

# Bygone Times



A Newsletter of The Troutdale Historical Society.

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## THE TROUTDALE SCHOOL REUNION...

Your October newsletter comes a bit prematurely to give you plenty of time to plan to attend our first meeting of the fall season, the Troutdale School Reunion, Saturday, Oct. 8 at 3 p.m. in the Great Hall at Troutdale City Park.

This will be an opportunity to greet old friends from Troutdale school. All who attended the school, or worked there as teachers, administrators or staff are invited to come and catch up on old times.

A reception and visiting time begins at 3 p.m. About 4:30 our cooks will serve a supper of lasagna, salad, French bread and ice cream for \$4 a person. We will follow that with our program. This year, as a highlight to our reunion, Lucile Crouser is planning an old-fashioned spelling bee. Each decade of classes will pick a few of its best spellers to compete for prizes.

## AND THE MAIL COMES IN...

The response to our plea for financial help in finishing up the museum barn roof before winter has been very gratifying. The first check came before our September newsletter was printed. Others have arrived since then and we so far have counted 15 people who gave \$100 each to be part of our "century club" of 100 donors. In addition there have been other smaller gifts, which are appreciated just as much.

For those of you who missed our last newsletter, we are \$10,000 short of having enough money to get the barn shell up and enclosed before winter. An excavation bill that was much higher than expected has created the cost overrun and we are currently seeking corporate donations as well as gifts from our members to make up the difference.

Board member Rankin Davis suggested that 100 people giving \$100 each would solve the problem. He and his wife, Sue, sent in one of the first checks. Other donors to date are: BILL & SHARON NESBIT; GERALD & SHIRLEY LAMBERT; SAM & NANCY COX; ROBERT STREBIN JR.; VERA STREBIN, FRANK & JEAN DRIVER; JUDY JONES; JUNE SHERMAN; JOHN NASMYTH, FRANK & DARTHEA PACKARD; LEONARD RICKEY; MARJORY KASCH; HAROLD BELDIN; AND HARRY & SYLVIA FOWLER. We have received as well donations from GENEVIEVE FROMMELT, VICKIE NESBIT, and MARY HUGHES. Each gift helps put another shingle on the roof.

In addition, the board of the Troutdale Lions Club has voted to make a donation of \$500.

This is truly a community barn-raising.

## JOIN US ON OCT. 15...

Troutdale Historical Society members will not be discouraged from taking another Troutdale Trek even when we fail to print the date as we did in last month's newsletter. So far 20 people have signed up for our Oct. 15 tour up the gorge to visit the museums at Goldendale and Maryhill, Wash. Deadline for signing up for this event is Oct. 7. Only 44 seats are available so if you want to go send your check, with name address and telephone number to us at 104 S.E. Kibling St., Troutdale, Ore. 97060.

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MEMORIAL GIFTS...

Vera Strebin, June Sherman and John Nasmyth have sent gifts in memory of Evelyn Hewitt Ellis who died last month.

DEPOT HOSTS...

If you worked at the Troutdale Rail Depot on a Saturday or Sunday this summer then you did your bit to keep our museums open to the public. Top honors go to JACK & ROBERTA BURNS who volunteered six times and, incidentally, have signed on to be winter hosts at the Harlow House. Others who took a turn were: VERA STREBIN, GLADYS NORMENT, SADIE RILEY, PETE & RITA GINACONE, HERB & CLOVER NASMYTH, TED & LOIS SCHULTE, LAEL LARGER, IG & ALICE WAND, GENE BUI, PAT ALBIN, DOROTHY LARSON, ARWYN BARNES, CECELIA PAVLIK, CATHY GILMORE, ED LINDSAY, STEVE KENNEY, MARY ALLEN, SHIRLEY ANDERSON, NANCY COX, EDITH GAGE, JOAN CLARE, KENT & ELINORE LUNDERGAN, PEGGY RICE, HELEN REDDEN, KAREN KIMBER, VAL & KAY GOLDADER, AND BILL & MARIE STONE. RANKIN DAVIS was our pinch hitter, filling in when others couldn't make it. And so was DORIS CAMELLA, who does such a good job coordinating the depot host program. And we can't forget ROY MEGER and ELSIE SIMNITT at the Troutdale General Store who keep the key to the museum and hand it out to the hosts each weekend.

DATES TO REMEMBER...Harold Lumsden will be the subject of a live interview at our November 21 meeting. Christmas at the Harlow House will be celebrated on Dec. 17. And every Thursday night is bingo night at Troutdale City park, beginning at 7 p.m.

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