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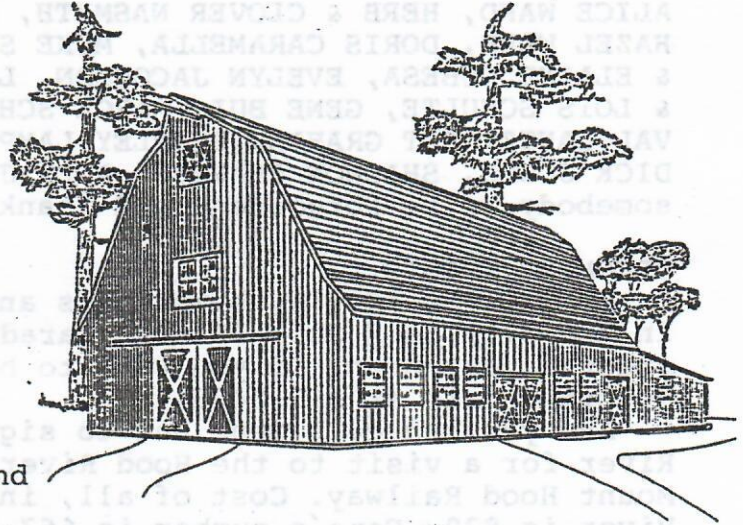
A Newsletter of The Troutdale Historical Society.



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WE'RE HAVIN' A BARN-RAISING
2 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 6
ON THE GROUNDS OF THE HARLOW HOUSE
726 E. COLUMBIA ST.
TROUTDALE, OREGON



Dear Troutdale Historical Society
Members:

It is happening at last. At 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 6, we will meet on the lawn in the back of the Harlow House and turn the first shovelful of dirt to signify the start of construction of our barn museum.

Alex Jones is loaning his shovel because it's shinier than mine and John Nasmyth will be asked to break the ground because of his major contributions to the barn fund.

The way it will work is this -- the barn, all complete and ready to use as a museum will cost \$84,000. Right now we have about \$25,000 available for construction and we will borrow \$15,000 for a three-year period to come up with the \$40,000 necessary to get the barn up and enclosed this summer. Contractor Dave Traxler has volunteered to oversee the project. Dick Jones will work with him and Cathy Hamme is doing the work with the City of Troutdale on design review and building permits.

Once it is done, we will use the structure for storage. We will then have two fund-raising tasks. The first will be to raise the \$15,000 necessary to pay off the construction loan. The second will be to raise about \$44,000 to complete the inside of the barn.

This groundbreaking will be just the first step in a big project. I believe we can do it. When we are done, we will have accomplished several things: The new barn museum space will give us room in the Harlow House for bedroom and nursery displays; Capt. Harlow's Troutdale farm will look more like the farm it once was; we will have a place to show school children and newcomers what Troutdale was like when celery and strawberries and flowers and vegetables were grown here; we will have a place upstairs to properly display our Indian and pioneer artifacts as well as our Troutdale fire equipment which is now hidden in the basement; and we will have a workshop where volunteers can conduct restoration, maintenance and gardening work.

It is a big dream. But big dreams are the best kind. See you at the groundbreaking. We'll have lemonade and cookies afterward.

Sam K. Cox, president.

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ICE CREAM NEWS...

We counted 394 people at our ice cream social on June 12 and the profits of all the events, plant sale, ice cream sales, craft tables, country store were about \$1,100. More than half came from CATHY HAMME'S plant sale. We thank JIM FUJII who donated the strawberries and HELEN TAMURA gave more than 100 flats of plants.

These are the people who gave time or donations or both to make the day a success: HAROLD & ELEANOR BANGS, FLORENCE BAKER, SUE & RANKIN DAVIS, MARTHA BOOHEISTER, SAM & NANCY COX, BOB & DOROTHY STURGES, ALICE WAND, HERB & CLOVER NASMYTH, SADIE RILEY, WARREN NESBIT, BOB & HAZEL WEBB, DORIS CAMELLA, MIKE SULLIVAN, AL & JOYCE STOECKEL, MIKE & ELAINE DUBESA, EVELYN JACOBSON, LUCILLE CROUSER, EVELYN CROUSER, TED & LOIS SCHULTE, GENE BUI, MARGE SCHMUNK, DOROTHY LARSON, HELEN REDDEN, VAL LANTZ, PAT GRAHAM, SHIRLEY LAMPERT, MONA MITCHOFF, FRANCES SEITZ, DICK JONES, SHANNON SHANNON, ALEX JONES, SHARON NESBIT and probably somebody we've forgotten. And thanks to all who attended.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

We will be serving hamburgers and ice cream at the Troutdale picnic in the city park July 16. The parade is at 11 a.m. and the picnic starts about noon. If you want to help cook hamburgers, give Sharon Nesbit a call at 665-0423.

And you can call Gene Bui to sign up for our Aug. 20 trip to Hood River for a visit to the Hood River County Museum and a ride on the Mount Hood Railway. Cost of all, including transportation to Hood River is \$20. Gene's number is 667-3231.

Beginning July 5, the Harlow House will be open Wednesday through Sunday. Hours Wednesday through Saturday will be 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday hours are 1 to 4 p.m. The Depot museum is open every Saturday and Sunday 1 to 4 p.m.

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