#### CHRISTMAS IS HERE ...

Our December meeting is very special -- instead of the usual program, we invite you to a Christmas open house at the Harlow House, 726 E. Columbia St., on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 19, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Come and see the Harlow House in its Christmas finery. Come and enjoy a cup of hot, spicy holiday punch. See Santa Claus visit with children, big and small, in

front of the fireplace.

The refreshments will be our famous Christmas give-and-take. Bring a plate of your favorite Christmas goodie and, when you leave, take a plateful home with you. This is a great day to show off the Harlow House, so bring a friend or two.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP ...

Our committee of three, Jean Holman, Dorothy Sturges and Sharon Nesbit, will be decorating Wednesday, Dec. 15, beginning about 11 a.m. We never have enough Christmas greens so if you have fir, pine, holly, cedar, Oregon grape or anything we can use to "deck the Halls" please bring it by and leave it on the front porch by that date. Stop and trim the tree if you have time.

#### ABOUT OUR RECIPES ...

Sales are going nicely on our recipe cards. They will be available at the

Christmas open house. Buy a few for stocking stuffers.

Speaking of recipes, we have a correction for those who bought their booklets in early October. The ingredient the typist omitted from Tillie Howell's No-Egg Washington Apple Sauce Cake was 2 teaspoons of baking soda. Please correct it.

## SPEAKING OF MONEY ...

Our dinner and roast for Mayor Bob Sturges came off beautifully, Nov. 13. Thanks to all the great help, cooks, servers, decorators and dishwashers. The effort has been rewarded, we have \$500 to apply to the Harlow House payment.

Another dinner to help pay off the mortgage is scheduled for March. It is a product dinner and we don't have to work, just eat. Stay tuned for the date.

#### GIFTS ...

Shirley Lewis, Portland, has given us a plate, cup and saucer that came from the Troutdale Cafe in 1942. Her father, T.J. Murray, bought the dishes when he moved to Oregon to work in Troutdale's aluminum plant.

Dave and Jeff Sturges unearthed a stack of labels and invoices from the Trout-

dale Cauliflower Grower's Association and gave them to the society.

Tillie Howell loaned pictures of what is now Handy Bros. gas station as it appeared in 1932 when her father, Wm. Wiser, owned it. The pictures are real treasures and remind us that we still need lots of photos of Troutdale buildings, businesses and people. Check your albums.

A special donation came to us this month from Mr. and Mrs. Freelin Collins of Boring who sell produce from their truck at the corner of Stark street and Troutdale Road. Instead of accepting rent, the property owners suggested that the Collins donate \$50 to the historical society.

# SALESPERSON PERSONIFIED ...

Nora Lewis has sold \$30 worth of recipe cards. And thanks to Gerhard Von Kohlbeck and Bill Nesbit for making the corrections in them.

## QUESTIONS ...

Emma DeMain, 13661 SE Richey Rd., Boring 97009 is looking for information on the pioneer Holtgrieve family.