



# BYGONE TIMES

Newsletter of the Troutdale Historical Society

June/July 2007

## Please Mark Your Calendars

### There is no Program Meeting in June

**July 6**

First Friday Artwalk

**July 14**

Ice Cream Social in  
conjunction with  
Troutdale's Bite & Blue  
Grass Festival

**July 21**

35th Annual Troutdale  
SummerFest/Parade

**"Granny's Attic" sale  
at the Barn**

**August 4**

The West Columbia  
Gorge Air Fair/Cruise  
In Troutdale Airport  
7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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**2007 Troutdale  
Celebrates  
100 years**

## More March Photo Contest Winners

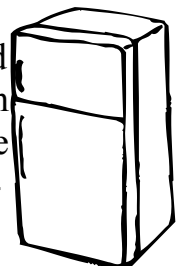


Troutdale Ice Storm 1921 Submitted by Lorraine Scott



This was not a winner, but an awesome photo

**T**he refrigerator at the Harlow House has breathed its last breath. If anyone has a working refrigerator in fairly good shape and would like to donate it to the Harlow House, please call Mary Bryson at 503-695-5540 or call the THS office at 503-661-2164.



**M**y first month as Director has “blown by” like everything else in East County. So much to do, so little time to do it. A lot to learn and a lot of faces to try to put a name with. Because I grew up in Troutdale and remember “back when” it has been a lot of fun for me to reconnect with the city and the people. Thank you to Sheryl, Heather, the Tuesday Ladies and all who have made this month a much easier one than I had anticipated. Now to more serious matters within THS.

Troutdale Historical Society is run mostly by volunteers. It is those volunteers that allow us to open the doors to our museums and our Depot store. A good share of our revenue comes from the money we receive from the donation jars at the museums and sales in the Depot store. We cannot operate the museums without volunteers. (The new hours at the Depot are Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00)



Webster's Dictionary has a definition of a volunteer *as one who enters into or offers him or herself for a service of his own free will. **We need your free will!*** Most people think if they volunteer to help out at one of the museum's, they will be “stuck” for the summer. That is certainly not the case. You can call Adrienne at 503-665-5288 and volunteer for one day, or one weekend. (And certainly for more than that).

THS is offering a volunteer training class on Thursday, June 14th at the Barn Museum at 7:00 p.m. This class is also for anyone who might be interested in finding out more about Troutdale History. We would love to see you at this class. Punch and cookies will be served. Please call Adrienne or the office at 503-661-2164 to sign up so we can make sure we have enough printed materials available for the class. **WE NEED YOU!**

I hope you are able to enjoy some of the opportunities offered by other Historical Groups around the state and our own Ice Cream Social, Troutdale Parade and Granny's Attic Sale in July. This newsletter is for June & July, the next issue will be in August.....*Have a GREAT summer!*



## For your summer travels

Many fellow historical societies have offerings that may interest some of our THS members as they plan vacations and trips for the summer. Here are a few of the events scheduled around the state.

### DESCHUTES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY EVENTS

July 4th “It's the birthday of our country and our museum, opened July 4, 1980. Admission is free all day and so is the ice cream in honor of the museum and the Deschutes County Historical Society. 129 NW Idaho Bend, OR 514-389-1813 [www.deschuteshistory.org](http://www.deschuteshistory.org)

### CANNON BEACH HISTORY CENTER HAS AN HISTORIC MUSIC SERIES: *ACOUSTIC FOLK!*

The Cannon Beach History Center is pleased to offer a new historic *Music Series: Acoustic Folk!*, featuring a concert the last Saturday of every month. Series shows are:

June 30: Bill Steidel & Friends (Acoustic folk originals) 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door

July 21: Steve Cheseborough (Nationally renowned 20s/30s/blues artist) 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door

#### **Lecture Series:**

July 11 at 7:30 p.m. William Layman, River of Memory: The Everlasting Columbia

August at 7:30 p.m. Doug Deur & Trisha Gates Brown, The Longhouse Exhibit

September 8 1-4 p.m. Cottage Walking Tour Lunch/Lecture 11:30-1:00 (Call for tickets after July 1st).

1387 South Spruce Street P.O. Box 1005 Cannon Beach, OR 97110 503.436.9301 [cbhs@seasurf.net](mailto:cbhs@seasurf.net)

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## HOOD RIVER COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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### Hood River Museum

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Antique appraisals at the Hood River County Fair July 25-28

Antique cars and planes show and Mosier Tunnel Tour September 22

Hood River County is making plans for a big 100 year birthday celebration of the county.

The Hutson Museum is planning on open-

July when the Mt. Hood RR will make one trip a day on Saturdays and Sundays.



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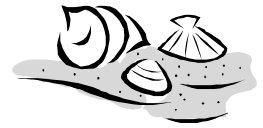
## SEASIDE MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY—BUTTERFIELD COTTAGE

**Saltmakers Return** August 17-19

The Salt Works will start the program at 5 p.m. on Friday and continue through 5 p.m. on Sunday. Come and step back into history to learn how the Lewis & Clark Exploration party made salt for their journey home.

**July 4th Seaside Parade and Cake walk at Butterfield Cottage.**

Seaside Museum & Historical Society 570 Necanicum Drive Seaside, OR 97138 (503) 738-7065 [www.seasidemuseum.org](http://www.seasidemuseum.org)



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## SOUTHERN OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Join us the first Saturday of the month at the Hanley Farm, from June through September, for a day of outdoor fun--perfect for the entire family. Hands-on history activities, Free wagon rides. Educational displays. Hanley house and garden tours. Craft activities for the kids.

Hours: 10am -3pm Admission: Adults: \$5. Children (3-12) & Seniors (65+): \$3. Children under 3 and SOHS Members: Free

**Plenty of Free Parking. Bring a picnic and make a day of it!**

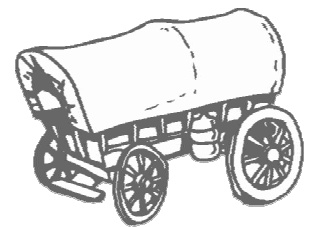
**Summer Hours: Wednesday thru Saturday, 1 - 4 p.m.**

Hanley Farm is located at 1053 Hanley Road (Hwy 238) between Jacksonville and Central Point.

Phone: 773-6536 Email: [publicrelations@sohs.org](mailto:publicrelations@sohs.org)...

Jacksonville Museum and Children's Museum (located in downtown Medford) are open Wednesday through Saturday from 1-4 p.m. during the summer.

The Southern Oregon Historical Society received a grant to produce a DVD version of the original 1915 silent film "Grace's Visit to the Rouge River Valley." The movie, hailed as a real hit in its time gives a fascinating glimpse of life in Southern Oregon nearly a century ago. The DVD also includes a 1965 television broadcast with commentary from the film's photographer and Grace Fiero, the star. This could be a must have for true Oregon history buffs. The cost is \$19.95+ S&H and you can contact the Jacksonville Museum and the Research Library in Medford.



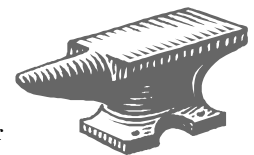
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**"The Colony in Color"** July 7 - September 30 Aurora's hand-crafted furniture was often painted a variety of blue shades known as "Prussian Blue". This exhibit will examine how the use of this paint--combined with greens and red created a colorful life for the colonists against the stereotype of a typical communal society.

**July 7 - August 12, weekends**

Hands-on activities and Aurora Colony craft demonstrations featuring wheelwrights, blacksmiths, tinsmiths, carpenters and a variety of children's games and activities. Call the museum for specific activities and dates.

**Aurora Colony Historical Society** Corner of Second & Liberty Street Aurora, OR 97002 (503) 678-5754



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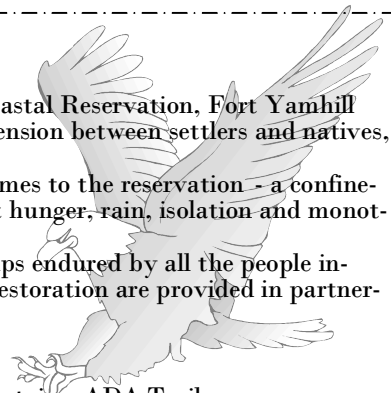
## FORT YAMHILL STATE HERITAGE AREA

Built in the mid-1800s to regulate the eastern border of the Grand Ronde Agency Coastal Reservation, Fort Yamhill represented a time of transition for the people of the Northwest. The fort served to ease tension between settlers and natives, protect both populations and control traffic between them.

Times were hard for all. Native Americans from five tribes were moved from their homes to the reservation - a confinement that imposed a new spoken language and white man's rules. Enlisted soldiers fought hunger, rain, isolation and monotony. Desertion was common, but the rough country usually drove deserters back to duty.

Visiting Fort Yamhill today offers an insight into the physical and emotional hardships endured by all the people involved, as well as the emotional tone of the state from 1856-1866. Exhibits and cultural restoration are provided in partnership with the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde.

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# Tenth Annual Tea & Tour



Lawrence Villa at Coopey Falls

The sun was shining, the tulips and dogwood were in bloom and the ladies in large flowery hats began to arrive. The tables were set with silver, china and elegance. Mother Francine and the nuns at the wonderful villa at Coopey Falls greeted each and every one. It was a wonderful day and a good time was had by all.

It takes a tremendous amount of man and woman power to make this event successful, and very successful it was.

A big thank you to my hostesses, Mary Bryson, Barbara Welsh, Jean Holman, Dorothy Sturges, Janice Falkenstein, Heather Mitchoff, Tannis Richard, Judy McGinnis, Lorraine Lortensen, Irmie Wiehls, Mona Mitchoff, Jan DeGraw, Dawn Hudson, Penny Balch,



Youngest attendee, Addy, with Grandma Sheryl.

Leona Balch and Dora Johnson. Our Kitchen staff are the ones that keep the rest of us looking good. Thank you to Ann Klinger, Sharon Kolb and Christy Leanna.

The men who greet and park cars are the same ones that haul tables and chairs, move furniture the night before, and keep the outside working on the day of the Tea. Thank you to Ed Thiemann, Jerry Hybskmann and Jerry Klinger. Phyllis Thiemann furnishes the linens and washes them for us. Thank you to both of the Thiemans for everything they do for us.

Thank you to all of the cookie bakers and to Sharon Kolb for the mini quiche and Tori Muck for the mini cheese cakes.

A Special thank you to the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist for their gracious hospitality and warm welcome to their home. It is our favorite place to go.

Heather and Sheryl in the office at the depot, get the invitations out for me while I am lolling away in the sun in Mexico. Thank you for doing a fantastic job of record keeping. It is why this works so well.

Barbara is on the mend after her nasty fall at the Tea. She broke her arm and is impatiently recovering well.

A very special thank you to Sharon Nesbit for leading the tours and sharing the history of the villa with our guest.

And in closing a special thank you to all who attend the Tea and support our efforts. You are what make it all worth-while.

*Jean Hybskmann*



Mom (Vera), Jean & Jan



Carol Boos admires the quilt she won in the raffle at this year's Tea & Tour. Approximately \$237 was raised in the raffle. The quilt was donated for the raffle by Jean Holman. Thanks! Jean.



What would a Tea be without hats?



One of the many Beautiful tables at this year's Tea & Tour



Fabulous tour guides, Sister Francine and Sharon Nesbit

Thank-you to Jean Hybskmann for another GREAT year!

## Troutdale

The city was *still* dealing with the issues of the drinking establishments in Troutdale. An ordinance passed by the council on October 4, 1907 was to “prohibit the keeping open of barrooms or drinking shops at certain hours and prohibiting the keeping of disorderly barrooms or drinking shops and prohibiting minors from frequenting barrooms’...

## Beyond the Bluff

The year 1907 was good for Hollywood.

Marion Morrison was born in Winterset, Iowa. He later changed his name to John Wayne...

Kathryn Hepburn was born in Hartford, Connecticut to a doctor and a suffragette...

Jimmy Stewart was born in Homewood, Pennsylvania. He later won an Oscar and was nominated for three more...

Sir Lawrence Olivier was born in Surrey, England and he could speak William Shakespeare's lines as naturally as if he were thinking them...

Rosalind Russell was born in Waterbury, Connecticut, the middle of seven children and she was named after the S.S. Rosalind...

Jack Albertson was born in Malden, Massachusetts and was only one of eight actors to ever win an Oscar and a Tony for the same role on stage and in film...

Ruby Catherine Stevens was born in Brooklyn, New York and later starred in “The Big Valley” and best known as Barbara Stanwyck...



## GRANNY’S ATTIC SALE

If you haven’t started your spring cleaning, don’t worry. You still have the opportunity to rid your house of all those unwanted but valuable items that could be someone else’s treasures. All you have to do is mark your calendars for the annual Granny’s Attic Sale to benefit the Harlow House Museum. This year’s sale will coincide with the Troutdale SummerFest to be held on July 21,

2007. Sale hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

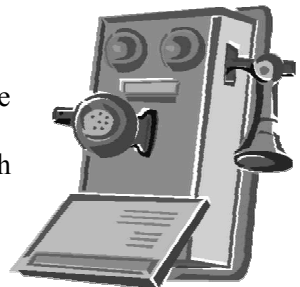
Granny’s Attic has something for everyone...for those who want to buy and for those who want to sell.

If you wish to sell something at Granny’s Attic, all you have to do is show up with your valuables, a table, and a day to spend making your fortune. All Troutdale Historical Society asks is that you donate twenty percent of your total sales to the THS Harlow House Museum.

If you wish to donate something to the sale but don’t wish to spend the day “working”, you may bring your items to the Harlow House Museum any Tuesday morning between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. The Tuesday Ladies will be glad to take your items, tag them, and sell them at the Granny’s Attic sale. In this case, all the proceeds go to the Harlow House, but you will get a nice thank you letter from Heather for the items donated.

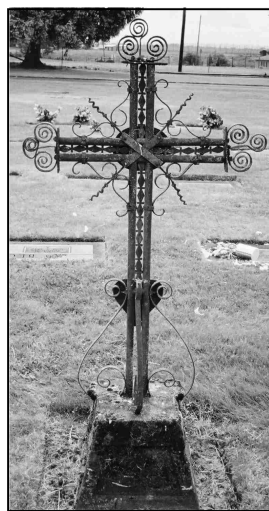
If you don’t have anything you want to donate, please come prepared to discover that wonderful collectible treasure that you thought you’d never be able to find. It’s bound to be on the Harlow House lawn on July 21, 2007 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m..

For more information, call the Troutdale Historical Society office between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The office number is 503.661.2164.

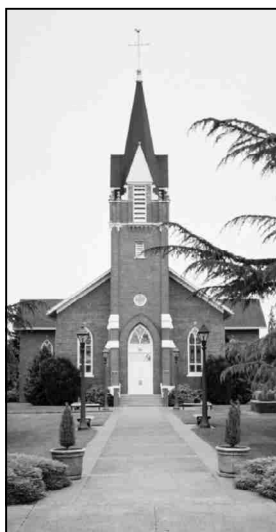




## 6 May 19th Cemetery Tour Quite an "Undertaking"



Artwork Headstone



St. Paul Catholic Church



Veteran of Indian Wars

Our May 19 cemetery tour kind of slipped from tour to trek this year, and the event was all the better for it.

Fifteen intrepid grave walkers including Judy, a really fine and funny bus driver, journeyed to St. Paul and Champoeg for the day. The longer time gave us visits to four cemeteries, a chance visit to see the inside of the 1846 St. Paul Catholic Church (thanks to a lovely church member named Eileen Buyserie), a lunch and tour of the St. Paul Heritage Rose Garden, a stop and a film at the visitor center at Champoeg and another chance visit with the volunteers who take care of the Butteville Cemetery.

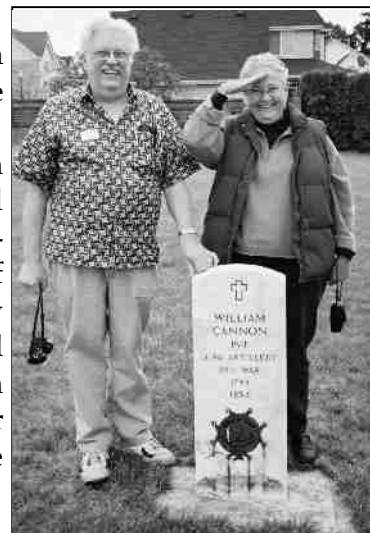
In the process we learned a whole bunch about how Oregon began there in French Prairie with the likes of Joe Meek and Etienne Lucier. We got to see the only known grave of a Revolutionary War veteran in St. Paul. Cemetery historian Stan Clarke prepared a whole booklet of information, and it turns out our Revolutionary War vet came to Oregon in 1811 with the Astor Fur Company and stuck around here to the ripe old age of 99. We were awed by the memorial plaques of the burials at St. Paul and the stories they told about the people who lived, and died, there.

We visited two St. Paul cemeteries, the Champoeg cemetery, and lastly, Butteville where volunteers were so thrilled to see a whole bus of cemetery fans pull up that they went to get their officers and their records to share stories of their lovely cemetery.

There, we must tell you, occurred the worst pun of the day. As they were talking about the effort to move the cemetery in 1906, Jean Holman commented, "What an under-taking." Anyone who goes on our cemetery trips, knows just how much black humor takes place. Our trekkers: Sharon Nesbit, Terry Huston, Carole Klinger, Wade Schueller, Curt Johnson, Sharon Petri, Doris Woolley, Donna Hawkins, Lois Moller, Dave Ripma, Dick Goldie, Jean Holman and last but certainly not least, Dave & Jennifer Munson.

So near as we know, we are the only historical society to regularly conduct historic cemetery tours. They are a wonderful opportunity to learn history, enjoy a nice May day (usually), and the company of fellow historians. We are incredibly lucky that the most knowledgeable guy in the state, Stan Clarke, gives his time and energy for the project.

The all-day format worked so well, that we are considering a similar plan for next year, but this time to Vancouver to the Post cemetery, another historic grave site and Fort Vancouver. And perhaps, a picnic in Esther Short Park to see the glockenspiel work.



Stan and Sharon at only known Revolutionary War



Stained glass window from inside St. Paul Catholic Church



One of the many flowers in the St. Paul Heritage Rose Garden turns out to be our own Dave Ripma enjoying a lunch break.



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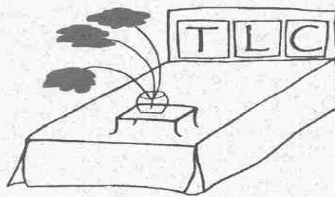
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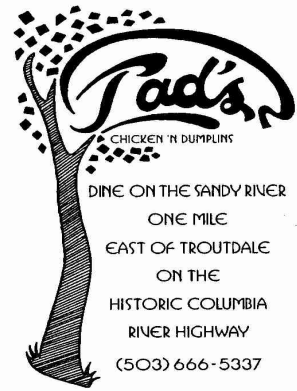
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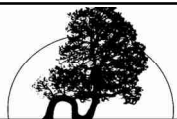


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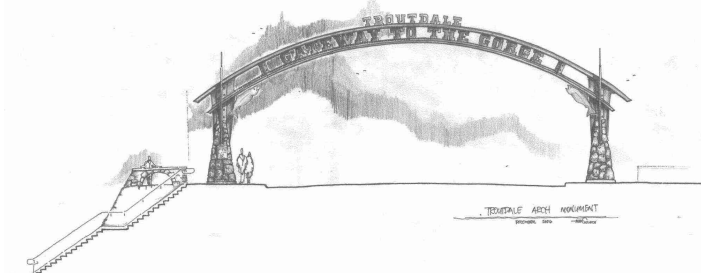
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