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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE TROUTDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Upcoming Events

• Tuesday, June 7th ~ 3:00 P.M. Visionary Park Monument Unveiling

• First Friday Barnyard Concerts July 1, August 5, & September 2 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.- Join Zach & Jere Hudson (July 1) and Tom Arbuckle (Aug. 5 & Sept. 2) for some good ol' fashioned music and fun.

• Saturday, July 23, Troutdale's Summerfest and Antique Car Tour

• Saturday, September 17 GORGE GEOLOGY TOUR with Daina Hardisty ~ Explore the Gorge with Mt. Hood Community College Geology Instructor Hardisty and get the education you wish you had when you were young. To sign up call the THS office: 503-661-2164

• Sunday, October 16 Reynolds/Alcoa Metals Plant Reunion, 2:00 p.m., Glenn Otto Community Park ~ All former employees please call the THS office

Our Museums In Summer (May 1 to September 30)

Barn Exhibit Hall: *King of Roads* ~ Historic Highway exhibit, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday

Harlow House: Sunday 1 to 4 p.m. Rail Depot: Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Above: Teddy Roosevelt (aka Joe Wiegand) greets Kay Struckman during his visit to *Troutdale Historical Society* on May 13th.



TAKE PART: JUNE 7 100TH BIRTHDAY ~ HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY TROUTDALE, 7:30 A.M.

Thirty antique cars will travel through Troutdale to Glenn Otto Park, where dignitaries will board for their ride to the Gorge for rededication festivities.

KING OF ROADS EXHIBIT, BARN 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

See the exhibit and Edward DeVito's special summer show of vintage camping equipment.

GLENN OTTO PARK, 1 to 2:30 P.M. The antique cars return to Troutdale for a private lunch and can be seen at the park.

VISIONARY PARK DEDICATION, 3 P.M., ON THE CURVE SOUTH OF THE BARN.

Troutdale's newest park, Visionary Park, opens with the unveiling of Rip Caswell's monument to Samuel Lancaster and Sam Hill with actors portraying the two figures.

ARTIST AT BARN, 3:30 to 6 P.M. Join us for refreshments and artist Mike Rangner signing commemorative posters at the Barn. Related items featuring the image also will be available.

THS BOARD MEMBERS:

Sharon Nesbit, President; Bettianne Goetz, Vice President; Marilee Thompson, Treasurer; Margaret Rice*, Secretary; Rich Allen, Rip Caswell, Jon Lowell*, Sharon Petri, Norm Thomas*, Diane White; Len Otto, President Emeritus; Dave Ripma, Scott Cunningham, Ex- Presidents. *New *THS Board* member

HISTORIC HIGHWAY COMMEMORATIVE POSTER

Below is a scaled down *King of Roads* poster, designed especially for the centennial of the Historic Highway. A careful look also will

reveal our very own King of Roads logo, which the artist, Mike Rangner, put there for us so that Troutdale Historical Society will get a small

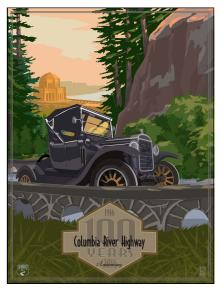


Artist Mike Rangner, creator of the Historic Highway Poster

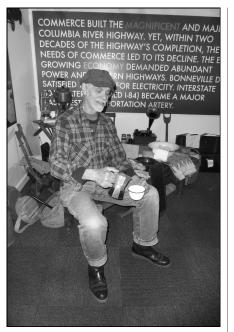
portion of the profit no matter where it is sold, and it will be sold all up and down the Gorge (It is the only poster thus far designed for this major event.).

Posters are available in two sizes:

- 18" X 24" signed & numbered *limited edition* of 100 version – preorder for \$75 (\$80 after June 7th)
- An 11" X 17" edition at \$19.50 preorder, \$25 retail after June 7th. The 11" X 17" also is available signed at \$29.50, \$35 (after June 7th).



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De Vito "pouring" a cup while "camping" in THS's Barn Exhibit Hall.

CAMPING ON THE KING OF ROADS

With the kindness of Edward De Vito, we have a display of camping equipment that could have been used during the advent of car camping 100 years ago. De Vito, owner of a 1918 Hupmobile named after his grandmother Molly, says, "I wanted an old car since I was 12, and realized at age 50 I actually could have one. I'm still like a teenager in love; I have absolutely no regrets about buying her. "I love having period appropriate gear to go with Molly. The camping gear is part of that; I have a Victrola, and when I start it up people gather around. It just knocks them dead to hear it." In addition to the Victrola, De Vito's equipment includes everything one needed to be comfortable during a trip to the "country." De Vito's artifacts will be on display in the Barn through August.

ANNUAL MEETING

Troutdale Historical Society held its annual business meeting on April 17th. Approved were a revised constitution and a slate of officers, with several new faces joining the board. Ginger Harlow Allen enjoyed autographing her latest addition to her family chronicles entitled *Warts and All*, the story of Clarence Parsons, her great uncle.



Ginger Harlow Allen signs her latest family history, *Warts and All*, at the April *THS* meeting

NEW MEMBERS

•Carla & Ray Robertson •William White family •Robert Adams •Louise Blohm •Randall Perez •Gary Rulifson •Mary Zurcher •Columbia River Gallery •Troutdale Sand & Gravel - Brian Moran • Debbie Chitwood



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MCMENAMINS/THS SUMMER PROGRAMS

• Tuesday, June 28, 6:30 p.m. McMenamins History Night

(Doors at 5:00 p.m., program at 6:30) Blackberry Hall, Edgefield ~ Matthew Cowan, Archivist, Oregon Historical Society: *A ROAD SUITED TO THE TIMES: THE COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY AT 100*

With original hand colored magic lantern slides from the John Yeon Slide collection, projected with a 1940 projector, a close look at one of the greatest roadway projects of modern times.

• Tuesday, July 26th THE COLUMBIA RIVER: HOW IT WORKS

(Doors at 5:00 p.m., program at 6:30) Blackberry Hall, Edgefield ~ *Robin Cody*, author, *Voyage of a Summer Sun*, winner of the 1996 Oregon Book Award for literary nonfiction

• Tuesday, August 30 McMenamins History Night (Doors at 5:00 p.m., program at 6:30) MT. HOOD ~ OREGON'S ACTIVE VOLCANO, presented by Cynthia Gardner, USGU Scientist. When will Mount Hood the volcano blow its top? Yes, when is the question to ask Cynthia Gardner, a USGS Geologist with the Cascade Volcano Observatory, who has studied Mount Hood for years. Gardner will present the latest scientific studies of volcanic activity on Mount Hood at the August History Night.

RENEWING MEMBERS

• Joyce Stewart •Clay & Rayleen Nelson •LeAnn & Gerald Stephan •Donna Brown •Joyce Belcher •Carl & Tina Tebbins •Bettianne Goetz •Andrea Heim •Gerald & Shirley Lambert •Frank Windust, Jr. •Raymond & Barbara DeCamp •Twila Mysinger & family •Cathy Peetz •Tom Cowling •Gerald Davis •Herb Nasmyth •Audrey & Jon Lowell •Len Norby •Sandy Evans •Wade Schueller •Dodi Davies •Terri Best •Laura Anson •Nellie Hjaltalin •Gerald & Patty

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LOVER'S OAK MEMBERS

- •Bill & Penny Labberton
- •Sheryl Maydew
- •Richard & Judy Knarr
- •Greg & Sue Handy
- •Bob Baker
- •Steven Lettengarver
- •Madelyn Grimm
- •David Nelson
- •Jeanette Kloos
- •Jean Holman
- Scott Cunningham
- Len & Gloria Otto
- •Ginger Harlow Allen
- Colleen Cahill-Kelsey
- •Erin Janssens
- Sharon Petri

BITS & PIECES Hazel Webb and Kay

Struckman are new volunteers at the Barn, hosting our *Historic HIghway* exhibit celebrating the 100th anniversary of the *Historic Columbia River Highway*. Other regulars at the barn: **Bettianne**

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Goetz, Jeanette Kloos, Joanne Losinger, Andrea Heim, Jon and Audrey Lowell, Linda Simkovic, Joyce Belcher, Joy Beldin, Helen Wand, Sharon Nesbit, Norm Thomas and during her office hours, LeAnn Stephan. Kelly Broomall is the Friday host in the *Depot*.

We always have room for more to help cover vacations and time off so please call. We could really use a Saturday *Harlow House* host and a Saturday *Depot* host.

Irene Starr, mother of our first Harlow House caretaker, Linda Grassman, died May 1 at age 91. Irene and her husband, George, were members for many years.

The family of Sam and Nancy

Cox gathered at Fairlawn Cemetery in Gresham recently to place Nancy Cox's ashes in Sam's grave and to dedicate a new marker honoring them both. Sam was mayor of Troutdale for a decade and also a longtime president of the *Troutdale HIstorical Society.* Nancy never failed to honor a request for a cake or other volunteer activity.

OHS LEVY PASSES

Voters were not kind to many local tax measures on the May ballot save one: The Oregon Historical Society Levy in Multnomah County. While it primarily benefits OHS, the four smaller historical societies in the county, of which THS is one, also benefit. Twice a year each receives a small portion of the levy, which has eased the fundraising burden each has faced in the past.

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

With the levy funds guaranteed for another five years, we look forward to focusing on our core mission, that of preserving the past and educating for the future. **Thank you, voters!**

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MEMBER OF THE YEAR For her unflinching devotion to keeping the numbers involved in running a non-profit, Marilee Thompson was awarded the honor of *Member of the Year* at our annual April Business Meeting. Marilee diligently reminds the board at every meeting that without the Multnomah County ~ Oregon Historical Society Levy THS would be in the hole and



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Mission Statement

To gather, preserve and make available material relating to the history of the community of Troutdale, the Sandy River, the Columbia River Gorge and nearby area; to stimulate interest in the knowledge of the locality's past. needing to be fundraising constantly. Marilee, we thank you for your dedication.



WE'RE STILL LOOKING for people who worked for either Alcoa or Reynolds Metals Companies. Troutdale Historical Society is hosting a reunion for those workers October 16th at the Sam Cox Building at Glenn Otto Community Park, 2:00 p.m. The importance of this event was brought home to some of us by the gentleman who

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stopped by the Barn wanting more of our postcards to pass out to his friends: "I'm tired of seeing these guys only at funerals" was his comment. If you or someone you know worked for one of these companies, please contact the THS office for more information. Thank you!

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