

Bygone Times

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SUNDAES ON SUNDAY...

It is time for our 18th annual old-fashioned ice cream social from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 8, in the Troutdale City Park Building.

Attached to your newsletter is a poster (drawn for us this year by Columbia High School student Mike Fink) telling all about the social. We don't intend for you to keep it. Please post it in your neighborhood or give it to a friend.

Now you'll want to know the things you can do to help:

1. BRING PLANTS - Cathy Hamme, 667-7760, is in charge of the plant sale. If you have a prolific plant that could turn a profit, pot it up and bring it to the sale.

2. BRING BAKED GOODS - Dorothy Sturges, 665-4896, is in charge of our country store. Small cakes and cookies and candy are always good sellers.

3. CLEAN BERRIES AND HELP SET UP - We hope to have fresh strawberries for the social. We will be at the park building at 1 p.m., Saturday, June 7, to clean berries and set up. Bring knives, colanders and large plastic containers.

4. FLOWERS - Bring them to the park on Saturday at 1 p.m. They add a special touch to our social.

5. ABOUT PARKING - The Troutdale Police Department Explorer Scouts are going to guard our parking lot, but remember, we need the spaces for customers. If you plan to be at the social all afternoon, please park across the street at Glenn Otto's old place.

6. BRING A CRAFT - If you do handcrafts or have collectible items and would like the opportunity to sell them at the social, we are offering a craft exhibit, provided enough people sign up. Call Jean Holman, 665-7678.

7. FINALLY, BRING YOURSELF - This is one of our nicest parties of the year. We'll have ice cream and banana splits and fresh strawberries. Don Allen of Sandy is organizing a jam session of old-time fiddlers and musicians. Come and have a good time.

HOME TOUR A SUCCESS...

About 300 people took our Columbia Gorge Historic Home Tour May 18. That means a profit of \$1,800. One of the first things we will do is have the bathroom fixtures at the Harlow House reporcelained.

It would not have been possible without the help of the generous people who loaned their houses as well as the hosts, ticket sellers, cookie bakers, sandwich makers and servers.

Special thanks must go to Harlow House caretaker Kim Brewer and groundskeeper Cathy Hamme who saw to it that the house looked better than it ever has before.

WELCOME TO 65 NEW MEMBERS...

One of the side benefits of the tour is the chance to sign up new members and we enrolled 65 at the home tour. Our membership now stands at 335 and is growing steadily.

Just a word to new members, we do not publish our newsletter during the summer months, but we'll be back again in the fall.
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SPEAKING OF DUES...

We will do a house cleaning on our mailing list this summer so if you enjoy receiving our newsletter but have not paid your dues, please send us your \$3 membership. You may mail dues to Lois Schulte, 17655 NE Bluff Rd., #1, Sandy, Ore. 97055.

ABOUT EDGEFIELD MANOR...

Multnomah County Commissioners have delayed until mid-June a decision to tear down Edgefield Manor. You may write them about the matter at 1021 SW Fourth Ave., Portland, 97204.

NAMES IN THE NEWS...

Vera Strebin was named our member of the year at the May 19 potluck dinner. Vera was chosen by the board of directors because of her long history of giving time and energy to the society. And, Sam Cox says, she bakes wonderful cinnamon rolls...Homer Townsend, a Goldendale, Wash. member who is researching and preparing a history of the Cedar School, has published another book and given the society a copy. It is called "The China Letters of Mabel Wood." Mabel, who was both a student and teacher at Cedar School, became a professor and taught at OSU and UofO. During a sabbatical in 1936-37 she went to China. The book contains copies of the letters she wrote to her friends and to her parents in Troutdale. The book is available by writing Townsend at 119 W. Burgen St., Goldendale, Wash. 98620...Mary Pearsall has given three lovely chairs to the museum...Harold Beldin gave us some photostats for our manuscript collection as well as a pound coffee can and an antique codfish box...Niles Harding donated a railroad manuscript...Thanks to Clover Nasmyth and Martha Booheister for cookie recipes...Remember, bingo every Thursday night at 6:45 p.m. in the city park building...and our museums in the depot and the Harlow House be open each Sunday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m.

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