American Association of University Women

The Women will discuss "Two Old Women," by Wallis, Velma and "A Ride on the Red Mare's Back," by Ursula LeGuine at their



book group meeting Wed., Dec. 7 at the home of a member. The regular meeting will provide "A Holiday Celebration"

with gift exchange for members. The Association meets the second Wednesday at Courtyard Village Retirement Community, 4555 NE 66th Ave., Vancouver, 7 p.m. Any twoyear or university college grad-

uate may attend. Katie Scharle, (503) 703-4730. **Battle Ground** Garden Club

The Club will be entertained by the Battle Ground High School Jazz Choir and their Holiday Program at their regular potluck meeting Tues., Dec. 6.



The public is invited. The Club would also like to announce that the local Happy Hats Club (affiliates) distributed various clothing and textiles to the Veterans Hospital, Safe Choice Domestic Violence Shelter and chemotherapy centers in Clark County on Fri., Nov. 25. Gifts were also sent to

armed forces in Afghanistan. The Happy Hats knitting and crocheting club meets at 10 a.m., Thursdays at the Blue Castle Coffee Shop in Battle Ground Village next to the library.

The Garden Club meets the first and third Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m., at Battle Ground Kiwanis Bldg., 422 SW 2nd Ave., Battle Ground. Barbara Sizemore, 247-7413.

La Center Historical Museum The Museum

will hold its annual meeting on Mon., Dec. 5, 6:30 p.m., at 410 West 5th St. Officers for 2012 will be elected



and committee reports will be presented as part of the agenda. The public is invited to attend to provide input.

Current museum exhibits include "The History of La Center Farming" and "John Pollock, La Center Founder." The Sternwheeler Gallery is open as well as the Loggers Gallery which currently displays old farming tools from the collection of Woodland resident Bob Zumstein.

Visitors are invited to the open houses on Dec. 3 and 17 from 12 to 4 p.m. Holiday decorations, local entertainment and refreshments will highlight the events.

The Museum Governing Board meets the first Monday, 6:30 p.m. at the museum, and the public is invited to attend. The museum is located at 410 W. 5th St., La Center, open the first and third Saturdays of

the month and by appointment 227th Ave. on Wednesdays. Admission is free. Dr. Barbara Barnhart, 263-3308. Museum message line, 263-6609.

Van Ridge Garden Club

The Garden Club will divert from the "home grown" to the "home baked and/ or grown" for their Holiday themed regular meeting.



Members will exchange gifts baked or grown, and bring a gift for the children of Share House, Vancouver, and follow up with a Christmas potluck.

Previously, members brought Thanksgiving food donations for Share House at their Nov. 21 meeting.

The Club meets the third Monday of the month, 10 a.m., at Pleasant View Church, 801 NE 194th St., Ridgefield. Guests are welcome to the meeting and potluck. Mickey Sacker, (360) 574-7965, Louise Winfrey, (360) 573-3032.

Battle Ground Toastmasters

The Toastmasters announce that a club members made it to Toastdistrict master finals in a Humorous Speech Contest held at



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the Oregon Convention Center. Also, on Nov. 1 and 15, Toastmaster members from varied groups discussed rechartering the Larch Correctional Center Toastmasters group. Their efforts have garnered three new members and more interest from the public. There will be no meeting Christmas week.

The Toastmasters meet Tuesdays, 12 p.m., at Rocky's Pizza, 1901 W. Main St., Battle Ground. For more information, contact Diane Edginton, (360) 882-8105, dedington@ msn.com, http://battleground. freetoasthost.com.

Clark County Newcomers Club

The Newcomers will hold a Holiday Coffee Tues., Dec. 6, 10 a.m. at a member's home, 21416 NE 63rd St., Vancouver.



Call for more information.

The Newcomers meet the first Tuesday plus bi-monthly luncheons on the second Wednesday. Ann Bell, 882-7186.

GFWC—Battle Ground

The **GFWC** would like to publicly thank all who attended this year's Ladybug Bazaar, making it "the most successful one



ever." Donations to the local food bank reached \$1,268 in cash and 630 pounds of food. Members will continue collecting items at their regular meeting to contribute to the food bank, and make comfort pillows for recovering breast cancer surgery patients.

The Club will celebrate new members at its Dec. 15 Christ-

The GFWC regular meetings are the second and fourth Thursdays, 6:45 p.m. at Prince of Peace Church, 14208 Northeast 249th St. Louise Tucker, (360) 687-3619, Valerie Huey, (360) 566-5123, www.gfwcbattleground.org.

Venersborg Community

The Club is hosting a free Christmas wreath making session Sun., Dec. 4, 1-5 p.m. at the Old Schoolhouse. Wreaths, bows



and decorations are provided and the public may bring more to share. Cider and door prizes will highlight the event.

The regular meeting holds a small gift exchange at the home of a member, 21906 NE

The Venersborg Club meets the second Friday, 11 a.m., at the Old Schoolhouse, 24317 NE 209th St., Battle Ground. Jacqueline Freeman, 687-8384.

Yacolt Burn Sportsman Club

The Sportsmen will close down the Yacolt Burn S Access to hunters and recreation on Wed., Nov. 30.



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nounces thev have contributed \$200 to the North Clark Lions Club for Christmas food baskets, and also that they will only hold two firearms safety classes this coming summer and class sizes are limited. They encourage interested persons to register early through the Washington Department of Fish and Wild-

life website, wdfw.wa.gov. The Sportsmen's Club meets the second Monday, 7 p.m., at Rocky's Pizza. Randy Lawffer, (360) 247-5596.

Battle Ground Lions Club

At this time of year, the Lions will volunteer to help the Walk and Knock campaign Sat., Dec. 3 and with hearing screenings for Battle Ground elementary



and middle school students Dec. 5-14. For Walk and Knock, the Li-

ons ask the public to be sure their contributions are out at 9 a.m. The Lions meet the sec-

ond and fourth Thursdays at Rocky's Pizza restaurant in Battle Ground at 6 p.m. Anyone interest in helping the community or becoming a member can attend regular meetings. Liz Elfring, 263-4024, Ken Frack, (360) 666-0585, kfrack@earthlink.net.

Columbia River Longears

The Longears announce their volunteer efforts were a success at Whipple Creek, hauling rock in for trail repair with their mules where tractors can't go.



They are preparing a Christmas party for Sat., Dec. 10 and the annual New Year's Day ride around Battle Ground Lake beginning at 10 a.m.

The group meets the third Monday, 6 p.m., at Jollies, located at I-5 and NE 179th St., Ridgefield. Fran Duncan, (360) 254-3249, Duncanfmd@aol.com, Bob Burns. (360) 749-6010.

Patchwork Pals Quilt Group

On Nov. 12, the Pals held a work party to make blankets fleece for a mission to Papalote, Mexico, creating 42 blankets in 4 hours.



There will be a class for members, "Towne Purse," by Diane Rutherford, Mon., Nov. 28.

The Patchwork Pals meet every Monday, 9:30 a.m., at La Center Evangelical Free Church, 111 E. 5th St., La Center. Visitors and new members are always welcome. The Pals accept cotton and fabric donations for their "Babies in Need" and senior lap robe projects. Maggie Vinnedge, (360) 263-2137.

La Center Lions

The La Center Lions events for December are as follows: 3—Walk and Knock food drive with Lion Amy Chase organizing the La Center area. Lions will also have a table at the La Center Holiday Bazaar raffling several items including ed by Lion Mark Mansell.

2 adirondack chairs hand craft-Dec. 4—Lions will be shopping and delivering holiday food baskets for local La Center area

families in need. Dec. 10—the annual Lions potluck Christmas party and gift exchange at the La Center Community Center, 1000 E.

4th St., 6 pm. Dec. 10, 11—complimentary gift wrapping at the Vancouver Barnes & Noble from 9 a.m. to

10 p.m. Donations are accepted. The Lions meet the first and third Thursdays, 7 p.m., at the La Center Grange. For information, contact Ken Hickman, 263-9060, Bill Birdwell, (360) 263-1749.

Order of the Sons of Italy, Vancouver 2690

The Sons' Dine Out is scheduled for Tues., Dec. 13, 6:30 at Cafe al Dente, 907 Main St., Vancouver. They ask members or visitors to RSVP to Barbara, (360) 253-7984 before Dec. 9. The Sons will not have a regular meeting in December.

The Sons' business meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of each month, First Presbyterian Church, 4300 Main St., Vancouver, WA, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. For general information, call Virginia Babin, (360) 921-6292.

Battle Ground Chamber of Commerce

Contacts: 360-687-5151 (Larry), clubs@thereflector.com.

The Chamber is gearing up for their 7th Annual Holiday Luncheon & Basket Raffle on Thurs., Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m



at the Battle Ground Commu-

nity Center. Businesses donate gift baskets reflecting their business or a holiday theme, and the baskets are raffled. Businesses can sponsor a table and create place setting favors also.

Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 25 for \$20, and the luncheon fee is \$35 for members and \$45 for visitors. Check-in is 11 a.m. The Chamber is also re-

questing nominations for its

Citizen of the Year, Businessperson of the Year, Business of the Year, Serviceperson of the Year, Teacher of the Year, and Coach of the Year honors. Forms are available at the Holiday Luncheon and also at www.battlegroundchamber.

org, or by emailing a request

to info@battlegroundchamber.

org. Everyone is welcome to join in at this event. regularly The Chamber meets on the first Thursday of the month, 11:30 a.m., at Cedars Golf Course, 15001 NE 181st St., Brush Prairie, WA. Connie Plummer, (360) 687-1510,

Daughters of the **American Revolution**

www.battlegroundchamber.org.

The DAR will host Larry Smith, a Vancouver City Council member and his presentation "Life in Service to His Country," at their



regular meeting Dec. 13. Members will also bring baked items to provide for a veterans' bake sale on Dec. 14, and they will celebrate a 70th commemoration to the Pearl

Harbor disaster. The Daughters meet the second Tuesdays, 11 a.m., at American Smith-Reynolds Legion, 4607 NE St. James Rd., Vancouver. Genealogical help is available to the public. Sue Mills, (360) 573-5445, suesearch@comcast.net.

Women Entrepreneurs Organization

The WEO will hold their annual Christmas party Wed., Dec. 14, 5-8 p.m. at Heathman the Lodge. Dinner is \$35 for mem-



bers and \$40 for visitors and the meeting features the "Ugly Xmas Sweater Swagger" and optional gift exchange.

The WEO asks for reservations for its events by visiting www.weowa.org. The group meets the third Wednesday at The Heathman Lodge, 5 p.m. networking and 6 p.m. dinner, 7801 NE Greenwood Dr., Vancouver, WA. Courtney Givens, (360) 909-5632, www.weowa.org.

Willapa Hills **Audubon Society**

The Society will hold its fifth annual Lake Sacajawea Bird Walk Sat., Dec. 3, and collect at "The Greens" afterward for beverages and snacks—a fun bird watching event in Longview, WA. The public is invited. Call for more information.

The Society is asking for volunteers to accomplish its annual Christmas Bird Count for Cowlitz, Columbia and Wahkiakum counties Dec. 17 and 30. Interested persons can contact Robert Sudar for Leadbetter Point/Willapa Bay, (360) 423-1780, Andrew Emlen for Wahkiakum County, (360) 795-8009, or Bob Reistoffer for Cowlitz and Columbia County, (360) 636-5125,

Contact Stephen Glucoft, WHAS Vice President, for directions or other information, (360) 577-7720, (510) 760-6139 or sglucoft@comcast.net. For more information on birding field trips, contact John Green, (360) 575-9238, jgreen2317@aol.com.

Battle Ground Art Alliance

The Alliance will meet Sat., Jan. 21 at the Kiwanis Building, 422 SW 2nd. Ave., Battle Ground. The social event

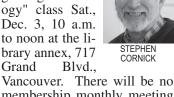


will include a presentation by local artist Michelle Allen and provide on-going support and instruction for members in technology. Members will also have an opportunity to share their work and discuss volunteer opportunities.

The Art Alliance meets informally on third Thursdays, 9 a.m., at Old Towne Battle Grounds, 316 E. Main St., Battle Ground. Jane Poole, (360) 247-6475, jspoole@tds.net, www.bgartalliance.com, Linda Kliewer, (360) 687-7414, claywiz02@comcast.net.

Clark County Genealogical Society

The Society will hold a "Beginning Genealogy" class Sat., Dec. 3, 10 a.m. to noon at the library annex, 717 Grand Blvd.,



membership monthly meeting in December. The next regular meeting will be January 24, 2012 at 10 a.m. The Society meets the fourth

Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the library annex, 717 Grand Blvd., Vancouver, WA. CCGS Library, (360) 750-5688, www. ccgs-wa.org.

North Clark Historical Museum

The Museum will feature the artwork of Michael Allen through December. Also on display will be "Farms and Barns in Clark County,"



and the Community Celebration Honoring Veterans art contest winning entries.

The Museum is located at 21416 NE 399th St, Amboy, WA. The Museum board of directors meets the second and fourth Thursdays, 7 p.m. The Museum is open Saturdays, noon-4 p.m. Museum events, (360) 247-5800,

Ridgefield Lions Club

Through December, the Lions will be recruiting for a "Super Aucleadersomeone in the community volunteer their or-



ganizing skills for the effortand recruiting for a "bunch of really good things" to sell at the auction. The Auction is slated for the first Saturday in May.

On Sat., Dec. 3, the Lions will help with the Walk and Knock effort collecting the bags in Ridgefield at 8:30 a.m., and on Mon., Dec. 19, they will join with Boy Scouts in Christmas caroling at Carolee's Retirement Center and the Ridgefield Living Center. Carolers will meet at Carolee's at 6 p.m.

The Lions meet the first and third Mondays beginning Sept. 5, 6:30 p.m., at the Ridgefield Community Center, 210 N. Main Ave., Ridgefield, WA. For membership information, call Audrey Vogel, (360) 887-5441, www. ridgefieldlions.org. George Espinosa, (360) 608-1826.

Washington Trail Riders Association

The Trail Riders will hold a festive election Fri., Dec. 16, 6:30 p.m. with an annual Christmas party and election of officers at



the Saddle Club. This will be a potluck meeting, however, ham and turkey will be provided, and a gift exchange is optional.

The Riders meet at the Clark County Saddle Club, 10505 NE 117th St., Brush Prairie. Barbara Thomas, 896-7123, pineywoman@aol.com, Jim Noble, (360) 977-0602, romulas21@gmail.com.

Battle Ground Rotary

On Wed., Dec. 14 the Rotary hosts guest speak-

wildblue.net.



Battle Ground Kiwanis

The Kiwanis announce their grapefruit sale is in full swing. The public may contact the Kiwanis through Jim Correy for



a box of no less than 18 large,

\$16.50 per box. Proceeds benefit various charities. Other projects for December for the Kiwanis include conducting their annual Christmas distribution with the North County

ticipating in the Walk and Knock campaign Sat., Dec. 3. The Kiwanis Club meets the second and fourth Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., Kiwanis Bldg., Kiwanis Park, 422 SW 2nd Ave., Battle Ground. Jim Correy,

Community Food Bank and par-

Lewis River Rotary Club

The will host Cheron Calder and her Cyprus Friendship children Cyprus, Dec. 20, 7 a.m.



Nancy Miller, (360) 904-5600, Claire Lider, (360) 798-8663.

The Friends will hold a giftquality cook book sale Sat., Dec. 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the hallway outside Ben's Books,

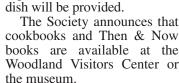


their book store in the library. They would also like to thank attendees of "The Farms and Barns: History's Mysteries" photo show at the library, for sharing their histories.

The Friends meet the first Tuesday of the month at the library, 1207 SE 8th Way, Battle Ground. Anna Cross, (360) 687-5726, www.bgcfriends. com, friends@bgcfriends.com.

Woodland Historical Museum Society

The Society will hold its regular December meeting on Thurs., Dec. 1 at 7 p.m., with a potluck beginning at 6 p.m. The meat



The Society meets the first Thursday, 7 p.m., 417 Park St., Woodland, behind the Moose Lodge. Museum open hours are Saturdays, noon to 4 p.m. John Stark, (360) 225-7094, stark9557@comcast.net.

Salmon Creek Kiwanis

The Kiwanis have started planning for the annual Trail Band Concert scheduled for Feb. 11, 2012, with Columbia Credit Union as a main sponsor.



The Kiwanis meet Wednesdays, 6:50 a.m. at the Legacy Hospital, 3rd floor Terrace Cafe, 2211 NE 139th St., Vancouver. Bruce Davis, (360) 600-7486, brucedavis13@gmail.com.

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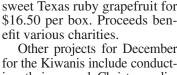
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School Key Club on Saturdays in December for charities.



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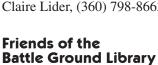




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Rotary

Program, using Skype with from Tues., The Rotary Club meets Tuesdays, 7 a.m., at the Battle Ground Community Center,



912 E. Main St., Battle Ground.