EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW

Monday evening, April 19, 7:30 p.m. in the Troutdale city hall we will hold a question and answer session for our program.

We need to fill in some details on Tad's Chicken and Dumpling restaurant -- was it open during prohibition? Do you have any pictures of the restaurant? There will also be a number of pictures on display which need more complete identification.

We have been asked questions about roads in the area-does anyone recall the Latourell Grade? What was the earliest known route to Portland? To Gresham? How about fires? What years were there major fires?

And the weather -- no local records show the years of high water or the number of floods.

These types of sessions add to our historical research so come prepared with your own questions and any answers you might have. Be prepared for a few tall tales in the bargain.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL TIME ...

Sunday, June 13, has been set for our annual old-fashioned ice cream social in the city park recreation building. It's not too soon to make a few hand-crafted items for our Country Store bazaar.

The Granny Afghan made and donated by Truly Wright will be given away at the ice cream social. Tickets on the afghan will be for sale at our next two meetings.

GATHER YOUR LABELS ...

Flav-R-Pak and Santiam labels can be redeemed for cash this month. Please bring yours to the April meeting. In previous years the collection of these labels has helped pay our mailing costs.

IN MEMORY ...

Ray Moore, a charter member of the Society, who served as vice-president for five years died recently. For many years Ray was our official greeter and song leader. We extend our sympathy to his half-sister, Laura Imthurn.

THE MUSEUM ...

A number of old books, including school books from the early 1900's have been given to the Society from the Ray Moore estate.

Last month Harry Federspiel donated a framed picture of the Lover's Oak.

Three troops of Gresham Cub Scouts have visited the museum in the last month and a special opening is planned May 14 when the Multnomah County Extension will picnic at the park.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schneider have completed the restoration of the old fire department hose cart. All it lacks now is a bit of fire hose. Anyone have a friend in the fire department?

IN THE HOSPITAL ...

Don Vorpahl is in the Portland Adventist Hospital. Cards may be sent to him there or to Laura Vorpahl, 2032 SW Hensley Rd., Troutdale.

SHAVE AND A HAIRCUT ...

Harry Federspiel recalls that one of the early-day barbers was John Hudson who also served as city recorder for many years. Haircuts cost 25 cents each at that time, according to Mr. Federspiel.

We would appreciate some more information on John Hudson and his family.

Are there any pictures of the Hudsons? Was Carrie Hudson Smith, who later owned Tad's, any relation to the Hudsons?

FORGET YOUR DIET ...

Get ready. The May meeting, our last official meeting of the season, will be one of our world-famous potlucks. Mark May 17 on your calendars.