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HOUSE MUSEUM News

SHEEP TO SHAWL

A FAMILY FRIENDLY FALL FESTIVAL
SEPTEMBER 26TH - 11A.M. TO 4P.M.



Photography by Linnea Bullion

Live sheep shearing, spinning and weaving demonstrations, regional fine craft vendors, miniature horse cart rides, side saddle riding demonstration, contests and much, much more...
Lamb BBQ by Graze Catering available 12 - 2P.M.

Activity	Time
Miniature horse/cart rides	11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. and 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Side Saddle demonstration	1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Lamb BBQ by Graze Catering	12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M. \$10.00 a plate
Corn Husking Contest	1:00 P.M.
Pie Eating Contest	2:30 P.M.
Shawl Drawing	3:45 P.M.

As the name suggests, this free festival tracks the journey of wool from the back of a sheep as it is transformed into a shawl. Wool from the festivities last year was spun, dyed and woven by local textile artist Vicki Sacha into a black and white shawl with fuschia accents. Come by the museum to purchase drawing tickets, \$1 per ticket or \$5 for six tickets.



Join us this year for your chance to win this beautiful shawl and witness the beginnings of next year's shawl.



Chapeaux:

Vintage millinery from the 1880s to the 1960s
August 6 to October 10, 2010

Kirkman House Museum's latest exhibit Chapeaux examines the social trends of each era and how these events influenced the styles of women's toppers. Beginning in the 1890s - La Belle Epoch, era of the Cancan, the Gibson Girl and the horseless carriage - the continues through the 1960s - the decade of Jacqueline Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Jr. and dramatic acts of change throughout the country. Each decade is represented by a variety of flamboyant, sleek and cheeky hats.



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Museum Rentals

As you plan your 2010 events, remember that Kirkman House Museum is a wonderful venue for celebrations with your family, friends, co-workers and employees. Grand architecture, historic collections and flexible space make the museum a perfect site to host your party. Rental rates are affordable and include tables, chairs, exhibit space and private museum tours.

Sweet Home Walla Walla

Mark your calendars now; Sweet Home Walla Walla is scheduled for Sunday, April 17, 2011! You will love these new old homes.

Whispered Memories:

Psychometry – a term first coined in 1842 – is a form of extra sensory perception wherein a psychic connects to paranormal beings by making physical contact with an object formerly owned by deceased individuals. This practice was popularized in the Victorian era as they frequently lost family members prematurely.

In two sessions on Saturday, October 30 regional psychic Janice Lynch will use her psychometric medium as a means of connecting individuals with their ancestors. Tickets are \$25 per person and include a two hour session with a group of no more than 25 people, tea and snacks. Ms. Lynch will connect with whomever makes themselves available to her during the session and share with living guests this communication.

Welcome board members:

Andrea Stout grew up in Coeur d'Alene and moved to Walla Walla to attend Walla Walla University. After graduating with a degree in English, she began work at Coffey Communications, Inc., where she is currently a staff writer. She's crazy about fruits and vegetables—and the availability of such wonderful local produce is just one of the reasons she loves this valley so much. As a board

member, she looks forward to learning more about how a museum operates and getting involved with museums's collections and programming.



Joshua Van Donge – “I am a Walla Walla native with local roots on both sides of my family. As a youth, I was active in rock climbing and was an avid reader. In 1997, I went to St. John's College, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where students are guided through a chronological study of the "Great Books". After college, I travelled for two years, and then enrolled in the University of Washington to attain a

Master of Architecture. Since 2005, I have been practicing architecture with a focus on very high-end traditional residential. In 2008, I started my own firm in New York, New York and then relocated to Walla Walla shortly thereafter. I feel very satisfied with the lifestyle that Walla Walla affords, and I plan to stay and to grow my business through the coming years or even decades.”

Thank You:

Mark & Patty Anderson & the Walla Walla Foundry, for sharing your space with our volunteers and supporters.

Mark Brown, for rockin’.

Barbara Commare, for bringing the style.

Mike Dedman, for sharing your educational trunks.

Dan Dunn, for sharing your friend Ms. Barchus with our community.

Maejul Gannon, for sharing your passion.

Elizabeth Hambleton, for your foam-core/spray-mount wrangling.

Susan Monahan, for unending curiosity.

Carolyn Priest, for having such a big basement and a big heart.

Diana Schmidt, for schlepping easels and for your expertise on so many levels.

B.J. Selde, **Four Feathered Sparrow Salon** and **Impress Salon**, for heads galore.

Volunteers Needed:

Kirkman House Museum has two full time employees whose salary is paid by a very generous grant from the Sherwood Trust. But, two people can only do so much. The museum relies on the dedication and generosity of its volunteers. Please consider volunteering your time to the Kirkman House.



Kirkman House Museum Hosts Secretary of State Sam Reed:

On August 18 Kirkman House had the distinct pleasure of hosting Secretary of State Sam Reed at a private reception at the museum. The forty guests included distinguished Walla Walla community members and elected officials. Secretary Reed is a dedicated supporter of Washington State heritage and has invested great amounts of time and effort to founding the Washington State Heritage Center on the legislative campus of the Capitol in Olympia.

Summer Pioneer Bandstand Concert Series



Throughout the 2010 summer months Kirkman House Museum partnered with the City of Walla Walla to host a series of concerts at the Pioneer Park Bandstand. These concerts continued the tradition of bringing our community together around the bandstand for afternoon entertainment and fun! Stay tuned for an expanded schedule in the summer of 2011!

How does your garden grow?

After the success of our Victorian Kitchen Garden project last year, we decided to do Kitchen Garden version 2.0! This year Carolyn Priest, Master Gardener and green thumb extraordinaire, spearheaded the project to great, green success. As a model Victorian Kitchen Garden, this project demonstrates to visitors how many Victorian families – supplemented their diet by growing their own produce. Kirkman House uses the produce for our educational children's programming and donates the rest to Helpline, our local food bank.



Fall classes at the museum

The museum is offering its popular *Introduction to Spinning Class* for adults this fall. Local spinner Mary Jane Fehrenbacher leads students through preparing fleece, setting up their wheel and spinning and plying yarn.

Our fall *Hands on Weaving* class for kids will be taught by textile artist Susan Swayne over three Saturdays beginning October 9th. Youth ages 9-12 will construct their own pipe loom and use it to learn basic weaving skills. Susan will also teach a one day class Saturday, November 6th, on how to weave Christmas stockings using festive ribbons.

Visit the Kirkman House Museum website or contact us at 509-529-4373 for more information on these and other fall activities at the museum.

Calendar of Events

September 26, 2010

Sheep to Shawl Fall Festival
11 A.M. to 4 P.M.

October 30, 2010

Whispered Memories Psychic Tea
10 A.M. and 1 P.M.

October 31, 2010

Halloween Party
Family-friendly Halloween party

November 7, 2010

Pink Tea
Celebrate the 100 year anniversary of the Washington State 5th Amendment granting women the right to vote!

December 4, 2010

Victorian Christmas Jubilee
Traditional Victorian Christmas decorations and sweets

January 29 - March 19, 2011

Journey Stories
A traveling exhibit designed by the Smithsonian Institution examining stories of American spirit.

April 17, 2011

Sweet Home Walla Walla

Community Events:

September 24 & 25, 2010

Jazz and Wine Among Friends
Friends of Children
509-527- 4745

October 3, 2010

Italian Heritage Living History
Fort Walla Walla Museum
www.fortwallawallamuseum.org

November 3, 2010

Frenchtown Salmon Feed
Frenchtown Partners
www.frenchtownpartners.zoomshare.com



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The Kirkman House Museum is committed to preserving our past and providing a setting for understanding our local history. There are many ways you can help; your support is what makes great things happen at the Kirkman House!

Become a Museum Member

Members' benefits include a subscription to the museum's newsletter, discounts on program on class fees, and invitations to "Members Only" events. Your membership dues help pay for special exhibits and programs at the museum that enhance the cultural spirit of our community.

Join the Bricks and Mortar Society

These generous members commit to donating \$200 a year for three years to ensure the preservation work at the museum continues.

Include the Kirkman House Museum in your planned giving

From its origin as a museum 1978, the Kirkman House has preserved an important piece of Walla Walla's architectural and cultural heritage. Today, the museum continues to provide education about daily family life in Victorian-era Walla Walla. A gift to the Kirkman House Museum's endowment fund is an investment in the cultural heritage of our valley for future generations.

Support the annual fund

Contributions to the museum's annual fund provide important support for the care and maintenance of the museum, the conservation of our collections and our ability to continue providing dynamic programming.

Donate in-kind items or services

Contributions of material goods or professional services help reduce the operating costs of the museum.

Volunteer

Whether leading tours, assisting with collection management and exhibits, or helping at our special events our volunteers are invaluable to the museum's successful operations.

Kirkman House Mission

The Kirkman House Museum enriches the Walla Walla community with exhibits, events and programs that bring our valley's history to life.

Membership Benefits

- ☐ Kirkman House Museum Newsletter
- ☐ Advance notice for Kirkman House programs
- ☐ Invitation to "Members Only" events
- ☐ Recognition in the Kirkman House News
- ☐ Tax deduction on dues
- ☐ Knowledge that you are helping to save the Kirkman House for future generations

2010 KIRKMAN HOUSE MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State ZIP: _____

E-mail: _____

☐ Please contact me about volunteer opportunities.

☐ I would prefer not to have my name listed in museum publications.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

☐ Students/ Seniors (\$15) ☐ Individual (\$25) ☐ Family (\$50)

☐ Supporter (\$100) ☐ Friend (\$250) ☐ Donor (\$500) ☐ Patron (\$1,000+)

☐ Bricks & Mortar Society (\$200 commitment per year for three years)

In addition to my membership, I am enclosing a gift of \$_____ to help:

Credit Card #: _____

☐ Visa, ☐ MC, Exp. Date: _____ Total amount enclosed: \$_____

Please return this form with your check payable to: **Kirkman House Museum**

Mail to: Kirkman House Museum 214 N. Colville Walla Walla, WA 99362