

St. Boniface Archives Record, 2013

Community Archives & Museum, Sublimity, Oregon

Published weekly by Henry Strobel, editor, and Charlene Pierce, recorder, on sublimityhistory.net
Meetings are **Tuesdays at 10:00am** in the old convent building opposite the church. Visitors are normally welcome from **9:00am to noon Tuesdays**. Call 503 769-5381 if you need an appointment.

Dec. 31, 2013 (New Year's eve, no meeting)

Dec. 24, 2013 (Christmas eve, no meeting)

Dec 17, 2013

Attending: Ralph Fischer, Vangie and Fred Ripp, Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Carol Zolkoske, Susan Strobel, Henry Strobel Jr

The Christmas table was amply provided by Vangie Ripp and Henry Strobel.

Susan Strobel graciously and artistically awakened our 143 year old Bradbury-Steinway square grand piano, a worthy complement to her lovely voice. The piano was a gift of the Ditter family.

Ralph Fischer has done a wonderful job of family research which includes many of the early settlers in the Sublimity area. He is generously providing us a complete copy of this massive material. Thank you, Ralph!

Note: There will understandably be no meeting next Tuesday, Christmas Eve. Merry Christmas, everyone!

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Dec. 10, 2013

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks

The attendants were regular and few. Temperatures in the teens. Broken pipes and car crunches. Yes. Charlene was traveling back from her vacation in California and reports:

"I'm back in town after a terrible drive back north. We narrowly and quite miraculously missed being clobbered by a semi truck that was jack-knifing all over the road behind us. He was also traveling north. At one point his trailer was sideways, blocking both lanes. Have to give the driver credit, though, as he managed to get everything under control by speeding up and passing us on the left. The trailer straightened out just in time. This was just north of Ashland.....the Siskiyou Pass was actually mostly clear road."



**Christmas Party Meeting
Tuesday, December 17**

**10-11 am suggested but
early or late is OK too.**

If you go to <http://www.sublimityhistory.net> and look under the MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS heading you will see two fine photographs titled "Bean Pickers 1933" and "Photo of Confirmation Class 1937."

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Dec. 3, 2013

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Henry Strobel, Sally Brandoff, Ted Shepard and Ray Heuberger

We thoroughly enjoyed the extent and enthusiasm of Sally's storytelling!

[Editor's note: Our web site is always being revised and added to. Here are some new articles that you may enjoy.

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/whiteaker.pdf>

"Where was Whiteaker? When was Whiteaker?"

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/old-offbeat.pdf>

"Old and Offbeat" from turn of the century newspapers. Did you know that Fr. Lainck apparently had to do road work for failing to pay his poll tax?

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/bruno.pdf>

Did you know that Bruno Boedigheimer, Vera's husband's grandfather, owned Salem's largest livery stable, as well as giving the Angelus bell to the Sisters of St. Mary at Beaverton, which included his daughter, Sr. Cecelia?

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/whitney-1.pdf>

Life of Stayton pioneer businessman Uriah Whitney

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/hobson-1.pdf>

Life of Sublimity/Stayton pioneer W. H. Hobson. You knew that the hilltop Hobson-Whitney cemetery east of Sublimity was named for these last two gentlemen, of course.]

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Nov. 26, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Henry Strobel, and Charlene Pierce.

Special guests were Ted Shepard of the Aumsville Historical Society, Ray Palmer of Sheridan, Oregon, and Ralph Fisher of Sublimity who came looking for information on relatives, the Porter, Downing, and Reed families.

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Nov. 19, 2013

Attending: Evangeline Ripp, Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Charlene Pierce, Henry Strobel, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

We had a "working" meeting, not a regular business meeting, so no minutes today.

[Sad news to report of our beloved friend and longtime staff member Rita, from *Stayton Events*:

Rita C. Young , June 24, 1920 – November 21, 2013

Sublimity – Rita, 93, died November 21 in Sublimity. She was born in Sublimity and lived here all of her life, for over 60 years in the same house. Rita worked as an assistant post master for over 25 years for the United States Postal Service. She was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters, St. Jude's Circle, Sublimity Quilters and Sublimity Archives. Rita volunteered for many years at the Stayton Food Bank and enjoyed helping people. She loved quilting, cooking, especially pastries, was a wonderful historian and role model . . .

Mass of Christian Burial will be Tuesday, November 26 at 11:00 am at St. Boniface Catholic Church in

Sublimity, where she was a member all her life.

[Editor's note: Henry has a newer computer available for the office if we would like to upgrade.

He has also copied short biographies to the web site for Paul Darst, Henry Clay Porter, Richardsons, and Abner Davis Gardner. *Much* easier to find and read them there than in the original publications.

Hint:

<http://www.sublimityhistory.net> then control-f, type Paul Darst, etc.]

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Nov. 12, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Evangeline Ripp, Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Charlene Pierce, Henry Strobel, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

Francis Hendricks made the appropriate contact for those of us who wished to see the remaining Sublimity College blackboard. Thank you, Francis.

Present board and committee members

(On November 12, 2003, we decided to no longer use titles, i.e. President and Archivist, Docent and Secretary, Historian and Ambassador, Computer Services and Genealogist, Treasurer, Coordinator and Web Editor.)

This represents a return to our roots, recognizing that our work is not so easily compartmentalized. We all do many things, what we like and are good at, but mostly what needs to be done, as making coffee, etc.

We are still the same people: (alphabetically) Francis Hendricks, Dr. Raymond Heuberger, Charlene Pierce, Donald Porter, Evangeline Ripp, Fred Ripp, Joe Spenner, Henry Strobel, George Susbauer, Carol Zolkoske

Carol Zolkoske met with twenty women at the Beta Sigma Phi meeting in Sublimity. This is a service and social sorority. Carol talked about the history of Sublimity.

On a separate topic, Carol is interested to learn more about the history of the Jordan church, in particular, information about it's huge altar. The church was built in 1926 and was apparently built specifically to accommodate the altar from the old Oregon City church, which had been originally intended to go to Silverton until it was discovered that it would not fit into that church. Anyone with more information on this move or the altar itself please contact Carol, carolz@wvi.com.

[Editor's note: Browsing some old newspapers yesterday I happened on this article in the *Daily Capitol Journal*, June 17, 1916. If you're a senior Sublimate you'll recognize many of the names.

Closing Exercises of Sublimity Schools

That the closing exercises of the Sublimity schools are always interesting, is a fact well known to a large portion of this paper's readers. but the exercises closing the school for this year held in the C. F. hall Sunday, were, in the opinion of the writer, ahead of any we have attended for some time. The fact that there were eighteen graduates in the class, and that one of them had the highest rating of any of the 8th grade graduates in the county, while another stood third in the list, gave added interest to the occasion.

The hall was packed to overflowing with interested parents, friends and spectators, all enjoying to the fullest the extensive program.

Orchestra music was furnished by Messrs. Heuberger and Susbauer and Miss Doerfler. There was the

usual number of songs, recitations, etc., all pleasing and well rendered. "There Was a Little Girl," an operetta was an amusing affair, which taught a lesson. It was well given by the children. Recitations by John Susbauer and Miss Hermens showed careful training on the part of the instructors. and were both well received by the audience. The song by the High school class, "Come where the Lillies Bloom," was given in an excellent manner, and received an encore. The drama "Where Pride Led," was of especial interest. It was composed and dramatized by Miss Florence Denny, a member of the class, who excellently took the part of Mrs. O'Donnell, an Irish lady. Sim Etzel, Mr. Couldhe, and Angeline Hermens, as Mrs. Couldbe, the parents of a large family, carried their parts well. Miss Prange as Claire, the eldest daughter, whom pride led to blame the breaking of a dish on a little sister, and who afterwards acknowledged her fault and was forgiven, did extremely well in her part. All others in the play had their parts well learned and gave an exhibition that would be a credit to older and more experienced persons.

The song, "Roses," by members of the 8th grade class, was given in a very pleasing manner. Henry Steinkamp, valedictorian, gave his address in poetical form. It was full of good thought and well presented.

Hon. E. F. Carlton, assistant superintendent, gave an interesting and instructive address, impressing upon the graduates the value of "Service" in making their way through life.

County superintendent Smith followed with a brief address, congratulating the people of Sublimity on the excellence of their schools, and the teachers on the good work accomplished. He then distributed the diplomas and presented Miss Ida Koenig with a medal won in the county spelling contest. Rev. Father Lainck thanked the visitors for their presence, congratulated the parents on the excellent showing of the schools and encouraged them to join their efforts with those of the teachers, that the schools of Sublimity may continue to rank first among those of the county. --- *Stayton Standard.*]

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Nov. 5, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Charlene Pierce, and Henry Strobel

Henry read and amplified on two key articles on our web site that clearly state our beginnings and mission. The first was "Who are we?" <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/staff.pdf>

The second was a 2009 article by Clarice Keating in the *Sentinel*: "*The future of Sublimity's history is here,*" <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/futureofsublimityshistory.pdf>

We had grown very fast from starting in 2006, and today our web site has a size of 800Mb in 3,000 items. But writing the history down is not the only yardstick. A better one may be the services we provide the community, here and away. In the light of the past we discussed plans for the future.

Vangie had noted previously that we need not necessarily have a business meeting every Tuesday, and thus leave more time for catching up with routine work. This concern has been addressed in the November 9 revision of the proposed Procedures Manual thus:

"Open Hours: The office, archives, and displays are normally (not guaranteed) open to all on every Tuesday from 9:00am to noon. Free, no appointment needed. Members often use this time for project work, computer entry, filing, research, coffee and donuts, reminiscing, etc. - and of course welcoming and accommodating visitors.

Business meetings need not be held every week. They are called as needed by the president, who presides according to "informal" rules of order. The starting time of business meetings, when held, is normally 10:00 am sharp, so that members who are present then can be sure to not miss a meeting.

Our weekly newsletter, the *Archives Record*, is published on our web site, <http://www.sublimityhistory.net> A current copy is always open to review in the office. It contains two elements: The *minutes* of the last business meeting, including old and new business, and/or the current *news* section containing overlooked or upcoming items or editor's notes. Its tone is informal,

and may include additional items as suggested by others. ”

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October 29, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Charlene Pierce, Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks.

[Editor's note 1: Does that make a quorum? Just kidding – we were not voting on anything – no need to check the procedures manual! Fred and Vangie Ripp and Carol Zolkoske had schedule conflicts.]

[Editor's note 2: When I recently posted a photo of the late Vera Boedigheimer with a door from Sublimity College and suggested that it might be the last remaining piece of the building, I really had not forgotten this from *The Archives Record* of Jan. 13, 2013. Thanks for reminding me, Francis.

“The archives received a photo from Tracy Duerst of a blackboard that is part of a wall in the nearby John Duerst barn, built about 1891. It reads, approximately, “Blackboard from Sublimity Institute founded in 1867 by [Dr. Jeremiah Kenoyer], first president [Rev.] Milton Wright father of the famous aeronauts Orville and Wilbur Wright.”

Francis Hendricks will arrange an appointment to see the relic. Charlene and I will bring our cameras.]

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October 22, 2013

Attending: Henry Strobel, Fred Ripp, Vangie Ripp. Francis Hendricks, Ray Heuberger, Charlene Pierce, Don Porter

Most of the official 10 am meeting was spent with Henry reviewing and discussing the latest version of the proposed Procedures Manual for our organization. No changes or objections were heard. For your convenience click here to read the final polished document:

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/archives-procedures.pdf>

You might also be interested to read the history and current status of our organization here:

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/staff.pdf> (This is also linked in procedures.)]

[Note from Charlene Pierce: Vangie reported that she had visited with Catherine Busch at the Marian Estates (she was a Steinkamp) and expects more family history from her.

Roderick Marling was a guest at the museum today. He is relatively new in the Stayton community and was looking for more information on the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Stayton. In particular, he was interested in the history and the stained-glass windows and was directed to the Sublimity Archives. It was suggested that he contact Carol Zolkoske who is our “walking encyclopedia” of history.” Charlene Pierce also sent him an email with a history of the Stayton church.

Henry Strobel showed traffic statistics for our web site. It's hard to interpret these except that we are getting a **lot** of views from a **lot** of countries! Henry then led a discussion on our organization's procedures. Vangie also suggested that we don't need a “business” meeting every week and so this will be a continuing discussion of future meetings.]

[Editor's note: As you probably know, The **Archives Record** is our weekly newsletter, which has two components. The first is the minutes of the last meeting, followed by any additional news/notes.]

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October 15, 2013

Attending: Henry Strobel, Fred Ripp, Vangie Ripp. Francis Hendricks, Ray Heuberger

[Editor's note: We did not have a recorder in attendance today, but It was a very good meeting, mostly on the subject of organizational communications.

Henry Strobel has been working on a draft of our new Procedures Manual, which you can read at <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/archives-procedures.pdf>]

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October 8, 2013 by Carol Zolkoske for absent Charlene Pierce

Attending: Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske, Fred Ripp, Vangie Ripp. Don Porter, Francis Hendricks

*Henry read last week's minutes.

*Henry had 1000 placemats made and donated for the Parish Dinner Oct 13. The archives displayed small photos of past parishioners on the tables. The archives will be open during dinner hours. Please stop by.

*Henry made a copy of a photo of the church dedication in 1889 to be put on the website. The photo shows five windows on one side. It also shows two chimneys. The photo was donated by Ray Heuberger.

*Henry bought a large tablet for presentations at meetings.

*Carol gave a presentation to a women's sorority. It was well received. She gave out copies of our historic Sublimity place mats and our business cards.

* Charlene is going to take over the computer work that Vangie has been doing since the archives opened. Thank you Vangie for all the time and hard work.

[Editor's note 1: This last was apparently decided at a different, private meeting.]

[Editor's note 2: Henry discussed these points:

Tablet for presentations

Annual chicken dinner: placemats, framed photos, sign, possible Gerspacher, piano presentations

Old business reports (Jordan altar, historic cemetery status, spinning wheel)

Presentation of book *Diaries, 1857-1917* by Bishop Milton Wright, founder of Sublimity College Catholic Sentinel]

[Editor's note 3: The earliest photo of St. Boniface Church in Sublimity, Oregon at its dedication in Sept. 1889. The 1908 rear extension is of course not shown. Note the twin stove chimneys and the upper sashes of the windows lowered for ventilation. A man and a child can be seen in the choir loft through the rightmost window. Go to <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/earliest-photo.jpg> and click on the photo to magnify it; explore the congregation! This was also emailed to our list.]

[Editor's note 4: Here are some brief excerpts from part of this week's web site email:

Henry,

Thank you! I really Really REALLY ... enjoy your website! So much history! I even found some family history! I love that in the Servicemen Bulletin it has an article written by my Uncle, Lt. William A. Lambrecht!! He's my mom, Dorothy A. (Lambrecht) Minton's brother. All of her family is gone now and it is up to our generation to keep the past alive. I am researching and looking for whatever I can find. Thank you for what you have provided!!

Sincerely, Irene (Minten) Jackson

Great picture, Henry! Thanks for sharing! Interesting to see the 2 people in that window! (Betty Young)

I have read them all. They were great! Yes I have been reading your web site. A lot of information there. You have been a busy man. Lana (Schindler)

Thanks, Henry, for the work you've done! I've downloaded the files and hope to get a look at them by tonight. ~Charlene (Pierce)

*Hi Henry,
I would like to be on the newsletter (e)mailing list!
kyliep@willametteheritage.org.
Thanks,
Kylie (Pine)]*

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October 1, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske and Ray Heuberger

Mary Jo Tully, chancellor of the Archdiocese of Portland (Oregon) and *Catholic Sentinel* columnist emailed Henry "This is absolutely wonderful! Thank you for sharing." He had sent a bulk mailing of the *Archives Record* and our web site address. He is also pleased to report that no one asked to be removed from the list!

Henry is developing a proposed "Standard Operating Procedures" for the Archives and is emailing this out to committee members for input and discussion. He said he would like a white board for "chalk talks." Since wall space is limited, it could be put up or down, as needed.

Ray Heuberger says that the parish could use maybe 1,200 of our placemats for the annual St. Boniface church chicken dinner on October 13. Ray also gave us an original photograph of the dedication of the St. Boniface Church, with the 1889 date on the back. We supply these annually. They are printed both sides with local historical material and Archives & Museum "propaganda." Carol Zolkoske said that her local radio station, KPIK, would also advertise the event.

Ray had more interesting stories to tell about Butte, Montana, mentioning the seven Catholic Churches there. A lot of Irish and Italian immigrants had settled in Butte, most for the copper mines

Carol Zolkoske will be giving a talk on Stayton, Oregon history to a sorority October 2 and another on November 10.

[Late news: Your editor has just received his copy of the massive 850 page (very fine print) book *Diaries, 1857-1917* by Bishop Milton Wright, founder of Sublimity College. He has excerpted a modest five pages, which are now under the SUBLIMITY COLLEGE heading on our web site. You will want to read at least this much, and will be surprised to see how many of the names you recognize.]

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September 24, 2013 for Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Donald Porter, Francis Hendricks, Charlene and Carol excused

Henry Strobel had good news to report in several areas:

1. Our listing with the Oregon Museums Association, which had accidentally disappeared during their web site redesign earlier this year, has been restored.

<http://www.oregonmuseums.org/Content/Members/MemberPublicProfile.aspx?pagelid=1601338&memberId=10113369>

2. A publishing agreement was made per the following:

“Dear Mr. Strobel,

. . . Thank you very much for your approval. Here are the specifics:

I am preparing a book manuscript for Dr. Michael L. Tate, Professor of History and Native American Studies at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. I have requested your permission to reprint the following material:

William Porter to Dear Father, Mother, Brothers and Sisters, June 24, 1848.

The item will appear in a book series by Dr. Tate, titled *The Great Medicine Road: Narratives of the California, Oregon, and Mormon Trails, 1840-1869*, in Volume 1, *That Restless Eager Enterprise, 1840 to 1848*. It will be published by the University of Oklahoma Press, a nonprofit division of the University of Oklahoma.

. . . Please note that we already have an accurate transcription of the material and we are only requesting permission to reproduce it with newly edited commentary.

I will make a note to send you a copy of the published book. You've been very helpful!

Thank you,
Kerin Tate”

3. We made a small mass emailing of last week's *Archives Record* along with our web site link. We rarely do this but were gratified to receive some very positive responses and that no one requested to be removed from the list. Note that this current weekly “newsletter” or any from the past six and a half years can be read at <http://sublimityhistory.net> (Scroll down a page.)

We ended with a discussion of future contingency plans for the organization, including a review of holdings and storage.

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September 17, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Don Porter, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, and visitors, Rick Netter and two friends, Stefani and Michael, all from the Portland area, Ray Heuberger and George Gerspacher.

Guest Rick Netter has a special interest in Milton Wright, head of Sublimity College in the 1850s, and had a lengthy and spirited conversation with Vangie Ripp. He mentioned he had been reading *Diaries, 1857-1917* by Milton Wright. It is kept with the Wright Brothers material in the Wright State University collection, mostly dealing with the history of early aviation. I could find the *contents* of Milton's diaries nowhere on the internet, but Amazon.com has plenty of used copies at \$32.50. Henry has ordered one, but doesn't expect to find many new stories about the early Sublimity days. See Sublimity College at <http://www.sublimityhistory.net>



Vangie received a phone call from Kay Williams about Miles Winchester who had lived in the Waldo Hills area. Miles' wife had a connection to the Denny family. Miles had apparently committed suicide in 1857, by hanging himself. In 1848 Miles had made a “great wheel,” (a large spinning wheel now in Kay's possession), for Mrs. R.C. Geer, also in the Waldo Hills area. Mr. Geer had been an acting Captain in the Battle of Abiqua.

Ray Heuberger came by with another copy of *These Valiant Women*. He did learn something from

reading it - that his great-great grandfather, John Heuberger Sr. had come to Oregon in 1889. He "presented the image of a successful cattle rancher. In the prime of life, fifty-one in years when he arrived, he carried his sturdy frame like a soldier. He held his head high, and his eyes, beneath dark bushy brows, gazed serenely about, always in control and always alert."

Ray also told a true tale from memories of Butte, Montana. A woman born in 1907 had earned herself the nickname of, "Dirty Mouth" Jean Sorenson. She ran the Stockman Bar for 30 years in Butte, and was sent to jail for killing one of her patrons. She died in July of 1986.

George Gerspacher talked of his brother, Tony, possibly showing some photographs of the building of the convent (which now houses our organization), the Marion Home construction and possibly some logging pictures. His brothers, Tony, Matt, and possibly Joe, had helped build the convent. It seemed that a likely time for this viewing might be at the St. Boniface Chicken Dinner in October.

Editor's note: We have been adding to the Stayton section on the web site. See these particularly pleasant new reads here under STAYTON, SISTER CITY OF SUBLIMITY:

The Hobson-Gehlen building in Stayton, Oregon Nomination (accepted) for the **National Register of Historic Places** *Excerpts for readability and interest. Fascinating for it's Stayton history as well as architectural details.* [See inside this building!]

and

The ***History of Stayton*** by Mathilda Siegmund-Jones 1955; The classic and the best.

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September 10, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce

Henry received an email asking for permission to reprint an 1848 letter written by William Porter to his father, David Porter in Pike County, Illinois, while William was enroute to Oregon at the "Crossing of the North Fork of Platte, June 24, 1848.

" . . . The author seeking the image is Dr. Michael L. Tate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha. He is writing a series of books on the Oregon, California, and Mormon Trails for the University of Oklahoma Press. He would like to reprint the letter in its entirety, along with newly edited commentary of his own."

William Porter is the great-great grandfather of our member Donald Porter. Don explained that William's brother, Stephen, settled in the Stayton area, having over 600 acres. William and Stephen moved out of Missouri because of slavery in that state. The letter that William wrote goes into quite interesting detail on wagon train logistics and repairs, such as replacing a steel tire on the trail, among other things. You can read this letter at <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/porter-letter.pdf>

Don Porter had been given a carbon copy of Mary E. Porter's typed transcription of the original, which he had given us permission to publish on our web site. He also had given the Archives & Museum a bound volume, about an inch thick, of "*A Family History, William Porter, Jr., of, Rockbridge County, Virginia, 1740-1804, Mary E. Porter,*" which is genealogy, followed by an appendix containing, among other things, the *Diary of William Porter*, and the 1848 letter home in question here. This volume was privately printed by Mary E. Porter, El Reno, Oklahoma, reprinted 2001, "Copyright 1984 Mary E. Porter." It seems Mary E. Porter died ca 1983 and is buried in the El Reno Cemetery, Canadian County, Oklahoma.

Charlene brought in a handsome photo of the Zielinski family in a 1916 or 1917 Buick and has added that scanned photo to the library.

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September 3, 2013 for Charlene Pierce

Attending: Evangeline Ripp and Fred Ripp, Mary and Dick Heater, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske, Francis Hendricks

We were presented with a windfall of historical material on the Boedigheimer family by Margie Whisenhunt and Phyllis McGill, daughters of Peter Boedigheimer. This will complement the material left us by the late Vera Boedigheimer, one of our founders. Much of the meeting was spent poring through this material.

The Oregon Catholic Historical Society has announced its Fall Event and annual meeting to be held at the Marylhurst Heritage Center in Lake Oswego, Oregon.

www.holynamesheritagecenter.org

www.oregoncatholichistoricalsociety.weebly.com

The presentation: *Marie (Iowa) Dorion Venier Toupin* by Connie Lensen.

Summary: Marie Dorion Venier Toupin, known as Madame Dorion, was an Iowa Indian, born about 1790 near St. Louis, Missouri. As the first woman to cross the American plains and to settle in the Oregon Territory, she was one of Oregon's earliest pioneers. Her courage and devotion to her children saw her through one of the most harrowing experiences a mother could have; she and her children were lost in the Oregon wilderness during extreme winter conditions.

In the 1840s, Dr. Elijah White, Methodist minister and Oregon Indian Agent, wrote that he was impressed with Marie's "noble and commanding bearing." The French-Canadians called her "Madame Iowa." At her death, she was buried inside the Catholic church at St. Louis, Oregon, one of the highest honors given to an individual. Her present burial place is unknown.

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August 27, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Don Porter, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske

Vangie brought in a white china wash bowl that had come from a very early St. Boniface rectory, before the days of running water. Perhaps Father Werner Ruettimann OSB, pastor used it for his morning ablutions. On the bottom it reads "Ironstone China, J.&G. Meakin, Hanley, England."



Rita Young sent in some very antique doll clothes and crochet work from her family. Thank you, Rita!

There was a discussion about getting the St. Boniface (Holy Angels) cemetery in Sublimity onto the *Oregon Historic Cemeteries List*. Also details of how the wonderful altar in the Jordan Church, happened to come there from Oregon City. Carol Zolkoske is looking into these items and will report.

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August 20, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Don Porter, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske

Francis Hendricks graciously donated much needed printer ink cartridges.
Carol Zolkoske donated a copy of the photo and story of Karl Kreitzer. (See July 30 meeting.)

Henry suggested some agenda items to consider next week:

Status of OMA website (seems we are missing)

Note our three new "What's in the Museum?" photo galleries at <http://www.sublimityhistory.net/>

Review *Oregon Historic Cemeteries List*. Shouldn't St. Boniface be listed? See:

http://www.oregon.gov/oprd/HCD/OCHC/pages/cemetery_survey_info.aspx

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August 13, for Charlene Pierce

Attending: Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Dolores Morris

It was a small meeting, with three principal officers excused.

Dolores Morris left a large group photograph with hopes of identification. She is only sure that it is of the Ditter or Rohwein families. She will return next meeting with a quantity of historical material to donate to the Archives. Thank you, Dolores.

The Ripps and the Archives received thank you notes from Patricia Gilsdorf Brost of Portland and Jo and Lanny Fredricks of central Oregon for the services and web publications we provide. You are welcome – it is our pleasure!

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Aug. 6, 2013, submitted by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Don Porter, Mary and Dick Heater, and guests, Linda Wiley and Lana Schindler.

Regarding the notices of our weekly meetings posted on the staytonevents.com website, we will recommend using **sublimityhistory.net** (Archives & Museum website) rather than **saintboniface.net** (Church website) as more direct.

Henry also displayed the map for St. Mary's of the Valley Cemetery, where all the deceased SSMO sisters are listed. They are listed by their "chosen" first names and their family names.

Henry led a discussion about the importance of getting names spelled correctly, not making assumptions. The *Archives Record* is a serious weekly historical source maintained since 2006.

Lana Schindler came to the museum looking for family information and at the same time, shared with us a lot of her own family information. Lana brought in a nice old family album from the Schwindt family. Fred Schwindt's sister is Lana's mother-in-law. (Fred was a board member here for several years.) Lana explained that the Schwindts had lived in Jordan, OR, near the Lulay family, but before that, came from Argentina in 1906. Before moving to South America, they were Germans living in Kamenka (a German - Russian village in the Volga valley) in the late 1890s. Lana had a nice old photo of Joseph and Anna M. Schwindt (top left), taken in Argentina in 1906, with their first four children, Betty, Peter, Mary, and Barbara (shown). Later, nine more children were born into the family, Joseph, John, Michael, Julia, Rose, Frances, Louis, Fred, and Clarence.



Linda Wiley also came to the museum seeking information about John Rice, who had lived for a brief time in the Fern Ridge area. He had bought property from a man named "Church." The Donation Land Claim may have been in Church's name? The property was near or connected to land owned by the Phillips family. John Rice was in the Fern Ridge area in 1869, but left by 1880, having lived in an old Victorian house on the property. Linda said that he had tried growing wheat on the land.

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July 30, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Don Porter and guests, George Gerspacher, Marilyn and George Morrison and Bud Albus

On last Friday, the 26th of July, Vangie met, at the Archives, with Kathy Gilsdorf Walsh of North Bend, OR and Pat and Patty Gilsdorf Brost of Portland. Kathy and Patty had 3 aunts that were Sisters of St. Mary's of Oregon (SSMO). They were looking for information on these aunts, Sister Lucy, Sister Alfreda, and Sister Zita, because they had taught school here many years ago. The Gilsdorf family had lived between Shaw and Aumsville.

Marilyn and George Morrison are from Camas, WA. Marilyn's uncle, Wilfred "Bud" Albus, is from Stayton. Bud is 85 years old, August 9th and talked about connections to other families. We talked about how the Highberger, Ditter, Forrette, and Becker families are also connected to the Albus family. Bud's father was Fred Henry Albus, who was married to Edith Highberger.

Joyce Phaneuf stopped by briefly for a quick chat and some nice doughnuts. She also gave us a framed photo of St. Boniface church Deacon Donald Trigg (Mar. 1921 – Feb. 2002).

Carol Zolkoske has been bringing current Stayton Mail papers for the Archives and this week, she also brought in a 1947 photo and story of the Kreitzer-Jensen family dry goods store. It had it's beginnings with Karl Kreitzer's Service Station in Stayton. The Station was on Third St., where the Stayton Hotel used to stand. Carol will later give us copies of the story and photo. This led to more discussion about the various businesses that used to be in Stayton. Carol Smith had a store where the *Our Town* paper is now. And Hagen's Clothing was where the Covered Bridge Restaurant is now.

Carol Zolkoske also talked about the great turn-out for the Brown House Open House last Saturday. There were 273 or more who visited.

George Gerspacher came in looking for copies of pictures of his brother, Tony, and the "Tuff Stone" quarry north of Sublimity.

Remembering discussion last week about James Drury, Charlene mentioned that her cousin, Jan Pietrok Jungwirth, had gone to school with a Dennis Drury. Both his parents are gone now, but Dennis said that he did not know if they were related or not to the James Drury of "The Virginian" TV fame. So, we are left still trying to find a connection between James Drury and the Drurys of Stayton.

Eventually we led into another discussion of the rail line that connected parishes and the St. Anthony "chapel cars" that used to tend to the needs of the far-flung Catholic community.

Henry advises that he has added this under MISC ITEMS on our web site:
"Regis grad Travis Lulay continues to impress in the Canadian Football League," *Statesman Journal*, August 3, 2013. Click on
<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/lulay-travis.pdf>

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July 23, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Don Porter

Henry Strobel noted that the wonderful illustrated book *The Country Boy* by Homer Davenport had disappeared from our web site because of a Google Books change. He has replaced it with a better copy from OpenLibrary.org. Take a look at
<http://archive.org/stream/countryboystoryo00daverich#page/n0/mode/2up> Most of the publications on our site are directly hosted there but a few like this are linked.

Henry also brought in a copy of a newspaper photo from the *Oregon Statesman of 1911* of the Woolen Mill on the canal in Stayton. Also a brief bio. of Abner Davis Gardner from the *Portrait and biographical record of the Willamette valley, Oregon, containing original sketches of many well known citizens of the past and present*.

He had also contacted SCTC of Stayton regarding the misinformation on their website that stated Nell Stayton was the wife of Charles Stayton, when, in fact, she never married.

Henry Strobel Jr. donated a commemorative/keepsake edition from the *Oregon Statesman* covering 1840 to 1990. Carol Zolkoske donated some Stayton Flour Mill pre-printed envelopes from 1930.

There was a discussion about James Drury, who was born in New York, later moving to Salem, Oregon, living on a ranch here, then becoming a Hollywood star in *The Virginian* TV series. His father's name was also James Drury. We were wondering if he is related to the Drury family of Stayton, Oregon? Seems likely, and he is remembered for participating on horseback in a Stayton Bean Festival parade.

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July 16, 2013 Meeting cancelled because of a scheduling conflict.

July 9, 2013

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske,

Our recorder Charlene Pierce was unable to attend so there is not much of a report today. (I do recall that Joyce Phaneuf brought a box of donuts. Thanks!)

There was some discussion of the latest publication on our website www.sublimityhistory.net, *A Personal, Readable History of Stayton* under the heading ESPECIALLY STAYTON. Henry Strobel has since added this note at the top of the history:

Publisher's Note: A copy of this manuscript was passed to Carol Zolkoske of the St. Boniface Community Archives & Museum by a relative of the Gardner family who requested anonymity but asked that it be published after these many decades in the dark. Charlene Pietrok Pierce, also of the Archives & Museum staff, typed the manuscript and Henry Strobel published it on www.sublimityhistory.net in July of 2013. At the same time he compiled the accompanying Stayton and Gardner family trees.

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July 2, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske, Charlene Pierce, Dick Basl and daughter Kara Basl Winkles.

Dick Basl and daughter Kara Basl Winkles guests. Brought us several 8x10 annotated photos of farm work (threshing, combining, etc.) on the Basl family farm about 1952.

We have a unique new item in the Stayton feature on www.sublimityhistory.net

"This is the Stayton history you've never read! Told by family members who were there. See if you can match up the narrators with these Stayton and Gardner family trees. Published here July 2013."

Thanks to Carol Zolkoske for locating the document, to Charlene Pierce for typing the manuscript, and to Henry Strobel for publishing it and preparing the genealogical descendants files.

The Santiam Historical Society and Museum in Stayton, Oregon is thriving under the expert and enthusiastic direction of its president Susan Wallace Masse. The web site is www.santiamhistory.net

She says: ". . . Exciting things are happening at the museum these days. We have cleaned and revamped our displays, and are working hard to index all of our photos, obituaries and other items. Right now we have the newly indexed *Stayton Cooperative Switchboard Association List of Subscribers Dec. 1946*. This covers the entire area, where 18 different phone companies served customers from Mill City to Scio, Aumsville, Sublimity and Stayton.

Have you wondered where your relatives were after WWII? This may locate them for you. Remember, it will be 2022 before the 1950 US Census is released. We are working on indexing the 1912 directory, and we have a 1953 directory on our to-do list.

Everyone is invited to our Society meetings, held on the second Monday of each month at 6:30. After a short business meeting, the program will start about 7:00pm. For June we will be showing the Public Broadcasting video "The American Experience: Road to Statehood, Oregon." This is a free program, although donations are always welcome. Light refreshments will be served after the video,

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June 25, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske,

Charlene Pierce.

Per Francis Hendricks: "The Hendricks family reunion will be held at Anthony Hall, July 5, 6 & 7. The reunion starts Friday, 12 noon, to 11 pm, Sat 8 am to 11 pm & Sunday 8 am to 4 pm. Saturday 10 am they are scheduled to visit St Boniface Catholic Church, Cemetery, and the Archives & Museum..

Vangie reminded us that the Silver Falls Historic Days event will be coming up on July 14 and 15,

Carol Zolkoske may be sending a story to Henry to be placed somewhere more prominently on the website. She has been looking for people who had been born in the Brown House in Stayton when it was hospital. For the full story, see <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/story-by-carol.pdf>

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June 18, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske, Charlene Pierce.

Carol Zolkoske had written up a flyer for the Brown House regarding the Garden Tour on Sunday, June 23, noon to 5 pm. Tickets for the event are \$10 per person, with proceeds going to the Brown House in Stayton. If that's not your style, there's is a vintage car show going on in Aumsville beginning at 2 pm at *Bower's Race and Rod Shop*.

Several people brought in a Statesman Journal article by Keni Sturgeon about the local pioneering Boon Family. The June 16th edition of the Statesman Journal also carried an article on the Hobson-Gehlen General Store. It was built about 1885 by William H. Hobson. It is the oldest wood frame building in Stayton and is now on the National Registry of Historic Places.

Henry demonstrated the excellent free **Porta** photo gallery generator used on our web site.

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June 18, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel and Charlene Pierce.

News item:

Hobson-Gehlen General Store listed in National Register of Historic Places

June 10, 2013

The Hobson-Gehlen General Store in Stayton, Oregon is among Oregon's latest entries in the National Register of Historic Places.

The Hobson-Gehlen General Store is the oldest and only remaining wood-frame commercial building in the city of Stayton, and is important for its long association with the commercial development and activities of that community. The building was constructed ca 1885 by William H. Hobson for use as a general merchandise store. It remained in this use under different ownerships until 1924, after which it housed several auto-related uses and served as a welding shop. The two-story, Italianate building now presents a front-gable roof-line to the street, the typical false-front that it previously displayed having been removed following damage from the 1962 Columbus Day storm. In commercial use again today, the building represents the last remnant of the community's nineteenth century commercial core.

Oregon's State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation recommended the building's nomination in their February 2013 meeting. Over 100 properties in Marion Count are now listed in the National Register, which is maintained by the National Park Service under the authority of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

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June 11, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel and Charlene Pierce.

Henry brought in a newspaper article from the June 6 Statesman Journal about Brig. Julie A. Bentz being honored by Governor Kitzhaber for being the first female brigadier general in the Oregon Army National Guard. Julie is now promoted to Major General. She is the daughter of Ron and Barbara Bentz of Jordan.

Vangie and Fred Ripp had attended the historical fair that was held last weekend at the State Capitol in Salem. They came back with a lot of brochures and pamphlets. One item described a man by the name of Ben Snipes, born in the 1850's who would become a cattle baron in Washington and Oregon. Desiring the opportunities of a new country, and as the tide of emigration was turning toward Oregon, he had found opportunity to cross the plains from Iowa, as assistant to George Humphrey, who had several teams and considerable loose cattle. They were five months in crossing, and entered the Willamette valley at the south end, continuing to Salem, where Ben began "rustling" for self-support. He married Mary A. Parrott from Oregon. Ben died January 12, 1906 in Wasco, WA.

Many thanks to Terry Hendricks for bringing the donuts!

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June 4, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel and guest, Tracy Duerst.

Tracy Duerst of Silverton came to donate a most unusual item: A Victorian human hair mourning wreath nicely preserved in an old shadow box frame. The hair is woven and/or tied in tiny knots, like macrame, into beautiful flower and leaf designs, the most amazing work of art and labor of love. The sculpture originally came from the Joseph and Mary Doerfler home in Silverton, Oregon. A photo in the center of the hair sculpture is of Theresia Heiderer Kloetsch. Tracy's husband, Doug Duerst, is the great-great grandson of Theresia.



It's assumed that the project was in honor of Theresia's tenth and youngest daughter, Wilhelmina, who was born in 1878 and died at a young age of about 11 years, in 1889. It stands to reason that the hair in the box is that of Wilhelmina. Theresia was born in 1839 in Martnau, Bohemian Austria (now Czech Republic). She married Jacob Kloetsch in Virginia, then lived in Wisconsin before coming to Sublimity. She died in 1894 and is buried in the Stayton Cemetery.

Jacob Kloetsch was born in Prussia, coming to the U.S. at age 17. He lived in Wisconsin until 1874 when he brought his family to Oregon, settling on a farm 4 miles east of Stayton. He was married twice, his first wife being Theresia Heiderer. He had 10 children by Theresia, nine of whom survived him. Jacob's second wife was Wilhelmina Kimons, who survived him. Rev. Anthony Lainck of Sublimity officiated with the burial in Lone Oak Cemetery.

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May 28, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Don Porter

Henry Strobel brought in an interesting stoneware mineral water bottle from J. Friedrich, Grosskarben, Frankfurt am Main, Germany, ca. 1875. W. N.10 on the back probably indicates the source of the water. As a boy he found this in the root cellar of his home in Tell City, Indiana.

Charlene Pierce typed hand written notes about the people of Stayton, handed down from the pioneer Gardner family and has downloaded the file to the archives computer. She also downloaded some internet research on the Stayton Gardner's. Also downloaded is a file on the genealogy of the Streff surnames and also a pdf file of the entire book, "Centennial History of Oregon – 1811 – 1912, published in 1912.

There will be a "Preservation Month Fair" on Thursday, May 30, on the north side of Court St., opposite the Salem Capitol building, from 11:00am to 1:00pm. On the same day there will be tours of the Capitol building at noon and 12:30 (meet at the info kiosk inside the Capitol. There will also be a 121 step tour up to the golden pioneer statue atop the capitol building.

More photos have been added to the "What's in the Museum?" gallery to introduce some of the things you would see in the actual museum. Our institution is focused more on history (Archives) than on things (Museum), but things do reflect better the community interest and input. Click on:

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/museum-gallery/album/index.html>

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May 21, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Dick and Mary Heater, Carol Zolkoske, Charlene Pierce, and Ray Heuberger

Henry Strobel has been updating our web site's new members invitation and instruction section. Also photographing more objects for the "What's in the museum?" gallery. Ray Heuberger donated a large ledger from the Gardner's Flour Mill from the year 1898. Also a letter from the Gardner Bros. In Stayton addressed to A.D. Gardner in Stayton, postmarked from Stockton, dated 1804.

Charlene Pierce will be transcribing and typing hand written notes about the people of Stayton, handed down from the Gardner family. There are 67 pages in this group, many with no numbers. Carol Zolkoske would like to achieve a genealogy of the Gardner family. Charlene will do some research on this to contribute. Carol said that Sue Masse of the Santiam Museum may be able to help with this also.

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May 14, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Charlene Pierce, Don Porter, Sharon Barnes, Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, George Gerspacher, Carol Zolkoske

An award is in order for Sharon Barnes who has completed and delivered two large volumes of our newly organized *Servicemen's Bulletins* from 1943 thru 1945. Every bulletin that we had, certainly most of them, was meticulously put into acid-free sleeves and put into binders.

George Gerspacher, together with Dick Jungwirth, is planning a reunion for classes of St. Boniface School Gerspacher gave us a Directory of the 1930 to 1963 St. Boniface Alumni he compiled in 1969.

St. Boniface High School graduated its first class in 1940. See:
<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/1940-yearbook.pdf>

Charlene Pierce will be consulting with Sue Masse, who is cataloging the Santiam Historical Society Museum in Stayton.

Vangie had gathered *Life in the Valley* and *Heritage Oregon* columns from local newspapers. Carol Zolkoske talked about the radio program on FM 88.5 KUZM. Carol mentioned that everyone participated and that it was good PR for the Archives & Museum. She has a recording of the radio show to leave with us. Thanks, Carol, for an amazing job!

Carol also attended a two-day convention in Portland on Historic Preservation. She was particularly impressed with several speakers. One of them was Willie Richardson of the Oregon Northwest Black Pioneers who wants to keep black history alive in Oregon. Another woman has been a volunteer for 22 years in Portland's synagogues. She is organizing their archives, including those of Beth Israel, the first synagogue in Oregon. She has about 20 volunteers helping. Another woman has worked for 15 years to save a pioneer cemetery in Eugene. Next year the convention will meet in Albany, Oregon. There are 5 criteria for the location of the conventions and Albany fits those criteria.

Charlene Pierce has volunteered to type up all the handwritten letters that Carol has borrowed on the Gardner family of Stayton.

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May 7, 2013

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske, Joe Spenner, more?

Charlene was unable to attend, so you are left with the residue in my memory a week later. Actually that's not so bad – if I remember it, it is probably important.

We had a serious technical discussion and demonstrations, the upshot being that we decided to stay with and enhance the *What's in the archives?* text document, our existing inventory record. Sharon Barnes, having just completed her *Servicemen's Bulletin* project, has volunteered to assist Vangie in this cataloging activity.

Here is a (verbatim) email I had sent to the committee, which will serve for background:

“Dear friends,

The last time I wrote you was to say with some exuberance that the Musarch program was working on our computers and an output from it was available on our web page. This was a technical success, but there are problems, and I have taken it off line for the time being. I have spent several days studying and working with it. Enough to make me wonder if this is really the right way for us. I will not go into detail here but can do at our next meeting Tuesday morning. (Tuesday afternoon I will be on the PBS radio KMUZ with Carol Z et al.)

“When you clicked on the web link you got(see attachment test-1)

“If you click on “By Name” and select letter “B,” you will see as in attachment test.png something not very informative. Once you click on one of the books you will find out which book you were clicking on. “Whole lotta clicking going on,” and if you choose “I” you get An ignition key from the Frank Spenner Farm popping up next to the Infant of Prague statue.

“There is no search function. Clicking on keywords would be some help, but there are as yet no keywords. Optimal data entry requires a lot of time and intuition, as I reckon you would agree, Vangie. Also there is only space for a limited number of characters in some of the fields, if I am not mistaken.

"What I'm describing is a static output, one unchanging html page per object. There is another way that dynamically provides answers based on what you type, which is more powerful and complex but requires a rather tricky server setup that I am not at all sure I can make work.

"Do you get the feeling we might be over complicating things without commensurate rewards?

"Maybe before committing on this we should look carefully at our simple old "What's in the Archives?" document. We would need to insert accession numbers, of course. (By the way, we should probably be marking artifacts, family tree folders, and boxes of photos with accession numbers. Maybe we are?)

"I have mentioned this many times, and I think we are more and more taking this approach - rather than listing the individual house keys, mechanical curiosities, say, "Box of interesting hardware items from the Frank Spenner farm." Or, "Box of about 100 Sublimity photos ca. 1910, mostly unidentified, from the Abraham Ziegelgruber [a fabricated name] family." This makes our list of holdings look more respectable and makes cataloging doable. But remember that these "lots" will often contain real gems that need to be singled out as well described individual objects. We in the museum world have to be flexible and perceptive, to distinguish between things that have significance to our area and its history and those that are only old and in the way!

"Another advantage of the existing list is that anyone can read, write, or find things in it by the universal control-f search, and there is always room for how much or how little space is used to describe an object.

"Thanks for letting me ramble. I am always sensitive to how our increasingly public and professional institution looks and works for the outside world.

The afternoon following the meeting those in the photo below met for Virginia Green's *Heritage Oregon* interview about Sublimity history, 1:00 – 2:00pm, FM 88.5 KUZM. They are, left to right: Carrie Adams Corcoran, Sublimity; Sam Brentano, Marion County Commissioner; Carol Zolkoske, Archives; Virginia; and Henry Strobel, St. Boniface Archives. Photo by Thomas Green Jr



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April 30, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske, Joe Spenner, Joyce Phaneuf

Claudia Bentz had lent Vangie Ripp a large lot of old family photos for us to look at. Most were unidentified, but we managed to put names on a few and selected various photos for copying and

retention

We discussed the archiving program, Musarch. Henry has spent considerable time studying it. All the information from Vangie's computer is now on the St. Boniface Archives computer. We expect to finalize our record keeping plans at next week's meeting.

Henry and Carol have been getting nearly daily emails from the Oregon Heritage News List server, hosted by the Oregon State Library. It's very easy for anyone to sign up for this resource. See: <http://listsmart.osl.state.or.us/mailman/listinfo/heritage>

Joyce Phaneuf was kind to bring donuts for the group!

Joe Spenner walked from his apartment at Lakeside in Stayton to the Archives, bringing some items to donate, including a slide rule and micrometer from John Hermens and his (Joe's) graduation diploma from the first graduating class of St. Boniface High School in 1940. To see that yearbook click on: <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/1940-yearbook.pdf>

Sharon Barnes thought that the stories that she has typed from the *Servicemen's Bulletins* would be good to send to the local weekly paper, *Our Town*. The article was accepted but might not be printed until June. These are fascinating. Read them on our web site: www.sublimityhistory.net

A bulletin from the *Oregon Historical Catholic Society* was passed around. It announced the upcoming "Spring Event" focusing on Portland's Catholic Civil War Veterans on June 1, 2013 at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Portland.

Carol Zolkoske got more information on the genealogy of the Stayton family. Carol's son, John, will be scanning information and can bring that on disk or printed copies for next week. Carol informed us that Susan Masse is volunteering at the Santiam Historical Society Museum in Stayton, busy cataloging. For now, the museum is still open only on Saturdays.

Carol and Henry will be on the radio later today on Virginia Green's *Heritage Oregon* interview about Sublimity history, 1:00 – 2:00pm, FM 88.5 KUZM. Next week, Carol will be going to a convention in Portland.

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April 23, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske, Charlene Pierce, Ray Heuberger and Anna Hendricks Wolf (great-great-grand daughter of Mary Trimbor Ditter.)

Ray Heuberger brought in a boxful of St. Boniface High yearbooks from the 1940's, a gift from Brian Schachtsick. Names on the papers are Donna Susbauer, Brian's mother. Also included were a couple of school banners and a letterman's "B" for St. Boniface.

Henry had researched and written an article about the Stayton Ditch for the website (see below). Discussion about the different names ensued. Carol Zolkoske said that Ernst Lau always insisted that the "canal" at the south end of Stayton was a "ditch" because it was only used for agriculture or industry and was not large enough for boat navigation. I think there's general agreement on this, although current maps refer to a "main canal" as the 1857 water power channel to Salem. Henry included an 1895 photo of a Baptist baptism in the Stayton Ditch in Stayton opposite the hotel. It's said that Nettie Jones recalled baptism scenes many times in the late 1800's. There was also discussion about numerous other waterways in the area.

Vangie is continuing work with the Musarch Archives & Museum database program, and has input a

huge amount of data. This will replace the "What's in the Archives?" list. This will mark a significant advance in our program.

There was a discussion about early dentists and doctors in the area. "Doc" Dandy, a veterinarian was a genuine character about whom we could say more but won't. Dr. Pintler was one of the first, if not the first, dentist in Stayton. The extent of their schooling is uncertain, some equipment and a sign being the main requirements in those days.

Vince and Junetta Pietrok remember him and said his office was on Third St. in Stayton. Going south, there was the Police Office and City Hall combined in one building, on the west side of the street. Then there was Dr. Pintler's office on the same side of the street and then the Stayton Ditch. Later, Dr. Dozler set up business as a dentist. First he set up an office on Third St. near where the Napa Auto Parts business is located today. Later he built an office in his yard on Third St. across from a Ford garage. Vince Pietrok said that before volunteering to go into the war, he had a tooth filled by Dr. Dozler that cost \$1.00. Vince says that the \$1.00 filling is still in his mouth. Dr. Dozler's house is no longer there, but the old office remains today. Dr. Dozler wasn't in business very long, as he was "called" to go off to war.

Carol Zolkoske brought email from John Brandt who said that Lee Lau's daughters had come across a document from their father, Ernst. (Ernst Lau's mother was a Gardner). The letter is believed to have been written by A.D. Gardner's daughter, Ethel Gardner in about 1959. Ethel's mother was Minnie Schneider and it's thought that her grandfather was Drury Stayton, founder of Stayton. It's an interesting story regarding the origins of Pioneer Park. A.D. Gardner was a druggist in Stayton. Carol is interested in getting more genealogical information on the Stayton family. This all led to a discussion about the columns that Lee Lau used to write for the *Stayton Mail*. It was titled *This Green and Pleasant Land*, and the dog frequently included was named "Oak."

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April 16, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske, and Charlene Pierce, Ray Heuberger

Sharon Barnes completed her volunteered task of selecting excerpts from the *Servicemen's Bulletins*, typing expertly fifty-five single-spaced pages from poor quality mimeographed pages not suitable for OCR. We are impressed and grateful. The complete (we think) set of *Bulletins*, comprising some thousands of pages will remain in the Archives, but this will provide easily access to representative material, whether from the physical binder or the downloadable copy now on our web site, as shown here. (Yes, the links here are clickable if your computer permits.)

WWII AND THE SERVICEMEN'S BULLETIN

The phenomenal *Servicemen's Bulletin*, May Neitling, Editor; Ed Bell, Publisher 1942-1945 introduced by Henry Strobel <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/servicemens-bulletin-complete.pdf>

The *Servicemen's Bulletin Excerpts*, 1943-1945 Many more servicemen's letters and local news items selected and presented by Sharon Barnes
http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/servicemen's_bulletin_excerpts.pdf

Meanwhile Henry put together a short piece listed on the web as *The Stayton/Salem Ditch and its Many Uses*. <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/stayton-ditch.pdf>

Henry sent out another "mass" email, a report that goes out every once in a while, to interested parties, mostly local, plus some museum professionals, inviting them to visit the Archives & Museum, in person if possible or at the web sites.

Carol had received an email regarding a story written in about 1959 about the Pioneer Park in Stayton. She will give us an update next week.

Vangie Ripp received an email from Sarah Heiman looking for her husband's great-grandmother, buried at St. Boniface. Her name is Catherine Leahey, but goes by Katie. There is a stone with that name and the dates: 1877 – 1912. Any other information? Catherine's husband was John Leahey and their children were Raymond, Mildred, Mary, Michael, Ethyl, and James Patrick.

Vangie also read an email from Keni Sturgeon, curator and director of Willamette Heritage Center at the Mill in Salem regarding the 2014 Heritage Invitational, "Work in the Valley," January 16 through March 15, 2014.

Vangie also mentioned the upcoming Oregon Museums Assoc. (OMA) conference on May 9-10, 2013 in Portland.

George Gerspacher sent a letter regarding the possibility of St. Boniface High alumni having a reunion. The last school reunion was 1969. They are looking for a list of names for each class and names of class officers.

Ray Heuberger said that Ed Zimmerman personally told him that the World War II servicemen departed from the *Bon-ton* cafe in Stayton, leaving on a bus. One of those servicemen, Leonard Lulay was later killed and buried in France.

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April 9, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Carol Zolkoske, and Charlene Pierce, Ray Heuberger

Henry had asked Carol Ditter about the photograph of the Hottinger hopyard that had appeared in a newspaper article in the Stayton Mail by Grace Ditter, *John Denny, Early Settler, Credited with Naming Sublimity*. Carol did not have copy of the photo, but noted that some paragraphs at the end seemed to be missing. In that same clipping, in which the title and date are missing, there is mention of James Ripp who had been the mail carrier since 1915. In the following discussion, Fred Ripp reminded us that James had retired from the position of carrier in 1963. So that would place the publication of the article about that time. More about this article was in last week's *Archives Record* just below, including a link to it on our web site. Henry has completed and updated the article there. Most of the information in this article is available elsewhere in our offerings, but this is a clear and succinct summary of the early pioneers in Sublimity and Stayton. Read at:

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/john-denny.pdf>

Someone asked about the source of the large cloth map of Oregon donated by Mary and Dick Heater last week. They had received it from Travis Bauldree of Sublimity.

We talked about a nice article that appeared in the Statesman Journal on Sunday, April 7th, about Tom Tate playing the piano at DaVinci's Ristorante in Salem by night and his farm practices east of Sublimity by day.

Vangie told of a memory about having gone to Mass while living in North Dakota in the 1930's and 40's. She said the men and women were separated, men on one side of the church and the women and children on the other side. She recalled the pastor was Benedictine, but didn't know if that had anything to do with the seating arrangements.

St. Mary's School in Stayton is having an open house April 21st and Carol Zolkoske has asked if we might be able to have a small exhibit in the library of the school. Carol is a great ambassador for the archives and will also be talking about the history of Sublimity for Virginia Green's radio show.

Last week we reported that Sharon Barnes had offered to organize, separate duplicates and transcribe selections from the *Servicemen's Bulletins* that we have. We just received her first installment yesterday, and Henry has put this on our web page www.sublimityhistory.com Scroll down to the heading WWII AND THE SERVICEMEN'S BULLETIN.

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April 2, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie Ripp, Don Porter, Charlene Pierce, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Sharon Barnes, Carol Zolkoske, Fred Ripp, Mary and Dick Heater

Sharon Barnes offered to organize, separate duplicates and transcribe selected copies of the *Servicemen's Bulletin* that we have. We are so grateful for the spare time that Sharon has to perform this good deed! Don Porter said that he would check around town, to see if anyone he knows might have more issues.

Henry talked the importance of record-keeping with regard to donated items we receive. Our "What's in the Archives" is on the website. Vangie has been our "go to" person, keeping track of all these items, which is a monumental project, as she transfers the information from a text list to a database program, called "Musarch."

Mary and Dick Heater brought in and donated a really huge paper on cloth 1933 map of the entire state of Oregon, rolled on a closet rod. Thanks!

Don Porter brought us a copy of *John Denny, Early Settler, Credited with Naming Sublimity by Grace Ditter in the Stayton Mail, about 40 years ago*. This was a poor copy, and Henry has reconstituted it on our web site, except for the photograph of the pickers in the Hottinger hopyard. We hope to find a better copy of this historical photo. (Help is appreciated.)

The article is under STORIES OF PIONEER LIFE AND EARLY SETTLERS at <http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/john-denny.pdf> It's a good one.

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March 26, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske, Henry Strobel

Sister Patricia Lulay kindly donated a "kneeler" from the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon in Beaverton. This item is also known as a *priedieu*, French for "pray God." Made of fir, traditional for saying prayers. It's thought to have been at the Mother House of the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon in Beaverton for at least 20 years.

Col. Norman Rauscher gave us ten named photographs Tony Beitel, now on the archives computer. There seems to remain a question over some of the names.

Henry received an interesting email from Christina Jensen regarding Father Charles Seroski (St Boniface pastor from 1926 – 1927). He was from Poland and was in St. Joseph, Missouri in the late 19th Century, an older brother of Christina's great-grandmother. She said that his photo on our web site was the only one she had ever seen.

Gary and Carol Zolkoske went for a visit with Fr. M. Jeyamani Paul, former pastor at St. Boniface church in Sublimity. He asked about the Archives & Museum here in Sublimity and remarked how wonderful it was that we had Henry to devote so much time to the far-reaching website.

We are still enjoying reading the *Servicemen's Bulletins* sent out to local servicemen during WWII, published by Ed Bell and edited by May Neitling.

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March 19, 2013

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Carol Zolkoske, Don Porter, Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, and Ray Heuberger

Because of Charlene's excused absence and my forgetfulness we do not have a normal report. Most of the time was taken by my reading and commentary (and the group's wide ranging and spirited discussion) on the WWII *Servicemen's Bulletin*, which you can read here:

<http://www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/servicemens-bulletin-complete.pdf>

There was a computer accident in which part of the Archives web site did not display for a week or so. This has been completely corrected as far as I know, and no data was lost. Only the display was affected.

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March 12, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Charlene Pierce, Don Porter, Henry Strobel and Dick Heater.

Vangie reminded us that Virginia Green will be coming to the museum on Thursday, March 14th at 11:00 am. She is an author, speaker and writer, who has a weekly feature in the *Statesman Journal*, bringing to life high points in Salem's culture and history.

(We did have the special meeting on Thursday with Virginia Green and Thomas Green Jr, accompanied by Carol Ditter. A very gratifying and productive meeting. Thank you!)

There was a discussion about scrip money that was issued during the depression years. Some images of Silverton, Oregon scrip ("local money") from 1933 were recently seen on the internet:



Henry would like to pull together bits and pieces of information that we have regarding the *Servicemens' Bulletin* that was sent out to local servicemen during WWII. It was a massive newsletter that was a compilation of local news and personal letters from the servicemen stationed across the

globe that was sent out every other month, published by Ed Bell and edited by May Neitling. Judging by the servicemens' letters, the hometown news was quite a comfort. We began wondering; did other towns across the U.S. have this kind of serviceman's support?

(Surprise: Henry already has an article on the Archives web site www.sublimityhistory.net Scroll down to the heading **WWII and the Servicemens' Bulletin**. This is fascinating!)

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March 5, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske, and Ted Shepard with his granddaughter.

Vangie reports that Virginia Green, weekly history feature writer for the Statesman Journal will be visiting the archives on March 14th to get acquainted and gather information on the operation and the community.

Vangie had gone to the YMCA book sale and came back with five books on Oregon history that she bought and donated to the archives.

Henry has reworked the church website www.saintboniface.net (which he also maintains, and gave a visual tour of the changes, mainly providing easy access to external resources, most particularly his Illustrated History of Sublimity, and our own Archives & Museum web site.



Meryl Bromley, 3rd and 4th grade teacher at Sublimity Elementary School and her mother, Jeanette Houghtaling came for a visit of the museum along with twenty-seven of her students. We applaud the students for their interest in local history by asking so many questions (and being so well behaved)! Two of the students played our antique piano. We gave the children forms for filling out their personal family genealogy (probably requiring help from parents or grandparents) and hope that they will learn more about their own family history in the process.

Ted Shepard dropped by with his granddaughter and donated a copy of a photo of the Marion Home in Sublimity. At that time, about 1960 it was operated by the Servite Sisters from Austria.

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February 26, 2013 by Charlene Pierce and Henry Strobel

Attending: Vangie Ripp, Fred Ripp, Don Porter, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pietrok Pierce, Carol Zolkoske, Mary Hottinger Heater and Dick Heater. Ray Heuberger, Joe Spenner, George Gerspacher visited briefly. It's unusual to have a full dozen.

Henry Strobel, who maintains our website, www.sublimityhistory.net noted the addition of these items there:

A 1933 class photo from the Sublimity public grade school with complete names from Joe Spenner

1850 Wagon Train Census and genealogy of the Heater–Scott and Cooley-Jones pioneer families to the Sublimity-Union Hill area, courtesy of Sublimity pioneer descendants and Archives committee members Dick and Mary Hottinger Heater.

A Katie VanHandel memorial that tells poignantly of life on their self sufficient farm.

Reproduction of a large pictorial newspaper feature on the publishing of Dr. Raymond Heuberger's *Let Us Remember* at the time of the St. Boniface Centennial in 1979.

We have also been contacted by a newspaper and a local historical group to arrange meetings. More on this later.

On March 5, our guests will be about 28 students of the 3rd and 4th grades at Sublimity grade school.

More items donated by Doug Ebner included:

A certificate from the Catholic Order of Foresters, instituting the St. Boniface Juvenile Dept., nicely framed under glass.

Similarly framed, a List of Members in the Armed Forces as follows:

Leo J. Minden, Edward N. Zimmermann, William Spenner, William J. Frank, Vincent Starr, Raymond Steffes, Leo J. Zuber, William Riesterer, Arnold J. Zimmermann, H. Eugene Russell, Raymond Rauscher, Alvin L. Schmitt, Francis Mack, Leonard Neal, Leonard Frank, Clifford Laux, Ben Spenner, Clarence Ruef, John J. Laux, Anthony Gerspacher, Stanley Russell, Harold Etzel, Vernon Roberts, Charles Mack, Herman F. Breitenstein and Duane Neal.

Also included were more cards and letters associated with recently deceased Ed Hassler and an antique wooden quilting frame from his house.

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February 19, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie Ripp, Don Porter, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pietrok Pierce, Sandra Pietrok Chapman, Carol Zolkoske, Mary Hottinger Heater and Dick Heater. George Gerspacher visited briefly.

We were informed of the loss of Scott Mader and Judy (Van Hatten) ([Mertz) Bierma. Our sympathies go out to the families.

Vangie received a book from Norman Rauscher, *Rockefeller-Regionalism*, written by Joe Spenner of Stayton, Oregon (a member of the Archives & Museum committee). Published in 1992, it sold for \$25. About the size of a thick telephone book, it is largely a compilation of annotated documents with Joe's commentary.

Vangie had also received mail from the Oregon Museums Association (we are a member) including their newsletter. She also brought in a clipping from the Salem *Statesman Journal* highlighting the ribbon cutting ceremony at Stayton's new Santiam Hospital Open House. Hospital (and Archives and Museum) board members Francis Hendricks and Ron Etzel were prominently photographed.

Vangie and Fred Ripp had visited the Turner, Oregon City Hall, to inquire about the local museum and came away with a copy of an old photograph, a street view of Turner.

Doug Ebner donated packets of obituary, anniversary, and memorial cards from the Ed Hassler estate.

Carol Zuber Burris, daughter of John and Ida Zuber and grand-daughter of Anton and Rosina Zuber, who are buried in the St. Boniface Cemetery, mailed in items for the museum:

1. A beautiful 12 x 17 First Communion Certificate
2. A book of autographs of the Aumsville High School, dated 1929
3. 2 photographs of the A.H.S class of 1929 (Carol's senior class)
4. Amos M. Davis High School, Aumsville, Graduation Certificate
5. Photograph of Carol in 1929
6. A class ring from A.H.S., 1929

(Note: Aumsville is a neighboring city of Sublimity on the site of the pioneer farm of Henry L. Turner, who named the settlement for his son-in-law, Amos M. Davis, known as "Aumus" d. 1863. Aumsville was incorporated on August 3, 1911.)

George Gerspacher had sent the museum copies of family pictures and obituaries.

Henry expressed the importance of updating written standard procedures for maintaining the archives and operating the museum, especially recording of donations, how and where items are filed and stored for easy search and access.

Mary Heater brought a photograph of her mother (maiden name Lambert), as a child. Mary and Dick also brought a nicely framed family photo. Many thanks to Mary and Dick, whom we hope to see as "regulars" at the Tuesday meetings.

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February 12, 2013 for Charlene Pierce, absent

Attending: Fred and Evangeline Ripp, Henry Strobel, Joe Spenner, Carol Zolkoske, Don Porter, Dick and Mary Hottinger Heater

Our welcome guests, Dick and Mary Hottinger Heater are new volunteer members, members also of early Sublimity families. We look forward to having them work with us.

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February 5, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Joe Spenner, Carol Zolkoske, Kim Zuber

The past week saw the loss of two of our most valued and distinguished Archives & Museum committee members. We need say no more about them here. They are very familiar to readers of these pages and of our web site.

Elmer Etzel, 92, died January 28, 2013, buried in Stayton February 6, 2013
Tony Beitel, 103, died January 31, 2013, buried in Sublimity February 8, 2013
Rest in peace +

Joe Spenner brought some Beitel family photos for us to look at and copy. The photos will be returned, via Joe, to the Beitel family. Members set up a photo display at the funeral on the following Friday.

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January 29, 2012 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Don Porter, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske, Ray Heuberger

Ron Etzel had donated a twelve ft. board last week from the old Sublimity City Hall (built in 1912). On close inspection the words on the board have been painted over, but still read "City Hall 1912."

(Ron had also given us typed minutes of Council Meetings, March 1, 1954, and April 17, 1952 thru November of 1952 and handwritten minutes for June 29, 1912 thru September 21, 1912, which refer to the construction of the hall. See last week's Archives Record.)

Henry Jr brought provided a "mint" coaster from Berdino's Pizza of Sublimity, which had been owned by Bernie and Alice Miotke and was located where the Wooden Nickel restaurant and lounge is now on Center Street. Such relics do not have great historical (or other) value, but add local interest to museum displays.

Ray Heuberger brought in more photos, some ca. 1948 from Bob Cremer, provoking much discussion.

Thanks to Joyce Phaneuf for bringing us all a box of donuts !

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January 22, 2012 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske, Dolores Morris, Ray Heuberger

Staff member Dr. Raymond Heuberger brought in a cache of hundreds of old Heuberger family photographs and most of our time was spent getting a start at assimilating choice items into our collections.

From Ron Etzel we received a sign board from the old City Hall and Sublimity City Council minutes from 1912 (manuscript), and from 1952 (typewritten). Henry's wife Susan has already typed the

manuscript and he has OCR'd the typed pages. These are on our web site sublimityhistory.net See this heading:

SAMPLE SUBLIMITY CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

(Sublimity) Council Meetings held June 28, 1912 - September 21, 1912. Building the Town Hall, Buying a fire engine.

Minutes of (Sublimity) Council Meetings held July 14, 1952 - November 10, 1952. Taxes, Removal of old City Hall and Jail.

The *Statesman Journal*, January 20, 2013, carried a story that mentioned St. Boniface Archives and Community Museum, in relation to the Willamette Heritage Center's invitational exhibit:

When We Were Young: Childhood Around the Valley
Friday, January 18 – Saturday, March 16, 2013.

http://www.willametteheritage.org/current_exhibits.html

On January 17 Vangie and Fred Ripp, Carol Zolkoske, Charlene Pierce, Henry Strobel and Henry Strobel Jr attended the exhibitors reception at the Mission Mill in Salem. Thanks to Vangie, Carol, and Charlene for creating our exhibit, and to Keni Sturgeon of the Willamette Heritage Center for her assistance in setting it up.

Larry Etzel came by briefly to offer two boxes of old books that had been used in the defunct St. Boniface grade school. And later, Brian Schachtsick also came by for a few minutes, offering to bring in some family history materials next week.

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January 9, 2013 by Charlene Pierce

Attending: Vangie and Fred Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Henry Strobel, Joe Spenner, Charlene Pierce, Carol Zolkoske

Margaret Hendricks brought in a photo and a child's Baptismal dress for use in the display at Willamette Heritage Center. Vangie and Carol were busy gathering lots of pictures from the archives, for use in the display as well.

Vangie graciously paid the Oregon Museum Assoc. fee of \$75.

The archives received a photo from Tracy? of a blackboard that is part of a wall in the nearby John Duerst barn, built about 1891. It reads, "Blackboard from Sublimity Institute founded in 1867 by Ben Gen? Kenoyer, first president Ben? Milton Wright father of the famous aeronauts Orville and Wilbur Wright."

Vangie brought in some vintage children's play blocks from circa 1890's and a baby food jar, a First Communion prayer book and an inkwell from the Sublimity grade school for the display at WHC. Also a German *Catechism* printed in 1867 in Czechoslovakia used and signed by Mary Doerfler of Sublimity.

Henry volunteered to copy some photos from the photo gallery on our website, to use in the WHC display. He also had printed and brought in business cards for the archives, to be made available in the display and also suggested using a binder for "flip" photos to use in the display. It was suggested that we take some "Let Us Remember" books to sell.

Carol, Vangie and Charlene will be meeting Friday, the 11th, at the Willamette Heritage Center in Salem, to put the display together.

There was a brief discussion about non-Catholic burials and in particular, Jewish burials. In the early days, a person could not be buried in a Catholic cemetery if you were divorced or had committed suicide.

There was a discussion about the Sublimity Public School. It had been located where the City Hall is today and in a photograph that we have, is a view of the north end of the school. We think the school was built in 1887 and it was moved to Jordan later. The school was made into a store and then later made into a residence. Bernard Holt probably was "in on" the moving of the building and his family may know or have more information about this.

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