

Bygone Times

A Newsletter of The Troutdale Historical Society.



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FRONT PORCH PIE SALE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1 TO 5 P.M.

HARLOW HOUSE, 726 E.COLUMBIA STREET, TROUTDALE

PIE, ICE CREAM AND COFFEE -----\$1.00

TROUTDALE WALKING HISTORY TOUR AT 2 P.M.

BACK AGAIN...

It's fall and time to resume our newsletters. This first one is a gentle reminder to attend our Sept. 14 front porch pie sale at the Harlow House.

Proceeds will go to our barn fund. But more than that, the pie sale is our first chance of autumn to get together.

If you have never been on one of our Troutdale walking history tours, come in time for Sharon Nesbit's 2 p.m. walk and talk through Troutdale. Be there to help reenact the Troutdale Pool Hall Robbery.

And, keep your fingers crossed. We are working on plans to offer horse and buggy rides.

LOOKING AHEAD...

And now is the time to start alerting all those who attended Troutdale Elementary School that we will be having our annual reunion (and our first fall meeting of our historical society) on Saturday, Oct. 18, at 5 p.m. in the Troutdale City Park Building.

The board of directors has voted to move our regular Monday meeting to Saturday in order to give out-of-town folks a chance to attend the reunion.

The event will be a potluck dinner with ham served as the main course. Guests should bring salads, casseroles, breads or desserts. A beverage and paper plates and plastic ware will be provided.

Doris Caramella is chairwoman of the reunion. If you have any ideas or want to offer help, give her a call at 253-7010.

WHAT WE DID ON OUR SUMMER VACATION...

Just because we do not meet in the summer, does not mean that we haven't been busy. Our ice cream social was very successful and we made almost \$300 at the Troutdale picnic where we sold hamburgers and ice cream.

Some of our members have showed up every Thursday at 7 p.m. to help out or play at our Troutdale bingo game. The game has now grown to the point where we are operating in the black and each participating club is being paid back its original investment.

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SO, WHAT ELSE IS NEW...

Our museums have been open every Sunday all summer long. If you are one of the good volunteers who has helped to keep the depot open, give yourselves a pat on the back.

Our museums, incidentally, have been listed in a new brochure which describes all the museums in Oregon and gives their hours.

On Aug. 9, society member Connie Andrus married Jess Van Cleve on the front lawn of the Harlow House. The Daughters of the American Revolution used the house for a special tea in June. A visiting delegation of Japanese college students came to the house in July.

NEW ITEMS...

A number of new gifts have been made to our museums. Greg Knopf has presented a selection of agricultural equipment from the estate of Eileen Knopf. Included are a horsedrawn mower which Bob Sturges is storing for us. Other items include a set of harness, a washing machine wringer and push cultivator.

Mary Pearsall gave a beautiful 1880s dress which is on display at the Harlow House.

Larry and Bobbie Armstrong have loaned their collection of open salt dishes for our temporary display.

NAMES IN THE NEWS...

NATHALIE WILSON gave us \$100 in June to get our ice cream social off to a good start...HELEN AND HOLLY MCWILLIAMS celebrated their 61st anniversary...HOMER AND ALICE TOWNSEND have printed another book. This one is called Skamania and is a history of that Columbia Gorge community in the 1920s...BOB STURGES continues to head up the fight to save Edgefield Manor. Demolition has been delayed until September or October and a request to make Edgefield a Troutdale Historic Resource is pending before the city planning commission.

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