

BYGONE TIMES

A Newsletter of the TROUTDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

October, 1996

School reunion, Oct. 20, 2 p.m., in the park



Camille Crumb and her best class ever...

This Cedar School photo shows Camille Crumb as a young teacher with a brood of youngsters, maybe first or second grades. The photo was donated by Penny Balch. The kids, as we currently have them identified are: First row, left to right: ?, Roy Owens, Joyce Stubs, ?, Shirley V?, Patty Anderson. Second Row: Marilyn Morrison, Charles Edwards, Nedra Alexander, Linda Leiten, Dorothy Knapp, Betty Posiel, Blanche Tarr, Gordon Nelson, Mary Ann Winkler. Third row: Bob Strebin, Marilyn Kersting, Elaine White, ?, ?, Ronald Ruth, Floyd Venita, Maynard Jackson, Frank Backer. The date, maybe 1946. We're sure you can do better. Please write out your identifications on a sheet of paper in the order of appearance and we will make appropriate corrections in our files.

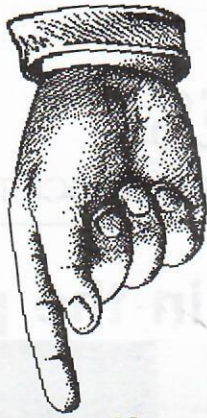
Camille Crumb, who died July 14 at the age of 89, always said as her students left in May, "They were the best class I ever had..." These performances -- always her "best" class -- continued for all 45 years of her teaching career, 29 of those years at Troutdale and a few years during the war at Cedar School on Troutdale Road.

Since her death, our society has received a number of contributions in her memory with words of praise for the teacher who always had the "best class..." The best classes, we would guess, also had the best teachers.

Our annual school reunion, **Sunday, Oct. 20, 2 p.m.** in the Sam K. Cox Building of Glenn Otto Community Park at Troutdale remembers Camille and other best teachers.

It is sad -- as happened just this week at Harvest Faire -- when someone doesn't get a chance to remind a teacher of what they meant to them. Come prepared to remember your best teacher.

Maude Winning is in charge of the program. Bring a snack to share. We'll provide punch and coffee.



This is a list of good guys

The best guess so soon after Harvest Faire is that 1,000 people a day came through the park and our partnership with Caswell Gallery offering Native American arts was very successful.

None of it would have worked, however, without a committee led by **Mona Mitchoff** that worked double and sometimes, triple, time. In charge of the kitchen: **Sadie Riley & Cindy Hammond**. At the pies: **Dorothy Sturges**. Coordinating volunteers: **Florence Baker**. Craft booths: **Jean Holman**. Granny's Attic: **Heidi Wilson**. Museum store and THS booth: **Marge & Ed Schmunk**. Publicity and Harlow House: **Sharon Nesbit**. Signs: **Sharon Nesbit & Mike Dubesa**.

The committee needed much help. These folks came for set up. Contributing muscle: **John Fappas, Dan Degraw, Chad Riley, Bob Mitchoff, Mike Dubesa, Bob & Maude Winning**. Wonderful flowers came from **Bob Strebin, Cindy Hammond, Crystal Bayley** and newcomer, **Freida Ryland**, applied magic with her arrangements and bowers of hop vines. (Frieda -- call **Ellen Brothers, 695-2382**. We can't find your name and address!) At the Harlow House and park, **Alice Wand**, made beautiful arrangements.

Aiding with poster distribution or creation were **Carole Klinger, Sam Cox, Florence Baker, Carolyn Strong** and our printer, **Larry Taraba**, made special efforts to create and print flyers, posters and our Celilo Falls note cards.

Reynolds Metals paid 50 percent of the cost of our music. And **Patrick McNurney** of The Worried Guys and **Frank Grande** of The Sly Possums gave us many breaks. Frank

More good guys....pitched in his sound system. **Don Curtis** was connected wires and **Rip & Becky Caswell** of Caswell Gallery provided Native American drummers and dancers. We apologize for the no-show of storyteller **Ed Edmo**.

Thanks to **Eraina Palmer, Tina Aguilar** and **Sophie George**, who demonstrated at the Harlow House. And our hosts there: **Lynda Harvey, Alice Wand, Dione Pugh, Mario Ayala, Adrienne Clausen, Pauline Morrow, Nancy Holland, Vivian Boelke**. And in the barn: **Frank Driver, Dick Jones** (who used his shift to whack down weeds around the barn), **Mike Morrow** and **Evelyn & Byron DeYoung**. **Joyce Stoeckel** helped clean the barn before the event.

Harvest Faire is food. The presence of Tad's Chicken N' Dumplings' with **Judy Jones, Margaret Stitch, Lane DeSmet** and **Lucy Tolbert** is a major factor of our success.

In our kitchen, chili by **Sadie Riley** and vegetable stew from **Cindy Hammond**. Working with them: **Martha Booheister, Barbara Mabry, Kay Struckman, Agnes Stiles, Mary Hughes, Jeral Beaty, Connie Van Cleave, Helen Tamura, Louella Waisannen** and a super effort by **Bud & Marilyn Neubarth** who walked their feet off. Thanks to **Jim & Retha Bennett**, **Sandy River Orchards**, who helped visitors press 600 pounds of apples and to **M.L. Troska** and his troupe of blacksmiths.

Schmoozing barn bucks from guests at the gate: **Mike Dubesa, Mona Mitchoff, David Ripma, Paul Thalhofer, Ellen Brothers** (the cast on her broken ankle attractively coordinated with her ensemble) and **Karol Forner**.

You can't have better help than **Deb & James Cook** at the kid's table, though James drew his own name as a winner of a poster in the drawing. They had help from Reynolds High students, **Thai and Xue Vue**.

Rovers offering general aid: **Donna Hawkins, Jeanne Driver, Pam Christian, Helen Towsley**. Working with the pies were **Velma Norman** and **Laura Van Atta**.

When we couldn't move another muscle, the clean up crew: **Laura VanAtta, Nancy Holland, Vivian Boelke, Freida Ryland** and many of folks already listed. No room to list anything but thanks to more than 60 pie bakers whose contributions brought \$900.

Contributions To the Endowment Fund

In memory of
Camille Crumb

from
**Dennis & Mary Bryson
Bob & Louise Dix**

In memory of
Ruth Noel

from
Bob & Louise Dix

Words from the lame

by **Ellen Brothers**
director

(Brothers has been laid up at home with a broken ankle and just now is able to go out and about on a limited basis with a walker and someone to drive her.)

Thank you to **Mary Ann Ickes, Theresa Kercher, Lael Larger, Dick & Carol Anderson** and **Dorothy Duggin** for Green Stamps and thanks to **Vera Eichler** and other Harlow House hosts who have been putting them in books.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have pitched in to help at the depot during my recuperation -- **Marge Schmunk** (who also is taking care of daily checkbook chores), **Carolyn Taylor, Bill Jackson, Sam Cox, Dick Waite** and **Karol Fomer**.

And thank you to **Michael Henning**, who volunteered to relabel our artifacts in the Depot Museum and for his donation of OR&N railway passed to the museum.

A special thanks to **Barbara Mabry** for the quilt we gave away (to **Lucy Tolbert**) at Harvest Faire and to **Oregon Country Quilts** in Troutdale for a second prize gift certificate, which **Liz Jacobs** won. The response from our members to the tickets in our last newsletter was outstanding, with the result that the raffle brought more than \$300 to the barn fund.

We got a note from **Kent Lundergan** with his money: "This is a great idea and method to sell tickets for a fund raiser." Thanks, **Kent**.

A summer full of photos....



SMILING TREASURER A GOOD SIGN
Penny Balch, our historical society treasurer, and the owner of a collection of Barbie dolls to be exhibited this year at our Harlow House Christmas, grins for the camera at the Troutdale picnic. Just beyond her are Marie and Bill Stone.



WHAT ARE THEY SEEING?
These trekkers, the ones who took the September trip to Toppenish, are peering at pictographs and petroglyphs on the stone walls of the Columbia River Gorge at Horsethief Lake State Park. In front, Adrienne Clausen, Helen Tamura, Bob Strebin, two unidentified heads and Evelyn Jacobson.



A GOOD DEED DONE
Jim Kasserman, and his dad, Steve, Gresham residents, pitched in to clean the gutters of the Harlow House front porch this summer. The pair toted away 20 bucket loads of compost that had pretty well plugged up the drainage on the porch.



OLD FRIENDS GATHER
Vern and Marty Rathman were among those who gathered in Troutdale City Park at Summerfest to remember the late Glenn Otto during dedication ceremonies to rename the park for the former mayor and senator.

"A" TEAM BURGER COOKS
George and Carole Klinger don't like to cook burgers at our July Troutdale picnic -- unless they get to the first shift -- busy, harried event with lines of slathering customers. After an hour Carole was asked, "What do you need?" "Relief," she yelled.



Namedroppers

Those who went to Toppenish in our September trek will be delighted to know that our Raz bus driver, **Leonard York**, and his wife, **Barbara**, came to Harvest Faire. Leonard, who had recently been driving Army reserve units, dropped off a MRE (Meals Ready to Eat) for our next snack...**Sharon Nesbit** talked on local history to the Sertoma Club, hosted two walking tours at Harvest Faire, a school group on Oct. 6 and a Historic Preservation League tour of McMenamins Edgefield Oct. 7. She speaks on the history of Edgefield as a cure for social ills at the annual meeting of Human Solutions Nov. 6...**Mona & Bob Mitchoff** have donated a remarkable set of china and a tea set used by their family to the Harlow House... The **City of Troutdale**, having microfilmed the records, donated all the city minutes books, beginning with incorporation in 1907...Our museums begin winter hours after Halloween. **Ellen Brothers** is setting our host schedule now. Want to help? Call her at 695-2382.

In Memory

Marilyn Oakes

first president and a founder of the Troutdale Historical Society died in Renton, Wash., in late September at the age of 69.

Marilyn was a teacher at Reynolds High School until her retirement.

A job to be filled:

Sadly, the artifacts we recently received are not getting the paperwork necessary to make them part of our collections because we do not have a curator. Cathy Warren, formerly Hamme, who has done so much has decided to retire, and it's hard to argue with that after so much dedicated effort.

The job, ideally, would involve both typing the documents, labeling and storing artifacts and hosting the Harlow House museum. A willing applicant could name his or her own hours.

TIDBITS FROM A LONG HOT MUSEUM SUMMER

If you have gifts to buy for the holidays or other events, don't forget our End of the Line Store at the depot museum. Winter hours begin Nov. 1, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m., Saturday, 1- 4 p.m.. Sunday. The store will be open during the days Ellen Brothers conducts office hours, but those have not yet been decided.

The phone number, if you want to call and check, is 667-8268.

Thank you all Harlow House hosts who suffered awful construction noise, dust and smell as the county installed a new drain line from our ponds to Beaver Creek. Hosts sometimes worked without water and other essentials and deserve medals. The are: **Vera Eichler, Sharon Nesbit, Jeral Beaty, Mary Hughes, Judy Bronkey, Don McGinnis, Karol Forner, June Nasmyth, Adrienne Clausen, Marion Ayala, Cindy Hammond, Donna Hawkins, T.J. Kimzey, Dione Pugh, Florence Baker, Jean Hybskmann, Janet Vandiver.**

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CALENDAR

For October

Oct. 20, Sunday, 2 p.m.

Troutdale School Reunion, Glenn Otto Comm. Park

Oct. 21, Monday, 6 p.m.

Wrap up meeting, steering committee, Mona Mitchoff's home

Oct. 30, Wednesday, noon

Friends of Zimmerman House, barn

Oct. 31, Thursday, 4 p.m.

Summer hours over, Harlow House. Winter hours begin, Sat-Sun, 1-4 p.m., through May

Nov. 6, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Board of directors, barn

Nov. 18, Monday, 7 p.m.

Live interview, Ted Schulte, Troutdale City Hall



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