



BYGONE TIMES

Newsletter of the Troutdale Historical Society

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2005

Please Mark Your Calendars

Annual School Reunion

Sun., Oct. 16, 2005, 2 p.m.

***Troutdale Elementary
School***

THS Program/Meeting

Dr. John Snively

Bretz Floods

Sun., Nov. 20, 2005 2 p.m.

City Hall

Christmas Open House

Sat., Dec. 3, 2005

11 am—4 p.m.

Harlow House

THS Program/Meeting

Sun., Jan. 15, 2006 2 p.m.

City Hall

THS Annual Meeting

Sun., Feb. 19, 2006 2 p.m.

Sam Cox Building

Lewis & Clark Commemoration

April 1, 2006

10 am—4 p.m.

Barn Museum

Annual Tea & Tour

April 30, 2006

2:00 p.m. ONLY

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THS INVITES ALUMNI FOR REUNION

A reunion for all those who have ties to Cedar School or Troutdale Grade School will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 16, 2005 at the Troutdale Elementary School, 648 SE Harlow Street, Troutdale Oregon.

This year we are privileged to have family artifacts, which belonged to Frances Allard, a very early Troutdale Grade School Teacher. Leslie Johnson, one of Allard's descendants has graciously offered to share the artifacts with us.

This event is the annual school reunion meeting of the Troutdale Historical Society. It is open to the public. Former teachers and students and any other interested persons are urged to attend. This historical society will furnish old school pictures with the hope that people will be able to identify former classmates. Please bring your old photos to share with everyone. Len Otto will moderate and encourage the telling of stories and memories. Children and grandchildren of alumni who attend enjoy the old tales and pictures, especially of their loved ones. We hope to see you there.

The Bretz Floods and Formation of the Gorge — Fascinating Topic for November Meeting

We are very fortunate to have John Snively as the speaker for the November Program/Meeting. Many members have requested this topic and we will have the opportunity to learn about the famous floods that formed the Columbia River Gorge.

John Snively grew up in the Willamette Valley where he earned his Bachelor and Master degree from Portland State University. In 1975, after earning his degree in biology, he began teaching science at Clackamas Community College. Shortly after beginning his teaching career, John returned to the classroom as a student and received a degree in the geological sciences. The combination of geology and biology worked well for John and he developed several field-based natural history courses to teach students about the biology, botany, and geology of unique regions such as Death Valley, Malheur Wildlife Refuge and the Oregon coast. He established an Endowment at CCC to help students handle the financial burden involved in attending science field courses and was honored as "Teacher of the Year" at CCC in 1997 and again in 2000. John retired from full time teaching in 2004 but is still very active in working to help people of all ages appreciate the natural world.

Meeting at City Hall, Sunday, Nov. 20, 2005, 2 p.m. Open to the public; admission free, refreshments served.

Barn Dance Update ... by Adrienne Clausen

Thanks to Helen Wand and her committee.

Twenty-seven people attended. DJs - Dave & Jodi Crandall, taught several line dances and everyone enjoyed the fabulous cookies, donated by the Tuesday Ladies Cookie Department, cider and coffee and apples. Love-ly fresh flowers were donated by Bob Strebin, corn husks by Florence Baker, pumpkins & statis by Adrienne. Hay bales loaned by the brother of Helen Wand. A fine time was had by all !!

A beautiful handmade Lewis and Clark quilt has been created and donated to THS to raffle this year. Thank you to **Mary Bryson, Judy Norby, Darleen Payne and Caroline Clift** for their generosity. Thanks also to **Sharon Nesbit and Jean Holman** for finding and donating the pattern. Raffle tickets will be for sale at events, (\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00), programs/meetings and the depot throughout the year. Drawing will be held at this year's Christmas Open House on December 3, 2005.



THS ONLINE !

The Troutdale Historical Society invites you to visit our official website:

<http://www.troutdalehistory.org/>

We are featuring our current exhibit in the Barn Museum, Quicksand and Condors: Lewis & Clark Near the Sandy River. There are pictures to entice you to visit the museum, along with descriptions of the different aspects of the display.

Check out our on-line store, where you can do your holiday shopping from the convenience of your own home. The raffle of the Lewis & Clark Quilt heads up this webpage, followed by the books produced relating to the commemorative exhibit. The other books carried in the museum store are listed, along with historic photographs. We also have t-shirts and hats available. Another page highlights each of our three museums. We have also included a bit of history about the society. There was actually someone from a far away state who found us on the web while planning their trip to see Lewis & Clark sites! Please check out the virtual reality of the Troutdale Historical Society today!

We would like to give a big THANK YOU to Mindy Schmidt, our Webmaster. She has logged in hours of time and effort to the web site, before and after giving birth to her son. We want to thank everyone who contributed to the virtual site- Mary Bryson, Jean Hybskmann, Penny Balch, Heather Hutzenbiler, Mario Ayala, Sheryl Maydew, Walt Nasmyth and Sharon Nesbit.

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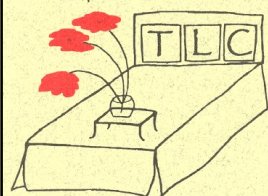


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THS 2005 Trek Proved Educational & Fun ... by Walt Nasmyth

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Even the weather cooperated for this trek, so the first stop was an unscheduled visit to lovely Multnomah Falls, before heading on to our first museum, The Dalles - Columbia Gorge Discovery Center. The exhibits at the center were well done and informative. We all enjoyed the narrative along our route provided by Sharon Nesbit, pointing out features and sharing historic stories and lore.

The next stop was the Heritage Station museum in Pendleton, which has been recently remodeled. The current exhibit focuses on communication and artifacts depicting the changes over the years. The one room school house is a building complete with blackboard, dunce cap, teacher's desk, "paddle", wood stove and student desks, etc. One can't help but reminisce about old school days when standing in that room.

Travelodge in downtown Pendleton was the destination for the evening and the proprietors took good care of our group and checked us into our rooms very efficiently. Trekkers broke up into a couple of groups to dine....with the largest group going to the "Rainbow Cafe" cowboy bar for dinner. Word was they were still talking about the THS group there the next morning at breakfast.

First stop Sunday was the Tamastlikt Cultural Institute. This is an incredible museum and the exhibit tells the story of the natives before the treaties, during the treaties and through to today. Many of us felt it was a wonderful and moving exhibit and highly recommend it to those who haven't been there yet.

The picnic in Boardman was perfect, complete with a beautiful setting, sunny day and good food. Even the sheriff left us alone! Maryhill Museum is always an amazing experience, and was thoroughly explored and appreciated by all. The grand finale was the singing on the bus.... Some very good voices there! Our trekkers included: Walter & Vi Nasmyth, Jean Holman, Sharon Nesbit, Kaz Tamura, Florence Baker, Adrienne Clausen, June Thompson, David Ripma, Sheryl Maydew, Mario Ayala, Sharon Petri, Utahna Kerr, Pat Smith, Heather Hutzenbiler, Mike Bowen, & James Workman.

Unique donation needs your help!!

Steve Lehl, of the Crown Point Historical Society and a valued friend of ours, found and purchased on Ebay, a formal portrait of a child, taken at the turn of the century, by a Troutdale portrait photographer named *L.E. Vaughan*. We didn't even know we had such a photographer in town at that time, so it is another piece of the puzzle. The photo is unlabeled except for a handwritten set of names on the back "Vic and Carrie."

If you happen to know or have heard of L.E. Vaughan, or have any clues about "Vic and Carrie" please contact Heather or Mario at the THS office. Another puzzle waiting to be solved.....



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THE MUSEUMS WILL BE OPERATING UNDER WINTER HOURS: WEEKENDS ONLY

**Harlow House and Barn: Sat. & Sun
1PM to 4PM**

**Depot Museum: Sat & Sun—1PM to
4PM**

We Love Our Hosts....

The museum hosts of the Depot, Harlow House and Barn are unusual in that they rarely get to see each other, since they almost all work independently -- showing up, opening the buildings, hosting guests, locking up and leaving -- without much contact with anyone but Adrienne Clausen, our museum host coordinator.

On Aug. 14, 2005, Adrienne and Sharon Nesbit decided the hosts should see more of each other, in order to compare notes and meet the guys on the other shift. We gathered as many people as we could with a week's notice for a salad and dessert potluck on a Sharon's deck. It was fun. We ate too much. Had a chance to visit and will likely do it again in the fall, because Adrienne makes great vegetable soup and she has had a good garden this year.

If you are interested in being part of the Troutdale Historical Society's Museum Corps of Discovery, call Adrienne Clausen at 503-665-5288.

NEWS IN BRIEF...

Tea & Tour Flash —

Regarding the 2006 Tea and Tour Date. In order to have the Tea at Menucha (the Julius Meier summer home in the Gorge) we had to work with their schedule. So it will be on Sunday, April 30, 2006. One seating at 2 p.m. There will be lots of room, so ask your friends to save this date. Invitations will go out in March, 2006.

Lewis & Clark Exhibit —

Mark April 1, 2006 on your calendar.

The L & C committee is planning an all day event on the museum grounds. Salmon bake, fiddlers, mountain men, Native Americans and much more! Festivities will be from 10—4PM on Sat., April 1, 2006. Plan to attend and bring the neighbors.

A sad passing.....

Roberta Burns also called “Marion”, wife of Jack Burns (not to be confused with the late Jack Burns of Burns Bros. Truck Stop) recently passed away. Jack and Roberta were volunteers for our Society for many years at the Harlow House. They could not sit still while hosting and you would often find them weeding, dusting or doing a photo record of the artifacts. Our heartfelt condolences to her family.

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To gather, preserve and make available material relating to the history of the community of Troutdale, the Sandy River, the Columbia River Gorge and nearby area: To stimulate interest in, and knowledge of, the locality's past.

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