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Al & Ann Stohlman, December 1997



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Passing the Baton

A few months ago I received an e-mail from the Editor of the RawHide Gazette, Bob Stelmack that after more than 25 years of editing and writing countless articles for the RawHide



Gazette will retire from the Editors position at the end of 2019.

Bob's contribution to leathercraft through the articles and editing is difficult to quantify but I'm sure there can be no doubt that it is immense. Bob has always been free to share his knowledge with fellow Leather crafters and has spent thousands of hours doing just that. Bob has received many accolades and awards, not the least of which is the endorsement by Al and Ann Stohlman seen on each issue of the RawHide Gazette.

Bob's passion for Leathercraft is obvi-

ous as you read through the back issues of the RawHide Gazette and the "Members Only Articles". Both are available at www.pslac.org.

On a personal note I have come to respect Bob's dedication to our craft and I will miss the job he has done for so many years. I will attempt to walk in the "very large shoes" Bob has worn by taking on the editorial duties of the RawHide Gazette. The next issue of the RawHide Gazette will be published in February of 2020.

On behalf of myself and the other Officers of PSLAC Thank-You Bob, we are proud to know you as Friend, Publisher, Editor, Business Owner and Leather Crafter!

Roger Kaiser – Director Paula Marquis – Director Ken Erickson – Director Norm Lynds – Director John Wickstrom – Director Jeff Bement - Treasurer

Paula Marquis

So, this is a terrible way to let you all know about Paula (This Is her friend Carin. We're arranging her funeral-I don't have a Facebook) were using Paula's computer to reach everyone. Her funeral will be at:

December 10, 2019, 10am North American Martyrs Parish 9924 232nd st SW Edmonds, WA 98020 We will miss her so much!

Our PSLAC MISSION is...

To further the enjoyment of leather and to help others learn more about the real joy of leather - working as a group and sharing ideas and knowledge of leather, its uses and how to use it. To pass on this knowledge to others and then have them pass it on to the new members who come later. A fellowship with peers, young and old, expert and non-expert, anyone who has the love of leather.

To show and demonstrate to people outside the Co-Op leather in all forms and try to help them to become interested in leather.

...to share...

time talent, with all others in the Co-Op, especially the young.

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2019 Pendleton Leather Show

The Pendleton Leather Show was held November 1 & 2, 2019 at the Pendleton Convention Center in Pendleton, OR. There was no admission fee for the show. The show consisted of a Trade Show and Classes.

The vendors at the trade show traveled from all over the Western US and were specifically related to the leather crafting industry. The vendors displayed a selection of goods such as leather, hardware, saddle trees, stirrups, fancy conchos, stamping tools, saddlery tools, bootmaking supplies, glue, conditioners, dyes and much more.

The classes featured a wide-range of subject matter with literally something for everyone.

Here are the classes that were offered:

• Kid's Leather Learning, Kids

Engraving! with Nevada Miller, Beveling: Help for Beginners,

- How to Get More Out of Your Swivel Knifes
- Chink Making: Methods & Applications
- Chink Making: Taking an Order & Samp; Measuring
- Sharpening the Swivel Knife: Methods for Smooth Control
- Foundations in Floral Patterns
- American Bison Handbag Course
- Leather Christmas Ornament
- Wallet with Exotic Leather Lining
- Business Knowledge with Braydan Shaw
- Beading Embellishments
- Student Practice: Covering a Saddle Horn
- Bespoke Leather Jacket Lecture
- Basic Hand Stitching
- Swell Cover Patterning & Hidden Stitch Instruction
- Refining Lacing Techniques
- Covering a Saddle Horn & Swell Cover
- Demonstration: Covering A

Saddle Horn & Swell Cover

- Advanced Hand Stitching: The Box Stitch
- Introduction To Engraving
- Pendleton Wool Rug Making & Wool Mill Tour
- Cutting In, Beveling & Bar Grounding

There were drawings to win "Leather Bucks." The Leather Bucks were \$100 vouchers that could be spent with any vendor at the trade show.

Great time to stock up on supplies for business or hobby and having the chance to meet others interested in leatherwork.

The Pendleton Leather Show hosted the first Northwest Handbag Contest.

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Pendleton Leather Show Report

by Roger Kaiser

It was that time of the year – the Pendleton Leather Show was scheduled for the first week in November.

Debbie and I had our reservations in for the trade show, classes and hotel —best chances of getting your first choices for classes and hotel are to make reservations a month or so in advance. We packed up and left our home in the Seattle area about Noon on Wednesday. Great 4 hour trip!

I had a class Thursday morning (Introduction to Engraving with Nevada Miller) which was fantastic, now all I need is the equipment and tons of practice, a few more classes and a lot more practice! Needless to say I enjoyed the class. Darlene and Jeff and John Guo also had Thursday classes and had rave reviews.

The Trade Show floor opened Friday morning. Debbie and Darlene had classes and the rest of us went shopping! If you've never experienced a Leather Worker Trade Show the Pendleton show is a good one to cut your teeth on. The vendor list is varied and covers a wide spectrum from tools, leather, supplies and finishes, silver, hardware, sewing, engraving and sharpening.

In years past there have been Roughout Saddle contests, this year the show organizers had the Northwest Handbag Contest. The entries (maybe 50 or so) were amazing with many new and diverse techniques along with traditional carving and embossing. Everyone I talked to had positive comments.

Saturday morning Debbie, Darlene, Jeff & I had classes. Trade Show Floor for the breaks. More shopping, with Debbie buying an 8'-10' snakeskin (the rare "Pink" Burmese Python – LOL) and several Salmon skins. These dyed and painted skins along with dozens of other exotic leathers are one of my guilty pleasures - if I only had an unlimited budget....

As usual seeing other PSLAC Members and the social aspect is my favorite part of attending and I encourage everyone who can, attend next year.

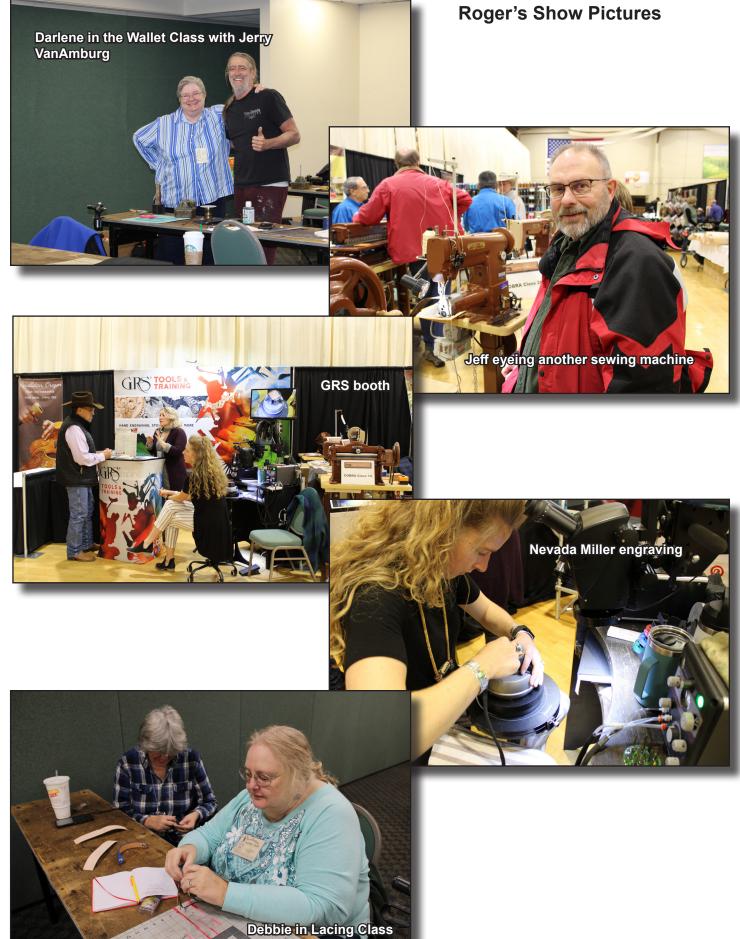
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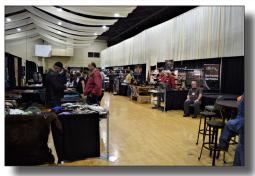




























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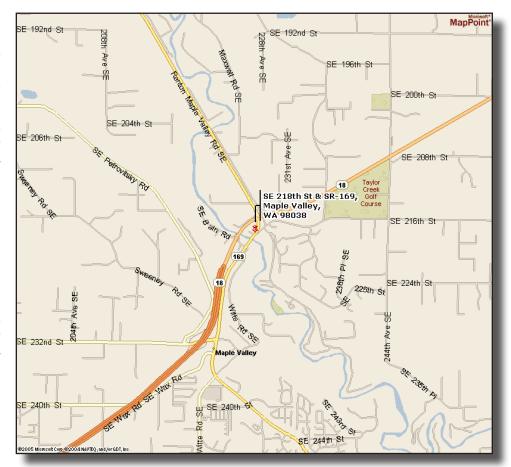
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