



Lacey **H**istorical **S**ociety
NEWSLETTER

P.O.Box 3324, Lacey WA 98509-3324

SEPTEMBER 1998

OCTOBER ANNUAL MEETING

of the

LACEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WHEN: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

TIME: 2:00 PM -- 4:00 PM

WHERE: JACOB SMITH HOUSE

4500 INTELCO LOOP RD. SOUTH ON COLLEGE, TURN RIGHT ON INTELCO LOOP (FIRST ROAD PAST MEMORIAL CLINIC), FOLLOW INTELCO LOOP RD. THE JACOB SMITH HOUSE IS NEAR THE CORNER OF YELM HIGHWAY AND COLLEGE. FURTHER INFO CALL SHIRLEY DZIEDZIC

491-0905

- SHORT BUSINESS/ELECTION MEETING**
- REFRESHMENTS**
- TOUR OF JACOB SMITH HOUSE**

Randy Orth is the restorer of this 1859 house (on the City of Lacey's Historic Site Register) and he has invited us to hold our annual meeting there. A tour of his workmanship will be a major feature of this meeting. LET'S MAKE THE 1998 ANNUAL MEETING A TRULY HISTORICAL EVENT!!!!

MANY THANKS to LACEY FIRE DISTRICT # 3

In 1948 a small all-volunteer group of 20 firefighters, sponsored by the Elephant Club (now non-existent), started a fund to raise money for a trailer-mounted pump and a 50-gallon tank to be pulled by a pick up truck for the fire department. The Lacey-Lakes Fire Department was now ready to deal with a growing number of fires that were occurring in our community.

Four of the charter members, Dick Webb, Larry Cunningham (both of whom are Society trustees), Leroy Parsons and Henry Turner, were honored at a 50th Anniversary Celebration by Fire Chief Jim Broman. They received high acclaim for their qualities of a sense of community and a sense of helping and taking care of people. That's a tradition which is very strong still today in Lacey Fire District #3. Other 1948 charter members were:

Don Turner
(Dog) Ring
Racey Vasques
Roy Weiks
John Bennett
Earl Stockwell

Dick Fuller
Pete Finnegan
Ray Christensen
Tom Dresser
Red Parr
Marion Arnold

Bill Murry
Tom Finnegan
Bill Daley
Les Gilber
Bob McMundy
George "Doc"
Stansfield
John Berg
"Pinky" Robbins

Clarence Sylvester
Hap Kemp
Marv Peters

Lloyd Carr
Keith Busroe



WASHINGTON

Archaeology Month

DISCOVERING WASHINGTON ARCHAEOLOGY

at the
Lacey Community Center
6729 Pacific Avenue
Lacey, WA 98503

7 - 9pm, Thursday
October 15, 1998

Featuring slide presentations by

Dr. Gary C. Wessen (Wessen & Associates Archaeological Services), "Prehistoric Archaeology of Puget Sound."

Dr. David R. Huelsbeck (Pacific Lutheran University), "Historical Archaeology in Western Washington."

This event is sponsored by the Lacey Museum. It is part of Washington Archaeology Month (October 1998), organized by the Advocates for Archaeology & Historic Preservation and Washington State Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation.

The October 15th program is free and open to the public.
Donations will be accepted.

The Lacey Community Center is handicapped accessible. For more information, please contact Andrea Hein or Drew Crooks at the Lacey Museum, (360) 438-0209.



Shaping
our community
together

CITY
OF **LACEY**

President's Report:

The Lacey Historical Community has lost a valuable connection to its earlier resort days. Lois McKinney of Lake Lois Auto Park--BarBQ--Cabins died earlier this spring. Lake Lois was named for her. She also is honored with the Lake Lois Habitat Preserve recognizing her.

Terry Torrence, owner of "Second Hand Rose", 9243 Yelm Highway S.E., has made a generous donation to the Lacey Museum of two signs that belonged to the Lake Lois Auto Park business, where Lois McKinney lived. Terry also recalled a meeting with Lois McKinney when he was a young boy growing up in Lacey. The Lacey Historical Society commends **TERRY TORRENCE** for his appreciation of the importance of these two signs for the whole community to review their past.

1997 MEMBERSHIP – 111

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As space allows we continue with the: "Lacey History Time Line." We left off in fall 1996 with: "1890: John M. Adams plats ""Adams Acres Tracts adjoining Olympia,"" the oldest plat now with the Lacey City Limits."

Continues:

1891 Isaac Ellis opens the Woodland Driving Park, a horse race track. The Tacoma, Olympia and Grays Harbor Railroad completes the railroad tracks through the community and opens up a train depot near the race track.

The community is granted its own post office, but because the name Woodland is already being used in the state of Washington, the post office has to adopt a different name. The name chosen is Lacey.
