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OKANOGAN HIGHLAND ALLIANCE PRESENTS

A YEAR IN THE LIVES OF NORTH AMERICAN OWLS

**A HIGHLAND WONDERS EVENT
WITH PAUL BANNICK**

On Friday, January 6th, 2017, award-winning photographer Paul Bannick returns to Highland Wonders with a presentation based on his new book, *Owl: A Year in the Lives of North American Owls*. In *Owl*, Paul uses his intimate yet dramatic images to follow North American owls through the course of one year and in their distinct habitats. Readers follow along at the nest as each stage in an owl's life is chronicled: courtship, mating, and nesting in spring; fledging and feeding of young in summer; dispersal and gaining independence in fall; and, finally, winter's migrations and competitions for food. For owls, every day brings a new challenge to survive, and this book shows readers how owls use the unique resources available to them in their habitat to face those challenges.

All 19 species found in Canada and the United States are featured in photos and narrative throughout the book, with a special focus on the Northern Pygmy-Owl, Great Gray Owl, Burrowing Owl and Snowy Owl. Paul's startling images reflect their shared behaviors as well as some surprising exceptions and adaptations. More than just a backdrop, the four featured owl habitats—forest, grassland and steppe, boreal, and Arctic—reveal wildly rich stories of their own.

Owl is a stunning follow-up to Bannick's bestselling title, *The Owl and the Woodpecker*, giving bird lovers yet another gorgeous photographic tribute, engaging natural history, and a compelling call to preserve the habitats that sustain these most iconic of birds. *Owl* was recently selected as one of 15 finalists in the 2017 Pacific Northwest Book Awards Shortlist, by the Pacific Northwest Booksellers Association. More than 350 titles published in 2016 were considered and 6 winners will be chosen and announced in January 2017 (www.pnba.org/2017-shortlist.html).

Paul Bannick is a widely published wildlife photographer specializing in the natural history of North America with a focus on birds and habitat. He has received the Canon Prize of the International Conservation Photography Awards, as well as first place in the "Birds and Their Habitat" category in Audubon magazine's annual contest. He lives in Seattle; learn more at www.paulbannick.com.

When: Friday, January 6, 2017. Dinner benefiting the Community Cultural Center at 5:15 pm, followed by tea, coffee, desserts, and book signing at 6:00 pm. Presentation at 6:30 pm.

Cost: Presentation is free; donations are always welcome. Dinner is \$8 for CCC members and \$9 for non-members; desserts by donation (benefit for the CCC).

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**Regular office hours are
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The purpose of the
 Community Cultural Center,
 a non-profit organization,
 is to provide a safe and
 cooperative multi-purpose
 public facility to support the
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DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

EVENTS

Dec. 2nd (12-8P) & 3d (10A-4P), Holiday Bazaar.

Dec. 4th, Nintendo World Championships, 5-11P.

Dec. 22nd, Commodities distribution. 9-11:30A.

Dec. 25th, Free Meal- sharing the abundance! 3P.

Dec. 30th, Dance Free, 6:30 - 8P.

CLASSES - GROUPS

Mondays, 3-7P, LFW School of Dance

Tuesdays, 10-12A, Children's Play Group

Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30P, Buddhist Study Group

Tuesdays & Fridays, 9-10A, Pound Fit

CCC Board Meeting

December 20th, at the Gelineau's!

All CCC members are welcome. Non-members may also attend, by invitation from the board. Draft minutes are posted in the CCC foyer. If you wish to address the board regarding an issue or suggestion please contact the CCC office to be added to the agenda.

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“ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO’S NEST” HUGE SUCCESS

Over 600 people saw the show during its 6 performance run. People who came the second weekend were treated to a “sold out” situation with every available seat taken. The audience marveled at the unfiltered humor and deep emotion displayed with professional skill, and treated the actors with a standing ovation each night. Besides the director and actors, others involved included the light/sound crew, ticket table volunteers and many others who provided the refreshments during intermission each night. All of us at CCC owe them a “thank you” for a job well done.

We are also grateful to the generous sponsors who helped make this production our biggest fundraiser of the year. Please take the time to thank these individuals or patronize their businesses for their generous contributions.

- \$1,000: Carlton Roos, Confluence Health, Bob & Linda Pellegrini
- \$500: Norman and Diana Weddle, Lyman and Pamela Skow
- \$300: Doug and Jacque Sklar of Edwards Jones Inc., Midway/Oroville Building Supply Inc. , Karen Schimpf and Michael Stewart, PT Works Inc., Grants Market
- \$250: Hank Rawson
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- \$100: Thom Speidel, Jim and Kathy Bone, Jerry and Sandy Brightbill, Tom and Linda Black, Jim and Kin Helleson, Carey Hunter and Albert Roberts, George Thornton and Lee Miller, Christine and Scott Olson, Scott and Montie Smith, Paul and Sarah Gelineau, Rick and Marija Welton, Barbara Culp, The Solar Shop, Paul Lacey, Fernne Rosenblatt, Patti Baumgardner, Claire Jeffko, Esther Briques Winery
- \$50: Bob and Billi Kuhlmann, Lee Frank Mercantile, Robert and Eugenie Justus, Dale and Kathy Swedberg, Reinbold and Gardner; Attorneys, Marilyn and Richard Ries, Bob and Jane Thompson, Brian and Teresa Sanderson, Tonasket Natural Foods Co-op, Okanogan Highlands Alliance, Tory/Dosch and Sammie, Julia Sanderson, Mariann Williams
- \$25: Kris Baker, Okanogan Properties, Andre and Rose Corso, Craig and Rhonda Hinkley, Helen Casey, Victoria Jones

AND
 Grants from Okanogan Family Fair (\$428),
 The Community Foundation of NCW _ JMS Fund (\$300)
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2016 HIGHLIGHTS! IT WAS A GREAT YEAR AT THE CCC

Events:

- Concerts: West My Friend, Good for U, Laura Love, Ian McFeron, Clinton Fearon
- Apple Hill Art Camp
- Annual Auction and dinner
- Art Gala
- Music in the Park
- Theater Production
- Rummage Sales
- Girls Night Out
- OHA Presentations
- Blood Drive every other month
- Pound Fit, Dance Free, Zumba
- Coffee House
- Open Mic Night
- Talent Show
- Garlic Festival
- Holiday Bazaar

2017 Upcoming Events

January membership month
 OHA North American Owls Jan. 6th
 Standing Rock Concert Jan. 7th
 Joanne Rand March 18th
 Art Gala April 22nd
 Polly O'Keary & the Rhythm Method Sept. 30th
 Okanogan Valley History Lecture Series TBA
 Coffee House book signing & discussion
 OHA's First Friday Highland Wonders series,
 Nov-April
 Theater production, Auction, Music in the Park

Building Improvements:

- Kitchen remodel
- New gas stove
- Painted & sealed floors in lobby and hallway
- Sound equipment including sub -woofer and decorative grate to cover; mixer
- Improvements in sound equipment closet, totally organized

“A SONG FOR STANDING ROCK”

A benefit concert will be held at the CCC on Saturday, January 7, to raise funds and community support for the people involved in the effort to protect the water and tribal rights at Standing Rock, ND. The event will take place from 3:00 to 8:00 pm, and will include dinner and musical performances, as well as a silent auction, story telling and speakers who have been at Standing Rock. Performers include Steve Kinzie, Harvey Swanson, Sandy Vaughn, Dayton Edmonds and the Space Band. Dinner begins at 3:45.

JANUARY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We are planning to have annual membership drives! Starting this January. We would love to have a membership list that truly reflects who we are. How to accomplish this.... do we really need to offer tote bags and mugs ?

Currently we have 160 paid up members, but we know there are many more people who attend concerts, potlucks, play group, theater events, rummage sales and auctions. The member benefits are worthwhile (getting this Newsletter, discounts on building rentals & events), but the real benefit is to the CCC itself . The Community Center will only continue to thrive as an active center for our complete community with a vibrant, connected membership and a larger base of volunteers and talent.

Ín January we are going to actively seek new members. If you are reading this in your newsletter, then you probably already are a member. Thank you! We know we are preaching to the proverbial choir. But how do we reach out to the others ? We'd like to know what has worked with other organizations. Our membership fees are already very flexible so most folks will find a category that is comfortable for them. There must be some effective draw (besides tote bags and mugs). If you have creative ideas please share them with CCC board members personally or by writing to info@communityculturalcenter.org.

Thanks for the timely input because January is just a snowball away!

BRING YOUR TALENT TO THE CCC

TALENT SHOW

The CCC will have their annual Talent Show on Sat. Feb.4th at 6:00.
A baked potato dinner will be served at 5:00. Doors will open at 4:30
Please call 486-1328 to sign up.

ART GALA

Now taking artist applications for the 3rd annual Art Gala April 22nd. Theme this year is fall colors/waterfalls/water. Artists are accepted on a first come first serve basis so get your applications in early. Applications can be picked up at the CCC front office, or found on our website under events. This year's Art Gala will hold a silent and live auction, serve a gourmet meal, display artists themed works, hand out prizes and have live music, appetizers and wine. For more info call Valerie at: 486-0365

DID YOU KNOW

You can find event flyers, forms, calendars, event information, upcoming events, renewal forms, etc. on our website! Go to www.communityculturalcenter.org/events/

THANK YOU FROM JEAN!

I would like to give my own recognition and thanks to a hard working member. She will do anything that is asked of her. In the kitchen she will wash dishes, peel carrots, potatoes or any other food when the cook says, I need it. And then scrub floors after an event when no one is left to help.

She bakes cookies at home, knowing they will be needed for an event. And if more desserts are needed, she will bake more.

She will organize the office help and if an extra shift is not filled....guess who fills it. She will call for volunteers because she is the "volunteer coordinator".

She will work hours at the rummage sale and many other events.

Barb Milner is an extraordinary person who has time set aside for everyone.

Thank you for being with us.

JEAN'S PUMPKIN GINGERSNAP COOKIES

½ cup of butter, at room temperature
 1 cup granulated sugar, plus more for rolling the cookies
 ½ cup of pure pumpkin (I used Libby's canned pumpkin)
 ¼ cup of molasses
 1 large egg
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 2 1/3 cups all-purpose flour
 2 teaspoons baking soda
 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
 1 1/2 teaspoons ground ginger
 1 teaspoon ground cloves
 1/2 teaspoon salt

yield: 3 DOZEN COOKIES
 cook time: 10-12 MINUTES



In the bowl of a stand mixer, beat the butter and sugar together until creamy and smooth. Add the pumpkin, molasses, egg, and vanilla extract, mix until well combined.

In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, baking soda, spices, and salt. Add dry ingredients to wet ingredients and mix until combined. Refrigerate the cookie dough for at least 1 hour. The dough can be chilled for 2-3 days.

When you are ready to bake, preheat oven to 350° F. Line a baking sheet with a Silpat or parchment paper. Place sugar in a small bowl. Roll tablespoon-sized balls of dough in sugar until well coated and place on prepared baking sheet, about 2 inches apart. Bake for 10–12 minutes, or until cookies look cracked and set at the edges. The cookies will still be soft. Let the cookies cool on the baking sheet for a 2-3 minutes after removing them from the oven, then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.