



# BYGONE TIMES

*Newsletter of the Troutdale Historical Society*

February 2006

## **Please Mark Your Calendars**

### **THS Annual Meeting**

**Mike Carrick  
L & C Firearms**

***Sun., Feb. 19, 2006  
2 p.m.***

***Sam Cox Building***

### **THS Program/Meeting**

**Judy Bluehorse Skelton  
L & C Flora**

***Sun., Mar. 19, 2006  
2 p.m. City Hall***

**Lewis & Clark  
Commemoration**

***Sat. April 1, 2006***

***10 a.m. to 4 p.m.***

***Barn Museum***

### **THS Program/Meeting**

**1948 Flood**

### **Bring Photos & Stories**

***Sun., Apr. 23, 2006  
2 p.m. City Hall***

**Annual Tea & Tour  
*Sun., April 30, 2006***

***2:00 p.m. ONLY***

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## **February Program/Meeting Reminder:**

### **Mike Carrick, Lewis and Clark Firearms Collector to Speak at Annual Meeting**

Mike calls his talk "Tools of Survival—The Weapons of Lewis & Clark".

In addition to our speaker, Mike Carrick, February brings our Annual Meeting. We will be electing our officers and Board of Directors for 2006.

**Remember that February's meeting is held at Glenn Otto Park at 2 p.m. on February 19, 2006.**

## **Native Perspectives on the Plants from Lewis & Clark's Journals**

**Sunday, March 19, 2006, 2 p.m. at Troutdale City Hall**

Herbalist, educator and writer **Judy BlueHorse Skelton** will share herbal knowledge and insights on plants from Meriwether Lewis's journal. Highlighting plants like cedar, Oregon grape and camas, Judy will provide a Native American perspective on relationships with the plant world. An herbal tea will be served.

Be sure to plan on attending the April 1<sup>st</sup> Lewis and Clark event at the barn museum. Merna DeBolt who portrays Lucy Meriwether Marks, will be performing, Tanner and Mark Johnson will be playing their fiddles, there will be an antique fire arms display, and several other attractions. The event will be from 10a.m. till 4p.m. on Saturday, April 1, 2006. Be sure to join us in the celebration of the Lewis & Clark return trip and the time they spent on the Quicksand River.

We are sure it comes as no surprise to you that the winds this winter damaged the roof at the Harlow House. In fact part of the west side was torn off. A couple of our helpful volunteers have a temporary fix to keep the rain out. The house needs a whole new roof clear down to the bare bones. We will be planning that for this summer. Sheryl has gotten a couple of bids and has a couple more coming. But the bottom line is going to be \$10,000 – \$15,000. She is researching grants that might be available for this kind of project. Most grants will need matching funds. So chances are very good that we will be doing fund raisers soon.

**NOTICE... Change the April meeting date on your Program & Event calendar. We didn't realize April 16<sup>th</sup> is Easter so we will change the meeting date to the 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

## Pat 'n Pat Brothers Great American Race



On January 15, 2006, THS members, Pat and Pat Brothers of Bridal Veil, entertained the members of THS with lively stories and hilarious anecdotes as they recounted their experiences in the Great American Race. The husband and wife team entered their 1941 Packard Coupe in the race of vintage cars that began in Washington, DC and ended in Tacoma, Washington. The drivers and navigators of 99 other cars accompanied them. The oldest car was a 1910 Selden. In order to qualify for this race, a car must be at least 50 years old.

Along the way, the two Pats experienced more than their share of great adventures. The audience was able to share the adventures through the video and photo program that the two Pats brought to the meeting.

They began their trip right next to the steps of the Capitol in DC where they were allowed inside the perimeter that was set up to insure safety after 9/11. They followed a pre-planned route across the country finally ending on the West Coast.

Pat the girl drove the car and Pat the boy navigated. Navigating was really a great deal more difficult than just reading a map. Pat had to figure out how much time to allow for each traffic stop, each turn from one road to another, and how much speed Pat the girl should maintain while slowing or starting.

The trip was not made without their fair share of problems. They amused us all with the story of driving through a tornado without knowing it was a tornado. They heard the tornado warning sirens, but didn't know what they were. It was not until after they had taken shelter from the drenching rain and thinking that they were parked under a railroad overpass (the noise of the tornado sounded like a train) that they realized that they actually were very close to the tornado itself. In fact, it was in the rear view mirror as they drove away.

Even though, they experienced mechanical problems, had to drive through unbearable heat, driving rainstorms, and good Old Northwest rain, they both say they would do it again. In fact, they're going to do it again – in 2006. This time, they'll drive Pat the girl's 1955 Ford Thunderbird, though. It has power steering and an automatic transmission.

The Brothers are looking for a corporate sponsor for their entry this year. If they do, then they'd like to sit down with us and figure out how to also make it a fundraiser for THS. If any of you would like to sponsor, or perhaps know of someone who would like to sponsor them, please contact the THS. We thank Pat and Pat for presenting this program and donating the honorarium fee to the THS.

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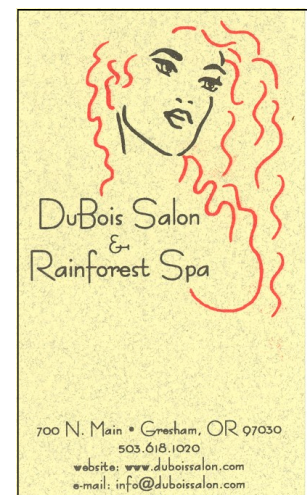
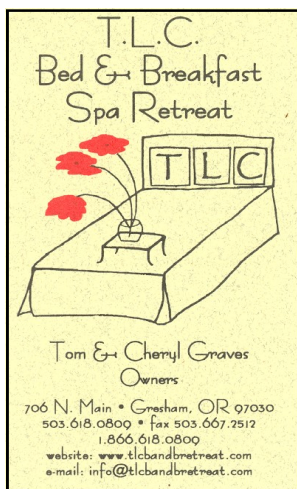
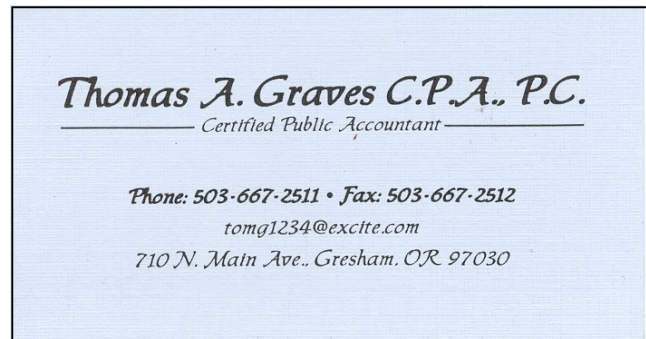
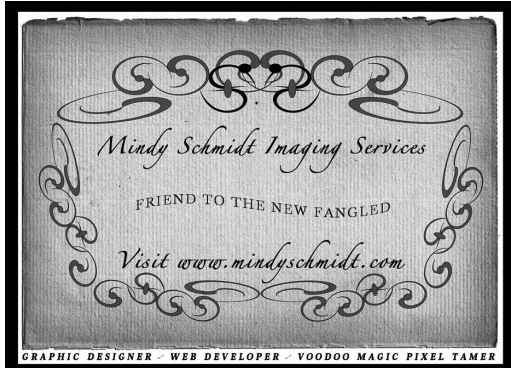
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### **Volunteers Needed:**

We are looking for a couple of people with experience or the ability to learn.....who would like to catalog and organize our historic book collection in the library at the Depot. Call if you are interested.

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**When you see them, please thank them. We appreciate their support.**



**Thank yous this month go to the following volunteers:**

**Mary Bryson and Jean Hybskmann** for their work on the newsletter; **Max Maydew and Dave Munson** for stemming the flow into the Depot basement; **Walter and Vi Nasmyth, Mary and Dennis Bryson, Sharon Nesbit, Sheryl Maydew, Heather Hutzenbiler and Mario Ayala** for their diligence and taking shifts at puddle duty and mopping up. We are working with the City on a permanent fix....it seems that wall of earth needs to be moved away from the east side of the building to solve the problem.

**In Memory...of Helen L. Towsley**

\$1,000 Donation to the Endowment Fund from Bruce Towsley.  
Bruce, thank you so very much from all your friends at THS.

**Our Thanks ... from THS to the following for their support, End of Year Donations:**

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Thank you to the **Janet Leininger** and the **Wasco County Historical Society** for bringing a tour group through our museums and making a \$90 donation.

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