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President's Report

Success! As of March 3, 2010 the IRS recognized HICC as a 501C3 tax-exempt charitable organization. Letter in hand; Dudley Panchot notified the HICC board at the March board meeting. The process was long and required the hard work of a number of fellow islanders along with the support and vote of the HICC membership. Dudley and Anne Panchot along with Ted Woodward spearheaded the yearlong process of documentation, filling out reams of paperwork and procuring dozens of signatures. Jim Irving and Ruth Irish spent countless hours providing treasurers' reports, charitable contribution documentation and much more. A mound of additional information was documented and compiled by others. The 501C3 status is retroactive to February 17, 1941. Another plus! All charitable contributions to HICC from individuals or estates are tax deductible.

Our beloved hall received a makeover this past year, beginning with repairs made in January to the roof and chimney caused by the December 2008 snow.

Thanks to HICC Women's Club's generous \$5,000 gift, a new dining room carpet and vacuum were purchased. It also covered the repainting of the kitchen, dining area, and a portion of the lighting upgrade. To help complete the face-lift additional grant funding came from PUD #3, which funded energy saving upgrades to the kitchen, dining room and restroom lighting.

Our new President Bill Burrows recently brought us into the digital age creating a HICC website. Add *www.harstinecc.org* to your favorites list...Take a look; we are on the internet super highway.

Nick Nuerberg is carrying on the Bud Glaser aluminum recycling and charitable giving program. So keep the cans and non-ferrous metals coming.

Pennies become dollars and dollars multiply to benefit local organizations.

This year the Ways and Means committee is recommending replacement of the outdated propane range and the addition of a range hood to meet current safety standards.

I end this column with my sincere thanks to the HICC members for their support during my tenure as President...it's been a great adventure. I will continue supporting HICC along with all of you.

-Gary Benz, Past President



Harstine Island Cooks!

Harstine Island Cooks!

premiered in 2008 after 21/2 years of hard, but delicious, work on the part of Women's Club members.

Over 1,000 copies have already found their way to island kitchens and beyond. The Women's Club and editors Della Rogers and Gerri Lewis are very pleased with the enthusiastic reception their latest contribution to Island culinary life has received. The

cover art is a 1992 seashell print by Pat Dunlap of the Harstine Island Gallery, and Cathy Prins created the pen-and-ink

> illustrations that dot the book. It's nine sections are introduced by glimpses of Harstine Island gastronomical history researched by Gerri Lewis. Specialized contributions were made by computer graphics whiz Sherry Ford, and

wordsmiths Donna Hamilton and Carleen Houghton. This allvolunteer effort features 375 taste-tested recipes collected from 110 islanders, and taste-tested by 30 members and their families and friends. The recipes include many original, never-beforepublished creations, adaptations, and even some "family secrets." Copies are available for \$15.00 at the island Farmers' Market, Sage Book Store, Arts & Flowers Nursery, Jarrell Cove Marina store, and at most island events. or from Della Rogers, 427-3738. Mail orders are \$19.50, P.O. Box 1635, Shelton, WA 98584.





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The October Community Club meeting is an Octoberfest celebration. Bratwurst, sauerkraut and beer are accompanied by potluck side dishes. This is also when we recognize those members who have contributed to the wellbeing of the community.

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HICC FINANCIAL REPORT 2009

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Savings:	\$5,627	\$ 5,667		
Checking	\$3,31 <u>5</u>	\$ 8,645		
TOTAL:	\$8.942	\$14.312		

2009 INCOME

2009 INCOME:			2009 EXPENSES:		
Membership Dues:	\$5,415	21%	Administration:	1,116	5%
Donations:	\$2,137	9%	Building Maintenance: \$	5,893	28%
Fundraisers:	\$3,889	16%	Fundraiser Expenses: \$	619	3%
Hall Rental:	\$6,420	26%	Utilities:	4,411	21%
Insurance Contrib:	\$1,500	6%	Insurance:	4,274	20%
Newsletter ads:	\$1,081	4%	Newsletter:	1,357	6%
Misc. Income	\$1,640	7%	Hall Supplies:	435	2%
Sponsored Events:	\$2,985	11%	Sponsored Events:	2,952	15%

TOTALS: \$25,067 \$21,057

Fire District 5

District 5 calls on the Island totaled 102 for 2009, compared with 100 in 2008, and 125 in 2007. Breakdown of last year's calls as follows: 64 EMS calls (illness or injury excluding motor vehicle accidents), 5 motor vehicle accidents (2 with injuries, 3 w/o), 1 building fire, 4 motorhomes, camper, or RV fires, 1 cooking fire, a couple unauthorized burning and calls for smoke investigation, and the balance of the calls being for various assistance such as down power lines, citizen assists and service calls.

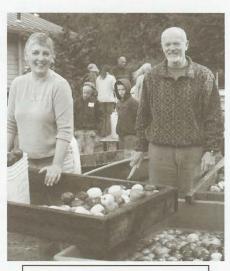
Current Island Volunteer roster is way down - currently only 4 volunteers and 1 career paid firefighter/paramedic and they are: Station 9 on North end: Lt. Nick Arthur. FF/EMT Colleen Arthur, FF/PM Travis Larrabee: Station 11 on South end: Lt. Nick Neuerburg, FF James Stevens. All calls are backed up by mainland staffed Paramedic/FF crews and Command Officer, with assistance from other nearby mainland stations when needed. With

additional grant funding this year, District has been able to add a additional Medic crew and have been responding out of Spencer Lake station, making for better response time for us on the Island. District 5 covers 150 sq. miles of Central Mason Co. and as 2008 the city of Shelton. With the addition of Shelton, Districts operates up to 4 manned stations (3 around the clock and Spencer Lake on shifts).

Along with medical and fire response, Mason 5 provides for CPR and First Aid training to the public, along with address markers, free home inspections, as well as education in fire prevention and emergency preparedness. The District continues to work with CERT -Community Emergency Response Teams – training members of the community in first aid, basic search and rescue, emergency preparedness as well as other aspects in coping with a disaster. Needing volunteers for both the Fire Dept. and for CERT and anyone interested can contact any Island Firefighter or call District 5 office.

THANK YOU

We thank our local businesses for their advertising contributions. without which we would not be able to produce this newsletter. We are grateful for your continued support. Please mention that you viewed contributors ads in the Harstine Islander when contacting or visiting their establishments.



Kerma and Des Murphy at 2009 Cider Squeeze.

Got Bricks?

Buy a Brick? Why you might ask and what is it anyway?

Sandy Murphy came up with the idea to sell personalized paver bricks to be placed around the flag pole as a fund raiser. Pioneer Courthouse Square in Portland has them, the New Wooden Boat Center in Port Townsend has them - so why not the Community Hall.

It has turned out to be a resounding success (not too surprising with Sandy heading it up!) As this newsletter goes to press over 85 have been sold with orders coming in daily and over \$2,900 has been collected with a portion of that going to make the pavers and the rest to help support the Community Hall.

The first batch of orders went to the manufacturer on Saturday March 6th but there is still time to get in your order. You get 3 lines to say whatever you want (almost) on each brick with one brick costing \$35 or 3 for \$100.

Contact any board member for information on placing your order.

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The Harstine Island Community Club's website provides information about the Island and its activities. Events for club organizations, including the Women's Club, the Garden Club, and the Theatre Club are listed. In addition, general club activities such as monthly meetings, special events, and fundraisers are listed on the Home

There is a page for Community Notes that provides a place for any Island resident to have information of general interest listed.

The address for the site is www.Harstinecc.org. Please visit the site and let any of the board members know what you think.

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Honored Citizens

Marlene and Leo Echaniz have lived on the island about 15 years. During that time Marlene has been very active doing things for the island. Marlene is the past president and past vice president of the Women's Club, she is on the scholarship committee and is in charge of the Women's Club store. Marlene was very active with the making of the cookbook, submitting and testing recipes. She enjoys pursuing the traditions or her

northwest heritage. Her hardanger embroidery and rosemaling work is exquisite and she is always



willing to display her work at different island functions. She is active each year in the Apple Squeeze and Holiday House, is a charter member and officer in TOPS and a travel planner for Harstine Pointe Travel Club. Marlene is active in and a past officer of the community club. She is often a hostess for the sewing group. She and Leo have

annually taken on the job of cleaning the island.

Gerri Waite Lewis is a thirdgeneration islander. Her grandparents bought property here in 1906, just across the



bridge on the left of Howard's Cove. Gerri and Frank moved here in 1979. Gerri has been active in almost every aspect of the island life since then. She has been active in Theater Club, both performing and assisting. She coedited Just Among Friends along with Margaret Klein. This cookbook was written in 1992 and has recipes from islanders both old and new. Gerri also co-edited with Della Rogers the newest cookbook, Harstine Island Cooks! She has been active in Women's Club and she is one of the founders of the cemetery committee and works diligently every year to keep the grounds looking neat. If you attend the annual OctoberFest, Gerri's sauerkraut is always a hit!

Jim Irving and his wife Jan made Harstine Island their home some five years ago. Without persuasion or ceremony he immediately began championing the hall and community club. He did this by putting his experience in resource management to work on island and hall projects. His enterprising spirit certainly gave a facelift to the hall. He was instrumental in scheduling and managing the refinishing of the floors in the hall. Three years ago, during our first lightingfixture upgrade it was his resourcefulness that provided matching funds for the replacement fixtures from PUD's coffers to ours. As one of the weekly Saturday market regulars, Jim faithfully staffed the HICC membership table, actively recruiting new members, nearly doubling our membership!

Last winters snow storm found him shoveling snow off the hall roof, sidewalks and repairing



the snow damage to the chimney.



2009 Rummage Sale



Saturday Market Entertainment



Welcome to the Island, can we help you?

La June Senior Lunch

Damon La June had an idea and decided to make it happen. He wanted the older people on the island to have more opportunities to socialize so he started a biweekly, low cost lunch. The program continues and is called "Damon's Diner" in his memory. The lunch staff is headed by Barbara La June and many dedicated volunteers. Total meals served in 2009 = 1955 and \$956 was donated to the HICC to

defray utility costs. Additionally the staff donated their time and food to provide dinner to those attending the New Year's Dance. The number of people helping altered as the seasons changed, but there were always enough willing volunteers to cook, set-up, clean-up and plan meals. It is hard to imagine how they can provide the great meals at only \$3 per person!

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Grange #568

The Grange was founded over 80 years ago. It meets at the Hall the third Friday of each month; potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting at 7:30. Grange projects include the Annual Ham & Oyster dinner as the major fundraiser. Proceeds fund the Dictionary Program. Stuffed toys are made by Grangers and donated to local hospitals. Hearing aid batteries are collected and recycled to assist the less fortunate. Annual

donations to Saint's Pantry Food Bank in Shelton are made. The triangle on the island side of the bridge was planted and is maintained by the Grange. The large map of Harstine Island on the island side of the bridge was created and furnished by the Grange. The Grange works in conjunction with other island organizations to maintain cemeteries, assist with meals for memorials and earn funds to maintain the Community Hall.



Michelle McCallum & George O'Day, regulars at Saturday Market.



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Harstine Island Women's Club

Women's Club provides a format to meet neighbors and become involved in the community.

Social activities include the monthly meeting (except July) where members gather for camaraderie and programs.

Lunch is either a brown-bag along with a provided dessert or one of our theme lunches.

Holiday House is a popular venue which showcases handcrafted items, a perfect way to start your holiday shopping. It is held the Saturday after Thanksgiving at the Community Hall and Fire Station.

Children's Carnival is held the 2nd Saturday in August. Young people and adults work together to provide a fun-filled day for the children. There are games, clowns, and prizes. A great activity for children and grandchildren!

When someone from the island dies the women provide a memorial lunch at the Community Hall. It is a service that allows the family to grieve as well as feel the sense of community the island provides. Generations mingle and the island history lives on.

If you want to show off your association with Harstine Island, there are logos galore at the Women's Club booth at the Saturday Market. Sweatshirts, fleece vests, denim shirts, visors, and of course T-shirts are some of the clothing items available. License plate holders and mugs are part of the various choices.

The book The
Island
Remembers,
which gives a
historical view of
the island is
available as well
as our new
cookbook,
Harstine
Island Cooks!

Many of these activities raise funds and the use of those funds is another important part of Women's Club. We provide scholarships for local students, contribute to Pioneer School and local food banks, and help with the expenses of keeping the Community Hall insured and in shape.

People who enjoy sewing meet monthly in each others homes on the third Tuesday from 10:00 to 2:00 to share handiwork, relaxation, and lunch.



Garden Club

includes garden seminars and demonstrations, sponsors and manages the Saturday Market from early May to the first of

October, puts on an annual Apple Squeeze and Fall Festival and schedules pruning workshops with professional arborists. At each of these events the membership

grows as the community comes together to get the job done. Proceeds from the Plant Sale and the Apple Squeeze fund island and hall beautification and improvement projects. The club also provides honorariums to



area school horticultural programs. For information contact: Jim Anderson 427-8701.

The Harstine Island Garden Club is one the most informally organized "clubs' in the HICC family of organizations, with a core membership who meet 1st Thursday of the month, 7:00p.m. at the hall unless otherwise noted. Membership is open to all who are interested in gardening and gardens. Meetings often focus on garden issues, speakers, and destination garden visits. The main mission is to maintain the grounds of the community hall and other public island spaces, to contribute to the maintenance of the community hall and to be an environmental resource for all. This friendly and hard working group manages to produce a Plant Sale each spring which often



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Harstine Island Theater Club

The Island community witnessed three ambitious productions in 2009 as the Theater Club "rolled" out the grease paint, stage and a plethora of characters. Barbara Hubbard captained Neal Simons female version of the "Odd Couple" in the spring. Summer brought O. Henrys' "Ransom of Red Chief" directed by Fred Burgdorf. Whickey Conway-

Larson capped the year with a trilogy which included an all kids performance of "Sueeknibble Christmas," a balmy adult take on "T'was The Night Before Christmas" and finally O.Henry's "Gift of the Magi".

The Women's Club partnered with the Theater Club to sponsor a Halloween Party for Island kids which was well attended and the older kids were a major factor in making the event fun for all – watch for a repeat in 2010.

The Theater Club anticipates another well rounded schedule in 2010 with John Cooper 'Radio Show' in July and "The Helen Keller Story" to entertain in the fall. To cap off the year the Theater Club will once again have a Christmas Production.

Neighborhood Watch

meets at the Community Hall. Members keep islanders informed of unusual events. For more information email inquiries to:

www.harstineneighborhoodwatch@gmail.com

Why Join Community Club?

Sometimes people shy away from joining the Community Club because they are busy and don't want to become involved. You don't have to become involved. The \$15 membership is what is needed. The Community Club's mission includes upgrading and maintaining the hall.

Think about what goes on there and how it is paid for:

Saturday Market Community Club meetings Women's Club Garden Club Grange Pinochle Harstine Island Chorus **Inquiring Minds** Theatre Club Theatre Performances Children's Carnival Apple Squeeze New Years Dance Labor Day Dance All Island Clean-up Holiday House TOPS Senior Lunch Octoberfest Rummage Sale Indoor garage sale Memorial lunches Spaghetti Dinner Plant Sale Thanksgiving dinner Christmas dinner Private party rentals

Ongoing expenses include: Electricity Phone Heating oil Furnace maintenance Well maintenance Well water monthly testing Propane Insurance Storm repairs Parking lot maintenance Septic pumping Exterior painting Interior painting Hardwood floor refinishing Light bulbs Paper products Garbage service Safety upgrades Carpet cleaning

Kitchen upgrade

Citizen of the Year

This years award for Citizen of the Year went to our President, Garv Benz. Another newcomer to the island, he and his wife Rose pitched in and started helping with the Hall as soon as they moved here. Gary has been President of the Community Club for the past two years and Vice President for a year before that. One of his biggest contributions was his work on the hall's electrical system and getting that upgraded. There were many electrical problems that over the vears just seemed to be getting more dangerous. Gary helped figure out those problems and was able to hire the licensed professionals to fix them. And Gary never just opened the door

and said he'd be back. He stayed and supervised the repairs to make sure they were done

correctly. Then he went around and labeled all the switches and outlets. If that wasn't enough he also made sure the fire extinguishers were upgraded, responded to the smell in the kitchen. got the stove fixed and shoveled snow off the roof so he could fix the chimney. These duties are not listed as "required" tasks of

the President. But we have all learned to call on Gary knowing

that the problem, whatever it might be, would be taken care of quickly. He never overlooked the

assigned tasks of President and to make sure he understood the history of the Community Club he read most of-the meeting notes from decades past. And on top of that he has cohosted the past three New Year's Eve dances and Octoberfest Celebrations and he is an active member

of Garden Club.



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Becky Rowley (L) collecting cash at the rummage sale and Betty Bogle (R) dishing up cobbler at the Oyster and Ham Dinner.



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Garden Club & Farmers Market

Contact: Jim Anderson, 360-427-8701 2nd Thursday 7 p.m. Farmers Market Saturdays, 6/7-10/4 10 a.m. to noon

Grange #568

Contact: Mike Burdick, 360-427-1559 3rd Friday, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:30 p.m. meeting

Harstine Community Choir

Contact: Wendy Cobb, 360-426-1855 Every Sunday following school calendar 4-6 p.m.

Neighborhood Watch

Contact: harstineneighborhoodwatch@gmail.com 3rd Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Senior Lunch

Contact: Barbara La June, 360-426-0490 Every other Wednesday at 12 noon

Theater Club

Contact: Lorna Hink, 360-426-8823 Last Monday 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting

Women's Club

Contact: Whickey Conway Larson, 360-427-2425 1st Thursday 11:30 a.m. brown bag lunch, dessert and coffee provided

Community Emergency Response Training

Contact: Nick Neuerburg, 360-427-5521 3rd Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Station 9 next to Hall

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Contact: Carol Lettich, 360-427-0889 Monday 9 a.m.

Pinochle Club

Contact: Barbara La June, 360-426-0490 Mixed 1st & 3rd Saturday at 7 p.m. Contact: Pat Ritchie, 360-427-0413, Women every other Tuesday at noon

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Dates to Remember

April

Inquiring Minds #3, 18th at 2:00 p.m.

May

Garden Club Plant Sale, 1st, 9-2 p.m.

Community Hall Clean-Up, 8th

Cemetery Clean-Up, 15th

Capstans, 16th at 3 p.m.

HICC Spaghetti Dinner Benefit, 29th, 5-8 p.m.

June

Farmers Market Opens, 5th, 10 a.m. - Noon Every Saturday through October 2nd

July

Theater Club "The John Cooper Radio Show," 2nd and 3rd at 8 p.m. and the 4th at 3 p.m.

August

Rummage Sale, 7th, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact: Mary Nichols, 360-426-9376 Kids Carnival, 14th, time TBA Contact: Judy Moore 360-427-3722

September

Labor Day Dance, 4th at 8 p.m.

October

Apple Squeeze, 2nd at 10 a.m.
Octoberfest, 8th at 6 p.m.
Theater Club, "The Miracle Worker," 21st -23rd
8 p.m. and 24th at 3 p.m.
Kids Halloween Party, 31st at 3 p.m.

November

Thanksgiving Dinner, 25th at 2 p.m. Holiday House, 27th, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Contact: Dianne Dawley, 360-427-8833

December

Theater Club, *Christmas Play*, 3rd-4th at 8 p.m. and 5th at 3 p.m. Community Club *Holiday Party*, 11th at 5 p.m. *Choir Concert*, 12th at 3 p.m. Christmas Dinner, 25th at 2 p.m. New Year's Eve *Dinner Dance*, 31st at 8 p.m.

Check the website for updates, changes, and additions at www.harstinecc.org

To rent or schedule the hall contact: Pam Neimi Wood at 360-427-6655

Harstine Island Choir

All of us know the power of music. Harstine Island Community Choir gives us the chance to participate in music. Our director, Elizabeth Berndt, helps us find ways to express ourselves musically. This spring we have the unique experience of performing two major works with Olympia's Masterworks Choral Ensemble. The first, Randall Thompsons' "Frostiana," features seven of Robert Frost's most famous poems, set to music. The second work is "Circlesong," composed by Bob Chilcott. It weaves together traditional songs and texts from ten different Native American cultures, among them the Chinook and Kwakiutl of the Pacific Northwest.

For information on upcoming

performances visit the website at www.harstinechoir.org
Remember, to sing in the
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a commitment to come to most of
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for more information.

The Capstans are a group of men who meet weekly for the fun of singing chanteys, the lively 19th Century sailor songs. Chanteys were used by sailors to lighten backbreaking tasks and to enliven their leisure hours. Chanteys followed different

patterns according to the tasks for which they were needed. They usually consisted of short solo passages by the chanteyman, followed by a chorus roared out in full voice by all hands. An evergrowing number of devotees love this form of music, both to listen to and to sing. Come to the performance on May 16th at 3pm at the Hall to discover for



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Inquiring Minds Series

The 2010 three-part series was sponsored by the Harstine Island Community Club. All events start at 1:30 at the Harstine Island Community Hall. The presentations are open to the community.

Sunday, April 18 —The Poetry and Music of Ancient Mexico with Gerardo Calderon and Cindy Williams Gutierrez: Through a live performance of Aztec-styled poetry and music, this collaborative presentation engages in a haunting dialogue with "the ones who have gone before."

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Our main fundraisers are *Crab & Clam Dinner & Auction* every March at Pioneer School, *Spencer Lake Fishing Derby* on Opening Day and sales of the *Wonderful Ornaments* of historic interest.

Some of the things we support are Cub Scouts, Mother Read, Scholarships for graduating 8th graders at Pioneer School, Pioneer School Nurses Fund, Christmas Baskets and Law Enforcement Camp.

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