## Great Cranberry Island Historical Society

# Museum Memos

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### CRANBERRY HOUSE- IT'S SECOND YEAR

The Preble-Marr Museum is now open. This year's theme is "Shipbuilding on Cranberry Island." A formal opening will be July 3rd at 4PM, with reception, film and talk by Ralph Stanley, noted historian and shipbuilder. You will be amazed at our ship model, *The Islander*.

Our new hostess is Blair Smith. We hope Charlene Allen will be well enough to stop by.



Kasey

Hitty's Café opened to a crowd on Memorial weekend. Our new owner, Kasey Burgess, will greet you with a smile and serve you a wonderful lunch. An expanded menu includes soups, salads and homemade pie, with daily specials. Kasey will also offer take-out and catering. It is so pleasant eating

on the sunny deck.

#### The Cultural Center is now open

Movies, complete with popcorn and soda, began in April thanks to Phil & Karin Whitney and Bruce Komusin.

A full schedule is planned with classes, lectures, art talks, children's arts and crafts and concerts. Classes will include, Watercolor, Drawing, Framing, Creative Writing, Rug Making and Photography.

Three concerts are planned so far to suit all tastes. A photography exhibit can include all you photo takers! Check our web site for details: www.gcihs.org



#### Auction: "Once Loved Arts"

We ask you all to visit your attic and closets for once loved art and treasures for our benefit auction July 22. We'd like art, crafts, quality dishes or furniture you're no longer using. Please call the museum at 244-7800 and leave your name and the type of donation. We'll pick it up. We need all your support.

Plus there will be a fun exhibit of recycled art. Try out your talents.

#### Louise Marr

It is with regret we announce the death of our benefactor, Louise Marr. Louise died shortly after her 99th birthday in May. She was a descendant of William Preble and Ben Spurling. Her parents had inherited the Preble house and carefully preserved many artifacts belonging to the Preble family, which Louise gave to our museum. We will miss this spirited lady who had such fond memories of Cranberry Island.

# 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

#### **Great Summer Events**

Our exciting summer events will include:

#### Concerts

July 1-4PM

Jam Session & Concert with Mel Jones & Randy Gardner

July 15 -7PM Audrey Noether and Friends

Aug 13 - 7PM Piano Concert with Masanobu Ikemiya

#### "Once Loved Arts"

Live and silent auction July 22, 2009 Plus fun exhibit, "Recycled Art"

#### Photography Exhibi

Sunday, Aug. 2nd
The Cranberry Isles has been
a photographers dream for
years. See how others view
our beautiful island. All
works will be for sale to
benefit Cranberry House.

# Calling all Photographers! First Photography Exhibition "Cranberry Island Inspiration"

August 2 to 8

Opening Reception Sunday August 2, with talk and book signing by Isabelle Storey on her book of noted photographer, Walker Evans.

#### "VERY BERRY FESTIVAL" Aug 19, from 10AM to 4PM

This is our first annual festival celebrating the fruits of the Cranberry Islands - another fun event for the whole family. Come for lunch and taste berry recipes of all kinds, plus a silent auction of berry gifts.

#### "Cranberry House Trail" now improved

Thanks to the cooperation of Maine Coast Heritage Trust and our hard workers, the trail has been improved with several new bridges over wet areas, a bench for a needed rest, and general clean-up of the wood path.

The trail was featured in the MCHT newsletter with special invitational hiking days set for their members. The trail has proved to be very popular with many visitors.

## We need your membership!

Although the building is finished we still have many ongoing expenses. We still need your help with donations and membership. Please mail in your dues for 2009.

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