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TODAY'S NEWS

Spring school tours

The Tillicum Elementary School 4th grade classes visited the DuPont Historical Museum on June 12. A class of 36 students, teachers and volunteers spent the morning at the Museum with volunteers Lee McDonald, Jerry Williams and Carol Estep, and a class of 38



visited in the afternoon. Tours were given of the Museum, homemade butter was made, artifacts from Hudson Bay era were viewed and discussed, narrow gauge train was visited and scavenger hunt was conquered.



On a very rainy Thursday morning and afternoon, four 7th grade classes from Pioneer Middle School visited the 1843 Fort site and the Methodist Mission Site.

Approximately 120 students, teachers and volunteers braved the weather to learn more about the history of Hudson's Bay Company, DuPont Company and current day DuPont.





New in the gift shop

New holiday ornaments have arrived in the gift shop, featuring the museum and the DuPont School in beautiful hardwood. Sustainably sourced and made in USA. \$6.50 each.

Daniel Boone coonskin caps in kids sizes are \$8.00.

A new black version of our popular "Have a Blast!" coffee mug has arrived!

2017 Cherry Blossom Tea report

On May 6, nearly 200 ladies enjoyed a delicious tea and delightful program of fashions, songs and history to celebrate the 100th anniversaries of Camp Lewis and the first church of DuPont. The event raised \$3,000 for the historical society and museum thanks to generous sponsors, donors, and volunteers.



A replica of the DuPont Presbyterian Church was one of many beautiful centerpieces.

Window and restroom renovations

New windows in the office, storage room, and second and third exhibit rooms have been installed, and renovations to the bathroom are complete.

The energy-efficient windows replace original single-pane glass and provide improved climate control for our collection and comfort for our visitors and volunteers. The restroom now offers handicap accessible sink, with new fixtures and tile floor.

Our thanks to Representative Muri for helping to obtain the Department of Commerce funding and to Public Works for overseeing the project.



2018 scholarship award

At the May 15 meeting, the DuPont Historical Society Board voted to offer a \$1000 scholarship to a graduating Steilacoom High School senior in 2018. The committee of Rebecca Howson, Melissa McGann and Lee McDonald are working on the scholarship description and criteria. Two preferences may be that the recipient be a resident of DuPont and show an interest in history.

The Steilacoom Historical Education Foundation (SHEF) will serve as the clearing house by maintaining scholarship

information online, receiving applications, interviewing applicants and awarding the scholarship at the Senior awards night. SHEF distributes the funds directly to the student's college of choice.

We would be happy to hear from Historical Society members with suggestions for this scholarship. Individuals are welcome to contribute toward this scholarship or set up their own private scholarship through SHEF. For more information, see www.shefonline.com

Wilburn K. Ross: In Memoriam

The DuPont Historical Museum lost a dear friend and neighbor on May 9, 2017. Most Museum volunteers had the opportunity to receive a drop-in visit by Wilburn and the pleasure of listening to his stories. MSGT Wilburn Ross received the Medal of Honor for single-handedly fighting back eight German counterattacks during a World War II battle in France. We will miss his visits.



Summer Exhibit: At Your Service



"At Your Service" is currently on display in the museum to honor of the 100th anniversaries of Camp Lewis and the Presbyterian Community Church also known as the "Campsid Church."

Camp Lewis was built and opened in 1917 and the Church held it's first service on March 7, 1917. Since there wasn't a church at Camp Lewis, the DuPont Church filled the need and became known as the Campside Church. This exhibit will be on display through the summer months.



Night at the Museum ...a sleepover for toys!

Children ages 3 and up are invited to bring a favorite stuffed animal or toy to the museum on September 22 between the hours of 4:00 and 6:00pm. The toys will spend the night in the museum and the children will return in the morning between 9:00 and 11:00 to collect their friend and receive photos of the toys exploring the museum. Call (253) 964 2399 for information.

4th of July Pancake Breakfast

Come hungry to the pancake breakfast at Clocktower Park!

Tuesday, July 4
8:00 to 11:00am.

All proceeds benefit the Historical Society and Museum. Thanks and appreciation to the DuPont Forever Young Seniors and friends who provide the manpower to make this a successful fundraiser.

Proudly sponsored by Northwest Landing ROA.

Adults (ages 12 & up): \$6
Kids (ages 4 to 12): \$4
Immediate family: \$20

DUPONT HUDSON'S BAY HERITAGE DAY

ALL AGES EVENT



WHEN
Sunday, August 20, 2017
Noon– 4pm

WHERE
Clocktower Park
Palisade Blvd, DuPont 98327

FEATURING •
Re-enactors • Activities • Gift Shop • Music •
Petting Zoo • Food Vendors • BBQ Contest • Beer •
Tours of Original Fort Nisqually Site • And More

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