Monday is "Alex Jones" Night!

KEEPING UP WITH JONES ...

Our special potluck dinner meeting Monday night, April 21, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the city park recreation building (Note the different location.) is in honor of Alex Jones who served as President of the Troutdale Historical Society for four successive terms from 1971 to 1975. This may or may not be the best kept secret in the world. The board of directors decided to keep the real purpose of the dinner quiet as long as possible.

This very special evening will include dinner, some well-earned praise of Alex and a sing-along with Laura Imthurn at the piano and Ruby Mathieson leading the songs.

The Society is providing the meat dish. Members are asked to bring either a salad, a hot dish or a dessert. There is no need to bring tableware or plates.

Please stop as you enter the building to sign a commemorative gift for Alex and make a small contribution to the gift and dinner fund.

MONDAY IS FLAVR-PAK NICHT...

Laura Vorpahl is once again in charge of collecting and turning in Flavr-Pak and Santiam food labels for a cash refund. Please remember to bring them to the April 21 meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS IN ORDER ...

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Davis will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on May 10.

OUR ICE CREAM SOCIAL ...

A tentative date of Sunday, June 8, has been set for our annual ice cream social. While no one can even guess, at this point, when the strawberry harvest will be ready it has become obvious in recent years as farmers turn to other crops that free, locally grown strawberries might not be available for the social.

We have a supply of sundae toppings left from last year, thanks to Sam Cox who apparently predicted the sugar shortage and increased prices, and bought the toppings by the case.

Also under consideration for the social is a quilt display. Members who have old or new quilts will be invited to display them for the day.

Remember donations for the Old Country Store which is the real profit maker of the social.

INFORMATION NEEDED...

Who built the former Jim Fujii home on Beaver Creek at Troutdale Road? A local family is in the process of purchasing the house and is interested in its history. They would appreciate an early day picture of the house to help them in their restoration efforts. If you have any information about the house please contact Sharon Nesbit.

A BICENTENNIAL PROJECT ...

The Troutdale city council has discussed the possibility of moving the old railroad depot to the site opposite the city hall for use as a Tri-Met waiting station when Union Pacific decides to build a new depot. Society President Sam Cox is investigating the depot and its restoration as a Bicentennial project.

Also under consideration is a plan to locate historic signs on some of Troutdale's buildings telling their history and previous uses.