

OUR NEXT MEETING.....

The next meeting of the Troutdale Historical Society will be Monday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Troutdale city hall. A portion of the program will include recollections of Mildred Worden Beeman who attended Troutdale School in the early 1900's. Mrs. Beeman was located for us by Viola Brander.

NEW MEMBERS.....

Three new members were enrolled at our last meeting. They include Anna George, a Junior member, and Mrs. Jo Bogh and Mrs. Harry Allen who purchased a membership in the name of Flowers by Malcoms, Gresham.

A RUN ON COOKBOOKS.....

The rapid sale of our supply of books on Pioneer Cookery has the publishing committee pale with fright at the mere thought of a second printing. Only about 80 of the books remain and we hope to have enough to include in our bazaar sale at the June ice-cream social. A special thanks to Roy Meger, Elsie Sinnitt and Pat Gasser at the Troutdale General Store for selling the books there and to Truly Wright for offering them at the city hall.

HOW ABOUT AN EXCURSION.....

Bob Sturges has suggested that the Society arrange a field trip on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon to the museum at Cascade Locks. Members could meet at the city hall and travel by caravan up the Gorge. If there is enough interest we will set a date and make final arrangements at the next meeting.

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL TIME IS COMING.....

Sam Cox has volunteered to be general chairman of the ice cream social, June 11, provided he has lots of help from co-chairmen in the areas of entertainment, decorations, the bazaar and the historical display.

At the recommendation of board member Bob Sturges, we will offer advance ticket sales this year and hope to give a small prize to the junior member who sells the most tickets.

THE GOODIE CHAIRMEN.....

Laura Imthurn and Evelyn Lampert have volunteered to serve refreshments in April. New member Mrs. Jo Bogh says she will serve in May if someone will give her a hand.

FIRES AND MORE FIRES.....

A discussion of Troutdale's major fires revealed some interesting material at last month's meeting about the 1906 and 1925 blazes that destroyed large parts of the city. Justa Hewitt also recalled a home fire near the present dentist's office that endangered the home of Mary Parsons. Neighbors dashed in and threw most of Mrs. Parson's belongings into the yard in a helter-skelter fashion causing her to comment that it might have been better if her home had burned.

NEW DONATIONS.....

Don Lampert and his mother, Mrs. Alex Lampert, have donated pictures and other material to the Society. Included is a real estate brochure touting land near Springdale known as Banner Acres. Troutdale is described as "a town of fine buildings, live merchants and good stores--a prosperous, beautiful place, bound to become one of Portland's most flourishing suburbs."

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