

Great Cranberry Island Historical Society Museum Memos

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The New Cranberry House: IT'S READY TO ROLL!!

Hitty Café to open June 1

Lauren Simmons will be operating the Café this summer with a delectable menu, and she plans to open June 1st. It will be such fun to lunch or snack on our beautiful deck.

Funds were received in memory of Hal Newel, Jr. enabling us to finish and equipt the kitchen.

Museum, opening June 15

Charlene Allen will again be our able hostess when the Historical Museum opens. Volunteers will keep it open weekends.

The Museum artifacts look great in their new surroundings, and we have a surprise for you in the shipbuilding section.

New Hitty Room

Rachel Field and Hitty have a special room for exhibiting the many dolls given to our museum by Hitty fans. (We even had early visitors from Iowa last week to see "Hitty's Home." The visitors promised us more displays.) We now have all R. Field's books.

Cultural Center

Plans are under way for a summer of exciting events for your pleasure and education.

Adult classes in art, writing, digital photography, and computer are now being scheduled. A children's art workshop is planned for mid-July.



The Cranberry House — poised to open

Movie Nights & Music

Two movie nights a week, plus several musical events and lectures fill the calendar. Perhaps a family square dance party will keep us all moving!

Ribbon Cutting, July 4th

Excitement mounts as opening day approaches. Our official opening will be launched with a ribbon cutting ceremony on July 4th at 10:30 am. We want you all to come and toast the great work of our Board of Directors, our donors, and especially the building committee, who have worked so long and faithfully.

Two Grand Openings!!

In order to include all our summer visitors, two grand opening parties are planned. Sunday, July 27th will be Open House, with a concert to please all tastes, and on Saturday, August 2nd, a reception and an outstanding "Invitational Art Exhibit" of island artists. All works will be for sale.

**We're on the web at:
gcihs.org**

**Check out all the great events
happening at Cranberry House
and the Cultural Center this
summer...on the WEB**

TWO BIG EVENTS

Our exciting summer events
will be two Open House
Parties:

"Grand Opening Concert"

Sunday, July 27- 3PM

Music for all ages and tastes,
held in our new Cultural Center
with seating for 50. Plus tours
and refreshments.

"An Invitational Art Exhibit of the Cranberry Isles"

Opening reception,

Saturday, Aug. 2nd- 3PM

The Cranberry Isles have a legacy
of wonderful artists, and many
more artists followed to made the
islands their home. We are
fortunate to have so much talent
available. All paintings will be for
sale.

Thanks.....

Our Board of Directors wish to thank all our members,
Foundations and friends who gave so much to make
our dream a reality. We still can't believe this was all
accomplished in four years.

The Building Committee has to be especially thanked
for all the grant writing, meetings, planning, work and
worry throughout this building period. They are:
chairman Phil Whitney, Bruce Komusin, Sarah Newell,
and Wini Smart. Give them all a special thanks.

You will be amazed at how great the old Mountain
View Inn now looks as the new **Cranberry House**. We
now have a permanent home for the Historical
Museum and its collection, with the addition of a
Cultural Center, a place for islanders and visitors to
enjoy for years to come.

Gratefully,
Your president- *Wini Smart*

Wanted

Working Computers, at least a Windows
98 version, for our Multimedia Room.

Call Bruce 244- 3682

"Cranberry House Trail" to open this spring

In co-operation with the Maine Coast Heritage Trust, and the
generosity of Bruce Komusin and O.P. Jackson, we will have a
wandering nature trail, leading from Cranberry House to the beautiful
headlands and Sand Beach Cove along the Western Way. This land
was available only by boat before this trail was built.

Work is proceeding on this trail this month and volunteers are needed
now and later to maintain it.

The Great Cranberry Island Historical Society is a 501-3C tax exempt organization. All annual expenses
depend on your membership. Please join or renew your membership today.

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