

Bygone Times



Newsletter of The Troutdale Historical Society.

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TAKING CARE OF GOOD OLD STUFF...

Barbara Abrams, curator of collections of the Oregon Historical Society, will be the guest speaker at our next Troutdale Historical Society meeting. 2 p.m., Sunday, April 14, in Troutdale City Hall.

Abrams will talk about simple methods all of us can use to take care of our personal artifacts--antique quilts, post cards, photos, Grandmother's lovely old dress, leather goods, books.

She will be happy to answer your questions about specific items you have at home. You may bring items, if you can bring them without damaging them.

Following the meeting, we'll have refreshments prepared by Nancy Cox and Sue Davis.

SPECIAL NOTICE: PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAGS. IF YOU CAN'T FIND YOURS, WE'LL HAVE STICK-ON LABELS.



BIG EVENT COMING UP...

A steering committee meets at least once a month to make plans for our two big fund-raising events of the year, our June 15 and 16 ice cream social and the September 28 and 29 Harvest Faire.

The members are: Claud Forquer, Lynda Harvey, Jean Holman, Jack and Betty Knight, Sharon Nesbit, Sadie Riley, Dorothy Sturges, Barbara Welsh, Heidi Wilson and Donna Kluehe. Janet Renfro, creator of Harvest Faire, is a consultant.



Now is the time to add to our committee with the volunteers that we will need to make this event a special happening for our society.

As of this date, the committee is planning a two-day ice cream social to coincide with the 75th anniversary of the Historic Columbia River Highway. Events begin Saturday with a continental breakfast served to the historic car owners who will begin their rally at Troutdale. If you can help (and therefore get a good look at the cars), Sadie Riley or Dorothy Sturges, 665-4896, are the people to call.

At 10:30 a.m., Portland resident Maria Vaughan will present a benefit fashion show of vintage clothing, to which we will charge admission. If you can help, or model clothing size 6 or 8, contact Barbara Welsh, (206) 892-9960.

The social, with live bands arranged by Gene Bui, will take place from 12:30 to 5 p.m. both days. We will need scoopers, servers, ticket takers, berry cleaners. Contact Sharon Nesbit, 665-0423.

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On Sunday morning, we serve the continental breakfast again while Marge Schmunk and Mona Mitchoff kick off our popular plant sale.

More ice cream social workers will be needed that afternoon.

On both days, Lynda Harvey will run an antique tractor and equipment show at the Harlow House. She needs hosts to watch over the equipment. Call her at 284-4224.



Jean Holman is in charge of the craft booths in the park. If you have some crafts and a covered booth, or know someone who does, contact her at 665-7678. Price is \$10 a spot for each day. Claud Forquer will run our society's booth and he'll need help, too.

Jack Knight is developing a system of signs for both the ice cream social and Harvest Faire. If you can help, contact him at 666-5178.

As to Harvest Faire, Heidi Wilson will chair that event. She is looking for people who would like to have antique sales at the Faire. You can call her at 667-9900 for details. We also plan craft and sales booths at Harvest Faire.

If you have some thoughts to offer on any of these events, please join us for our next steering committee meeting:

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 3 P.M., THE HARLOW HOUSE.

ABOUT OUR END OF THE YEAR POTLUCK...

In cooperation with Dorothy Moore, president of the Fairview Rockwood Wilkes Historical Society, we have planned a finale for our meeting year, a 3 p.m. potluck dinner at the Troutdale City Park Great Hall, on Sunday, May 19.

Our attempts to arrange a dramatic presentation have been unsuccessful, but the most dramatic part of the program is apt to be what is happening in local historical groups. We invite our friends from the Crown Point Historical Society at Corbett (where Bridal Veil has become an issue); the Gresham Historical Society (in the throes of restoring Gresham's historic library building); the David Douglas society (printers of a wonderful history now in the black) and the Fairview group, (where big things also are brewing.)

IN MEMORY

KATHLEEN FEHRENBACHER, wife of Jerome Fehrenbacher, Portland, died recently.

DONATIONS...

DAVID RIPMA made a donation to the barn fund...The proceeds from our Palm Sunday brunch, cooked by RICH and DOROTHY KERSLAKE and a whole raft of their relatives earned \$528 for our barn fund...Other gifts to the barn come from DEBORAH SCHOEPPER, DENNIS and MARY BRYSON, THE GRESHAM OUTLOOK, and from ROY and NANCY HOOVER in memory of HOMER LUMSDEN.

More contributions to the endowment fund in Homer Lumsden's memory have come from LOLA LUMSDEN, LEE and BONNIE IRWIN, and MR. and MRS. FRED BAUMAN. Gifts to the endowment fund in memory of Marjorie Matches came from LOLA LUMSDEN, VERA STREBIN and JERRY and BOBBIE MATCHES.

A gift to our operating fund came from GINGER HARLOW ALLEN.

HISTORICAL TIDBIT: IN 1916 IN THE TROUTDALE, SPRINGDALE AND WOOD VILLAGE AREAS 85 LOCAL RESIDENTS OWNED CARS. T.C. HENSLEY HAD A 1913

PEEKING INTO THE PAST



From our historical society files comes this photo, Identification # BUS-11, of Troutdale mechanic Jim Cook's homemade tractor. Cook, standing at right in a photo taken in front of his Columbia River Highway station, specialized in making tractors out of old cars. The wrecker is a V-16 Cadillac. The Cook garage still stands on the curve of the Historic Columbia River Highway just west of Beaver Creek. Cook's son, Jim Cook of Portland, is a lifetime member of this society.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

New board member DAVID RIPMA, Troutdale, has become a lifetime member.

New members are: DENNIS BRYSON, TOM DOTY, DONNA BLANC, all of Corbett; ROY HOOVER, Fairview; BYRON DEYOUNG, Gresham; JUDY and WALTER ROBERTS, Troutdale; and JACK NORTON, Corbett.

After leading nearly 80 of us on a fascinating tour of Edgefield Manor, PATRICK MCNURNEY, Portland, a member of the McMenamin's Brew Pubs firm, was given an honorary one year membership.

FROM THE TREASURER...Treasurer Marge Schmunk reports the following amounts as of the Feb. 18, 1991:

Endowment Fund.....	\$2,880.16
Operating Account.....	10,300.57
Dedicated barn fund.....	500.00
Barn Building fund.....	- 28.71

TOTAL.....	\$13,652.02

(The deficit in the barn building fun reflects a loan from

AND OUR FINANCIAL REPORT FROM 1990...

Ending balance, 1989.....	\$13,637.83
Revenue, 1990.....	25,024.00
Expenses, 1990.....	26,986.39
Ending balance, 1990.....	11,675.44

WELCOME TO NEW VOLUNTEERS...

DONNA HAWKINS, MARY HUGHES and the team of FRIEDA O'NEIL and WAYNE CHAMBERLAIN are all new hosts at the Harlow House. Many thanks to SADIE RILEY and VIRGINIA MURPHY, who have resigned after long and faithful service, and to JACK and ROBERTA BURNS who are taking a summer respite. HEIDI WILSON is our other Harlow House volunteer.

And cheers for our summer railroad depot hosts: RANKIN DAVIS, DAVID and SHARON LONGENECKER, EVELYN JACOBSON, MARTHA BOOHEISTER, PETER and RITA GIANCONE, CLARK and BESSIE CARNEY, MAXINE and VIRGIL CARMICHAEL and VAL and KAY GOLDADER. There is one slot remaining if you have one day a month to give.

MORE CHEERS TO OUR BRUNCH VOLUNTEERS...THE KERSLAKE FAMILY, DICK JONES, MIKE and PAULINE MORROW, SAM and NANCY COX, BOB and DOROTHY STURGES, TED and LOIS SCHULTE, JEAN HOLMAN, SHARON NESBIT, JACK and BETTY KNIGHT, DAVID RIPMA, SADIE RILEY, JOYCE FORQUER, LYNDA HARVEY, HEIDI WILSON, HAZEL WEBB, MARGE SCHMUNK, JUNE SHERMAN, JOYCE STOECKEL, BARBARA WELSH, LINDA MURPHY, GLADYS NORMENT, our GIRL SCOUT TROOP #560 and RON and SANDY EVANS, who donated the daffodils.

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