

# ANACORTES MUSEUM – ADVISORY BOARD & COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

February 5, 2019

## MINUTES

Linda Yerby took notes for the first portion of the meeting. Thank you, Linda.

The meeting was called to order by Lewis Jones. Present were: Libby Walgamott, Deane Brazas, Gib Moore, and Kay Reinhardt. A voting quorum was fulfilled. Bret Lunsford, Museum Director and Linda Yerby, Administrative Assistant also attended.

### COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE –

One item will not be accessioned. The watercolor of a dockside is not necessarily of Curtis Wharf so Elaine Walker, Curator of Collections, will do some further research. Otherwise, (please refer to the well ordered list Elaine attached prior to our meeting) all other items are accepted into collections. AIF.

### DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Bret

(Please refer to staff’s excellent supporting documents prepared prior to this meeting. They are guideposts to business having been discussed. Agenda, handouts and Collections offerings/recommendations.)

- Anacortes High School Open House is coming up. The History Wall is the theme. A dedication will be held at 6:30 on that evening; 2/07/2019.
- It is desirable between the organizations dealing with historical city-wide topics, to have an exchange of meeting minutes between them. Museum Advisory Board, Museum Foundation & Historical Society are all doing good work to help preserve and bring to life through interpretation, Anacortes’, Fidalgo Island’s and Guemes Island’s history.
- A Memorandum of Understanding with the Museum Foundation & City of Anacortes is in the works.

Please continue to refer to your agenda for this portion. Actionable or further explained concepts will be noted here, all others are agenda items Bret discussed without needing the board’s action.

- A new Deed of Gift form is being reviewed by the City Attorney. Persons donating may or may not have copyrights, even if claimed. This will be important as another layer in the ‘reproduction of imagery’ policies for the Museum.
- Staff is hard at work on the new exhibit content to open March 13<sup>th</sup> regarding newspapering.

### ADJOURNMENT-

All items of business having been discussed, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Reinhardt

## ANACORTES MUSEUM DIRECTOR'S REPORT – February 5, 2019

### CURRENT

- Anacortes High School History Wall dedication 6:30pm Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Anacortes Historic Preservation Board update
- Anacortes Museum Foundation update
- Museum staff collaboratively drafting a prioritized list of action items – this will function as 1 and 5 year plan(s), reviewed by advisory board at next meeting.

### WINTER 2019

- MHC has begun weekend hours at the end of January, staffed by former intern and new Museum Docent Corin Noronha. The W.T. Preston won't open until April.
- Bret will serve on Port's North and west basin development advisory group.
- New Deed of Gift form being reviewed by City Attorney.
- Review of City's demolition permit application – inclusion of photographs
- Meeting with plywood mill employees March 21 to discuss future exhibit
- Causland Memorial Park centennial planning
- Oral history collection is a joint effort to inventory and make accessible
- Time Travel Sound Session events – third show “sold out”
- Starting a history club for volunteer researchers at the museum: Feb 27
- Request of Noon Kiwanis for continued online photo pages support

### SPRING 2019

- Early Anacortes Newspapers exhibit to open March 13 (Founding day 140 years ago with registration of the Anacortes Post Office, March 13, 1879)
- Brochure and marketing campaign implemented with LTAC funding

### FALL 2019

- Open next Carnegie Exhibit: Historic Photographers of Fidalgo Island.

### ONGOING

- Bill Mitchell short documentary being filmed/edited by Corin Noronha.
- meetings with Guemes Island Historical Society to discuss collaboration

Accessions review 9-9:30

TD 2019.002  
01/04/2019

Joan Fossum

Description: Westminster Presbyterian Church history video on a DVD. Used as fundraising tool by the church in 2018.  
Donated by creator.  
Total items: 1

TD 2019.003  
01/08/2019

Ronald M. Sherin

Description: Two metal signs advertising Skagit Maid ice cream  
Total items: 2

TD 2019.004

Kenneth L. Oakes

01/10/2019

Description: Copies of Anacortes American (6) from 12/17/1936, 3/25/1937, 4/1/1937, 4/22/1937, 5/13/1937, 6/3/1937; 1972 San Juanderer; large copy of postcard; 1983 postcard of marina; Ship Harbor photo (copy from Robinson); pamphlet of the San Juan Island area; 2 copy photos of Anacortes High School; page of copies of photos. Any duplicates can be donated to another museum or discarded, per donor.  
Total items:

TD 2019.005

Carol P. Baldwin

01/15/2019

Description: Mondhan collection of photos, negatives, manuscripts, maps, newspaper clippings, research folders, etc. Also a lunchbox used by Chester Childs, who attended the Nelson School, and 2 door hinges from the Columbian School. Items were collected by donor's father Pat Mondhan (whose family owned Island Transfer) and her brother Willard Mondhan (a history buff who died at age 18).  
Total items:

TD 2019.006  
01/15/2019

Sharon Symonds Campbell

Description: DVD containing high-res scan of 1927 Fidalgo Lumber & Box workers, with names listed on back.  
Total items: 1

TD 2019.007

Maurice J. Fink

01/15/2019

Description: 1 qt. glass Milk bottle from Lou Wagner's Dairy, Anacortes. Found by donor in Davenport, Wash.  
Total items: 1

TD 2019.008

Doug Woods/Anacortes Noon Kiwanis

01/18/2019

Description: The History of the Anacortes Noon Kiwanis Club, digital copy donated, and printed copy made by Museum Director.  
Total items: 1

TD 2019.009

Pam Bagnall for Nancy Mudge-Coggan

02/01/2019

Description: Black and white photo of June Bullock, Jerry Koontz, Tasker Robinette and Vera Mudge at Island Hospital's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Oct. 5, 1972.  
Total items: 1

TD 2019.010

Bonnie Kirschbaum, Soroptimists

02/01/2019

Description: Original painting by A. Miler of Anacortes cannery dock scene  
Total items: 1

TD 2019.011

Yadira C. Young

02/01/2019

Description: Scans of images and documents related to donor's husband, Medal of Honor winner Gerald Young. Young Park on Guemes Island was named after him, and a helicopter operation building is to be named after him at Andrews AFB in 2019.  
Total items:

TD 2019.012

Julian Epps

02/01/2019

Description: Digital painting created on an iPad by donor during an Anacortes Museum radio listening event in January of 2019. The image features Al Bofenkamp conducting the event. Donor asks to NOT be credited if image is used for museum promotion or other use, and should remain anonymous.  
Total items: 1