

APRIL, 1977

GRESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Gresham Historical Society will hold its regular meeting on Monday, April 11, 1977, in the Court Room above the Senior Adult Center. The Director's Meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., followed by the General Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Our guest speaker will be E.L. (Roy) Meyers, an authority on Oregon history. Almost 94 years old, he has lived in Oregon since March of 1907. He has known many prominent Oregonians throughout the State. Mr. Meyers served on the Oregon Centennial Commission, is a past president of the Clackamas Historical Society and an honorary member of the Oregon Historical Society. He has spoken over 100 times throughout the State on early Oregon history, and has written several booklets, pamphlets, and articles for Oregon newspapers.

We are still searching for a home for our Historical Society museum. Two houses are of special interest thus far and will be discussed at our meeting Monday evening. One is the John Robert's house, built in 1865, on Powell Blvd. Thus far, this seems to be the oldest home in Gresham. If anyone knows of an other residence, please let us know! The second home, which has been donated to the Society, is the Geiese homestead cabin.

Historical Society membership cards are being typed presently, and will be available on our meeting night either this month or at our May meeting. To date, we have 94 members in the Gresham Historical Society.

Since we are an Historical Society, and most of us probably belong because we are interested in learning about and preserving Gresham's past, I would like to print a short historical note or article in each month's newsletter. Do you have a story of interest dealing with people, events, or places in this area you would care to share with us? If so, please contact Kathy Dunbar, 366-8267 (23560 SE Oak, Troutdale, Ore. 97060).