FALL KICK-OFF ...

A potluck will signal the first fall meeting of the Troutdale Historical Society on Monday, Oct. 18, 6:30 p.m. in the recreation building at the city park. PIEASE NOTE: The meeting time is one hour earlier than usual because of dinner.

A meat dish, coffee, punch, plates and silverware will be provided. Please bring potato dishes, salads, desserts and breads.

Program plans are still tentative, however, the museum will be open after dinner.

WHAT WE DID DURING SUMMER VACATION ...

Camille Crumb won the granny afghan, made and donated by Truly Wright, at the June ice cream social...A float representing the combined efforts of the Society and the City of Troutdale won second prize in the Fourth of July parade at Corbett...A dedication of the Troutdale rail depot and presentation of a message from President Gerald Ford was held before the city picnic, July 11, followed by a full afternoon which included a museum open house and a refreshment stand sponsored jointly by the Society and the Lions Scholarship Fund...material from our files has been loaned for a one-hour film on the Second Oregon Volunteers of the Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection...Member Helen Althaus wrote a Bicentennial feature on Oregon women lawyers before the turn of the century for the July edition of the Oregon State Bar Bulletin...Bill Wright recently celebrated his 90th birthday and remains as ornery as ever.

WE'VE HAD GUESTS ...

Speaking of Bill, his grades earned at Troutdale grade school where he was known as "Willie Wright" are part of a school bulletin board display in the museum. Two classes of children from the Troutdale grade school plus a group from Rockwood Davis school visited the museum in June. Since last year at this time the museum has hosted eight Cub Scout Packs, a Bible School Class, nearly 100 women from the Russelville Extension, members of the Multnomah County and Gresham planning commissions and hundreds of others during the ice cream social, the city picnic, the Lions breakfast and other park events. Many thanks to Alex Jones and Millie Schneider who have helped the historian host these tours.

A NEW FRIEND ...

Gresham is in the process of organizing an historical society. We hope to have their organizing committee as guests at our November meeting.

IN MEMORY ...

Lytha Malcom who lived in Troutdale for many years before moving to Gresham died recently. Two donations have been made in her name to the Society's building fund.

SICK ...

Our best wishes to Mildred Moffatt and Theresa Doolittle who are both ill.

NUDISTS IN THE MUSEUM...

W.R. Hicks & Co., Gresham, have given two female mannequins to the museum. You will recall that our other mannequin, Dolly, was stolen along with her 1872 dress almost two years ago. We now have two shapely feminine figures, completely unclothed. We have a number of beautiful accessories for the girls to wear but are in need of dresses. One mannequin is a size 10-the other is a teenage size which should be just about the right size for the dresses with the 21-inch waist that Grandma wore.