

INDIAN JOHN...

East County's best-known Indian will be the subject of our program Monday, November 15, 7:30 p.m. in the Troutdale City Hall.

In addition to her recollections of Indian John, Isobel Zimmerman, granddaughter of Jacob Zimmerman who came here in 1851, will talk of Wilkes area pioneers. She will be joined by Minifred Anderson who has researched the story of John from family scrapbooks. Three photos of John obtained from the Oregon Historical Society will be displayed.

We have invited members of the newly formed Gresham Historical Society to join us.

FOR YOU: CONSIDERATION...

At last month's meeting President Sam Cox presented cost estimates for the addition of 20 feet to the east end of our museum building for the purpose of housing big items such as our antique fire equipment.

A concrete block addition, without insulating construction and foundation, will cost \$9,150. We have about \$100 earmarked for construction, most of it in memorial funds given in the name of Dick Inman. The question to put to the membership is whether we should begin construction at this time.

Treasurer Ted Schulte reported we have barely enough money to cover the cost of the estimate. However, our treasury would be left with insufficient funds to cover our normal operating costs. We would have to ask for building fund donations and plan on some additional fundraising activities.

The decision has been delayed a month to give our entire membership a chance to study the matter and be prepared to vote November 15. Please give it your serious consideration. If you can't be at our November meeting, we would welcome a letter or phone call expressing your opinion.

A REAL COVER-UP...

The male mannequins in the museum have some clothes. The smaller one has been dressed as a school girl in a dress given by Allegre Dailcy. The other is now garbed in underwear and an 1888 serwet with bamboo stays, donated by Dorothy Block.

It only took our people to get the correct on the mannequin at the October meeting. Oddly enough, the men seemed to have more about how to do it than the woman.

Mary Jane Paul, a resident of the area, has donated some old clothing including a long, black "every day" shirt--the type worn with a shirtwaist. Does anyone have a shirtwaist?

DEPOT DUE PAINT...

Women in Construction, headed by Troutdale resident Lynne Golliglee, have volunteered both paint and labor for the exterior of the Troutdale train depot. If weather permits they plan to start painting Saturday, Nov. 13, 9 a.m. and would welcome any help they can get.

Depot colors will be rustic red with off-white trim. The organization has also volunteered help with the electrical work.

The day isn't far off when we can begin setting up a railroad display in the station agent's office. We hope to recreate as closely as possible the original office as shown in a photo loaned by Marjorie Hutches. The depot definitely needs a spittoon, a telegrapher's lay and, if possible, the old levers for handslabbing rails.

HISTORIAN HONORED...

Historian Sharon Mosbit was presented a handsome attache case by the Board of Directors at the last meeting. It bears an engraved plaque of appreciation.

Apparently the directors wired at saving the historic struggle into the city hall in a high east wind trying to hold down a stack of papers.

IN MEMORIAM...

We extend our sympathy to Evelyn Loupers. Her husband, Julius Lempert, died several weeks ago.

GRESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

To: Member or Prospective Member
From: Jim Chase, Pres.

Thank you for the interest you are showing by your attendance at our meetings. I am sure that all of the Officers and Directors elected at our last meeting appreciate your confidence in their ability to make this a successful and educational organization.

This letter is a personal invitation to attend the Troutdale Historical Society meeting next Monday evening, Nov. 15 at 7:30 P.M. in the Troutdale City Hall. Enclosed is a copy of their newsletter indicating a very interesting program and evening for all. I hope you will take this opportunity to visit with our neighbors to the east and show them that Gresham is sincerely interested in preserving the history of our area.

With the cooperation that you, and others in the Community have shown by your interest in this organization, I am confident that this will be a fruitful and interesting year for the Society.

Sincerely,



Jim Chase