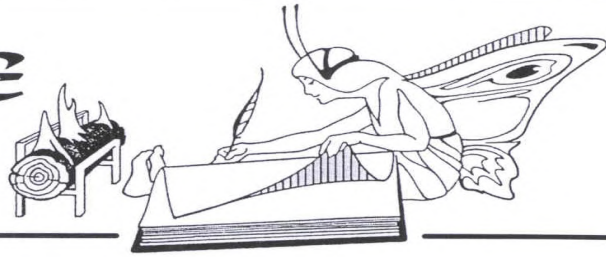


fireside LOG



February 2012

Fireside Story League is a service organization comprised of both men and women who are interested in the art of storytelling.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be Monday, **February 13th**, at **6:30** p.m. Our meeting will be held at the Lakewood branch of Pierce County Library, 6300 Wildaire Rd. SW, Lakewood, WA 98499.

Fireside's Officers

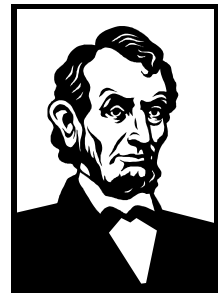
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Mr. Lincoln's Whiskers, a book by Karen Winnick was chosen by National Storytellers' League for the theme of a project to be displayed at the Lincoln Library in Springfield, Illinois. Leagues were asked to participate by featuring the book. As Fireside's contribution, at our meeting on Monday, Karol Brown, Dave Rasmussen, and guest, Miss Rosemary Siscel, will present a synopsis of the story. The vignette will be followed with Valentine and general stories presented by other Fireside members. The Library has advertised this program, so we expect extra guests.



Joy Ross is the designated storyteller. Karol Brown is refreshment host.

At our last meeting Karol presented a lesson about recording family stories. She gave as an example a project that involved the collecting and preservation of her mother's remembrances.

Bonnie Anderson shared the news of a new storytelling festival to be held in the Puget Sound area, PowellsWood. Margaret Read Macdonald is involved in the project as are Diane and Monte Powell, the owners of PowellsWood Garden in Federal Way. The Powells have experienced Jonesborough and desire to sponsor a similar celebration of storytelling.

July 13 and 14th have been chosen as the dates for the inaugural event. Donald Davis and Eth-Noh Tec will each be offering a workshop. Other storytellers will be Joe Hayes, Alton Chung, Debra Harris-Branham, The Whitman Story Sampler, Robert Kikuchi-Yngojo, and Norm Brecke. There will be an emphasis on telling to children.

Volunteers are needed to help make this new event come together. If you would like to help, contact Margaret Read MacDonald at mrm@readmacdonald.com. For more details and developments, go to www.powellswood.org. Mark your calendar now, so that later you will be able to say, "I was there!"

Service report

The snow storm caused a day of cancellations, but on January 21st, a calmer day, Penny told to residents at Franke Tobey Jones. So we are now looking forward to Love stories, Abraham Lincoln and Harriet Tubman presentation and stories in general at our meeting.

By Eileen Beckowitz

Up-coming Storytelling Events

February

10th--Urban Tellers in Portland, OR. 8 p.m. Hipbone Studio, \$10 advance/\$15 door, ages 21+. www.portlandstorytheater.com/urban.tellers/10Feb12.htm

March

3rd—How to Tell a Lie Workshop. From 1-3:pm. Nordic Heritage Museum, 3014 NW 67th St., Seattle, WA 98117. Hone your natural talent for prevarication and learn new ways to craft a tall tale that audiences will love. This fun, interactive workshop led by master storyteller (and award-winning liar) Anne Rutherford is guaranteed to help your nose grow a few inches and hatch some new story ideas in your repertoire! FMI, visit: www.annerutherford.com

3rd--The One Who Got Away - Story Cabaret! Anne Rutherford, March 3, Haller Lake Community Club. Stories, song, improv and music in a story cabaret. Original and classic tales of the sweet salty taste of first love and Anne's latest urban coyote tale, "Coyote Goes to Walmart." Other characters include Bar'bry Ellen, "Casey at the bat!" Lucifer & Mike, the archangel, Clementine Ryder (adventuress) Bigfoot and more. FMI: www.hallerlake.info

On-Going Events Include:

The South Sound Storytelling Guild meets on the 2nd Wednesday, at 222 Columbia St. NW, Olympia, WA. 7 to 9 pm. www.southsoundstory.org

SSG's "Tales for a Thursday Evening" (second Thursdays) 7:00 p.m., at Haller Lake Community Center. FMI: www.hallerlake.info

Remember KSER, 90.7 FM's **Global Griot** on Sundays from 8-11am, or online at www.kser.org.

Fireside is on The Web:



www.firesidestoryleague.org