

LIVE INTERVIEW WITH THE WANDS...

Tales of Cabbage Hill and other good stories are bound to be told at our next meeting, Monday, January 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the Troutdale City Hall when we interview Ig and Alice Wand.

Ig was born on Cabbage Hill. He and Alice raised eight children there. It will be a story of cabbages and kids that we will tape for our oral history collection.

Following the meeting, Clover Nasmyth has volunteered to provide refreshments.

A word about our meeting places: While it would be much easier to meet in the same place each month, we like to use the city hall for the meetings at which we present historical programs because it has a built-in public address system and good acoustics. For gatherings of a more social nature, we use the park building. Keep a sharp eye on your newsletter and we'll tell you where we'll be.

ABOUT THE WEATHER...

If ice or snow make road conditions hazardous, our meeting will be automatically cancelled.

CHRISTMAS AT THE HARLOW HOUSE...

Many thanks to those of you who contributed to the bake sale at the Harlow House during our Christmas open house. We made about \$70. Another \$10 was donated by people who visited the home during the afternoon.

Dorothy Sturges, Jean Holman, Elaine Blanchard and Sharon Nesbit decorated the house for the holidays with a Christmas tree and fir boughs provided by Sam Cox and Alex Jones. Caretaker Linda Grassman loaned a beautiful old wedding dress which was displayed on the mannequin in the dining room.

Santa Claus sat in front of the fireplace and greeted big and little children. An estimated 50 to 60 people visited the house in the afternoon.

And as a special Christmas gift, caretaker Ken Grassman assembled our refurbished wood stove and set it up in the kitchen. The old house never looked better!

AND WE GOT PRESENTS...

Some special items were donated to the society at last month's meeting. Bill and Florence Baker gave a 1910 Oliver typewriter, old copies of the Park-rose Enterprise and Gresham Outlook and a special historical scrapbook which will probably be source material for a future program.

Tommie Olson, a guest of Nancy Cox, presented us with the dictionary used in the old Victory School. John Nasmyth gave two fans, some woodcarvings and some Japanese occupation money.

And Gina Held gave a crocheted tablecloth she made 50 years ago.

Also, many thanks to those who contributed Christmas readings at our meeting. The feast of Christmas goodies we had afterward was spectacular as usual. (And the newsletter editor owes apologies to those people who brought potluck dinner dishes to the Christmas meeting in the belief that it was a dinner. The editor did not make that very clear.)

IN MEMORIAM...

Friends of the Society who died in December were Elnora Santee, Verden Worthington and Hazel Sallee.

IN FEBRUARY...

Our birthday meeting will include a slide presentation on the eruption of Mount St. Helens. Plan to bring a friend.