

Guess the Artifact #1

These are photos of (mostly) artifacts found in the Steilacoom Historical Museum Association. They were published in our newsletters, usually on page 3. The answers were found farther back in the newsletter. Your answers are found in the file "Guess the Artifact #2 Answers."

You can view these on line, print them and figure them out, or print them on one side and cut on the dotted lines to have a separate slip for each artifact. See how well your friends or family do.

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Are you smarter than a fourth grader? One of them guessed that this was a catapult. Since SHMA is a weapons-free zone, that's not the right answer.

See page 9 for the answer.



April 2016 Newsletter

Guess the Artifact

So, what is the doohicky to the right? Here's a hint: it's on display at our new exhibit. You can drop by the Museum to see it or, if the excitement is too great and you can't wait, see page 8 for the answer.



June 2016 Newsletter

Guess the Artifact

What is the funny looking object to the right? It measures roughly 4" x 4," has two cranks on the side, and is made of Bakelite. *Hint: it looks like plastic, but plastic wasn't invented yet. Another Hint: the lettering at the top says "Rolmonica."*



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Here's a tricky one. Can you tell what this is?
The answer is later in this newsletter.

Hint: it's made out of wood.



October 2016 Newsletter

Guess the Artifact

What is the funny looking object to the right? This is the view from above. It measures roughly 12" long. It's made of steel and leather. *Hint: there's not much use for it in Steilacoom these days.*



December 2016 Newsletter

Guess the Artifact

Can you figure out what this object is?
It's made of wood and metal and is about six inches long. See page 10 for the answer.



February 2017 Newsletter

Guess the Artifact

What is this "mystery wheel" in the photograph? It's approximately four feet in diameter and made of stone. You can see by the photo that it's old. If we told you the location, it would give away the answer to anyone who knows Steilacoom's history (or reads the wall displays in the Museum). The answer is on page 9.



April 2017 Newsletter

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Guess the Artifact: Since gardening and beautifying is one of our themes in this newsletter, this edition's artifact is a flower. Can you name it? The answer is on page 7.



June 2017 Newsletter

Guess the Artifact

What is the object to the right and why is it in our Museum? Hints:

- It's made out of wood
- It's not part of the Museum's heating and ventilation system.

See page 9 for the answer.



August 2017 Newsletter

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What is this mechanical device?

Hint #1: it's approximately six inches in diameter.

Hint #2: It's found on the second floor of the Orr Home.

The answer is on page 11.



October 2017 Newsletter

Note: There was no "Guess the Artifact" entry in the December 2017 or February 2018 Newsletters

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This issue's artifact is in plain sight in the Museum's latest exhibit. It is approximately six inches in diameter. What is it? See page 7.



April 2018 Newsletter

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This issue's artifact is in plain sight in the Museum's latest exhibit. It is approximately a foot and a half long. The exhibit is on World War I, so it's not an RPG. If you guessed the white part to be a handle, you are correct. What is it? See page 5.



June 2018 Newsletter

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This issue's artifact is in plain sight in the Museum's latest exhibit. It is approximately three inches long. The exhibit is on World War I, so think about the needs of a soldier. What is it? See page 11.



August 2018 Newsletter

Guess the Gizmo

In place of our regular "Guess the Artifact" feature, this issue has a non-artifact gizmo. It's not an artifact because it's a new copy of an old toy. It's also for sale at the Holiday Store (see page 11).

What was it called?



October 2018 Newsletter

Guess the Artifact(s)

Look familiar? If you've visited our new exhibit "Before the Town," you would have seen these. What are they? The answer is on page 11.



December 2018 Newsletter

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Welcome New Members

Welcome our newest members to SHMA:

Daniel Gibbon, Steilacoom
Terri Macmillan, Steilacoom.

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This issue's artifact can be found in the Museum, but is not part of an exhibit. It is approximately 14 inches long. Don't know? Then see page 10.



February 2019

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This issue's artifact (below) is nearly three feet long. Hint: it is part of something described in the cover article. Don't know? The answer is on page 6.



April 2019 Newsletter

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What do we have here? The top of a Roman emperor's scepter? A space ship? A new kind of fruit? This issue's artifact (below) is an orb a little over six inches in diameter. Don't know? The answer is on page 11.



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Sue and Jerry Chambers, Steilacoom
Linda Davis, Lakewood
Wally and Cynthia Endicott, Steilacoom
Lori Garcia, Steilacoom
Kathleen Hoban, Lakewood
Nicholas and Angela Laffin, Tacoma
D.J. Volstad, Steilacoom

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About 3 feet long. What do we have here? Don't know? The answer is on page 10.



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Don't know? The answer is on page 11.



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January 18. Call 253/584-4133
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Two pieces of wood are connected by a piece of leather. You can judge the size by comparing it to the size 12 shoes. Don't know? The answer is on page 11.

December 2019

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It's made of wood and is 6 inches long. There is a simple hole on the left end and a horn-shaped hole on the right. Don't know? The answer is on page 11.



February 2020

Guess the Artifact

OK. We'll give a super hint: it's a photograph. But of what and when? Don't know? The answer is on page 5.



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