MEET AND EAT ...

The first fall meeting of the Troutdale Historical Society will be a potluck dinner

on Monday evening, Oct. 18, at 6:30 in the Troutdale city park building.

The society will provide a meat dish and beverages. (A donation will be taken for the meat.) Please bring salads, side dishes or desserts. We will have paper plates and cups available but you may bring your own table settings.

For those who would like to see all the new things in the Harlow House (see below)

the house will be open at 5:30 p.m. for an hour before dinner.

AND COMING UP NEXT ...

We have scheduled a fall rummage sale and flea market Oct. 23 and 24, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the city park. Table space can be rented for \$5 a day. Make reservations by calling Sam Cox, 665-9086. If you have them, please bring your own tables. Those who have rummage may leave it on the front porch of the Harlow House. And please post the accompanying poster some place in your neighborhood.

CARETAKERS WANTED ...

Ken and Linda Grassman, our Harlow House caretakers for the last three years, have completed their schooling and are off to start their careers. The board of directors had a potluck dinner in their honor in September and gave them a picture of the house as a gift. We are now looking for new caretakers. If you know someone with handyman skills -- no pets, no children -- ask them to write Caretaker, P.O. Box 436, Troutdale, 97060, giving recommendations and qualifications.

A GIFT FROM EDGEFIELD ...

Multnomah County gave us several pickup truckloads of items from Edgefield Manor this summer. Included are two beautiful antique tables, a set of wicker furniture and hundreds of small items. The showpiece is a wind-up Victor Talking Machine. It came in pieces, but thanks to Curt Kaiser, a new volunteer, it is repaired and working. Curt, incidentally, has been holding the depot museum open, has restored order to our library and helped catalog the Edgefield collection.

OUR RECIPE BOOK ...

Unless printing problems delay it, we'll have our new recipe booklets on sale at our first meeting. They are packets of recipe cards, one of main dishes and one of desserts, which will sell for \$1 apiece. Plan on them for Christmas stocking stuffers.

GIFTS ...

Evelyn Lampert has offered a beautiful pedestal bathroom sink for the Harlow House replacing the much too modern one we have. Author Ed Culp has sent a copy of his new book, "Oregon, The Way It Was." Gresham resident John Heer is restoring the old railroad utility car from the depot. And the gift of time was evident all summer when we had so many willing hands to help out at the ice cream social and the booths at the city picnic.

OUR SUMMER VACATION ...

Speaking of gifts, the estate of Ken Santee gave us an old doctor's buggy and a typewriter. Gerry and Shirley Lambert are storing it for us, except for this summer when we loaded it aboard Bob Sturges' trailer, convinced Lawrence and Pam Christian to take it in tow, put Ted Schulte on top and turned it into a parade float which won ribbons at both Troutdale and Corbett. See the pictures at our October meeting.