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TWO ORNERY KIDS...

Anyone who has heard John Nasmyth and Chim Howell yakking about Troutdale's good old days won't want to miss hearing the two reminisce at our next meeting, Monday, Jan. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in Troutdale City Hall.

The two old buddies, each one a better story teller than the other, will talk about what it was like growing up in Troutdale -- now that it is at last safe to talk about some of it.

We will tape this interview for our oral history collection. Join us for a lively evening.

Marie Stone and Dickie Reif will provide the refreshments.

LAST YEAR'S NEWS...

About 25 people showed up on a chilly night Dec. 12 to hear a history talk about Troutdale. It was fun. We'll do it again soon.

And our Christmas open house at the Harlow House Dec. 21 drew about 100 people. Many young families who came with their children to see Santa Claus told us that a visit to the Harlow House at Christmas is becoming part of their Christmas tradition.

The house never looked prettier and everybody trooped upstairs to get a look at the new wallpaper that Kay Foetisch and her crew installed.

The cookies, as usual, were excellent. So many folks like them that Dorothy Sturges has suggested that we put together another cookbook of Christmas cookies. Bring your favorite recipe to the next meeting or send them to Dorothy at P.O. Box 436, Troutdale, 97060.

Incidentally, the costs of the party -- the cookies are donated but punch for 100 is not cheap -- were easily covered by the sale of the angel ornaments made by Jean Holman.

More thanks is owed to Dorothy and Heini Zeigler for loaning their magnificent apple doll wisemen for our display. And to Rankin Davis and Bob Mitchoff who played Santa Clas.

WEATHER WATCH...

Just a reminder, if weather conditions make driving hazardous, our meetings and events are automatically cancelled.

IN MEMORY...

Iola Kerslake, Sandy, a member of this historical society died in November.

DROP ME A LINE...

Post card collector Steve Kenney will display local postcards for the Harlow House spring exhibit. Kenney will reach into his extensive collection for cards from Troutdale, Gresham, Boring and Corbett. You can see them at our Sunday open houses on Feb. 2, March 2 and April 6, 1-4 p.m.

Another word about Steve Kenney. Mark your calendars for our Feb. 17 meeting and his slide show of rare Columbia Gorge roadhouses. You saw the highway pictures in November. In February you can see the buildings that were along the way.

NAME DROPPERS...Nathalie Wilson sent only a check for \$100 in her Christmas card...We heard from Lee and Paul Beaulieu also...Gary Carsner, a former neighbor to the Harlow House, has given us an old book and a Troutdale Eastern Star membership card made out to Mrs.