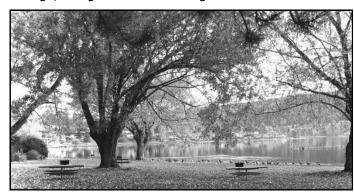


- 23. Port Orford Cedar, Chamaecyparis lawsoniana
- 24. Northern White Cedar, Thuja occidentalis
- 25. Western Red Cedar, Thuja plicata
- 26. Cascara Buckthorn, Rhamnus purshiana
- 27. Pacific Willow, Salix lucida ssp. lasiandra
- 28. Scouler's Willow, Salix scouleriana
- 29. Sitka Willow, Salix sitchensis
- 30. Paper Birch, Betula papyrifera
- 31. Red Alder, *Alnus rubra*
- 32. Oneseed Hawthorn, Crataegus monogyna
- 33. Orchard Apple, Malus domestica
- 34. American Crabapple, Malus coronaria
- 35. Crabapple, Malus sp.
- 36. Littleleaf Linden, *Tilia cordata*
- 37. Bitter Cherry, Prunus emarginata
- 38. Wild Sweet Cherry, Prunus avium
- 39. Kwanzan Cherry, Prunus 'Kwanzan'
- 40. Cherry Plum, Prunus cerasifera
- 41. Copper Beech, Fagus sylvatica f. purpurea
- 42. Columnar Copper Beech, Fagus sylvatica 'Dawyck Purple'
- 43. Saskatoon, Amelanchier alnifolia
- 44. Cornelian Cherry, Cornus mas
- 45. European Mountain Ash, Sorbus aucuparia
- 46. European Smoke Tree, Cotinus coggygria
- 47. European Hazel, Corylus avellana
- 48. Douglas Maple, *Acer glabrum*
- 49. Ginkgo, Ginkgo biloba 'Autumn gold'



Bloedel Donovan Park History

The park has been around since 1946, however the roots of the site go back to the early days of Bellingham Bay.

1898 ~ J.H. Bloedel and J.J. Donovan along with Peter Larsen formed the Lake Whatcom Logging Company.

July 1901 ~ The Larson Lumber Mill was established on Lake Whatcom and would become the largest all-rail shippers of Pacific Coast lumber products.

1913 ~ The Lake Whatcom Logging Camp, Larson Lumber Mill and cargo mill on Dock St (Cornwall Ave) were merged together as the Bloedel Donovan Lumber Mills.



Bloedel Donovan Park dedication, J. H. Bloedel (I) and Mayor Don Satterlee (r), August 12, 1948. Photo by Jack Carver.

September 1946 ~ Bloedel and his wife Mina donated \$150,000 and a 12.5 acre tract on Lake Whatcom that was once part of the old Larson Lumber Mill property for use as a park and bathing beach.

August 11, 1948 ~ The Park was dedicated on the 50th anniversary of the forming of Lake Whatcom Logging Company.

March 1960 ∼ With a donation from the Bloedel Foundation, Inc., the park was

enlarged and the swimming area was improved.

January 1962 ∼ Funds from the Bloedel Foundation, Inc. were used to construct a permanent float and diving board. Other construction included the addition of a parking lot and boat launch.

1980 ~ The community building was renovated and the caretaker's residence was remodeled into a preschool building.

Old Number 7, a 1918 steam switching engine, is on display on the parks southern border. It was donated June, 1960 by the Permanente Cement Company. (*Pictured right. Photo by Jack Carver.*)



Reference: A History of Bellingham Parks by Aaron Joy **Photos:** Whatcom Museum of History & Art Thanks to Jeff Jewell, Photo Archivist

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2214 Electric Ave



Larson Lumber Company mill, c. 1910

Park is open from 6 AM to 10 PM daily.



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