

# WAGON WHEEL

September 2013

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## Upcoming DHS Events

**September 9<sup>th</sup>**

### General Member Meeting

Member meetings resume! Join us for a discussion of Historical Society business. 7:30pm pm at the Duvall Visitor and Centennial Center.

**September 28<sup>th</sup>**

### Duvall Heritage Festival

Our biggest event of the year! Experience Duvall's pioneering days, from 10am-4pm. Churn butter, grind corn, watch miniature mules plow a field, dance to live music, and more! Free for the whole family. Held at the historic Dougherty farmstead.

**October 7<sup>th</sup>**

### Guest Speaker Tom Matthiesen

7:30pm at the Duvall Visitor and Centennial Center. Details to come.

**November 4<sup>th</sup>**

### General Member Meeting

A recap of Historical Society business. 7:30pm at the Duvall Visitor and Centennial Center.



*We are grateful to 4 culture, the King County Cultural Services Agency, for their support in the preservation of our heritage.*

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THE DUVALL HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
& DUVALL CULTURAL COMMISSION'S

# HERITAGE FESTIVAL

SAT. SEPT. 28TH, 2013  
10AM TO 4PM

CHURN BUTTER, SAW A LOG, DANCE TO MUSIC, AND MORE!

*Free Family Event*

AT THE HISTORIC DOUGHERTY FARMSTEAD  
26526 NE CHERRY VALLEY ROAD IN DUVALL

TREATY CULTURE Centennial City of Duvall 100 Duvall



## You Are Invited!

### The Duvall Heritage Festival is Hands-on Fun for All Ages

Saturday September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
10am to 4pm

Join the Duvall Historical Society and the Duvall Cultural Commission for our annual family-fun day at the Duvall Heritage Festival on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 4pm. Be a pioneer for a day! Churn butter, wash clothes the old fashioned way, watch a blacksmith at work, see miniature mules plow a field, and more. Visit the bunkhouse and learn about logging. Tour the historic farmstead and pioneer cemetery nearby. Sit back and relax to old-time storytelling, or kick up your heels to toe-tapping folk music. Located at the historic Dougherty Farmstead at 26526 NE Cherry Valley Road in Duvall, the event has a drop-off area on site, and free parking at the Holy Innocents Catholic Church nearby. This popular festival is free for everyone.



### It was A Field Trip! To Mary Olson Farm

In 1879 Alford Olson purchased 73 acres of a former sawmill and farm in Auburn, WA, and created his home there. Four years later he married Mary, and today their farm still stands as a historic site.

On August 24<sup>th</sup>, a group of Duvall Historical Society members toured the museum and farm. They picnicked in the shade of a crooked old apple tree and noted similarities between the Mary Olson farm's history and the history of the Dougherty farmstead. At both sites the father had died young, leaving Mary Olson and Kate Dougherty alone to raise their children. The Mary Olson home also resembled the Dougherty House in style, and both had outbuildings. At the Olson farm there was a weaving shed, large barn, chicken coop, smokehouse, and outhouse, all of which were well signed and maintained. It was a good day! The Duvall Historical Society members returned from the excursion with new ideas to be implemented at the Dougherty farmstead.

## The Historical Society's Annual Summer Picnic

On Sunday, August 18, members gathered together on the front lawn of the Dougherty farmstead for the annual Historical Society picnic. Sharing a potluck meal, they relaxed in the shade and celebrated the lifetime of contributions made by Ray Burhen. "Mayor" Lon Brown presented a proclamation to Ray, declaring Ray a *Historic Treasure*.



### *Duvall Historical Society*

# PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Duvall Historical Society is fortunate to be the caretaker of local historical landmarks, monuments and treasured antiquities; and

WHEREAS, one of our elders, Ray Burhen, was a founding member of same Society, and served many terms as its leader and President; and

WHEREAS, Ray Burhen arranged with the Catholic Church to renovate the Dougherty House, performed the work and obtained the donations required to accomplish this purpose; and

WHEREAS, when arrangements with the Church ended, Ray Burhen used his considerable political contacts and verbal talents to convince the City of Duvall and County of King to have ownership transferred to the City of Duvall; and

WHEREAS, Ray Burhen wrote the Dougherty House lease contract and led in the fixing, grant writing, and administrative tasks required to make it fit for occupancy; and

WHEREAS, the same Ray Burhen assembled the material for several local history books, provided a loan to finance the first publication, and filled his house with boxes and boxes of books until they sold; and

WHEREAS, Ray Burhen arranged the transfer of ownership of the Historic Pioneer Cemetery from Bill Trulson and Eleanor Zarimba to the Duvall Historical Society, clearing and mowing it for many years; and

WHEREAS, the same Ray Burhen provided a meeting place for the Duvall Historical Society in the Depot he saved and renovated; and

WHEREAS, Ray Burhen works at every Heritage Festival and continues to take an interest in the welfare of the Historical Society and Dougherty House;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARY E. LAMPSON, President of the Duvall Historical Society, do hereby recognize his contributions and proclaim Ray Burhen, a visionary and

**HISTORIC TREASURE**

## Be Part of Historic Preservation, Volunteer!

The Duvall Historical Society is continuously looking for volunteers to help in its mission of recording and preserving culture. If you'd like to help with one of the opportunities below, or have an idea of your own, please contact us at [webmaster@duvallhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:webmaster@duvallhistoricalsociety.org).

- Dougherty House docent (Sundays through September, training will be provided)
- Heritage Festival volunteer (Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>)
- Website design
- Cataloging of artifacts, books, and ephemera
- Promotion of Historical Society membership
- Planning of speakers and programs
- Research
- Education and outreach
- Book publication
- Maintenance of buildings and gardens

### Current Officers

Mary Lampson, President  
Kimberly Engelkes, Vice President  
Tove Burhen, Secretary  
Alana McCoy, Treasurer

### At-large Board Members

Mike Reid (Past President)  
Ward Roney  
Ruth Bellamy  
Connie Zimmerman  
Beth Lepkowski  
Melissa Clark

The **Duvall Historical Society** is located at the Dougherty House at 26526 NE Cherry Valley Road, Duvall, WA 98019

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If you would like to receive a copy, be interviewed for a future edition, have something to share, or would like to be added to or removed from our emailing list, please email

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## Become a Member!

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Enclosed/Yearly Membership Dues** (check one):

\$5 Annual Membership (0-64 yrs)     \$2 Senior Annual Membership (65yrs +)

**Would you like to receive information about volunteer opportunities?**     Yes     No

**Thank you for your support! Please detach and mail this form to PO Box 385, Duvall, WA 98019**