

# CONCRETE HERITAGE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER Summer, 2012

Model of the Howard Boyd Royal Stump Ranch  
On display at the Museum, Summer, 2012



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concreteheritagemuseum/](http://www.stumpranchonline.com/concreteheritagemuseum/)  
(With thanks to Dan Royal, webmaster)

**Monthly Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday**  
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**  
**7:00 pm at the Museum**

Contact a board member for information:  
**OFFICERS**

President: Robin Wood 826-3075  
Vice-President - Bill Sullivan, 853-7439  
Secretary - Gail Boggs 853-8347  
Treasurer - Cheri Cook-Blodgett 853-8533

## BE A PART OF OUR TEAM!

*We thank you for your past support.  
We are proud of our Museum, our  
activities, our building, and our  
growing collection. We would like to  
be open to the public for more hours.*

*New VOLUNTEER HOSTS are always  
welcome. Contact any board member,  
and learn more, OR come to a meeting.*

Concrete Heritage Museum is open for the season! Plan a Saturday afternoon to visit us from noon to 4 p.m., Memorial Day--Labor Day. You can make an appointment to visit the museum or do research in our library outside of our regular hours by calling Robin at 360-826-3075 or e-mailing Dan Royal at [concreteheritagemuseum@stumpranchonline.com](mailto:concreteheritagemuseum@stumpranchonline.com)

We encourage you to come see the detailed Stump Ranch scale model on display at the Museum this summer. It's on loan from the Skagit County Historical Museum, and we also have a wonderful video that describes the model, and its history.

**JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL POTLUCK  
PICNIC AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING,  
AUGUST 9th (Thursday) AT THE  
CONCRETE SENIOR CENTER (6:00 PM)  
LIVE MUSIC AND GOOD FOOD FOR ALL!**

## WE ALWAYS NEED COOKIES!

Our annual **Bow Hill Rest Area fundraiser** will be held on the weekend of June 29-31. If you can help by donating cookies, or staffing the booth, call one of our board members.

We also are raising money with bake sales at the **Concrete Saturday Market**. The next sale date will be July 28<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Barbara Hoover for her dedicated phone calls to members for bake sale items.

Your current membership expired (or will expire) on:

2012 - 2013 SEASON --- OUR 17<sup>TH</sup> YEAR  
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
( OR RENEWAL )

RETURN THIS PAGE TO:  
Concrete Heritage Museum  
P O Box 445  
Concrete, WA 98237

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
Business  
name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks out to "Concrete Heritage Museum".

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP (annual)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50 FAMILY or BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP (annual)

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Additional amount enclosed for Building  
Fund. Thanks to you, we keep the work going!  
HOW ABOUT A LITTLE EXTRA FOR A NEW ROOF?

\_\_\_\_\_ I can volunteer to help with Museum projects.

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_ Day, or \_\_\_\_\_ Evening

*We rely on the caring people in our local community to  
support the Museum. Your membership pays for insurance,  
electricity, heating, advertising, and other annual  
expenses.*

*We are NOT supported by tax dollars, but we ARE a  
501(c)(3) organization and your contributions are tax  
deductible.*

## WE HAVE A RESTROOM!

Thanks to everyone who helped in this major construction project, especially John Boggs, Bill Sullivan, Jeromy Tintle and Robin & Jerry Wood. From basic electrical and utility work, to the final decorations (and a bottle of champagne), this has occupied our volunteers for several years.



Although the Sockeye is not available for tours this summer, we encourage you to pick up a copy of the **Concrete Walking Tour** at either the Chamber of Commerce or the Museum, and enjoy an enlightening tour of the town while getting some exercise. The 16-page booklet is free, and makes a great souvenir for friends or family members.

Ghost Walk 2012 promises more well-attended weekend walks in October. Hosts are needed--use your imagination, and come dressed as a historical character for one or more evening events. This is our annual combined fundraiser project with the Chamber of Commerce, very popular with visitors, and fun for the hosts! Val Stafford is the organizer--contact her through the Chamber of Commerce, phone (360)853-8767.

## Accomplishments this year include:

Installing water and sewer service to the building, including a utility sink and bathroom in the garage. Revamping the west side parking area after all the ditch digging.

Painting the building - thanks to Bill Sullivan and Jeromy Tintle - a lot of peeling paint was removed, and rotting wood sections were replaced. Now the Museum and Garage match, with tan paint and dark green trim, and the Centennial logo sign is in place.

John Boggs continues to work with Puget Sound Energy on possible digital copying of the Concrete Herald newspapers, which we hope will be able to locate key words in the text.

We participated in the Chamber of Commerce's Ghost Walks on weekends in October, and staffed the Museum during the "new" Eagle Festival's weekend activities during January. We sold cupcakes at Mardi Gras (hope next year it's not held during a February blizzard!).

Jeroldine Hallberg (new Town planner) and Rick Archuletta updated us on the Town's hopes for renovation of the Superior Building. Rick will be leaving for a new job, but Jeroldine is welcomed as the newest member of the Museum!

We continue to augment our library and document collection. Several individuals donated photographs and stories from Concrete's historic past. A new display case was donated by Steve Johnson.

We have a \$2,000 grant from Skagit County Lodging Tax Funds to reprint our walking tour brochure and create a new museum brochure this summer.

**Monthly meetings at the Museum** are fun and well-attended. There's always something new to discover about our past. Encourage friends to come, too; on the second Thursday at 7 pm. Many interesting discussions and presentations about local history have been shared during the year. **NEWS!** We just learned about a prospective Eagle Scout project coming up this summer. Plans are being made to make a new walkway, and create signs for the outdoor exhibits. Come see what's going on, and.....

## JOIN THE CREW!



Buy the **Centennial Limited Edition reprint of "So They Called the Town Concrete"**; copies are on sale for \$25.00 at the Red Apple & the Museum, or by mail from the web site. We still sell the \$15 spiral bound copies as well.

**What's next? Well, the roof is starting to show some drip problems, and needs to be replaced. Please contribute to the Building Fund so we can preserve our collection in a dry building!**