

March 2009



Mark your Calendar

March 15, 2009

Clarence Mershon talks about "Women of the Greatest Generation" and their contributions to the war effort and keeping the home fires burning.

The program will be at Troutdale City Hall starting at 2 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

April 19, 2009

Oral History

Sharon Nesbit will do an oral history interviewing Marguerite Wright Campbell formerly of Troutdale/Springdale area.

THS has an extensive collection of pictures donated by the Wright family. Sharon will be asking questions of Marguerite about growing up in the Troutdale area

The program will be at Troutdale City Hall starting at 2 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Cemetery Tour

May 16

Stan Clarke will be leading a tour including Eagle Creek and surrounding area. It will probably involve another stop at the Philip Foster Farm and the hard-to-get-into Eagle Creek Cemetery

August 15

Join us for a Salmon Bake on the Sandy River with authentic Native American cooked Salmon and fry bread. Bob & Jean Ice will be hosting the event which includes Tribal Dancing after dinner. Tickets will be \$50 per person with 50% of the price tax deductible as a donation. There will only be 150 tickets sold, so save the date. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Checks may be mailed to THS office. Call for more info 503-661-2164

Please send us an email if your email address has changed in the past few

Clarence Mershon to (Finally) Talk of the "Women of the Greatest Generation"

Third time is a charm as they say!

Clarence Mershon has been scheduled since January to present his talk on "Women of the Greatest Generation."

The January program was cancelled due to a high-powered wind storm, Clarence's February presentation of the "Women of the

Greatest Generation" was changed to a shorter program to accommodate our annual business meeting. He will finally be presenting the program many have been waiting anxiously to see and hear.

Clarence will be featuring stories of local women who worked in the ship yards, at the ammunition box factory in

Bridal Veil, at Boeing and who served in the military.



Clarence Mershon talks at February Business Meeting

Jan Vandiver Named Member of the Year

What do we think of when we think of Jan Vandiver besides calories?

We think of giving and giving and never complaining or expecting anything in return.

Jan has been bringing cookies, brownies and cakes to program meetings for years and THS named her member of the year in appreciation of her dedication and volunteerism. **Thanks, Jan!**



Jan Vandiver serving cake at February Program Meeting

THS Board President, Scott Cunningham, presents Jan Vandiver with Member-of-the-Year award and floral bouquet at February Meeting.



Hampton Inn Save-A-Landmark Update!

Hampton Inn will be here with a crew of about 40 sometime in April to clean, paint and ??? They pushed the date out farther because some of their corporate office members want to attend the festivities.

Home Depot has jumped on the band wagon and will be bringing a big volunteer force to help on that day as well. Home Depot has already been

a tremendous help with this project.

A big thank-you to **Terry, Heidi and Maggie** from Home Depot for coming down to the Depot and measuring EVERYTHING, top to bottom (doors, floors, walls, windows, ceilings, etc).

Thank you to **Jean Hybskmann, Mona Mitchoff, Judy Norby and Heather Mitchoff** for starting

the process of "packing up the Depot."

A big thank you to **Mario Ayala** for taking "stuff" to Harlow House and the Barn. Also, a really big thank you to **Laura and Martin Burlus** at Troutdale House by the Sandy River who will open their building up for us on the day of construction for meals, shelter and a central location for the local media.

AND, speaking of computers! We have been notified by Albertson's that is time to renew our community Partner Cards. The problem is, that it has to be done online. Please, please, please call the office if you do not have a computer to do it

I hesitate to say Spring has sprung because they are saying we might have more snow over the weekend. Enough is ENOUGH!

This is an incredibly exciting time here at THS. With the Hampton project looming in the near future, Home Depot has jumped in clear to their chest waders. They are going to contribute a lot of the work, the product and manpower for our Depot Museum restoration before Hampton even gets here.

The project, of course, has to go through the City's planning commission process, so time is a luxury

we do not have. It will be absolutely breathtaking when finished and much more in keeping with the time period. The office and store area will be more 'depot era' instead of "mid 70's police department."

We are planning a gala event for First Friday on June 5 to show off our beautiful newly remodeled Depot Museum and store and to welcome our new members.

The All-Lancer Reunion for Reynolds High School that is being planned for this summer is taking shape. There will be a meet 'n greet at Wink's Pub in Troutdale on Friday, July 31st from

6-10 p.m. There is a family friendly all-day event at the original high school the following day, August 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The final event will be a sock hop in the Gym at Mt. Hood Community College with a happy hour from 7-8 p.m. and music by Ron Royce and the Cheetahs (with special surprise appearances) from 8-11 p.m. Cost for the sock hop is \$15 per person. Classmates can register for the reunion at the website listed below and/or mail their checks to Reynolds Lancer Reunion PO Box 1331 Fairview, OR 97024.

The reunion committee is having a silent

auction at McMenamins Edgefield on March 28th in Blackberry hall at 7:00 p.m. They are seeking donation items for the auction. The proceeds will be going to an ongoing scholarship fund for Reynolds graduates to attend Mt. Hood Community College. Anyone wishing to attend the auction should call Jay at 503-705-6116, Randy at 503-201-8650 or Terry at 503-810-0386. Space is limited.

I have no idea how much construction will be going on in the Depot by the first part of April, so please mark your calendars for Sharon's oral history at City Hall on April 19th.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Terry

www.reynoldslancerreunion.com

Welcome New Members!!!

Jim & Lorine Snyder
Nancy Wolf
Ray & Karen Zakrzewski
Arthur & Anne Kracke
Wilma Konkell
Richard & Rosa Housman
Mike & Pauline Morrow
Vera Grassman
Jim & Nina Kight

**Congratulations to
Cathy Peetz and
Margaret (Stone) Maggy
for winning the photo contest at the
February Program
Meeting!**

Welcome Paul!

We wish to welcome Paul Thalsofer to our Board of Directors!

Thanks, Paul for your many years of service and dedication to the City of Troutdale and your willingness to help us at THS!

Thank you for donations to the operating fund!

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Welcome to THS!

Come by the Depot and meet our new office assistant, Christine. She comes to us from the Easter Seals program and is delighted to join the THS team.



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 To stimulate interest in, and knowledge of, the locality's past.

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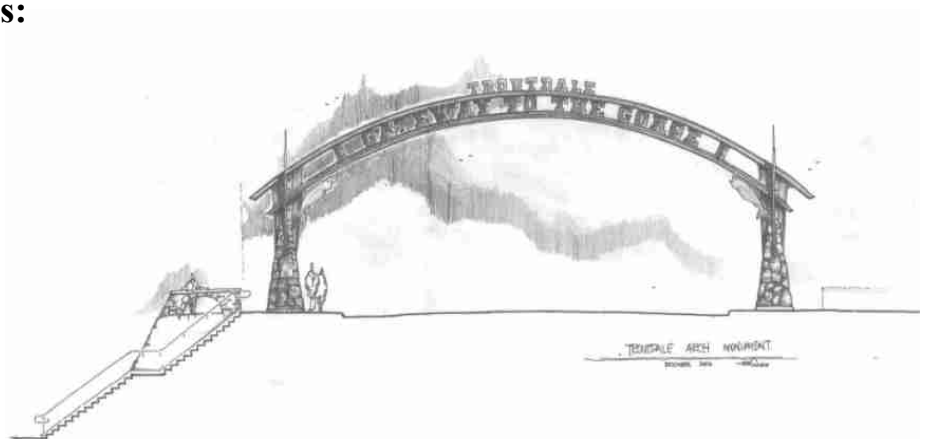
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It is not too late to get your name on the Arch at the \$1,000 level or higher. The deadline has been