

## ~ THE MILEPOST ~

A newsletter for the STRAIT OF JUAN DE FUCA Scenic Byway

March 2008 Vol. 14

Spring (barely) Newsletter for the SR 112 Community

### **Membership renewals for 2008 ... *And Welcome to our New Members!***

**Sponsor Memberships (\$100)** ... Bruce Skinner of Skinner and Associates, Diane Schostak of Olympic Peninsula Visitor Bureau, Bobbi Fuller of Elwha Dam RV Park and Sande Balch.

**Associate Memberships (\$25)** ... Joe Murray of Merrill & Ring and Bill Drath.

And welcome to NEW MEMBER Leonard Pierce of Joyce General Store.

**SR112 Community Memberships** ... Greig Arnold of Makah Tribal Council, Alex Stevens of Joyce Café, Loren Kreutner, Margaret Owens, Barbara Nelson of Thanx-a-Latte, and Sandra Howe of Family Hair Care of Joyce.

And welcome to NEW MEMBERS ... Chuck and Shelley Fuchser of C&S Pruning and Orchard Care, Westend Cooperative, Bruce Giddens of Clallam County/Parks, Fair, and Facilities Division, Martin Brand of Angler's Hideaway, Mary Pfaff-Pierce of Joyce Depot Museum and Leonard Pierce of Joyce Coin Operated Laundry, Joyce Fitness Center, Joyce Frozen Ice, Clallam Broadband, Joyce Trailer Court,

### **On the Strait and Narrow ...**

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### **What's Happening? ...**

April is a "clean it up, pick it up and plant it" month with Earth Day and Arbor Day both on the calendar toward the end of the month. It is a good time to connect with a beach or highway litter cleanup group or volunteer for parks or trail cleanup ... call Crescent School, Clallam County Parks and Trails, Clallam Bay Sekiu Chamber for starters. Or, if you just want to do it on your own, grab a garbage bag, put on some comfortable boots, and pick up anything unsightly and put it in the trash. Let's make the scenic byway and our community as beautiful as possible for all of us who live here as well as our visitors.

### **Strait Ramblings ...**

A quote from the book jacket of "*Untamed Olympics: The Story of a Peninsula*" by Ruby El Hult ... This is a story where "struggle is the theme. Beginning with the age-old and magnificent birth of the region, events move excitingly through the strength-pitting hardships of pioneer days to current issues."

### **The Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Association Mission ...**

**"To promote the Strait of Juan de Fuca Highway 112 Scenic Byway."**

Promote: To encourage to exist, flourish; to support, foster, nurture, cultivate; to enhance, improve upon; to advocate for; to render a service to; to advertise, publicize.

## The “*Association*” ... News from the Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Assoc.

### **Membership Drive and Business Directory:**

A business directory for the highway 112 community membership is in the works. All local businesses may join the association and receive a free listing in the directory by contacting any board member or call/email Sande Balch (see below). The goal is to have a directory that includes and promotes all Highway 112 amenities and services available to the traveler and residents. To be included in the 2008 directory, memberships must be received no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>.

There are several levels of membership as follows:

**Community Membership** ... no membership fee required.

Must be a part of the SR112 Community. Community members may also join at any other level to give financial support to the Association and enjoy additional benefits.

**Associate Membership** ... annual financial support of \$25 required

Receives a 10% discount on all advertising.

**Sponsor Membership** ... annual financial support of \$100 required.

Receives a 25% discount on all advertising.

**Platinum Partnership** ... annual support of \$500 minimum in funds/services/materials.

Receives a 35% discount on all advertising and receives a free standard size business advertisement in the Highway 112 Milepost Business Directory.

### **Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Association Goals:**

... Build a signing system including a distinctive logo to adequately direct people to and identify Highway 112 as a National Scenic Byway.

... Promote low impact tourism activities, development of off season/shoulder season programs, development of niche marketing campaigns, work with partners to create marketing opportunities.

... Provide for sustained funding for the Association to pay for year round administrative costs and to fund special projects, including a membership program.

... Develop materials for education concerning qualities of the byway and to make travel opportunities more visible to the public.

... Develop scenic viewing areas, pullouts, rest stops, interpretive sites.

... Foster community involvement and ownership in the value of the byway and the mission and goals of the Association.

... Work to improve safety for travelers.

### **Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Association Board of Directors:**

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Summer Newsletter for the SR 112 Community

### **Welcome New *Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Association* Members! ...**

**Sponsor Memberships (\$100)** ... Clallam Bay-Sekiui Chamber of Commerce, Salt Creek RV/Golf, King Fisher Enterprises, The Family Kitchen. **Associate Memberships (\$25)** ... Makah Cultural/Research Center, Neah Bay Chamber of Commerce, Linda's Wood-fired Bakery, Droogie's Drums, The Cape Motel/RV, Raven's Corner, Bullman Beach Inn, Olson's Resort, Straitview Self Storage, Straitshots Coffee Shop, Lost Resort, Angel Crest Gardens, la place sur la Mer, Hoko River Trading Company and an upgrade to associate by West End Cooperative. **SR112 Community**

**Memberships** ... Hiway 112 Cottage/Gift Shop, Crescent Beach/RV Park, Roughcut Creations Chainsaw Carvings, Curley's Resort and Dive Center, Gary's Pay 'n Save, Jack Mackerel Seafood, Bay Motel, Snow Creek Resort, Native Grounds, Cedar Shack, Have Adze Will Travel, Ozett Associates LLC.



**The "Association" ...** News from the Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Assoc.

**Logo and Signs:** This new logo, designed by Laurel Black Design, has been adopted to represent the scenic byway. Gateway and route marker road signs, membership decals and print material all include the logo.

**Business Directory** ... The first Milepost Business Directory will be available by early July to promote businesses and amenities in the Highway 112 community. An updated directory will be published annually.

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**Photo Contests:** Photo contests are soon to be announced as well as a call for professional photography in an effort to build an extensive photo library representing all facets of the Strait of Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway. Watch for information in the newspaper and/or send an email to [sandrabalch@olympen.com](mailto:sandrabalch@olympen.com) to find out how you can participate.

**Yard Sale:** The first annual 62-mile scenic byway yard sale will take place in September this fall. Sellers, sellers, sellers are needed. For the rest of you ... get ready to shop 'til you drop!

### **What's Happening? ... It's summer festival time**

**Clallam Bay-Sekiui Fun Days** ... July 11-13 ... **Joyce Daze** ... August 2

**Clallam County Fair** ... August 14-17 ... **Makah Days** ... August 22-24

**Depot Museum** in Joyce is open Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Library in Clallam Bay** is expanding after eight years of fundraising. Watch it grow!

### **Trail Tales ...**

**Adventure Route Grand Opening ... August 15-16** ... The route is 24.5 miles connecting the Elwha at SR112 to Lake Crescent, a combination of trail and logging roads. The event will be a bike ride to Camp David Jr. with an overnight and barbecue. Contact Lorrie Campbell, Volunteer Coordinator-Olympic Discovery Trail at [lcampbell@co.clallam.wa.us](mailto:lcampbell@co.clallam.wa.us) or 565.2606.

## **Welcome to the Highway ...**

**Lady Godiva's Stylish Boutique Vintage and Consignments** is open in Three Sisters of Clallam - the "green building" in Clallam Bay. Sara Grafstrom is the owner and shares space with an art gallery and therapeutic massage in the same building. The **West End Cooperative** has moved down the road a bit to the "yellow building" and houses a new cottage industry, re-skeining yarn. **Linda's Wood-fired Bakery** is open for business. Linda Colfax bakes breads and pizza. As the business develops it will include baked goods, meats, nightly rental rooms, espresso and more.

## **On the Strait and Narrow ...**

**Washington State Patrol ...** WSP, as well as local law enforcement agencies, have received grant money to expand traditional holiday-style emphasis patrols to 52 weeks per year. This means you will see stepped up patrols on random weeks throughout the year. Clallam and Jefferson counties can expect to see extra patrols out for the state's "Drive Hammered. Get Nailed" campaign during the weeks of July 7-13 and August 11-31. Information from: Trooper Krista D. Hedstrom #1114, WSP District 8 Public Information Officer

**Hood Canal Bridge ...** The Washington State Department of Transportation is replacing the east-half of the Hood Canal Bridge and the transition trusses on both ends. Completing this work requires a six-week closure of the bridge in May-June 2009. The end result will be that the Hood Canal Bridge will be wider, safer, and more affordable to maintain. The Hood Canal Bridge staff will have a booth at Joyce Daze, or for more information on the bridge project progress and the Water Shuttle Survey (how to transport people across Hood Canal during the closure) go to the web site at: [www.hoodcanalbridge.com](http://www.hoodcanalbridge.com) .

**SR112 Safety Project ...** Over the next four months, crews will install guardrail, flatten slopes and post new signs to improve safety on SR112. This \$2.6 million project, aimed at reducing the number of run-off-the-road collisions, also improves drainage and installs flashing beacons to alert drivers to a sharp highway curve near Hoko-Ozette road. The work requires setting up traffic-controlled areas within the project limits: US101 on the east and Makah Reservation on the west. Drivers should expect delays. The project is scheduled for completion in early October. "Give 'em a Brake" ... after all, work zones are there because road conditions are being improved. And don't forget, traffic fines double in work zones. Check [www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic) for weather, road conditions and projects on state highways and contacts for project comments or concerns.

**Washington State Ferries Reservations ...** WSF currently offers reservations on two routes – Anacortes/Sidney BC and Port Townsend/Keystone. For information on schedules and how to make a reservation, go to: [www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries)

**"Good to Go!"** is the electronic tolling program in Washington State giving drivers the ability to pay tolls without stopping at Tacoma Narrows Bridge and for SR167 HOT lanes. For more information, go to: [www.wsdot.wa.gov/goodtogo](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/goodtogo).

## **What's In Bloom? ... appearing soon in a forest near you!**

Watch for the swatches of purple fireweed and pink foxgloves in the openings in the forest.

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Fall Newsletter for the SR 112 Community

### **Welcome New *Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Association* Members! ...**

Apologies to these members who joined earlier this year and were not recognized in the previous newsletter: **Sponsor Memberships (\$100)** ... Spring Tavern, Chito Beach Resort (under new management) ... **SR112 Community Memberships** ... Winter Summer Inn, Carol Schultz Realtor, Three Sisters of Clallam, Breakwater Restaurant, Straitside Resort, Van Riper's Resort Inc., West End Consulting. The two newest SR112 Community Memberships are ... Patti's Property Management/Services and Brian Adler.

### **The "Association" ... News from the Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Assoc.**

**Annual Membership Meeting:** All members are invited to attend the January 26, 2009 annual meeting, place and time to be announced later. Board of director elections and an opportunity to ask questions and share ideas will be included in the business meeting.

**Board of Director Elections:** Directors serve for a three-year term. If you would be interested in serving on the board, nominating someone for a board position or have questions, please contact Vice President Alex Stevens at [Redbear1952@gmail.com](mailto:Redbear1952@gmail.com) or Sande Balch at [sandrabalch@olympen.com](mailto:sandrabalch@olympen.com).

**Membership Renewals Due January 1<sup>st</sup>:** Memberships for individuals and businesses may be one of four levels of financial commitment: Community (no fee), Associate (\$25/yr) Sponsor (\$100/yr) and Platinum Partner (\$500/yr). If you would like to increase your membership commitment, please contact Treasurer Bill Drath at [drathwa@aol.com](mailto:drathwa@aol.com) or Sande Balch at [sandrabalch@olympen.com](mailto:sandrabalch@olympen.com). Membership renewals are due by January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**First Annual Great Strait Sale:** Thank you to all who helped with the sale, those who sold items at the sale, and those who shopped at the sales. This was a good start for the Great Strait Sale. If you have comments to add to the mix for 2009 planning or would like to volunteer to help next year, please contact Sande Balch at [sandrabalch@olympen.com](mailto:sandrabalch@olympen.com).



### **~~~ Hwy 112 Scenic Byway PHOTO CONTEST IS OPEN ... ENTER NOW!**

The Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Association is sponsoring a photo contest to involve the community in building a photo library depicting all aspects of activities and recreation, natural beauty and wildlife, and the people and lifestyle of the Highway 112 community for use in promotion of the Strait of Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway. The contest has three categories: "112 Reasons ... All Four Seasons" ~ "Byway Mileposts" ~ "Drive It. Experience It." The deadline for entry of photos is August 31, 2009. Cash prizes will be awarded for the best photos in each of the three categories. Photos can also be submitted for promotional use without entering the contest. For contest entry forms or photo

submission forms, email Sande Balch at [sandrabalch@olympen.com](mailto:sandrabalch@olympen.com) or contact the Juan de Fuca Scenic Byway Association by mail at P.O. Box 188, Joyce WA 98343.

### **What's Happening? ...**

Have you noticed the attractive, new entrance sign to the Olympic Discovery Trail Adventure Route at the east end of Highway 112? It is close to a pullout/parking area and many hikers, bikers, and horse riders are taking advantage of the improved access.

### **Welcome to the Highway ...**

**Twice is Nice** is a new gift shop that opened in Clallam Bay this summer by owner Kathleen Haney. The shop offers jewelry, toys, decorative and kitchen items, furniture and more to tourists and residents. The shop is located at the corner of Hwy 112 /Frontier St.

### **On the Strait and Narrow ...**

**Washington State Patrol ...** Trooper Krista D. Hedstrom #1114, WSP District 8 Public Information Officer ... These suggestions come from WSP for safe winter driving:

- If the roads or weather are bad or dangerous, stay home or where you are, if possible.
- If you need assistance due to an accident, slide or other road conditions, downed trees etc., call 911 and provide your location/landmark/mile marker in order to find you.
- Carry chains throughout the winter, even if there is no snow on the ground.
- Carry a vehicle emergency kit: flashlight, booster cables, flares, extra fuses, washer fluid (rag to clean headlights and windshield if you run out of washer fluid), work gloves, bag of sand/salt, brush for snow removal, shovel and rug or other material for traction, blanket, extra heavy clothing, water, non-perishable food for emergencies.
- Have your vehicle system checked prior to winter by a qualified mechanic: tires, battery, ignition system, heating and cooling system, exhaust system, windshield wipers and washer.
- Carry a cell phone and extra battery (universal backup batteries now available).

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