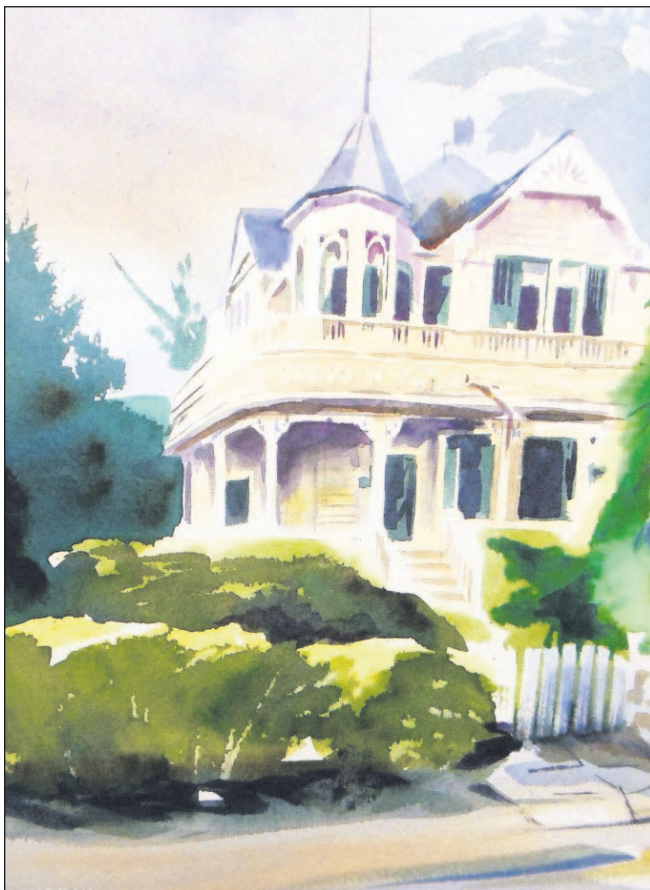


Heritage museum opens special exhibition

See donated gifts to the collection in 'Pieces of the Puzzle'

ILWACO, Wash. — Each item in the Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum's collection, down

to the last piece of paper, has been donated to the museum by members of the community.



Submitted photo courtesy of Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum

This painting by local artist John Campiche depicts the historic Collie Schulderman House in Seaview.

The special exhibition "Pieces of the Puzzle: Recent Gifts to Collections" is a sampler of the generous gifts given to the Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum over the past several years. The exhibition includes over 300 items ranging from photographs and books to uniforms, T-shirts, and paintings and ceramics created by important local artists.

These donations are important to the museum. The primary function of a muse-

um is to collect, preserve, research, exhibit and interpret the heritage of its collection. In achieving these objectives, the Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum holds each item in its collection as evidence of the stories of the Columbia-Pacific region.

When an object is donated, its story often connects it to other stories, filling gaps, building bridges and connecting pieces of an overall puzzle of this region's heritage.

An opening reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 31.

The Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum is located at 115 S.E. Lake St.



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Before it was called the Long Beach Peninsula, the narrow finger of land jutting north of the mouth of the Columbia River was called North Beach. This is a North Beach postcard.

Go birding at Sunset Beach

WARRENTON — Do you have an appreciation for birds and want some experience on how best to see them? Or are you an experienced birder wanting to help with bird surveys? Here's your chance to join Let's Go Birding.

Birding activities are free, and birders 8 years old and older are welcome. Children 8 to 14 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Loaner binoculars are available for up to 10 birders. If available, bring your own binoculars.

This year, the Sunset Beach State Recreation Site and the Fort to Sea Trail is the site of weekly bird surveys. The surveys monitor the bird species that use the park from season to season and will be conducted weekly for an entire year.

Sunset Beach surveys will meet at the Fort to Sea Trailhead at Sunset Beach:

- 8 to 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 2;
- 8 to 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 10;
- 8 to 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18;
- 8 to 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25.

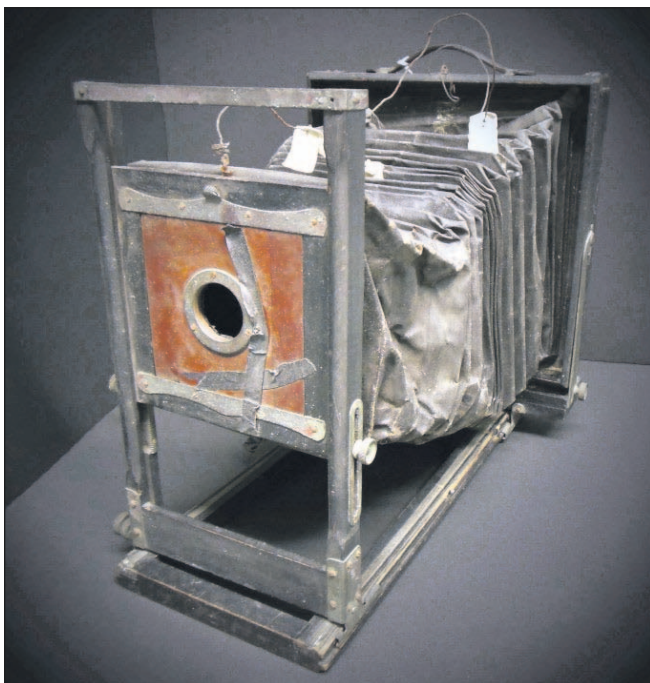


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This juvenile Cooper's hawk recently hatched in a nest along the Fort to Sea Trail. Oregon State Parks is holding weekly birding surveys along the trail, starting at Sunset Beach, for an entire year.

Fort Stevens State Park will hold its monthly bird survey from 8 to 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 16. Birders should meet at Battery Russell in the park.

The surveys each take around two hours and will cover several diverse habitats along the trail. For questions, contact Park Ranger Dane Osis 503-861-3170 x 41 or at dane.osis@oregon.gov



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A camera once owned by peninsula artist and photographer Charles Fitzpatrick.

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