



BYGONE TIMES

A Newsletter of the TROUTDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

JULY & AUGUST, 1996

Troutdale Picnic, Parade plus Otto honors, July 20

Fresh from one lovely weekend in the park -- our recent ice cream social -- plan on joining us for another nice time, the annual Troutdale Picnic and Parade beginning about 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 20, and continuing all day.

First, look for our Troutdale Historical Society float, pulled by President Dave's John Deere tractor and carrying members of the Glenn Otto family. Glenn Otto will be remembered that day with dedication ceremonies at the park which has been renamed in his honor. That proposal, incidentally, was made by our historical society.



Second, plan on one of those drop-dead wonderful Troutdale Historical Society hamburgers topped with the largest pile of fried Walla Walla Sweets you have ever seen. Another historical society innovation, the hamburger is the brainstorm of Sam Co

Pam Christian is in charge of the booth this year. George and Carole Klinger have already signed on to cook burgers the first shift, a team as expert as they are exotic. If you can help, please call **Pam** at **661-4205**. It is especially nice to have people to help set up beforehand and clean up afterward.

Events in the park and downtown Troutdale will include three bands playing the park, the Lisa Shaer dancers, square dancers, a lineup of antique cars and a beer garden.

And, for your enjoyment after months of preparation...

Grand Opening End of the Line

The Troutdale Rail Depot Museum Store
July 20 & 21

Sharon Nesbit, Editor, 665-0423

CALENDAR For Summer



Events

- July 20, Sat., 11 a.m.**
Annual Troutdale Parade & dedication of Glenn Otto Community Park
July 20 & 21, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Grand Opening! The End of the Line, Troutdale Rail Depot Museum Store
- Sept. 28 & 29, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
Harvest Faire, Glenn Otto Community Park, Harlow House and Rail Depot Museum.

Picnic, plus

Barnstorming

Normally, first Saturday of the month, 9 a.m.
In the barn. Call Bob Strebin, 665-2756

Board of Directors

Normally, first Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m.
In the barn. Call Ellen Brothers, 661-2164

Steering Committee

Normally, second Monday of the month, 7 p.m.
In the barn. Call Mona Mitchoff, 666-5455

Harlow House

June 1 - Oct. 31, Wed-Sat, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

Depot Museum & Store

June 1 - Oct. 31, Wed-Sat, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

Want to avoid capital gains tax??

Perhaps you own stock which has appreciated in value over the years. Or a piece of rental property which has been fully depreciated so you have a zero cost basis. If you sell this stock or real estate, you will pay a capital gains tax on its increase in value.

By making a gift of the stock or real estate to the Troutdale Historical Society, you avoid tax on this gain. In addition, you will get a charitable tax deduction for the current tax year that is equal to the full fair market value of the asset. More information? Call 661-2164.

A Sept. 13, 14, 15, trek to Washington is in the works - Bickleton, Toppenish and its murals, Yakima, Fort Simcoe, Goldendale. Reserve your spot now, 661-2164.

Official Seal of Approval



This is a list of good guys

On the good guy list for showing up Friday night before ice cream social to do the set up: **Mona & Bob Mitchoff**, and their family, **Kris & John Fappas**, **Heather Mitchoff & Dan DeGraw**; **Florence Baker**, **Cindy Hammond** with assistants **Elizabeth and Amanda**; **Sharon Nesbit**, **Jean Holman**, **Mike Dubesa**, **Carolyn & Harley Taylor**, **Sadie Riley** (who cooked dinner for the assembled workers), **Bill Nesbit** and **Debbie and James Cook**.

Car owners, who brought their cherished vehicles and left them or stood by them for display at the Harlow House: **Steve & Judy Lehl**, **Richard Starkweather**, **Pauline & Mike Morrow** and **Paul Taylor**.

Plus the added bonus of **June Jones**, who volunteered to spin wool at the Harlow House, **Maude & Bob Winning**, who never fail to set up our booth, **Sam Cox & Bill Jackson** who filled in on signs and **Bill Jackson**, again, for building us easels. Also **Don Curtis**, who worked both days with the sound system. And to **Barbara Mabry**, for donation of quilt to be raffled off at Harvest Faire.

And then, social workers: **Martha Booheister**, **Bonita Jenkins**, **Marie Stone**, **Kay Struckman**, **Velma Norman**, **Laura Van Atta**, **June Nasmyth**, **Ted & Lois Schulte**, **Evelyn Jacobson**, **Penny Balch**, **Donna Hawkins**, **Jeanne Driver**, **Bruce & Helen Towsley**, **Mary Hughes**, **Bill Stone**, **Dave Ripma** (and friends), **Pam Christian**, **Agnes Stiles**, **Dick Jones** (whew, keep going!).....

(Cont.)

more good guys..

Pat Albin, **Allan Baker**, **Mike & Pauline Morrow**, **Mario Ayala**, **Marge Schmunk**, **Cathy Hamme**, **Ed Schmunk**, **Helen Tamura** and **Valerie Oja**. Add to that, **Carolyn Strong**, **Jarin Cox** and **Carole Klinger** for assists with publicity. And kicking in for cleanup at the end when energy lagged, **Gary Holman** and **Nancy Holland**.

Our most grateful thanks to **Townsend Farms** and **Jim Fujii Farms**, who together donated almost 400 pounds of berries, to **Kaz & Helen Tamura**, whose gifts of bedding plants brought in one-fifth of our profits, and to the sponsors music who gave us two beautiful afternoons: **Waste Management of Troutdale**, **Handy Bros. Service, Inc.**, **North Star Industries, Inc.**, **Tom Miller Massage Therapist** and **Troutdale Chiropractic and Geriatric Vision Care**.

Finally, the folks who ran it: **Chairwoman Mona Mitchoff** and the steering committee: **Jean Holman**, **Dorothy Sturges**, **Florence Baker**, **Sharon Nesbit**, **Barbara Mabry**, **Cindy Hammond**, **Mike Dubesa**, **Marge Schmunk** and, **Director Ellen Brothers**.

Apologies to anyone we missed.

The Bottom Line:

We served 1,055 portions of ice cream and made about \$4,900 for our museums. Thank you, all!

TREASURER'S REPORT

From Penny Balch	
Operating fund.....	\$ 3,002.48
Barn building fund.....	25,032.55
Endowment fund.....	24,050.76
Director's fund.....	3,843.49
Bingo Fund.....	1,958.73
Total.....	57,888.41

This report reflects the \$20,000 gift from the estate of **John Nasmyth** designated for the barn and the creation of exhibits in the building.

The endowment fund is invested with the **Oregon Communities Foundation**, the income from the principal to be used to run our museums.

Gifts

Endowment Fund

from **Joseph & Robbie Storagee**

in memory of **Kay N. Tayooka** from **Bob & Vera Strebin**

from **Weir Owens** in memory of **Dorothy Linden**

Director's Fund

from **Helen & Kaz Tamura**

Barn Fund

in memory of **Bob Hughes** from **Mary Hughes**

Sweat and blood open depot store

Plan to be there July 20 at 10 a.m. for the opening of End of the Line, our Troutdale Rail Museum Depot Store.

This venture, in which we have invested about \$4,000, and a great deal of time and effort, is intended to offset loss of income from the closing of bingo, and allow us to have our depot museum open longer.

End of the Line specializes in train and trout items, as well as tourist books and other items about the area and the Columbia River Gorge.

Director **Ellen Brothers** plans to set up her office there. Assisting in keeping the store open other days through October are: **Bill Jackson**, **Carolyn Taylor**, **Marge Schmunk**, **Dick Waite** and **Sam Cox**. Those persons, in addition to **Penny Balch**, are members of our sales committee.

Also helping out, **Harley and Curt Taylor** and **Pat Brothers** who put in lights, **Val Lantz** and the city crew for painting and loaning tools, as well as **Ed Schmunk** and **Pat Brothers** assisting the folks above in Sunday painting party.

Use this handy form to order your brick for Troutdale's new Mayor's Square...



Become A Cornerstone In Troutdale's "Mayor's Square"

BUY A BRICK!

BECOME A PART OF

TROUTDALE'S DOWNTOWN SQUARE!

The Troutdale Area Chamber of Commerce is endeavoring to raise funds for the Town Square that will be located in downtown Troutdale. It will be named "Mayor's Square". Plans are to have a three-tiered parklike setting, with a fountain, sculptures, trees, greenspace, and benches for sitting. Incorporated in the design is a wall for commemorative bricks, which we are selling for a minimum of \$ 50.00 each. These bricks will have a bronze plate with the inscription of the donor's name, business name, or name of a loved one.

We encourage you to permanently list your family name or business name on the Town Square for the future generations to appreciate.

**HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BECOME A PART OF HISTORY!
TO ORDER, PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:**

For more information, call 669-7473

Order your Brick Today!

First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Company Name (If Appropriate)

Address City State ZIP

Home Phone Work Phone

BRICK PLATE INSCRIPTION---Please print clearly one letter per square. Allow one square for a space between words or for punctuation marks. Each line will be centered on the plate.

Line 1																				
Line 2																				
Line 3																				

Return completed form with check for \$50 payable to:
Troutdale Area Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 245
Troutdale, OR 97060

Take
Note
of
These
Good
People

They
host
your
museums
this
summer.

- At
Harlow
House:
- Don McGinnis
 - Mary Hughes
 - Judy Bronkey
 - Penny Balch
 - Karol Forner
 - June Nasmyth
 - Adrienne Clausen
 - Alice Wand
 - Dorothy Larson
 - T.J. Kimzey
 - Dione Pugh
 - Mario Ayala
 - Cindy Hammond
 - Janet Vandiver
 - Donna Hawkins
 - Jeral Beaty
 - Lynda Harvey
 - Ellen Brothers
 - Florence Baker
 - Vera Eichler
 - Jean Hybskmann
 - June Jones

- At
Rail
Depot:
- Bill Jackson
 - Carolyn Taylor
 - Ellen Brothers
 - Marge Schmunk
 - Dick Waite
 - Sam Cox

Want to
help?
Call
661-2164.

NAMEDROPPERS

Welcome to new members:

Vera Eichler, also a new host at the Harlow House; **Deb Cook**, the Fruit Loop Queen of the ice cream social; **Gary & June Houghton**; **Joseph & Robbie Storagee**; **Peter & Doris Robins**; **Richard Weill and family**, (Richard is in the old bank building, now Troutdale Law Firm); and **Mike & Sherrill Martin**, whose membership is complimentary for getting new shades at the depot at a reduced cost...For Green Stamps we need to thank **Doris Woolley** and **Mary McDonnell**...for the completion of the cataloging of the historical society library, we thank **Beverly Welker**...Thank you to **Walter Nasmyth** for authoring three more wonderful stories about Troutdale, which you will see in upcoming newsletters.

A berry-picking story to share?

Elizabeth McCallum, associate planner, is new to Troutdale City Hall, but not to Troutdale. She grew up in Parkrose and came to Troutdale every summer to pick berries on the Dix Farm.

She blushes when she tells this one, remembering a dull summer day in about 1965 when she was 13 or 14. Picking was scanty so she "cheated," as almost every picker has done at one time or other, putting rocks in the bottom of her hallocks, and covering them with berries.

Five years later, when she was out of high school and still experiencing remorse over that brief lapse, she mailed Bob and Louise Dix 50 cents.

"I don't know if they ever got it, or if they did, what they made of it," she says.

Her story is a reminder that it is time to start collecting berry-picking stories for our history. Do you have any to share?

IN MEMORY

Our condolences to the families of Orvil Tetz, Esther Meyer and Eva Groshong.

Mr. Tetz was a former member of our society as was Esther Meyer, whose husband Ray was a contributor to our depot museum. Eva Groshong, mother of Arlie Harris, died at age 99, about a 100 days shy of her 100th birthday.

Congratulations...

to Rich and Dorothy Kerslake, named grand marshals of this year's July 4 parade at Corbett. They cook our brunch each year. And to Stan Hymel, who won some big award of estate planning, but we lost the clipping and can't remember what it was.

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and uncles, too
Troutdale Parade
and Picnic
July 20**