FIRST IN THE CHOW LINE ...

Our last meeting of the year, a potluck dinner on Monday, May 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the city park building (NOTE THE CHANGE OF LOCATION) will be marked by a very special event. The board of directors has voted to recognize annually a member of the society who, though not an officer, has made an extraordinary contribution to our work as a historical society. That person will be named Monday and, of course, be first in the dinner line.

Potluck rules are the same. Bring a side dish, vegetable dish, bread or dessert. Meat and beverages will be provided. Paper plates and silver are available, or you may bring your own. A hat will be passed to cover the cost of the meat.

Come prepared to buy a chance on the afghan, made by Ethel Peterson. We will have

the drawing at our June 12 ice cream social.

AND SUMMER COMES ...

Since this will be the last official newsletter until October (you will be mailed a poster and ice cream social reminder) we have some summer business:

First, the Harlow House will be open every Sunday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m. beginning the first Sunday in June and running through Labor Day. Let people know.

Second, we will be circulating with a calendar Monday night looking for volunteers to offer one Sunday afternoon in the summer to host the depot museum. It is vital that we prove our willingness to maintain this museum by keeping it open for visitors. Please consider when you can help. If you don't want to serve alone, be prepared to team up with another person.

NEWSLETTER DELAYS...

It appears that delays in the Portland post office have prevented your newsletter from reaching some of you in recent months. It is mailed on Monday, the week previous to the meeting. It is being prepared early this month, but for reasons of timing, that will not always be possible. If you have further trouble, speak to your postman.

AND IF YOU LIKE THE NEWSLETTER ...

We'll be doing some housecleaning in our mailing list this summer, so if you have been getting our newsletter and want to continue to receive it, the best insurance is to become a member. Send \$3 and name and address to Ted Schulte, 17655 SE Bluff Rd., #1, Sandy, Ore. 97055.

A GALLERY OF MAYORS ...

Vera Strebin has contacted a few women whose husbands have been mayors of Troutdale about a gallery of former mayors that we would like to put up in city hall. If you know someone who is related to or has a good picture of a former mayor, have that person bring the picture to our May meeting or see that it gets to Troutdale city hall sometime this summer. We are looking for formal portraits or good, clear snapshots which we will enlarge. The originals will be returned to the donors. Please, please -- put the mayor's name and your name and address on each photo.

TIDBITS...

Sharon Nesbit will be gone for five weeks in June and July and will leave June 2. If you have donations, or newsletter information or other things requiring her attention, get them to her scon...Don't forget our open house all week of historic preservation week, from 1 to 4 p.m. each afternoon, May 8 to 14. Because the house gets so crowded, we are asking our members to avoid showing up until late afternoon May 8 so our special guests at 1 p.m. can see something other than a mass of bodies...Sam Cox, Alex Jones and Ted Schulte have been working on the landscaping around the gazebo...Troutdale Sand and Gravel donated, what else?, the sand and gravel...plan on seeing the plans for our barn at the May meeting ... don't forget to prepare plants for our June 12 plant sale ... Nathalie Wilson has given us an excellent photo of 12-Mile House ... we'll be signing up ice cream social volunteers Monday evening ... How is your icecream scooping arm?

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Dear Historical Society member and friends of the Society:

This letter and attached flyer is a reminder of our ice cream social, Sunday, June 12, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Troutdale City Park. This is our 15th ice cream social and you know what a nice party it is. It also helps us pay our bills.

You can help by doing the following things:

- 1. Bring a cake or other baked goods. Derethy Sturges is in charge. Baked goods may be brought either the day of the social or on Saturday, June 11, beginning at 1 p.m.
- 2. Rent table space at our craft fair in the annex or recommend it to a crafty friend. To reserve a space at \$5 for the day (bring your own table) call Alex Jones, 666-6718.
- 5. Be there at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 11, when we clean 13 crates of etrawberries. Bring knives, larges plastic containers and colanders marked with your name.
- 4. Bring flowers Saturday to decorate tables on bring a bouquet Sunday.
- 5. Bring an old-fashioned rose for our rose display.
- 6. Bring house or garden plants for our plant sale either Saturday at 1 p.m. er Sunday. Cathy Hamme, 667-7760, is in charge.
- 7. About parking -- the entire let will be reserved for ice cream social people on Sunday. However, if you arrive early please close the gate behind you so people won't sneak into the let. Signs will be posted reserving parking. On Saturday, if the sun is shining and the parking attendant is in the let, show this newsletter or tell him you are from the Troutdale Historical Society and the attendant will let you in free of charge.
- 8. Finally, do wear old-fashioned clothes or strawberry prints if you have them. Bring friends and convince them to join the society—the ticket seller can sign them up. And have a good timet

Some last minute notes: The Harlow House and Depot Museum will be open the Sunday of the social and every Sunday through the summer from 1 to 4 p.m. Many thanks to our caretakers and the volunteers who are hosting at the Depot Museum...Pat Kenney has grown the marigolds that we will plant around the driveway of the Harlew House...Clarence Davis is rounding up the ice cream social band...Ethel Peterson made the afghan we will raffle off at the social...Jim Fujii is giving all the strawberries for the social...We have a great list of volunteers all ready to scoop ice cream, make sundaes and whip up banana splits at the social... and, in the absence of Sharon Nesbit, Nancy Cox is the person who will be on hand to sort out problems, find lost stuff and generally trouble-shoot.

Den't forget the city picnic, July 17.

THE TROUTDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

