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PHYLLIS WUSTENBURG

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our TCPM Board of Directors Chair Phyllis Wustenberg. Phyllis was a driving force of the museum for many decades and we will miss her wisdom and humor.

Rest peacefully, Dear Friend.

MORE BOARD NEWS

Cindy Gardner has been elected to the TCPM Board as of Fall, 2018. Cindy was already an active participant in the Museum’s annual Festival of Trees and we are pleased to have her join the board.

Also returning to the TCPM Board is Cate Mayer. Cate had been a Board member for several years until she took a leave of absence to care for family members. We are very happy Cate decided she was in a position to re-join the TCPM Board.

Tillamook’s newest County Commissioner Mary Faith Bell has also agreed to be on the TCPM Board of Directors. Mary Faith has been a supporter of the Museum for many years and we now welcome her input as a board member.

EXPLORE NATURE HIKE

In conjunction with the TEP’s 25th anniversary celebration, TCPM is co-hosting a guided hike at Kilchis Point Reserve on Saturday, September 14 from 10 to 12 noon. “Discover the Kilchis Estuary” will be led by TEP staff and feature discussions about the riparian areas that feed Tillamook Bay. To register (required) and for more information in the coming months, go to explorenaturetillamookcoast.com.

MORE TCPM PUBLICATIONS

Along with the newly published “Diaries of Dr. Elmer Allen,” TCPM is pleased to announce the availability of “Paving the Way” by our very own Jennifer Thiele. Jenn has compiled information about the European explorers who visited the Tillamook area before Joe Champion and Warren Vaughn settled here. It is quite an engaging read and will teach you things you probably didn’t know about Tillamook. Available in the Museum Book Shop for $19.95, TCPM Friends will receive a 10% discount. This is the sixth book we have published under the TCPM flag!

EXHIBIT NEWS

The current exhibit about the Allen House has been very popular, especially since we now have copies of the “Diaries of Dr. Elmer Allen” available for sale. Edited by Mikayla Ebel, the diaries have taken several years to edit into a readable form, add photos from the TCPM collection, and have it published. “The Allen House” will be on display until July 28, 2019.

“Discover the Bounty of the Bays; 25 Years of Tillamook Estuaries Partnership” will be opening on August 3, 2019 as our next exhibit. TEP has been a valued steward of all the rivers, bays and estuaries in Tillamook County since 1994, and TCPM is pleased to help them celebrate for the months of August and September. Their exhibit will include displays of all their projects as well as artwork related to riparian areas as submitted by local and regional artists.

RESEARCH POLICY

Everyone now needs to make an appointment with Ruby in advance for her to help with research or to make the Museum archives available for visitors to do their own research. There will also be fees involved with each request. There will be no exceptions for appointments. We know this will not be a popular policy and we really hate to have to charge fees and limit access, but it needs to be done so that the Museum can function efficiently. Most other large museums – including the Oregon Historical Society – already have similar policies in place.

MISSION STATEMENT

adopted December 11, 2005

The Tillamook County Pioneer Museum is committed to the preservation and interpretation of the north Oregon coast's cultural heritage and to fostering appreciation, understanding and respect of the north Oregon coast's environment.

Membership in the FRIENDS OF THE PIONEER MUSEUM entitles you to unlimited museum admission according to your category, a newsletter subscription, a 10% discount on museum store purchases and admission to members only events.

HOURS

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tuesday - Sunday.
The Research Library is open by appointment only.

FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM CATEGORIES

- Senior/student $15.00
- Individual $30.00
- Couple $50.00
- Family $35.00
- Corporate $100.00
- Sustaining $250.00
- Patron $500.00
- Life $1,000.00

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TILLAMOOK QUILT MONTH

In October, TCPM will be displaying some of our antique quilts as part of Visit Tillamook Coast’s “October Quilt Month.” Several different activities will be planned around the county during that month, and our exhibit will be one of them. Our quilts will be on display until the end of November. Check out the VTC website for updates on this month-long county-wide event.

Also on display during the months of October and November are selected bronze statues of the artist Lorenzo Ghiglieri from the collection of Janet Riedel. Mrs. Riedel and her late husband Arthur were patrons of Ghiglieri and Janet has generously consented to loan pieces to TCPM for display. Considered to be one of the Northwest’s best and most prolific artists, Ghiglieri’s commanding bronzes capture the movement and power of men, women and animals alike. We thank Janet for her generosity and willingness to share these works of art.

HISTORY ALLIANCE NEWS

The Tillamook Coast History Alliance continues to thrive as we welcome the Garibaldi Cultural Heritage Initiative as a member. The GCHI has refurbished and operates the Garibaldi Boathouse at the end of the 12th Street Pier in Garibaldi. Open on weekends, its fun to see what the inside of that iconic old building looks like now.

The History Alliance still has a few “Step Back in Time VIP” passes available for sale. At only $35, this pass allows up to 4 adults a 20% discount on their admission at all the TCHA member museums and the Oregon Coast Scenic Railroad. Good until December 31, 2019, this can save up to $123 in admission fees. Find them at the Garibaldi Maritime Museum, the Tillamook Air Museum and TCPM.

FESTIVAL OF TREES

It’s not too early to start thinking about the 2019 Festival of Trees! This year’s date will be Friday, December 13 from 5:30 to 8:00 PM. Tickets go on sale in mid-November. But we are also looking for community organizations, individuals and businesses to decorate a full-sized or tabletop Christmas tree, or donate items for the popular Santa’s Pack. Watch our Facebook page or our website www.tcpm.org for information, or call 503.842.4553 and ask Ruby to put you on our mailing list for donors and participants.

TIPS FOR ORGANIZING AND STORING YOUR FAMILY PHOTOS

• Don’t try to do it all at once. This is a marathon project not a sprint.
• Label photos with who is in the photo, where it was taken, the approximate date, and the event if known.
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• Carefully remove photographs from old “sticky” style binders or from any photo albums with a strong plastic smell as these damage photos.
• Use large boxes or plastic totes to store the photographs while in-process to easily set them aside or pick up as you have time and energy to work on them.
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CALENDAR

Aug. 3, “Discover the Bounty of the Bays; 25 Years of Tillamook Estuaries Partnership” exhibit.
Oct. 1, October Quilt Month and Lorenzo Ghiglieri Bronze Statues from the collection of Janet Riedel.
Dec. 13, 5:30 - 8 PM - Festival of Trees Annual Gala.

Have you renewed your TCPM membership? If the date on your mailing label is 2018 or earlier, we ask that you renew or increase your membership before Dec. 31, 2019, so we can keep you on our mailing list. Don’t let this be your last newsletter!