



The Key Connection

PUGET SOUND ASSOCIATION OF PHI BETA KAPPA

PSAPBK, P.O. Box 15258, SEATTLE, WA 98115-9998 WWW.PSA-PBK.ORG

Exciting news!

UPGRADE YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND BECOME A KEY MEMBER

In recent years, the Puget Sound Association has taken important steps towards expanding the organization's role in the local community. These steps include our successful bid for the 2003 Phi Beta Kappa National Triennial Council, as well as the establishment of a new graduate level scholarship, the Ernest Stiefel Award. The continued support of our membership has been critical for the accomplishment of these milestones.

Effective this fiscal year, we are pleased to announce the creation of a new membership category: Key Member. The new category represents the opportunity to contribute to the Association via membership at the \$250 level.

We hope you consider becoming a charter Key Member. If you have joined at a different rate and want to upgrade your membership status, call or email PSA PBK.

Now is a time of special growth for our organization and your support is especially critical.



Susan Warner
Fall Luncheon Speaker
October 16, 11:45 a.m.,
at Tacoma's Museum of Glass

From Your President.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Greetings!

As a new academic year begins, I would like to mention the high level of dedication of your board towards the organization's primary mission to encourage excellence in education. Some examples of accomplishments in the past year: (1) Decisions on scholarships—six undergraduate awards this year totaling \$10,500 and two graduate awards for a total \$4,000; (2) Pathfinder Awards to individuals and groups who inspire and encourage education thereby giving them well-deserved recognition; (3) Events which you as members have opportunities to attend/participate in, and (4) significant discussion of Association issues.

You too can make a big difference. If you are interested in becoming a board member or doing something for the Association behind the scenes, please let me know.

Nancy G. Blase

Phone: 206-685-2132 • Fax: 206-685-1665 • Email: president@psa-pbk.org

Fall Luncheon October 16: *New Museums, New Visions*

The Puget Sound area has seen a spectacular flowering of new museums opening in the last few years. More often than not, they claim to break new emotional and intellectual ground. We are told: these are not your father's museums.

Come to the fall luncheon in Tacoma on Wednesday, October 16, and see for yourself what new museums look like and whether they do break new ground. Luncheon is at the Washington State History Museum, opened in 1996, with a speaker from the new Museum of Glass: International Center for Contemporary Art. Before or after lunch, members and their guests may visit the History Museum, cross the Chihuly Bridge of Glass, and visit the Museum of Glass. They can look at the new university campus, the under-construction Tacoma Art Museum, the Chihuly glass display at the Federal Courthouse in Union Station next door, and sense the excitement of the new Tacoma cultural district.

And what a speaker we have! Susan Warner, the Museum of Glass's Director of Education, is nationally known for the programs she has created with several Northwest museums for at-risk youth. Some of you will have seen the art that her students in state juvenile institutions have created in exhibitions in the Puget Sound area. Her talk, "Innovative Interpretation: The Visitor Experience Redefined," grows out of that unconventional experience, but also reflects her museum's innovative qualities. Its director writes, "Do not expect a conventional museum. Expect a 1,883 pound angel. Do not expect wings and a white robe. Expect to feel the heat of the glass furnaces in the Hot Shop. Do not expect quiet."

The main exhibit at the Glass Museum is "The Inner Light," glass sculpture by the legendary Czech artists Stanislav Libensky and Jaroslava Brychtova; the museum's Hot Shop is an essential stop, and numerous art installations are outside

the museum. The History Museum will have "Wrapped in Tradition," elegant blankets made for the Indian trade from Dale Chihuly's personal collection, with glass cylinders that the blankets inspired. Also at the History Museum, "Detectives on Everest," bringing to life the challenges to British, Chinese, and Americans of climbing Everest's North Face and searching through the world's highest archeological site for clues about the last climb of George Mallory and Andrew Irvine.

Luncheon reservations include admission to the History Museum. The Bridge of Glass and the Federal Courthouse are free. Luncheon reservations do not include admission to the Museum of Glass, \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors. Cost of the luncheon is \$27.00 per person. To attend, please complete and return the form attached to this newsletter, and send it along with a check on or before the deadline of October 9.

Driving directions: from I-5 in Tacoma, take exit 133 onto I-705. After about half a mile, exit at South 21st Street, and turn left across the I-705 freeway one block (the History Museum is visible at the right). Turn right on Pacific, and the first right into the History Museum's parking lot. (Alternatively, after turning right on Pacific, continue past the History Museum and the Union Station courthouse to the first street at the right, Hood Street, and turn right and follow the signs to the Glass Museum, which has a parking garage underneath it). The History Museum is at 1911 Pacific Avenue, 253-272-3500; the Glass Museum is at 1801 Dock Street, 253-284-4750.

Their websites (www.wshs.org; www.museumofglass.org) have more information.



Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa

P.O. Box 15258

Seattle, WA 98115-9998

Fall Activities

St. James Cathedral Tour

In November, Phi Beta Kappa members and their guests will have an opportunity to tour St. James Cathedral, the home church of the Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle. Dedicated in 1907, the Cathedral features many impressive works of art by American and European artists.

An extensive renovation in 1994 made some significant changes to the Cathedral's structure. Most prominent was the movement of the altar from the east end of the building to the center of the Cathedral. A newly opened Oculus Dei (eye of God) was placed above the altar, where it admits the only natural light illuminating the body of the church. Cathedral services now surround the "living center" of the altar platform.

In addition to examining the changes that took place in the 1994 renovation, the tour will feature the various shrines, chapels, statues, floor mosaics, stained glass windows, and sculptures found within the Cathedral. Other highlights will include:

- The ceremonial bronze doors created by the renowned German artist Ulrich Henn in 1999
- The Cathedral crypt, containing eight burial chambers for Seattle's archbishops
- The sanctuary site where relics (remnants of bone) from Saints Frances Xavier Cabrini, Adeodatus, Boniface, and Fortunata are sealed
- The turn-of-the-century organ with nearly 3000 pipes
- The Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary, created by parishioner Susan Jones, who has received world-wide acclaim for her design

The tour is complimentary. Please RSVP by November 4, 2002. (See form below.)

Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2002
Time: 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Location: St. James Cathedral, 804 Ninth Avenue (between Marion and Columbia)

Please meet in the west vestibule (main entrance) shortly before 1:00 p.m.

Other Activities

Get the updates on future outings by visiting our new PBK web site at www.psa-pbk.org.

PSAPBK Website www.psa-pbk.org

What is black and white and blue all over AND has been looked at more than 350 times? The Association's website!

In operation less than six months, its crisp, attractive, helpful "pages" cover information about PSAPBK in general, membership, activities, scholarships and awards, the newsletter issues, and how to contact PSAPBK officers and committee chairs.

Our Webmaster, Chuck Goldstein, deserves thanks for maintaining the site. If you have a computer, we encourage you to check it out. Something you recommend be provided on the Web? Just let us know!

Important PSA PBK News

News From Alpha Chapter - U of W

New Members Welcomed at Chapter Initiation Ceremony

Fifty-seven newly elected members and their families and friends attended the Chapter initiation ceremony on Friday, June 14, 2002 at the HUB on the University of Washington campus. Professor Peter Ward of the Department of Geological Sciences delivered a stimulating address entitled "How will the world end?" The Chapter also bestowed honorary membership on John Edwards and Charles Goldstein in recognition of their contributions to education. For the academic year 2001/2002 a total of 268 have so far joined the Society.

New Review Policy One major task completed by the Executive Committee was the revision of the review process, making possible one review per year while candidates are still on campus. The new policy will shortly be presented to the membership for approval.

New Web Site Another ongoing activity is the review of the Chapter's website and the production of a newly designed brochure intended primarily for invitees. In addition to following up by email with students who do not respond to invitations, a questionnaire was sent out to determine more precisely the reasons. In February, the Chapter sponsored a successful colloquium "Extinction is Forever—Or Is It?" It was cosponsored by Sigma Xi.

News From Delta Chapter - UPS

New President The University of Puget Sound Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa has selected as its new president Steve Rodgers, Ongoing Instructor of French, Department of Foreign Languages & Literature.

Students Elected and Initiated This year the Delta Chapter inducted 36 members in course from the Class of 2002 and four members in course from the Class of 2003. The formal ceremony took place in the Rotunda of the Wheelock Student Center from 5 to 8 PM on March 7, 2002. Prof. Eric Orlin of the Classics program at Puget Sound delivered a fascinating talk on rites of initiation in Classical Antiquity.

First Ernest Stiefel Scholarships Awarded

by Steve Rodgers (rodgers@ups.edu)

PSA PBK is pleased to announce the recipients of the first annual Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study award. They are Julie Garner of the Delta Chapter (UPS) and Lisa Kinney of the Alpha Chapter (UW). Ms. Garner will be working towards a Ph.D. in physical therapy; she plans to make her career in pediatric physical therapy, working with children with such disabilities as autism and cerebral palsy. Ms. Kinney is seeking a Master of Science degree in speech-language pathology and plans to pursue a career as a clinician working with children with disorders that fall on the Autism Spectrum.

Our warmest, heartiest congratulations to both of these fine young students! Don't forget to donate to this very worthy program.

Pathfinder Award—Nomination Sought

The spirit of Phi Beta Kappa will come alive to a person or institution due to your nominations for our prestigious Pathfinder Award. The award, which is handed out in Spring, honors individuals who mentor, inspire, and the scholarly quest of previously unthinkable ideas, and reach beyond their ordinary requirement of their lives and jobs. We also honor corporate and commercial institutions that do something to broaden peoples' interest in active intellectual accomplishment.

Do you know of someone, or an institution, deserving Pathfinder recognition? Please make a check mark on the return flap of this newsletter, and mail it in to our P.O. Box. Or send a note to Barbara L. Clinton, 3863 50th Ave. N.E. Seattle, WA 98105 or email to barbaralclinton@yahoo.com. Nominations will be due December 1, 2002.

New Changes on PBK Mailing Labels Tell You When it's Time to Renew

You may have already noticed a change in your member mailing label. A membership year expiration date now appears, generally, to the right of the member's name (for longer names, on the second line). This change enables members to easily determine when their membership will expire, or has expired.

Take a few seconds to glance at your mailing label on this newsletter mailing. If it shows **07/31/2003**, your renewal has been processed for fiscal 2003. If it shows an earlier date, please take a few minutes to mark this newsletter issue's "flap" under Annual Dues Renewal. May we remind you that this is a very good time to upgrade your membership status to our new Key Member category.

PSA PBK Member Chairs Washington State Transportation Commission

Aubrey Davis, resident of Mercer Island since 1960 and a long-time member of the Puget Sound Association of PBK, was elected to PBK at Occidental College in Los Angeles as a junior.

After service in India in World War II where he worked on construction of Army trucks to be used in China, he has worked for decades on transportation issues. One project while he was mayor of Mercer Island was the I-90 bridge where his standard about the freeway was explicitly, "We don't want to hear it, see it or smell it." A realist, Davis now notes that the days of freely flowing federal funds for transportation are no more.

As chair now of the State Transportation Commission in one of its most challenging times, his position is again explicit: he believes that toll roads are inevitable, but that we also have to "have some roads that aren't charged, and a transit system that works." Proving the truism, "If you want something done, just ask for help from the busiest member," Aubrey recently helped in the PSA drive to increase membership in PSA in his zip code, 98040.

Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa Events and Dues Fall Lunch & Speaker, 11:45 a.m., at Museum of Glass

Luncheon held October 16

RSVP by October 9

Total number attending: _____

Cost: \$27.00 per person Total: \$ _____

Meal: Salmon _____

Special dietary needs: Vegetarian _____

Other (specify) _____

St. James Cathedral Tour, November 13

RSVP by November 4

Total number attending: _____

Other Items

___ I have a Pathfinder to nominate.

___ I have some time I can give PSA PBK.

Have you paid this year's dues?

Please support your local students with your contribution!

Annual Dues Renewal (Please check your newsletter address label; you may have already renewed)

___ \$ 30.00 Regular Member
___ \$ 60.00 Sustaining Member
___ \$100.00 Patron Member
___ \$250.00 Key Member
\$ _____ Scholarship Fund
\$ _____ Total Enclosed

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Email _____

Please make check(s) payable to: Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa, P.O. Box 15258, Seattle, WA 98115-9998

Questions? Email us at administration@psa-pbk.org, or call Nancy Blase at 206-685-2132.