



# BYGONE TIMES

Newsletter of the TROUTDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

January 2003

## Coming Up

### Teddy Bears

Until Jan 19, 2003

Only a few more days left! See them at the Harlow House & at Troutdale's City Hall.

### Lucy Meriwether

Sun, Jan 19, 2pm

Troutdale City Hall

Merna DeBolt performs as Meriwether Lewis' mother. Hear Lucy's thoughts on his journey & mysterious "suicide". Refreshments Served. **Donations Welcome.**

### Valentines & the Artistry of Kitchens

February at the Harlow House

You won't want to miss this collection of aprons & cookbooks!

### THS Annual Mtg

Sun, Feb 16, 1pm

Sam Cox Bldg, Glenn

Otto Park, Troutdale

Barb Kubik presents program on Corps of Discovery member Patrick Gas. Special Mardi Gras luncheon, election of THS Board, annual business meeting. **Luncheon \$10/person.**

### Save These Dates...

Sat, May 3, 2003

Annual Tea & Tour

Sat, July 12, 2003

2nd Annual Lewis & Clark Dinner Auction

## Mark Your Calendar: Annual Meeting, Sunday, February 16, 2003



Come for all or part of the festivities as the Troutdale Historical Society celebrates its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary and annual meeting at the Sam Cox Building in Glenn Otto Park.

Included in the afternoon's activities will be a festive Mardi Gras luncheon for only \$10 per person. Feel free to attend even if you don't want to have lunch.

Also scheduled are our Annual Business Meeting and election of officers followed by recognition of many of our special friends and members.

Lewis and Clark historian Barb Kubik will speak on the Corps of Discovery's Patrick Gass. Information on the Lewis and Clark Exhibit will also be available for review.

See you there! ❖

## Fun Had by All at Our Annual Christmas Open House Celebration!

Ann, Doneva & Carole  
with Santa Claus



Sharon  
Nesbit  
and  
Little  
Emma  
Rose



## Quilt Raffle Winner Shares Letter of Thanks

THS, especially Mary Bryson,

I just wanted to let you know how excited and overwhelmed I was when I received the call to let me know I had won the quilt. I never knew about THS until I received a flyer at my work place. It told about the Lewis & Clark auction. I had been going through my Grandmother's old house after my mother passed away 9-10-01. I had found a few books on Lewis & Clark and figured [THS] was a perfect home for them. I donated the books and that's when I started to receive the THS

newsletter.

I got five raffle tickets in the mail with my newsletter to sell. Yes, I mailed in my raffle tickets. I bought two and sold the others to three of my friends at work.

I have been blessed. The quilt Mary made was more than beautiful and when I picked it up, I was able to see the Harlow House. Thank you all so much for letting me be a part of this. Best of luck in the future.

~Janice Reid

## 100 Years Ago in the United States...

*What a difference  
a century makes!*

☞ The average life expectancy was forty-seven.

☞ Only 14 percent of homes had a bathtub, and only 8 percent had a phone. A 3-minute call from Denver to New York City cost \$11.

☞ There were only 8,000 cars & 144 miles of paved roads. The speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.

☞ Alabama, Mississippi, Iowa and Tennessee were each more populated than California, the 21<sup>st</sup> most populous state.

☞ The average wage was 22 cents an hour (\$200 to \$400 per year). A competent accountant could earn \$2,000 per year, a dentist \$2,500, a veterinarian \$1,500 to \$4,000, and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000.

☞ More than 95% of all births took place at home.

☞ 90% of all US physicians had no college education. Instead, they attended medical schools, many of which were condemned

as "substandard" by the press and the government.

☞ Sugar cost 4 cents a pound, eggs 14 cents a dozen, coffee 15 cents a pound.

☞ Most women only washed their hair once a month and used borax or egg yolks for shampoo.

☞ The five leading causes of death in the US were: Pneumonia/Influenza, Tuberculosis, Diarrhea, Heart Disease, & Stroke

☞ The American flag had 45 stars. Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Hawaii and Alaska weren't states yet.

☞ The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was 30.

☞ Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented. Neither had Mother's Day or Father's Day.

☞ 1 in 10 US adults couldn't read or write; only 6% had graduated from high school.

☞ Marijuana, heroin, cocaine, and morphine were all available over the counter. Heroin, it was said, "clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, reg-

ulates the stomach and the bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health."

☞ 18% of households had at least one full-time servant.

☞ The US Patent Office was closed because they believed there was nothing left to be invented.

☞ Most Christians believed they would go to hell for looking at a woman's naked ankles, legs, or arms.

☞ There were only 230 reported murders in the entire US.

*Ever thought of serving  
on the Board of  
Directors for THS?  
Call the office with in-  
terest or questions, and  
find out more!  
(503) 661-2164.*

## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Tea & Tour to be Hosted by Franciscan Sisters

We are very excited to have our 6th Annual Tea and Tour as guests of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist at Coopey Falls. Their villa was designed in 1916 by architect Morris Whitehouse for Portland residents Dorothy and Clarence Jacobson. The nuns bought the house in 1975, and completed a skillful restoration which brought new life and vitality to the crumbling structure and gardens.

In May 2003, the grounds will be in spring bloom and ready to greet us! The home will be a wonderful setting for our tea and crumpets plus the warm charm

and hospitality of the nuns will make for a memorable day.

The experience includes a hosted tea with traditional tea fare (finger sandwiches, scones, and other delights), as well as tours of Coopey Falls, the gardens, and the villa.

We will be sending invitations to those who have attended our previous Tea & Tour events. Space is limited so return your invitation's reply card as soon as possible. If you haven't attended before, and would like an invitation, call the THS office at (503) 661-2164 and we'll add you to the invitation list. Invitations will

be going out in about 8-10 weeks.

Please plan to join us and bring your friends for a day of good cheer and good food in a most beautiful setting.



*Dear Friends and Members:*

Thank you for your unwavering support of the events and activities of the Troutdale Historical Society! Thanks to you, we are able to maintain 2 museums, an exhibit hall, and an active event calendar focused on sharing history with our community.

There is no better time to show your support of THS. We face challenging demands for our resources, increasing costs to operate our programs and museums, and a rising demand for our services from schools and the community.

***We need your help.*** Please consider a donation to THS to ensure the continued success of your organization's mission. Consider a contribution in a loved one's name. Or perhaps giving a friend or family member a gift of membership!

Your support of the Troutdale Historical Society is very much appreciated.

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*Gift Membership**Please send a THS gift membership to the following:*

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Type of Membership

☐ Individual (\$20)☐ Director's Club Individual (\$75)☐ Couple/Family (\$30)☐ Director's Club Couple (\$100)

Enclosed is my:

☐ Check, made payable to Troutdale Historical Society☐ Visa or Mastercard

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*You may also call or fax in your credit card information.**Phone your information to 503-661-2164 or Fax it to 503-674-2995.*

*Please return top half of this page, along with your check, to: THS, 104 SE Kibling St, Troutdale OR 97060.*

**SAVE THESE DATES! SAVE THESE DATES!****Annual Tea & Tour**

*Saturday, May 3, 2003  
11am and 2pm seatings*

Hosted by  
the Bridal Veil Franciscan  
Sisters of the Eucharist.

Tasty teas and treats  
as well as tours of the  
gardens, Coopey Falls,  
& the Villa.

Watch the newsletter for  
information about tickets  
for our most anticipated  
event of the year!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual****Lewis & Clark  
Dinner Auction**

*Saturday, July 12, 2003*

Held at Brickhaven B&B in  
Corbett, with its spectacular  
view of the Gorge!  
Salmon bake-off, chef  
specialty contests,  
silent & live auctions,  
and music!

Proceeds to benefit the  
Lewis & Clark Exhibition.

**Grand Opening of  
the Lewis & Clark****Exhibition**

*Saturday, July 19, 2003*

Exhibition Hall  
(formerly the Barn)

Local award-winning artist  
displays and beautiful  
exhibits tell the story of  
Lewis & Clark, with a focus  
on their adventures in the  
local area. Pre-Opening  
events planned also!



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Change Service Requested

**Harlow House & Exhibition Hall**

726 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy  
Hours: Sat & Sun, 1 to 4 p.m.

**Depot Rail Museum & THS Offices**

473 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy  
Hours: Office M-F 8-5 (Call for Tours)

***Our Thanks for the Support of Our Friends & Members...***

*THS wishes to thank the  
following for their support...*

***Memberships***

Pearl D. Ramseth; Joanna Blecharz; Jerry & Bobby Matches; John & Mitzie Kerslake; Karen Jordan; Mona & Rocky Denton.

***Gifts in Remembrance***

Joseph Gorciak, in memory of LouElla Berney; Jean & Frank Driver, in memory of Frank Stuart Driver; Patricia Wand in memory of Ignatius Wand.

***Financial Contributions***

Albertson's Grocery Community; Partnership Program; Patricia M. O'Brien; Richard Weill; Ed & Florence Happold; Kaz Tamura; Tad's Chicken 'n Dumplins; Jack & Marion Burns; J. Frank & Evelyn Schmidt; Anne & Michael McCallister and Elisabeth Moller,

in honor of Lois Moller's birthday!

***Artifacts***

Special thanks to Ginger Harlow Allen, who donated a packet of family photos, recipes, letters and other memorabilia from the Harlow/Parsons families.

***For making our Christmas  
Open House so wonderful!***

Skipper & Jordan Nursery, Inc. for our Christmas Tree; Santa Claus (aka Bob Mitchoff); all the Tuesday Ladies (and helpers) who decorated Harlow House, created teddy bear ornaments to see and sell, made cookies and wassail, and gave the teddy bears a place to sit for the holidays.

***Holiday Teddy Bear  
Treasure Chest Donations***

Murphy's Furniture Company, Ed & Phyllis Theimann, Ray Daven-

port, Marie Miller, Holiday Inn Express, Baskets of Joy & More, The Stork's Nest.

And a ***SPECIAL THANK YOU...*** to George & Carole Klinger, for the wonderful collection of teddy bears that so many folks could enjoy!

*Thank you, all!*

***Next Month is  
Membership Renewal!***

***Watch your mail for  
information on our  
Membership Drive...***