APRIL DINNER PROGRAM: UNDERSTANDING THE OCEANIC MIGRATION OF PACIFIC SALMON

At the end of February Karen flew to Baltimore to attend the Institute for Museum and Library Services WebWise Conference. She was invited to attend since we are an IMLS grant recipient. The conference was designed for IMLS grantees to share the results of their web-based projects.

The course of three days she learned about amazing web and mobile based projects with collections and what tremendous impact they are having across the country. She returned inspired by what is possible, but with the realization that we have a tremendous amount of work just to catch up with our digitization and web-based access before we can consider launching into projects that will reach new audiences.

Executive Director Karen Marshall Attends IMLS WebWise Conference

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For our April evening dinner meeting we are again back at Ivar’s Salmon House. Evenings are longer and the dark drive home is over.

We are delighted to have Chloe Bracis speaking on “Understanding the Oceanic Migration of Pacific Salmon.” Ever wonder how salmon find their way back to their birthplace from the vast, featureless ocean? Salmon migration on the high seas is poorly understood in comparison with freshwater migration. This talk describes a model that investigates the hypothesis that salmon use the Earth’s magnetic field to navigate home. The model is applied to spring run Chinook salmon returning from the high seas to the Columbia River but the same mechanisms could apply to other stocks, including those in Puget Sound.

Chloe Bracis completed her Master’s degree in the Quantitative Ecology and Resource Management program at the University of Washington. She is currently pursuing a PhD and is interested in the modeling of animal behavior and movement patterns. Prior to entering graduate school, she worked in the software industry and has a degree in mathematics from Davidson College.

We are very grateful that her grandparents and longtime members, Arnold & Ellen Andersen, suggested Chloe and her very interesting thesis for our program. The salmon fishing industry is so very important to our Pacific Northwest and the more we understand it the better we can manage it.

4Culture Grant Received For $8,000

We are thrilled to announce that we have received a 2012 Heritage Sustained Support Grant for $8,000 from 4Culture.

This grant helps us with general operating support such as funding for staff. We are most grateful to 4Culture and the selection committee for recognizing our work.

What are they?

Ship’s Wheels

Ready for Moving
Membership News
We thank the following new members and members who have recently renewed their membership at an upgraded level:

NEW MEMBERS: John Rose, Thomas, Anastasia and Torleif Samuelsen and J.M. Martinac Shipbuilding Corporation.

Members renewing at a higher level: L. Wayne North, Arvin Lee Fosse and Jim Compton.

Medal of Merit Nominations Sought
Remember that the closing date for the nominations for the Medal of Merit Award is very soon. Nominations must be received either by George Osborn, georgeosborn@comcast.net, or Pat Harle, pathartle@comcast.net, by March 25 if emailed, or postmarked no later than March 24.

Please state why this nominee should receive this prestigious award. Nominations are kept con-

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Ron Burke: Winter “Hidden Here”
Our behind-the-scenes Hidden Here over the last few months is Ron Burke. Despite his hours working to produce The Sea Chest, he graciously volunteered to help us and the MOHAI library staffs develop workable floor plans and storage design