritage Museum. Mr. Drucker had been a friend of the Clatsop County Historical Society for many years and had also served on the Board of Directors in the early 1980s. He and his brother Ken were owners of the medical equipment manufacturing company Philips-Drucker located at the former site of the Navy Hospital, now the housing development of River Point, south of Astoria along the Youngs River.

If that is not enough to prompt your attendance then you may want to attend just to hear about our plans to create the Oregon Film Museum in the old County jail building. Also, we’ll have a premiere showing of our twelve minute documentary Astoria Oregon: An Adventure in History created to promote the Astoria Bicentennial.

In addition to all this you’ll enjoy a terrific buffet style lunch prepared by Chef Christopher Holen of the Baked Alaska Restaurant. You should have already received your invitation in the mail last week. If you missed it you can just call to let us know you plan to attend. Cost per person is only $19.50. We hope to see you there!

Election Ballot

Board Members for 2010–2012 term

Please vote for up to four candidates then sign and return your ballot by March 5th.

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Dear [Your Name],

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
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