

OUR THIRTEENTH YEAR...

The Troutdale Historical Society will celebrate its thirteenth birthday Monday, Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Troutdale City Hall. To mark the occasion we will see a color slide and taped narration account of the eruption of Mt. St. Helens, certainly the most remarkable history-making event of last year. The film production belongs to Steve Kenney who will also bring his set of Mt. St. Helens postcards for display.

In addition we will elect officers for the coming year. A nominating committee composed of Helen Althaus, Vera Strebin and Dorothy Klock has nominated the following candidates for office: Sam Cox, president; Alex Jones, vice-president; Ted Schulte, treasurer; Helen Otto, secretary; and Bob Sturges, Bob Kerslake and Chuck Blanchard, members of the board of directors. Other nominations will be accepted Monday evening.

Our anniversary is also the time to collect dues of \$3 per person for the year and is an excellent time to enroll new members. Several new members signed up at the January meeting.

Finally, our celebration would not be complete without a birthday cake. Following our meeting we'll have five different cakes baked by Nancy Cox, Helen Althaus, Sharon Nesbit, Hazel Webb and Jo Hewlett.

SECRETARY PRO TEM...

In the temporary absence of Helen Otto who is in Salem working as secretary to her legislator husband, Glenn, Sharon Nesbit and Lois Schulte are doing the secretarial duties. If you have changes of address or other similar concerns, speak to them.

THE WANDS WILL RETURN...

Ig and Alice Wand were stricken by the flu bug and unable to be present for a live interview at our January meeting. Their interview has been rescheduled for our meeting on March 16.

NEW THINGS...

Alice Worthington has given the society a set of pillow shams and a store display of cigarette lighters in their original boxes estimated about 40 years old. Peg Parsons, who now lives in Sandy, came to the January meeting with the first minutes books of the Troutdale Red Cross and the Ladies Aid. Another new face at the January meeting was Dave Bunnell who is related to the Hicklin family who settled the land called Hicklin Bottom, now Lewis and Clark State Park. And Irene Douglass Waldo has signed a letter of intent saying she wishes to give us a 1926 electric range.

POSTCARD PROFIT...

Last May Arline Seidl gave the society a collection of old postcards which she said we could sell. After taking the best samples over for our historical display we returned the remainder over to one of our members, Steve Kenney, who is a post card collector. Kenney has been working for the past two months to market the cards and his efforts have gained the society a profit of \$70.

LONG MAY SHE FLUSH...

Our somewhat wobbly toilet (turns out she was resting only on her plumbing) has been repaired by Harlow House supervisor Ted Schulte. By way of celebration now that the toilet is firmly anchored to the floor, caretaker Ken Grassman has been sprucing up the bathroom. He removed the old tile floor and painted the original board floor. Linda Grassman has made curtains for the window. Still to come is a glass-fronted display cabinet on one wall to show off our collection of shaving mugs, etc., a new medicine cabinet and a curtain around the sink. What we need to make the bathroom complete is a nice, bright-colored rag rug or two and, eventually, a pedestal sink.