

ANNIVERSARY

of the
first 50 years work
_{+ 14 "}
and activities

of the
Buena Vista Civic Club
Oregon City, Oregon

1923-~~1973~~ 1987

1930 - 1935

BUENA VISTA CLUB IS FIRM FOR NEW CHARTER

At the meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club held at the home of John Drumm on Sixteenth street, Tuesday night, three hours were spent in discussing the proposed new city charter. Chris Schuebel described the first commission form of government which was formed in Galveston, Texas, in 1901. He told of the many other cities which had successfully adopted some form of commission government.

Ed Caufield presented his views on the charter, stating that he believed in a commission form of government, but that he believed that parts of the charter should be strengthened in many ways before adoption.

A vote was not aken, but most of the members present enthusiastically expressed themselves in favor of the proposed new charter.

The next meeting of the club will be held November 27, at the home of Dr. D. E. Hardenbrook of Seventeenth and Taylor streets.

Woodcrafters Picnic in Buena Vista Park

A picnic luncheon was enjoyed by members of Sola Circle No. 167, Neighbors of Woodcraft, Thursday in Atkinson Memorial park, Buena Vista. Hostesses for the day were Hazel Herzig, Mary Hedlund, Margaret Phillips, Lettie Wilkinson, Vera Eaton and Bessie Alldredge.

After lunch, cards and sewing were enjoyed, and a clever one-act play was presented by the Buena Vista club members. Participating were Bessie Alldredge, Hazel Charles, Ella Richards, Quevene Alldredge, Nettie Faust, Mrs. Parker and Gladys Parker.

Members of the circle who attended the picnic were Zennah Buse and children, Clarence and Richard; Flora Morris, Namoi Barnes, Marjorie Barnes, Ida Kent, Sarah Barnes, Margaret Talmage, Rex Talmage Jr., Susie Jones, Jennie Evon, Rae Koenig, Mabel Christensen, Anna Willson, Myrtle Joyner, Emma Buse, Jeanette Buse, Frances Carpenter, Edna Carpenter, Jennie Davis, Mayme Tuor, Hazel Herzig, Mary Hedlund, Lettie Wilkinson, Bessie Alldredge, Margaret Phillips, Pauline Phillips, Vera Eaton, Donald Eaton, Bob Eaton, Martha Dunn and Julia Straight.

Charles Shupe
Pres. 1934

Buena Vista Club Plans Dinner

The Buena Vista Civic club will hold a dinner Thursday, February 29, to commemorate the twenty-first birthday of the organization, it was announced last night. The dinner will be held at the clubhouse at 6:30 p. m.

Speaker for the birthday party will be Marion House, Oak Grove, recently returned from China, where before the war he was secretary of the United States chamber of commerce in Shanghai.

Music for the occasion will be furnished by Charles Loughlin, choir leader of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Fred Reaksecker is in charge of the dinner.

Club Holds Sale—

About \$50 was realized from the cooked and rummage sale of the Buena Vista Improvement club at the Bank of Commerce building on Saturday. Owing to the unfavorable weather there were many who were unable to attend, and it has been decided to continue the rummage sale Tuesday and Wednesday. In charge were Mrs. Charles Surfus, chairman; Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mrs. Mary Charriere, Mrs. Eric Hedlund and Miss Jennie Dunn. There was a big demand for the cooked food articles, all being sold at an early hour.

WOMEN HEAR 2 TALKS

Lindas and Hendeson Appear; Children Give Program

B. F. Lindas and L. A. Henderson were speakers at the Woman's club meeting at the Chamber of Commerce rooms Thursday afternoon. Mr. Lindas' subject was "Companionate Marriage" and Mr. Henderson spoke on the proposed civic center building in this city.

Mrs. M. Mulkey and Mrs. J. V. Dustin presented their kindergarten pupils in a program, the tots receiving an ovation. They appeared in songs, demonstrations and rythms. One of the features of their part of the program were selections on musical instruments.

The children taking part were Robert Rankin, Dean Timm, Betty Rittenhouse, Barbara Busch, Virginia Moody, Wanda Turner, Lois Dustin, Ruth Hardenbrook, Wanda Garmire, Terry Mulkey.

The hostess of the afternoon was Mrs. Lawrence Ray.

Plans for the next meeting will be in observance of "Flower week." Several names were presented for membership.

TEN 1935 YEARS AGO In Oregon City

From the Enterprise of August 15, 1925

A slight automobile accident occurred in Oregon City at Seventh and Main streets yesterday, when the machines of H. T. Rainey and Bart Montgomery of West Linn collided. Montgomery stated that his brakes were not working at the time. The cars were slightly damaged, but on one was injured.

Griffith Griffith, well known farmer of Beaver creek, passed away at the St. Vincent's hospital, Portland, Friday. He was born in Wales 46 years ago, and had made his home in Beaver creek section for 17 years. He leaves three brothers, Richard, Oregon City; William, Beaver creek, and John, Wales, where also a sister, Mrs. Jane Gough, resides.

Over 2000 persons attended the annual picnic of the Oregon City Woolen mills' employes held at the Oaks yesterday. Special cars took the picnickers to the grounds. A program of races and sports took place during the day and the big picnic dinner was partaken of at 12 o'clock. Free ice cream and coffee were served. The event closed with a dance.

Clackamas county is to have a large exhibit at the state fair this year, according to O. R. Daugherty of Molalla, having charge of the exhibit. Molalla is to have a county fair exhibit, and much of this will be taken to the state fair.

Today the Buena Vista boys' band will go to River Bend park near Aurora to give a concert in both afternoon and evening. Levean Moehnke, director, has prepared a full program. The park is owned by Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Hempstead, former residents of the city.

We Invite You
to . . .

BE WITH US

"TERRITORIAL DAYS"

August 21-22, 1936

**"WHEN WE LIVE
THE OLD DAYS
OVER AGAIN"**



**A Totally Different
Celebration**

OREGON CITY
Birthplace
of
OLD OREGON



STOP and VISIT
Our Rich
HISTORIC
LAND-MARKS

OREGON CITY

1829. Dr. John McLoughlin laid claim to the site of Oregon City for the Hudson's Bay Co.
 1829. First ocean going vessel to ascend the Willamette visited Oregon City. This was the sloop "Owyhee" with John Dominis, master.
 1830. Three log cabins built and potatoes planted by the Hudson's Bay Co.
 1832. Race was blasted at the Falls for the first water power in Oregon.
 1838. First moonshine whiskey made in Oregon, at Oregon City.
 1838. First society organized in Oregon, "The Oregon Temperance Society."
 1843. First Literary and Debating Society in Oregon, organized in Oregon City, known as the "Falls City Debating Society and Oregon Lyceum."
 1843. First Provisional Legislature met at Oregon City July 5.
 1844. First brick store building erected in Oregon, built at Oregon City by George Abernethy.
 1844. First incorporated community west of the Rocky Mountains, incorporated by the Provisional Legislature.
 1844. First Protestant church west of the Missouri River, (Methodist) erected at the corner of 7th and Main Sts.
 1844. First furniture factory in Oregon, started.
 1844. The lower section of the city was surveyed by Jesse Applegate who used a rope four rods long instead of a surveyor's chain. This accounts for the irregular size of the lots as the rope either stretched or contracted with the state of the weather.
 1845. The first sketch of Oregon City made by Lts. Warre and Vavasour of the British Army.
 1846. First newspaper west of the Missouri River, The Oregon Spectator, issued February 5. (Now Oregon City Enterprise).
 1846. First Masonic Lodge west of the Missouri river was instituted at Oregon City. The charter came across the plains.
 1846. First American flag owned by the Provisional government was raised at Oregon City. This flag came from the wrecked schooner "Shark" which was lost in the Columbia river.
 1847. First fruit nursery came across the plains and was located at Milwaukie, 6 miles below Oregon City.
 1848. First threshing machine used in Oregon made at Oregon City.
 1849. The first mint in Oregon was established by the Oregon Exchange Company at Oregon City, and during its existence coined about \$55,000 in \$5 and \$10 gold pieces.
 1849. Oregon City designated the capital of Oregon on March 31, and continued as such until May 14, 1852.
 1849. The first brass band ever heard in Oregon was the band of the Mounted Rifle Regiment which marched across the plains and was stationed at Oregon City.
 1850. The original plat of the city of San Francisco was filed at Oregon City, in the first Federal Court and Land Office on the Pacific Coast.
 1850. Five Indians who participated in the Whitman massacre in 1847, were tried at Oregon City and hanged June 3.
 1861. The first State Fair was held at Oregon City on the banks of the Clackamas river.
 1866. The first paper mill on the Pacific Coast erected at Oregon City.
 1872. The first and only Chinese lodge of Masons organized at Oregon City.
 1889. The first long distance commercial electric power transmission in the United States was made from Oregon City to Portland. The juice which produced the first electric lights in Portland came from Oregon City.
 1935. Oregon City Breakfast club's entry captured grand sweepstakes in Portland Rose Festival parade. (Also winner of first in class for cities outside of Portland in 1934 and 1933).
 1936. Second Annual Territorial Days celebration August 21 and 22. Biggest event ever staged in Clackamas county, last year some 15,000 persons witnessing parade and other events.
- This is printed on paper manufactured in Oregon City by Hawley Pulp and Paper Co., one of Oregon's pioneer paper mills.

Be-Whiskered Visitors Boost Celebration

Sixty be-whiskered and be-bustled persons traversed Portland streets today in a colorful parade announcing the opening of the Territorial Days celebration to be held at Oregon City, Friday and Saturday.

Leading the colorful line were Ralph Guynes and Dr. R. J. Wilson, dressed and posing as "ding-dong daddies from Pun'kin Holler," with carefully groomed sideburns, derbys and the stiff attire of the '90s. They were riding on high-wheeled velocipedes and caused considerable nostalgic sentiment among spectators who "remembered when."

The parade included 30 "ladies," sweeping Portland streets with tent-like skirts. Guarding their quaint millinery, the ladies carried parasols of all sizes and degrees of finery. Leading the file of women was the first bustle to dare Portland's Broadway since Admiral Dewey's picture hung in the parlor.

Bringing up the rear (and what a rear) filed an equal number of men, from "Pistol Pete" with a small arsenal in each hand, to a gent with flaming red whiskers and a sparkle to his eye. A six-piece band discoursed sweet melodies.

All of the parade participants were from Oregon City.

The celebration opens Friday noon with coronation of the queen at Library park. It includes dedication of historical markets, hosecart races, water carnivals, a colossal whisker-growing contest, drum and bugle corps competition and a stern-wheeler boat race on the Willamette.

The event, which is the second of its kind ever held at Oregon City, has been under preparation for many months, officials said, and one celebrant, scratching his face, reminded the reporter that whiskers have been growing since August 1.

One of the events that is certain to be "all wet" is the firehose fight on Main street Friday evening.

They'll Reelact Oregon City Days of Yore



Upper right—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Curry Martin and their son, Marvin, dressed in 'Sunday go to meetin'' clothes, as they did in these hyar parts when Oregon City was a mere idea. Upper left—Dr. Mable Hardenbrook peeking out of a yellow bonnet of the 'blinder' type that once guarded maidenly eyes from bold wanderings. Below from left—Virginia Wells and little Betty Hoffman dressed in the finery that reminded men they will still men and not purely empire builders.

BUENA VISTA CIVIC CLUB CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

With the same spirit of enthusiasm prevailing as when the club was first organized, the 13th anniversary of the formation of the Buena Vista civic improvement club was observed Tuesday evening at the clubhouse. A no-host dinner was enjoyed, with 62 members and friends of the club attending. Twenty-three charter members of the club attended, and all of the past presidents, with the exception of Andrew Naterlin who now lives at Newport, were present and occupied places of honor at a special table.

Jacques Charriere, the present head of the group gave the welcoming address. Past presidents include John Drumm, the club's first president, who served for five years, Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, T. Leonard Charman and Mrs. Charles E. Surfus.

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who was largely instrumental in organizing the club, arranged the program for the anniversary meeting, the theme of which was "Lucky 13."

Included in the program was the reading of 13 "wills," which bequeathed various possessions and characteristics of the past presidents and some of the prominent members of the club. W. I. Blinstone entertained with a humorous reading, responding with an encore, and musical numbers were given by an instrumental trio composed of Dr. Franklin Heisley, Floyd Rice and Charles Wilson, with Mrs. Heisley as the accompanist.

On behalf of the club Joan Jewell presented corsages to Mrs. Blinstone, Mrs. Heisley and Mrs. Henry Arbuckle, the latter the secretary of the club.

Crystal bowls of dark red tulips and freesias, flanked by white tapers in crystal holders, centered the dinner tables, with red and white being used in decorating the hall. The three tiered birthday cake, bearing 13 candles, was made by Mrs. Frank J. Alldredge. Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mrs. R. E. Marshall and Mrs. William Monteith were in charge of the dinner.

Awards in the games which followed the dinner hour, went to Mrs. Eric Hedlund, T. Leonard Charman and Joseph Alldredge. Mr. and Mrs. Harless Ely furnished music for the dancing which completed the evening's entertainment.

At this meeting announcement was made that group No. 4 of the Buena Vista Art Needlecraft club was sponsoring a card party at the clubhouse on Wednesday evening, March 11, at 8 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.



Concio J. Kearney
4/20/1889 - 4/10/1956
President 1947

ELLA NATERLIN

Services for Ella Naterlin, 92, of Newport and formerly of Oregon City, will be conducted Saturday, July 20 at St. John the Apostle Church at 9:30 a.m., with Msgr. T. J. Bernards officiating. Recitation of Rosary will be held Friday, July 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel of Holman-Hankins-Rilance. Burial will take place at St. Johns Cemetery.

Mrs. Naterlin died at Newport today. She was born June 13, 1871 at Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia and had been a resident of this state 65 years and of Newport 15 years. She came to Oregon City with her husband in 1898 and resided in this city until 1948. Mr. Naterlin died in 1944. She was a member of St. John the Apostle Church.

Survivors include a son, State Sen. Andrew Naterlin of Newport; one grandchild and several nieces and nephews.

MRS. A. F. WARREN DIES

Former Oregon City Resident and Daughter of Rev. Atkinson Passes

Mrs. Annie F. Warren, widow of the late Frank Warren of Portland, and daughter of the late Rev. George H. Atkinson, pioneer circuit rider, for many years pastor of the Congregational church of this city, died Thursday at the family home at 215 St. Clair street, Portland, after a two years' illness.

Mrs. Warren was born in Oregon City in 1851 soon after her father entered his work in the Oregon country as a Congregational missionary, and the family located in Portland about the time she entered school. Her early education was obtained in Portland. She later entered Mills Seminary from which institution she was graduated, and later taught in St. Helen's Hall, Portland. She married Mr. Warren in that city.

Atkinson Memorial park in Buena Vista addition in this city, was formerly the property of the Atkinson family, and purchased through the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club. The park was named in honor of the pioneer minister.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren were passengers on the ill-fated Titanic when it sank in the waters of the north Atlantic in 1912. Mrs. Warren was saved but her husband went down with the hundreds of others lost in the catastrophe.

Mrs. Warren is survived by four children, all of whom are residents of Portland. The funeral services are to be held this morning at 11 o'clock from the family home. Rev. Clement G. Clarke, pastor of the First Congregational church, will conduct the services. Interment will be in River-view cemetery.

either in Nov 27, or 28 paper

Fred Reaksecker, Ex-Sheriff Dies

Nov 26, 1957

Former Clackamas county sheriff, Fred Reaksecker, 66, died early Friday at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Weiler, Oregon City.

Reaksecker, a long time law enforcement officer, served as Clackamas county sheriff for 16 years, being first elected to office in 1940.

Before his election as county sheriff Reaksecker served on the Oregon City police force for six years. He also served as a county deputy sheriff prior to working on the Oregon City police force.

Prior to his law enforcement service Reaksecker served with the U. S. Navy and worked as a cowboy, driving trail herds through Wyoming and Montana.

The former sheriff was born in Skidmore, Mo., in 1892. He is survived by his wife and three children.

During his final year as sheriff of Clackamas county, the former law enforcement officer was stricken with a heart attack and was forced to take it easy and retire from most of the duties of his office. He did not run for re-election in 1956.

Reaksecker and his wife moved to Garibaldi early in 1956 where

the sheriff announced his intention of taking it easy and enjoying his favorite hobby of fishing.

The Reakseckers were visiting



FRED REAKSECKER

at the home of their daughter when he was stricken with the fatal attack.

For ibtuary, read page 3 of this issue.

Weather Forecast...

Fair and warmer. High 55 to 65.
Low 36 to 45. Northwest winds off
coast 20 to 30 miles per hour di-
minishing gradually.

... Fair-Warmer

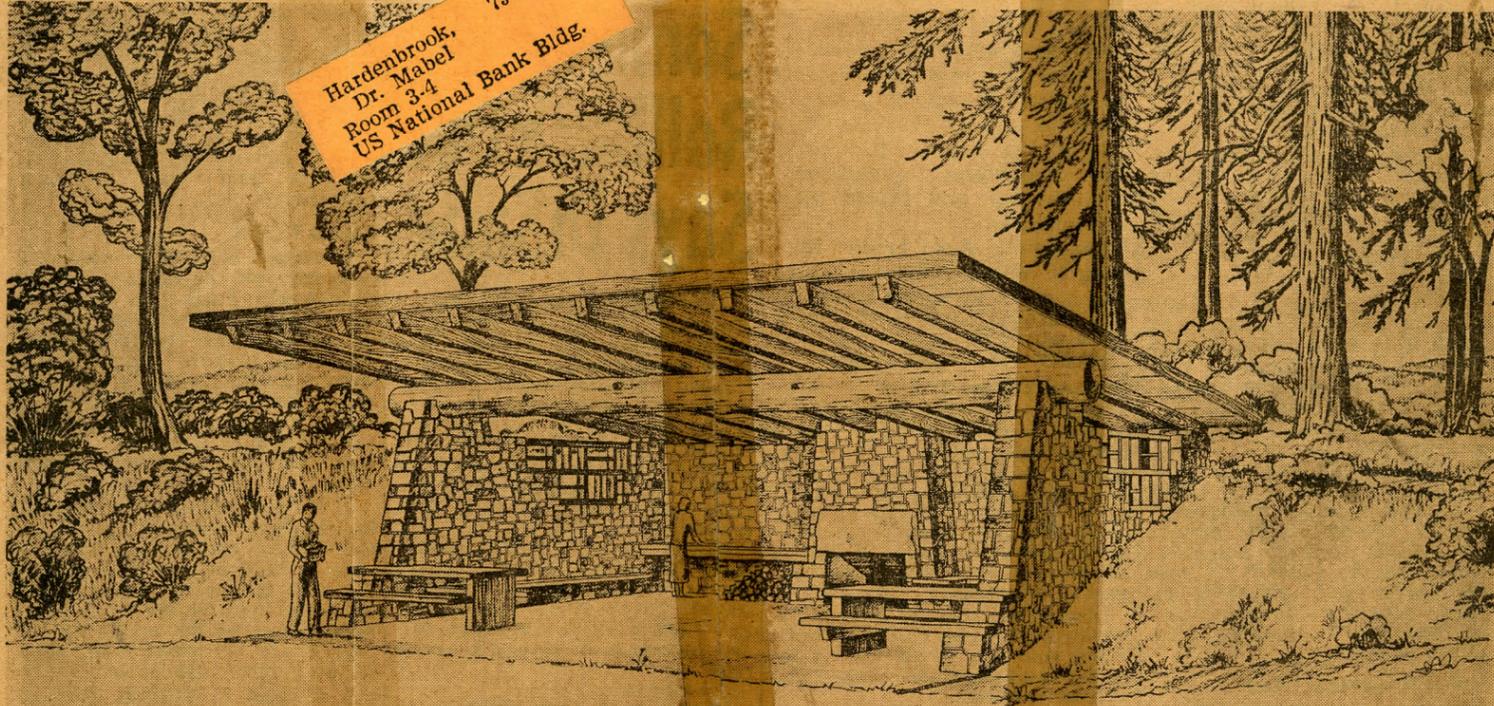
Interpret

A Daily Newspaper Continuing

Volume 85—Number 63

OREGON CITY, OREGO.

Fireplace, Kitchen for Atkinson Park



THE SUGGESTED FIREPLACE and kitchen shelter for Atkinson Memorial (Buena Vista) park which has been designed by the technician for the Oregon City Planning commission and which will be built as soon as funds are available for it. The

drawing has been shown to members of the planning commission and to members of the various Buena Vista clubs which have been interested in civic work.

RUMMAGE SALE, American Legion hall, Saturday, Oct. 5. Warm clothing, dresses and coats, sizes 12 to 42. Also maternity clothes. Interesting odds and ends. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, 303 Smith Bldg., Oregon City. 110

Children Parade By Themselves In Fine Style

1937

Children were out strong for their Territorial Days parade Saturday morning. Three bands furnished music, these being the State theatre band on a float, the Seaside girls and the Starr juvenile band of Portland.

Buena Vista made the outstanding community showing, sending 67 youngsters in costume and showing several floats. These were held to be the winners:

First Dale Staudinger of Molalla with his covered wagon, "Young Pioneer," pulled by goats, \$15.

Second, Clarence Snook, pulling a miniature float depicting the cabin and yard of the great grandfather Farr home, \$10.

Third, "Go West, Young Man," float with Wallace Anderson, Adelbert Hovda, David Warren and Jimmy and Joe McIntyre as trappers, Indians and pioneers, \$5.

Fourth, "Just Married," a horse and buggy entry with Billy Swift and Mildred Knop taking the parts of the newlyweds, the "bride" wearing a very old original dress, \$3.

Fifth, Peggy and Barbara Miller of the Buena Vista division with their model covered wagon and dolls, \$2.

Sixth, "Pioneer Home," float with Murry and Edwin Miller and James Trullinger as the pioneers, \$1.

Winners in the individual costume division were:

First, Sylvia Jenkins as "Sachajawea," famous Indian woman, and carrying as her papoose her tiny sister, Vivienne Jenkins, \$10.

Second, Clarence Newman and Grace Ellen Friedrich as "Trapper automobile accident near the railroad crossing between Oregon City and Park Place. According to reports the car in which she was riding was sideswiped by one operated by Ray Bamford of Portland. Due to the heavy traffic at the time, about 1:30 a. m., there was considerable delay in getting the woman to the hospital.

POTLUCK SUPPER ENJOYED BY BUENA VISTA GROUP

A potluck supper preceded the business session of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club Tuesday evening in the clubhouse. Over 20 persons attended the supper and were seated at one long table decorated with everblooming sweet peas.

At the business session conducted by P. T. Soreghan, president, Rev. A. J. Ware, Mrs. Charles Scharback and Mrs. Frank Alldredge were named to co-operate with a committee from the Buena Vista Art Needlecraft club to make arrangements for a float representing the two clubs in the Territorial Days parade in August. Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Mike Zaniker and Jacques Charriere were named to arrange for a picnic for the club members and their families.

Following the business meeting, an enjoyable program of games provided diversion. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Clarence Alldredge and Mrs. A. E. Morley.

Present for the supper were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Anderson and son Ted, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and daughters, the Misses Ruth, Anne and Beth, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Soreghan and daughter Miss Margaret, Mrs. Eric Hedlund and son Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, Mr. and Mrs. William Monteith and daughter Miss Willa, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mrs. I. N. Hatfield, T. Leonard Charman, Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Rev. A. J. Ware, Miss Gwendolyn Morley and Mrs. A. E. Morley.

Coming later in the evening were Mrs. Frank Alldredge, Miss Dorothy Bobiolett, Jacques Charriere, John Drumm, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scharback and Joe Alldredge.

BUENA VISTA CIVIC GROUP TO HAVE 14th ANNIVERSARY

One of the highlights on the social calendar for next week is the meeting at which the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club will celebrate the 14th anniversary of its organization. The gala affair, which will be held Tuesday, February 24 in the Buena Vista clubhouse, is scheduled to begin with a no-host supper at 6 o'clock. P. T. Soreghan, the present head of the club, will conduct a business meeting.

Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mrs. Eric Hedlund and Mrs. Charles Surfus are in charge of arrangements for

Buena Vista Club Gives 500 Party

Eight tables of 500 were at play at the card party given on Tuesday evening in the Buena Vista clubhouse under auspices of the Buena Vista Improvement club.

Honors in cards went to Mrs. Gobet and C. E. Scharback, Mrs. Frank Koenig and John Naterlin. Special awards went to Mrs. C. E. Scharback and Mrs. Frank Koenig.

The acting hostesses, Mrs. R. E. Marshall and Mrs. Jacques Charriere, served refreshments after the card honors had been awarded.

Stamp Collectors Schedule Session

The Saturday meeting of juveniles for the new Junior Oregon City Stamp club, now being organized by the Buena Vista Civic club, was successful, although the weather was cold. In addition to the Oregon City representation, four came from Milwaukie and one from Jennings Lodge. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook reported. Others have telephone for admission.

The next meeting, called for 10 AM, Saturday, Jan. 10, will close the charter membership. Interest has been keen, especially among the boys. Each gathering will be supervised by three adult members of the club, one man and two women.

Speakers of noted stamp collectors will be provided as soon as the members have had sufficient instruction regarding selection, value, care and arranging of material.

Saturday, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Russell Baker and Mrs. David Bradley were in charge.



CHARTER MEMBERS of the Oregon City junior stamp club meet weekly at the Buena Vista club house. Included are, front, from left: Dale Rohrer, Michael Minto, John Perrin, Marcia Nielson, Sydnia Hayes, Barbara Lakey, Patricia Lynch, Robert Benski, Dennis Wehling and Alan Tabrum. Center, right: Scott Guptil, Richard Reed and Billy Lynch. Back row: David Shove, Clarke Doneldsen, Richard Waldren, William Klaster, Keith Rohrer, James Ad-

ams, Helen Brunner, Mabel Hardenbrook and Gwendolyn Bradley. Illness prevented four charter members from being present. They are: Jay Baker, Keith Bauer and Jeanine and Kevin Zak. A class of beginners among adults has also started collecting stamps and as soon as they have become more familiar with philatelic work will probably join the Oregon City senior stamp club which meets the second Wednesday evening each month.

Enterprise-Courier, Oregon City, Ore., Thurs., Feb. 10, 1955 7

Group Forms Stamp Club

OREGON CITY — A newly-organized Oregon City stamp club will meet February 23, 7:30 PM at the junior high school, with a list of officers chosen Monday.

Heading the club will be Ronald Locke, president; Duane Watt, vice president; Dennis Merriam, secretary, and Ruth Jurnaek, treasurer. The February meeting will be the last chance to sign up as a charter member.

The club is open to all of junior high school age or older. Its purpose is to increase collectors'

general knowledge of stamps and aid members in acquiring stamps necessary for their collections. Dues are \$1 a year and will be collected at the next meeting.

Six senior high school students and eight adults have indicated they will attend the next meeting in addition to the members already signed.

Locke, president of the new club, has assigned three short issues of U.S. stamps to be described and discussed at the next meeting.

Committee Sets Meet at Club For Collectors

A committee from the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club will hold a meeting Saturday morning at 10 AM, Jan. 3, in the club house, 16th and Jackson streets for the purpose of starting a beginner's class in stamp collecting.

Boys and girls from Oregon City and surrounding area may attend. There will be two divisions, one from ten to 14 years, the other of high school age.

This is for the purpose of training those who are interested in selecting, mounting and the care of stamps regardless of what country or type of stamp they wish to collect. And also to prepare them for eligibility in the senior Stamp club of Oregon City should they care to continue at a later date.

Stamp Collectors Schedule Display

The Junior Stamp Society of Oregon City will conduct an interesting display Saturday, May 7, from 1 to 4 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Buena Vista Club house, 16th and Jackson streets in Oregon City.

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook is leader of this 35-member junior group of stamp collectors. Each member will contribute something to the display, which will be of educational nature and of interest to adults as well as young people.

Some exhibits belonging to adult stamp collectors will be on display as well, according to Dr. Hardenbrook, who explains that members of the club live in Milwaukie, Oak Grove, Concord and Jennings Lodge as well as Oregon City.

House-16th & Jackson
JUNIOR STAMP SHOW
U.S. & Foreign
Stamps on display
Proceeds to help
Junior stamp club

Stamp Show Shaping Up

The Junior Stamp club to be held Saturday, May 7, 1 to 4 in the afternoon and 7 to 9 at night, in the Buena Vista Club House, is arousing much interest. One set of stamps, put out by Italy should intrigue the children. It is about their storybook character Pinocchio.

Private collectors are sending some of their choice frames.

Stamp Club Show

Saturday afternoon and evening is the time for this unusual showing of stamp collection. Place is the Buena Vista club house. Tickets may be obtained at the door.

Surprise Profit Given Collectors

Stamp collectors of the Oregon City Stamp club had a profitable surprise at the regular club meeting Tuesday night. Dr. Edward Hirstel, Portland, opened a book of stamps and permitted each member to select one specimen. One of those picked was valued at \$12.

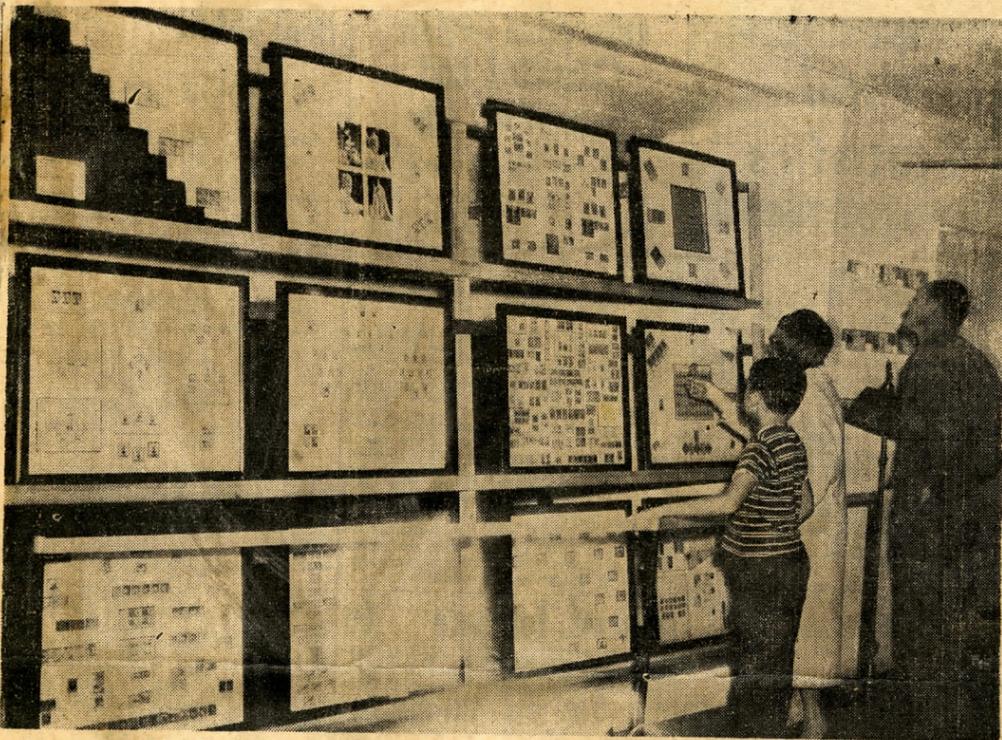
Dr. Hirstel and Fred Wanderer, Portland lumberman, spoke for the collectors. They emphasized care and mounting of stamps in permanent books.

One of the exhibits shown by Dr. Hirstel was a rare mint block of four 12-cent stamps issued in 1851. This block is valued at \$1500; a good appreciation in value from the original cost of 48 cents, it was pointed out.

People, Places and Things

By VFRA LUBY CRITESER

6 Enterprise-Courier, Ore. City, Ore., Thur., May 12, '60



MRS. NORBERT HESCH takes a reading glass to better examine the detail of stamps on display. Ken Millar and Scotty Guptill study the collections. (Criteser 122369).

Stamp Collectors Visit Show Held Saturday at Buena Vista Location

A steady stream of persons interested in collecting postage stamps enjoyed the show at the Buena Vista club house, Saturday afternoon and evening. Among the many fine displays were some unusual and beautiful arrangements.

The youthful stamp club members sat behind their exhibits and courteously answered questions about their various collections. These youngsters learn much of history, geography and the various arts in obtaining the background for their stamps. They are laying the foundation for a hobby which they will probably continue the rest of their lives.

Some of the most impressive (to this viewer) were the Vatican

stamps, the Lincoln Sesquicentennial frame, Atoms for Peace, Freedom of Religion and a full sheet of Canadian stamps. The collection of Graf Zeppelin stamps was unusual and another collection of stamps, while not postage stamps, is unusual. It is the full series of TB stamps which have been saved and mounted by Mrs. Herbert G. Crocker of Willamette.

The hobby is for all ages, as a cross-section of the visitors showed. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who is the Stamp Club Director has a large collection of stamps and a vast fund of knowledge on how best to carry on the hobby. Hobbyists from Portland kindly sent some of their finest displays. Everyone who visited the show spoke

of the beauty of it, whether they were collectors of stamps themselves or not.

To carry out a social touch, tea, coffee and cookies were served at a tastefully appointed table, with mothers of the club members pouring and serving.

The Junior Stamp club members are Scotty Guptill, David Shore, Barbara Lakey, Dale and Keith Rohrer, Reynold Engberg, William Kloster, John Owens, Robert and Michel Minto, Larry Utz, James Adams, Bob Benski, John Perrin, Keith Bauer, Sydney Hays, Leanna Harvilla, Patricia Lynch, Billy and Patricia Lynch, Jeanine and Kevin Zak, Alan Tabrum and Clarke Donelson.

Stamp Hobby Teaches

Members of Oregon City Jr. Stamp club, sponsored by Buena Vista Civic Improvement club, were absorbed listeners Saturday morning to the talk by Mr. A. A. Barnet of Portland. Boys predominate as members. Under the guidance of Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, they have learned the rudiments of stamp collecting and handling the small pieces of paper. Mr. Barnet's talk showed them the fascinating next step, that of pursuing some special field of interest in topicals.



Stamps are issued in almost any category one can think of. Barnet, a past president of the Portland Stamp club, has been collecting since he was 12 years old. He is now due for retirement with the Standard Oil company. The topical he chose to talk about is music. He brought three of his books with him to illustrate his talk. They are works of art. He titles them "Music Expressed in Philately" and they range over the world in the countries which issue stamps concerning some phase of music.

A series from the Belgian Congo gives the origin of music, showing reeds, drums, cattle horns, the twang of arrows. Another series is of our presidents and famous men who were musical or played a musical instrument, and the poet Whittier who wrote lyrics for many hymns. The composer Richard Wagner is Barnet's favorite. The series on his operas, the speaker has mounted in drawings of stage settings, which makes that page especially beautiful.

Mr. Barnet uses a loose leaf notebook for his topicals so pages can be removed for display at stamp shows. He has taken a number of blue ribbons on his displays.

Collecting stamps stimulates interest in the subjects of the stamps. Collectors like to know about the subjects the stamps depict. The commemorative stamp which came out last Friday concerns Dr. Ephraim McDowell, the first doctor to perform internal surgery. That was just 150 years ago and anesthesia had not yet been discovered.

The story is that on Christmas day a woman Mrs. Thomas Crawford with a painfully swollen abdomen had come on horseback 60 miles to the young doctor in frontier Kentucky to get some relief from her agony. The doctor, a student of theoretical medicine, said he would have to cut into her abdomen to help her.

In that backwoods community, such a thing was unheard of. In the outside world it also had not been done, but the doctor was un-

daunted and the woman, who knew she would not live in her present condition, consented. While an angry mob gathered outside his house and had a rope ready for a hanging if the patient died, the doctor strapped her to a table and proceeded with the operation. With the growth removed, the woman recovered. Her Christmas gift was her life and Dr. MacDowell gave life and hope to sufferers all over the world.

Such men as the doctor are remembered by all collectors through postage stamps. Life magazine of Nov. 30 has an article on several topicals with the pictures of the stamps reproduced in color. Those copies will probably become collectors' items.

Anyone interested in stamp collecting may contact Dr. Hardenbrook for information about the adult club and the junior group.

Stamp Show Slated May 7

OREGON CITY — The Junior Stamp society will hold its first stamp show May 7, in the Buena Vista club house.

The hours are from 1 to 4 PM and from 7 to 9 PM. Many choice collections will be on exhibition. Whether one is a collector or not there will be stamps to interest everyone. More details will be given at a later date.

Prizes are being offered and the admission is nominal.

Plenty of parking space is available.

Stamp Show Tickets Going Well

We are notified that tickets for the Stamp Show to be held at the Buena Vista club house, the afternoon and evening of May 7, are going well. Members of the Junior Stamp club are salesmen.

The new stamps which Life magazine made famous in a last November issue will be shown as well as stamps from many other countries.

England's first stamp, known as the black penny and all of the United States airmails, including the Graf Zeppelin will be on exhibit. The beautiful and expensive Vatican stamps, some of the most desired in the world, will be on display, as well as the United Nations stamp. To get a cancelled stamp of the United Nations, it must be mailed from the United Nations building in New York.

Mark the date on your calendar — May 7 — so you will not miss this unusual show.

Mrs. John McBride, president of the Portland Stamp Club, will be among the visitors at the stamp exhibit Saturday in the club house at Atkinson Memorial park. Refugee stamps, graphically depicting the wandering people of the world, will be among the unusual stamps shown. Valuable air stamps with many of the lovely commemorative stamps will be on display. Members of the Oregon City Stamp club are sponsoring the event, the first of its kind to be held in the tri-city area.

There will be stamps to illustrate every interest of collectors as well as those who do not.

Tickets may be obtained from club members or at the door. The admission is 50c for adults.

Stamp Club Christmas Party Held

OREGON CITY (Special)—Over 30 lively junior stamp club members were guests of their director, Mabel Hardenbrook at a Christmas party Sunday afternoon.

It was held in the club house of the sponsoring group, the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club. A few parents and club members assisted with the games and serving.

Stamp club members presented Dr. Hardenbrook with a green orchid corsage and another arrived during the afternoon to show their appreciation for the time she spends teaching them about stamps and how to preserve and build up their collection.

Refreshments were served from a table covered with a green cloth, centered with an arrangement of greenery with a Madonna statuette. Red candles burned in silver candelabra at both sides of the centerpiece. Other Christmas decorations were hung about the room. Festively iced cakes and colored candies carried out the holiday colors.

A big surprise came after the refreshments were stowed away. Musical sleigh bells announced the arrival of another visitor. In came Santa, pack and all, and the children almost mobbed him in their surprise and joy. He produced a large wrapped popcorn ball for each and after hearing requests from the littlest ones made a mysterious exit.

It was a wonderful party and everyone, old and young, enjoyed the afternoon.



SANTA CLAUS surrounded by admiring youngsters at the Junior Stamp Club party in Buena

Vista Club house Sunday afternoon. (Criteser 124551)



STAMP SHOW

Benefit
Junior Stamp Society

No. 235

Sponsored by Buena Vista Civic Club

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 1960 • 16th AND JACKSON STREETS

HOURS:
1 to 4 afternoon
7-9 evening

ADULTS 50c
CHILDREN 35c
(under 12 yrs.)

Saturday Session Canceled by Club

OREGON CITY (Special)—The Oregon City Junior Stamp club, sponsored by the Buena Vista Civic Club, will not meet this Saturday, June 6, but there will be a picnic for the members and their families Sunday, June 14, at the Atkinson Memorial Park.

The group will meet directly after church, or in the neighborhood of 12 o'clock.

Stamp Collectors Schedule Session

The Saturday meeting of juveniles for the new Junior Oregon City Stamp club, now being organized by the Buena Vista Civic club, was successful, although the weather was cold. In addition to the Oregon City representation, four came from Milwaukie and one from Jennings Lodge. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook reported. Others have telephone for admission.

The next meeting, called for 10 AM, Saturday, Jan. 10, will close the charter membership. Interest has been keen, especially among the boys. Each gathering will be supervised by three adult members of the club, one man and two women.

Speakers of noted stamp collectors will be provided as soon as the members have had sufficient instruction regarding selection, value, care and arranging of material.

Saturday, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Russell Baker and Mrs. David Bradley were in charge.

Newly Organized Club Holds First Session

OREGON CITY (Special)—Saturday, Feb. 7, the Oregon City Junior Stamp club, sponsored by the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club, under the direction of Doctor Mabel Hardenbrook, held their first meeting in the club house with 26 boys and girls becoming charter members. They are as follows: Sydney Hayes, Elizabeth Craft, Gwendolyn Bradley, Marcia Nielsen, Jay Baker, Dennis Wehling, Robert Benski, Barbara Lakey, Richard Waldren, Scott Guphill and Michael Minto, all from Oregon City.

James Adams, John Perrin, Clarke Donelson and Helen Brunner are West Linn charter members and Keith Bauer from Gladstone is another.

Charter members from Milwaukie are Alan Habrum, Keith and Dale Rohrer, Patricia Ann Lynch and William Lynch, Jeanine and Kevin Zak, William Kloster and Richard Reed and David Shove, from Portland.

Meetings are scheduled for the first Saturday of each month promptly at 9 AM at the Buena Vista Civic club house. After the flag salute the members knuckle down to business.

At the present time only canceled US stamps are being worked with but as each new issue comes out members are urged to purchase at least one stamp or a block if possible and place in a fill for future mounting.

J. B. Foster, credit manager

of Hogg Bros. Furniture Company, has donated enough commemeratives to give each child almost the full number issued for the past three years.

It is hoped that other merchants will contribute the envelopes they usually throw away.

served.

OC Junior Stamp Club

OREGON CITY (Special)—The Oregon City Junior Stamp club will meet at the Buena Vista club hall Saturday, Dec. 5 for regular meeting. A. A. Barnet, past president of the Portland Stamp club will be the speaker and present a part of his interesting collection of topical stamps.

Parents and those interested in stamp collecting are invited to attend.

Continuing **Enterprise-Courier**
Oregon City Enterprise and Banner-Courier

Sec. 34.41, P. L. & R.
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
Oregon City, Ore.
Permit No. 43

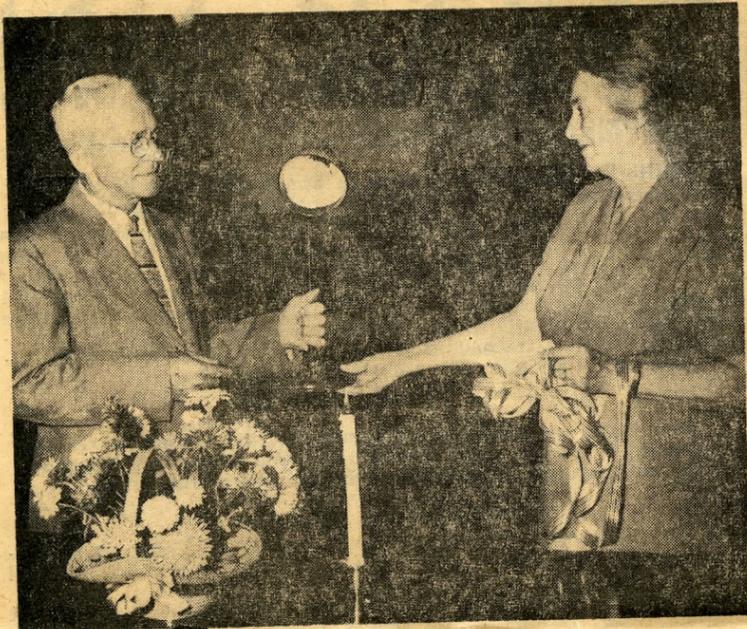
OREGON CITY, OREGON, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1955

Two Sections—Price 10c



OREGON CITY — Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook was the lead off speaker for a group of Madison street residents who appeared before the city commission Wednesday night to protest the property closure of the Madison street bridge between 14th and 15th streets. She told

commissioners the bridge closure would work a hardship and cause great inconvenience to residents of the district. City commissioners will inspect the bridge at a special meeting February 21. (Mr. Pix 78713).



CLUB MEMBERS HONORED — Eric Hedlund presents, on behalf of the Buena Vista Improvement club, a desk lamp to Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook as a token of appreciation by her fellow club members at the party held in her honor at the club house Tuesday evening. (Mr. Pix 106883)

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook Honored by Buena Vista Club

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook was honored at the Buena Vista Improvement club meeting Tuesday night. After a pot luck dinner Eric Hedlund, on behalf of the club members, presented Dr. Mabel a desk lamp. It was a token of their esteem for her leadership and the work she has done since she, along with her neighbors, organized a civic improvement club 34 years ago.

At that time the district we at Madison street was built around the turn of the century. In the early twenties the pilings were reinforced and a new deck was laid. Now it is hazardous for foot-traffic. With school due to open and boys being the venture-some young dare-devils they are, residents in the vicinity fear for them.

The innovations and improvements that have been brought about in our town by the Buena Vista Improvement club working

Enterprise-Courier *Women's World*
A Daily Newspaper Continuing Oregon City Enterprise and Banner-Courier

SECTION TWO

OREGON CITY, OREGON, FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 1957

People, Places and Things

By Vera F. Criteser

1957

Members of the Buena Vista Civic club held a potluck dinner meeting at the Emil Krause home in Oregon City, Tuesday evening. With the exception of the Chamber of Commerce organizations, the Buena Vista Civic Club is the oldest such in the state.



The 17 members present are planning a rummage sale to be held in the American Legion hall on 12th and Washington streets, February 16. The purpose is to raise funds to renovate the hall, which stands at the edge of Atkinson Memorial Park in the Buena Vista district. Other organizations meet in the building also, the Extension Unit, for one, meets there.

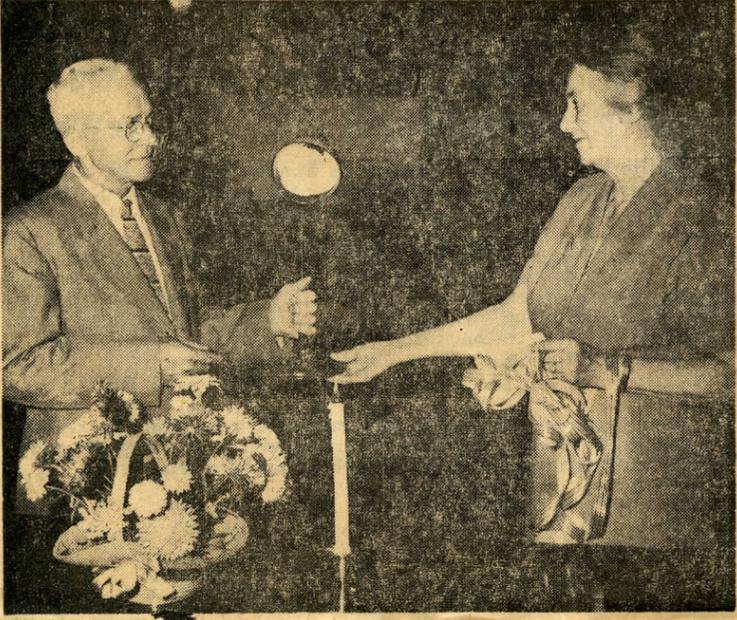
Mrs. Eric Hedlund and Mrs. Lillian Kyle head the committee that is planning the sale and the "Silent Auction" that will be one of the features.



OREGON CITY — Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook was the lead off speaker for a group of Madison street residents who appeared before the city commission Wednesday night to protest the property closure of the Madison street bridge between 14th and 15th streets. She told

commissioners the bridge closure would work a hardship and cause great inconvenience to residents of the district. City commissioners will inspect the bridge at a special meeting February 21. (Mr. Pix 78713).

he
da
at
en
Ci
cl
tr



CLUB MEMBERS HONORED — Eric Hedlund presents, on behalf of the Buena Vista Improvement club, a desk lamp to Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook as a token of appreciation by her fellow club members at the party held in her honor at the club house Tuesday evening. (Mr. Pix 106883)

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook Honored by Buena Vista Club

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook was honored at the Buena Vista Improvement club meeting Tuesday night. After a pot luck dinner Eric Hedlund, on behalf of the club members, presented Dr. Mabel a desk lamp. It was a token of their esteem for her leadership and the work she has done since she, along with her neighbors, organized a civic improvement club 34 years ago.

At that time the district we call Buena Vista was known as Kansas City. In seasons of deep snow and periods of silver thaw it was almost isolated. The only access was by Jackson street to 16th or across the now-closed Madison street bridge. Division street was not opened through until the late twenties.

The bridge across the gulch

at Madison street was built around the turn of the century. In the early twenties the pilings were reinforced and a new deck was laid. Now it is hazardous for foot-traffic. With school due to open and boys being the venture-some young dare-devils they are, residents in the vicinity fear for them.

The innovations and improvements that have been brought about in our town by the Buena Vista Improvement club, working tirelessly through the years, are too many to list here, but the members are not "weary of well-doing." New projects are on their schedule and they are going ahead with work for their accomplishment.

One of their aims is either to have the Madison street bridge replaced or a fill made. Until some years ago the canyon farther up was also bridged on Monroe, but it has been filled and paved. Only the old-timers remember the bridge.

Many new people live in the area now, and with the Atkinson Memorial parking growing in popularity as a recreation spot, residents and those who use it need a shorter way to reach it.

Someone announced that Tuesday was Warren Jewell's birthday. The party observed it by singing "Happy Birthday." George Jewell introduced Frank Fillpot, who put on his magic show to the delight of the old-timers. There must be some simple explanation for the tricks, but as many times as we see them we are still mystified and the faster the patter the funnier the show.

Former residents of the district who returned for the party were the Fred Patnauds who now live in Oswego and the C. A. Thorpes from Glen Echo. John Surfus was also present. At the time of his marriage he and his late wife Eva lived in the house which was later moved to the edge of the park and became the nucleus of the club house.

A rummage sale is planned for some time in October. Mrs. George Jewell was named chairman with Mrs. Kenneth Karns and Mrs. Charles Marshall on the committee.

Charter members of the club who were present were Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Thorpe, Mrs. Jack Charriere, Mrs. Bessie Kearney, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund and George Jewell.

Enterprise-Courier *Women's World*

SECTION TWO

OREGON CITY, OREGON, FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 1957

People, Places and Things

By Vera F. Criteser

1957

Members of the Buena Vista Civic club held a potluck dinner meeting at the Emil Krause home in Oregon City, Tuesday evening. With the exception of the Chamber of Commerce organizations, the Buena Vista Civic Club is the oldest such in the state.



The 17 members present are planning a rummage sale to be held in the American Legion hall on 12th and Washington streets, February 16. The purpose is to raise funds to renovate the hall, which stands at the edge of Atkinson Memorial Park in the Buena Vista district. Other organizations meet in the building also, the Extension Unit, for one, meets there.

Mrs. Eric Hedlund and Mrs. Lillian Kyle head the committee that is planning the sale and the "Silent Auction" that will be one of the features.

* * *

Enterprise-Courier

A Daily Newspaper Continuing Oregon City Enterprise and Banner-Courier

County Traffic Toll . . .

DEAD (9) DAYS (177)

. . . Drive Safely

Volume 92, Number 125

OREGON CITY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1958



Statt Officer Joe Haystead up to his old tricks again — forgetting time and dates . . . Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook telling of the 35th anniversary meeting of the Buena Vista club planned for Tuesday night starting with a

Buena Vista Civic Club Observes 35th Anniversary

By VERA CRITESER

Members of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club met in the newly redecorated club house in Atkinson Memorial park Tuesday evening, May 20 to celebrate the 35th anniversary of its organization. Among those present at the dinner and program were 13 of the living charter members.

They were seated at the head table and included the president, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Phillips, George Jewel, Mrs. Mary Charriere, Mrs. Harless Ely, Mrs. Gertrude Criswell, Mrs. Consie Kearney, and Mrs. Catherine Carothers. Mrs. Hattie Jewel, also a charter member was unable to be present.

All women charter members received purple orchids in keeping with the purple and gold colors of the club. The men received boutonnieres. The tables were covered with purple cloths and centered with gold candles and flower arrangements of yellow roses.

Richard Long, son of charter members and former mayor of Oregon City, acted as master of ceremonies. The Meindl instrumental trio played and West Linn high school students, Scott McNall and Duane Pinkerton gave readings.

Long gave the address of the evening, tracing the history of the Buena Vista Improvement club. It was organized by a group of neighbors in the Buena Vista area in February of 1923 to try to bring some needed improvements to their part of town. What all those accomplishments have been is a story in itself. One of which the club takes most satisfaction is the band they organized and from which has grown the music system in the Oregon City and West Linn schools. They also have spearheaded the drive to have a permanent crossing of Madison street canyon.

The anniversary party was scheduled for February, but had to be postponed until the hall interior decorations were completed. They are most attractive, with a paneled ceiling, soft pink walls and white woodwork. The exterior is to be painted also. The pictures of Dr. George H. Atkinson who came to Oregon City in 1848 have been enlarged and framed, and will be hung with appropriate ceremony at the June meeting.

At that time his life and accomplishments will be stressed. It was Dr. Atkinson who named the area Buena Vista, meaning good view. He with some friends purchased the acreage for the campus of the college they were founding. When it was later decided to move it to Forest Grove they gave the land to the city for a park, and in his memory it is named Atkinson Memorial park.

Fifty-two members of the club besides children sat at the dinner tables. This club has been one of the most successful non-fraternal and non-religious organizations in Oregon City.



HOMMAGE PAID TO PIONEER—Members of the Oregon City Buena Vista Civic club heard guest speaker Dr. I. C. Story present a talk on the life and times of the late Dr. George H. Atkinson, early Oregon Pioneer, church, civic and education leader. The dinner meeting was held Tuesday evening in the group's clubhouse which is situated in Atkinson Memorial Park —land originally owned by Dr. Atkinson more than 100 years ago. (Mr. Pix 112045)

Life, Times of Dr. Atkinson Told at Buena Vista Meet

The life and times of the late Dr. H. Atkinson, one of Oregon's foremost pioneers, was presented in a talk given Tuesday evening by Dr. Irvin Story of Pacific University, at the Buena Vista club house in Atkinson Memorial Park, Oregon City.

Seventy-five years after his death Dr. Atkinson is receiving acclaim for his work in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. Members of the Buena Vista club heard Dr. Story's account of Dr. Atkinson's personal contributions to this community, the state and the Pacific Northwest at the dinner meeting.

Dr. Atkinson first came to Oregon City by way of the Sandwich Islands in 1848 as a missionary for the Congregational church, accompanied by his young wife. He purchased 23 lots of wooded land overlooking the Willamette river as a site for an academy. That dream was never realized in Oregon City, so he moved his endeavors to North Tuality Plains and assisted Harvey Clark with his academy which later grew into Pacific University at Forest Grove.

Dr. Atkinson turned the 23 lots over to Oregon City for a park, but the town did nothing about the tract and it reverted to the heirs. When the land was about to be sold for delinquent taxes to someone who wanted the timber, residents of the area quickly organized into a club, calling it the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club and bought the tract to preserve the wooded area as a park.

Some of the leading organizers of the club were the late John Drum, T. L. Charman, Anton Nat-

erlin and Dr. D. E. Hardenbrook. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and 13 other charter members are still working to improve the park. They presented it to the City as the Atkinson Memorial park in 1924.

For 15 years Dr. Atkinson lived in Oregon City before he moved to Portland. His work covered a very wide scope, from organizing 15 Congregational churches in Oregon and Washington to drafting the first code of laws to govern public schools in Oregon, which became Oregon school law, when he was the first Superintendent of schools in the Territory, to testing the soil in Eastern Oregon and Washington by comparing it with samples from the Ukraine and Argentina. He convinced farmers they had a future "Inland Empire" in golden wheat.

Dr. Atkinson was a founder of academies which became colleges, among them Eastern Washington College of Education at Cheney and Whitman College at Walla Walla. He persuaded the board at Pacific University that "women could take an education," and Herrick Hall opened in 1881 with equal educational opportunities for women and men. Previously women received their learning at "seminaries," a "charmed word," Dr. Story said, "for women's colleges."

Two pictures of Dr. George H. Atkinson, one as a young man and one taken shortly before his death in 1883 have been enlarged and framed and are hanging on the clubhouse wall. He died, having spent his life in service to the country he called "The Northwest, the golden fringe of our continent." He lies in Riverview cemetery in Portland.

Members of Clackamas County Historical Society were invited to hear Dr. Story speak. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, president of the Buena Vista club was mis-

Oregon Pioneer Subject of Talk

OREGON CITY, June 23.—The work and life of Dr. George Atkinson, Oregon pioneer, will be discussed by Dr. Irwin Strong of Pacific university at the Tuesday evening meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club. The meeting is open to the public.

The George Atkinson Memorial park is located in the residential area of Oregon City. The Buena Vista club purchased the 10 lots which comprise the park site and presented the deed to the city in return for cancellation of the tax liens against them.

It is recalled that Dr. Atkinson, early day Congregational minister, wanted to start an academy in Oregon City and offered to donate all the land in the area of the park for that purpose. When Oregon City was unresponsive to his plan, Dr. Atkinson, who was known widely in educational as well as church circles, went to the Tualatin valley and organized Pacific university. 1958



Statt Officer Joe Haystead up to his old tricks again — forgetting time and dates . . . Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook telling of the 35th anniversary meeting of the Buena Vista club planned for Tuesday night starting with a

Buena Vista Civic Club Observes 35th Anniversary

By VERA CRITESER

Members of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club met in the newly redecorated club house in Atkinson Memorial park Tuesday evening, May 20 to celebrate the 35th anniversary of its organization. Among those present at the dinner and program were 13 of the living charter members.

They were seated at the head table and included the president, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Phillips, George Jewel, Mrs. Mary Charriere, Mrs. Harless Ely, Mrs. Gertrude Criswell, Mrs. Consie Kearney, and Mrs. Catherine Carothers. Mrs. Hattie Jewel, also a charter member was unable to be present.

All women charter members received purple orchids in keeping with the purple and gold colors of the club. The men received boutonnieres. The tables were covered with purple cloths and centered with gold candles and flower arrangements of yellow roses.

Richard Long, son of charter members and former mayor of Oregon City, acted as master of ceremonies. The Meindl instrumental trio played and West Linn high school students, Scott McNall and Duane Pinkerton gave readings.

Long gave the address of the evening, tracing the history of the Buena Vista Improvement club. It was organized by a group of neighbors in the Buena Vista area in February of 1923 to try to bring some needed improvements to their part of town. What all those accomplishments have been is a story in itself. One of which the club takes most satisfaction is the band they organized and from which has grown the music system in the Oregon City and West Linn schools. They also have spearheaded the drive to have a permanent crossing of Madison street canyon.

The anniversary party was scheduled for February, but had to be postponed until the hall interior decorations were completed. They are most attractive, with a paneled ceiling, soft pink walls and white woodwork. The exterior is to be painted also. The pictures of Dr. George H. Atkinson who came to Oregon City in 1848 have been enlarged and framed, and will be hung with appropriate ceremony at the June meeting.

At that time his life and accomplishments will be stressed. It was Dr. Atkinson who named the area Buena Vista, meaning good view. He with some friends purchased the acreage for the campus of the college they were founding. When it was later decided to move it to Forest Grove they gave the land to the city for a park, and in his memory it is named Atkinson Memorial park.

Fifty-two members of the club besides children sat at the dinner tables. This club has been one of the most successful non-fraternal and non-religious organizations in Oregon City.

1958



HOMMAGE PAID TO PIONEER—Members of the Oregon City Buena Vista Civic club heard guest speaker Dr. I. C. Story present a talk on the life and times of the late Dr. George H. Atkinson, early Oregon Pioneer, church, civic and education leader. The dinner meeting was held Tuesday evening in the group's clubhouse which is situated in Atkinson Memorial Park—land originally owned by Dr. Atkinson more than 100 years ago. (Mr. Pix 112045)

Life, Times of Dr. Atkinson Told at Buena Vista Meet

The life and times of the late Dr. H. Atkinson, one of Oregon's foremost pioneers, was presented in a talk given Tuesday evening by Dr. Irvin Story of Pacific University, at the Buena Vista club house in Atkinson Memorial Park, Oregon City.

Seventy-five years after his death Dr. Atkinson is receiving acclaim for his work in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. Members of the Buena Vista club heard Dr. Story's account of Dr. Atkinson's personal contributions to this community, the state and the Pacific Northwest at the dinner meeting.

Dr. Atkinson first came to Oregon City by way of the Sandwich Islands in 1848 as a missionary for the Congregational church, accompanied by his young wife. He purchased 23 lots of wooded land overlooking the Willamette river as a site for an academy. That dream was never realized in Oregon City, so he moved his endeavors to North Tuality Plains and assisted Harvey Clark with his academy which later grew into Pacific University at Forest Grove.

Dr. Atkinson turned the 23 lots over to Oregon City for a park, but the town did nothing about the tract and it reverted to the heirs. When the land was about to be sold for delinquent taxes to someone who wanted the timber, residents of the area quickly organized into a club, calling it the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club and bought the tract to preserve the wooded area as a park.

Some of the leading organizers of the club were the late John Drum, T. L. Charman, Anton Nat-

erlin and Dr. D. E. Hardenbrook. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and 13 other charter members are still working to improve the park. They presented it to the City as the Atkinson Memorial park in 1924.

For 15 years Dr. Atkinson lived in Oregon City before he moved to Portland. His work covered a very wide scope, from organizing 15 Congregational churches in Oregon and Washington to drafting the first code of laws to govern public schools in Oregon, which became Oregon school law, when he was the first Superintendent of schools in the Territory, to testing the soil in Eastern Oregon and Washington by comparing it with samples from the Ukraine and Argentina. He convinced farmers they had a future "Inland Empire" in golden wheat.

Dr. Atkinson was a founder of academies which became colleges, among them Eastern Washington College of Education at Cheney and Whitman College at Walla Walla. He persuaded the board at Pacific University that "women could take an education," and Herrick Hall opened in 1881 with equal educational opportunities for women and men. Previously women received their learning at "seminaries," a "charmed word," Dr. Story said, "for women's colleges."

Two pictures of Dr. George H. Atkinson, one as a young man and one taken shortly before his death in 1883 have been enlarged and framed and are hanging on the clubhouse wall. He died, having spent his life in service to the country he called "The Northwest, the golden fringe of our continent." He lies in Riverview cemetery in Portland.

Members of Clackamas County Historical Society were invited to hear Dr. Story speak. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, president of the Buena Vista club was mistress of ceremonies. Horace L. Bachelder, minister of Atkinson Memorial Congregational church gave the invocation. Mrs. Irene Lind, accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Rayl sang "Trees" and "Land of the Sky Blue Water."

Former Mayor Richard Long read a letter from City Manager Robert Clute, who was unable to attend. Wilmer Gardner, president of the Clackamas County Historical Society introduced Dr. Story.

Oregon Pioneer Subject of Talk

OREGON CITY, June 23.—The work and life of Dr. George Atkinson, Oregon pioneer, will be discussed by Dr. Irwin Strong of Pacific university at the Tuesday evening meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club. The meeting is open to the public.

The George Atkinson Memorial park is located in the residential area of Oregon City. The Buena Vista club purchased the 10 lots which comprise the park site and presented the deed to the city in return for cancellation of the tax liens against them.

It is recalled that Dr. Atkinson, early day Congregational minister, wanted to start an academy in Oregon City and offered to donate all the land in the area of the park for that purpose. When Oregon City was unresponsive to his plan, Dr. Atkinson, who was known widely in educational as well as church circles, went to the Tualatin valley and organized Pacific university. 1958

Club To Observe 13th Anniversary Tuesday Evening

The 13th anniversary of the organization of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club will be celebrated at the club's meeting on Tuesday evening in the clubhouse. A no-host supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook is in charge of the program.

The supper committee, Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mrs. William Montieth and Mrs. R. E. Marshall, is asking members to bring plates and cups for the supper. 1936

IMPROVEMENT CLUB PLANS TO OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

Plans were made to observe the thirteenth anniversary of the organization of the Buena Vista Civic and Improvement club Tuesday, February 25, at a meeting held Tuesday evening in the clubhouse. The meeting, attended by about 50 persons, was presided over by Jack Charriere, the president.

As special features two interesting talks were given, one by Miss Miriam Swafford, instructor in one of the local schools, who told of her Hawaiian trip last summer, and the other by Andrew Derchar, who told of the Hopi Indians in Arizona.

Mrs. Charles Scharback was named to have general charge of the potluck supper which will be a feature of the February 25 meeting, and Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook is to be in general charge of entertainment. Feb 4-1936.

13th Anniversary of Club Organization is Observed

The 13th anniversary of the formation of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club was celebrated at a no-host dinner for 62 members and friends of the organization on Tuesday evening in the clubhouse, which stands in Atkinson Memorial park, a gift from the club to the city of Oregon City.

Twenty-three of the club's charter members were present, and all past presidents, with the exception of Andrew Naterlin who lives at Newport, were in attendance and occupied places of honor at a special table.

Sharing honors with Jacques Charriere, who is now serving as president of the club, were John Drumm, the club's first president, who held office for five years; Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, Mrs. Charles E. Surfus and T. Leonard Charman.

"Lucky 13" provided the theme for the program, arranged and presented under direction of Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who helped organize the club. Thirteen original "wills," bequeathing possessions and characteristics of past presidents and prominent members of the club, were read during the dinner hour.

Mrs. W. I. Blistone gave a humorous reading and responded with an encore. Musical numbers were given by an instrumental trio with Dr. Franklin Heisley, Floyd Rice and Charles Wilson entertaining, and Mrs. Heisley accompanying.

Corsages were presented to Mrs. Blistone, Mrs. Heisley, and Mrs. Henry Arbuckle, secretary of the club.

The 13-candle-trimmed birthday cake was made by Mrs. Frank J. Alldredge. In charge of the dinner were Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mrs. R. E. Marshall and Mrs. William Montieth.

The hall was decorated in red and white, and crystal bowls of dark red tulips and freesias, flanked by tall white tapers in crystal holders, centered the several dinner tables.

Games followed the dinner hour, with prizes awarded to Mrs. Eric Hedlund, T. L. Charman and Joseph Alldredge. Dancing concluded the entertainment, with Mr. and Mrs. Harless Ely furnishing music.

A definite program for the balance of the club year will be outlined at the March meeting over which Jacques Charriere will preside.

1936

Win County Title at Old-Time



The Pioneers, old-time and semi-modern dance orchestra of the Buena Vista district, won the title of county champions in the old-time orchestra contest at Maple Lane last week. The orchestra, organized in November 1934, plays for grange dances at Redland

and New E Charriere, saxophone; Dick Barn

Buena Vista Club Plans Party 1937

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and Mrs. Eric Hedlund were joint hostesses at the Buena Vista Art Needlecraft club meeting held at the club house at Sixteenth and Jackson streets Tuesday afternoon.

Plans were formulated for holding a Halloween party at the club house, final plans to be completed at the next meeting of the club to be held October 19. The hostesses for that day will be Mrs. Charles Surfus and Mrs. Roy Marshall.

The club also is to assist at the fair to be held at the Community house on High street, Saturday.

Following the business session, tea was served by the joint hostesses, with Mrs. Clyde Anderson presiding at the attractively arranged tea table. A cloth of cut-work linen covered the table which was centered with French marigolds and larkspurs, forming a colorful combination. Orange and yellow marigolds were effectively used in decorating the club rooms.

Enjoying the afternoon were Mrs. Concie Kearney and daughter, Donna, Mrs. Dan Faust, Mrs. Sidna Davis, Mrs. Hattie Jewell, Mrs. George Jewell, Mrs. John Naterlin, Mrs. Chester Carothers, Mrs. Leon Dupasquier, of West Linn, Mrs. J. W. Charrier, Mrs. Leon Lent, Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mrs. Roy Marshall, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mrs. Evelyn Gribble, Mrs. Linden McCausland, Mrs. John Braker, Mrs. Frank Alldredge, Mrs. Charles Thorpe and Mrs. R. S. Kirchem.

* * *

14TH ANNIVERSARY MARKED BY CLUB; SHORT TALKS GIVEN

More than 80 attended the 14th anniversary meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club, held in the clubhouse on Tuesday evening. Dinner was served at 6:30 o'clock, followed by a program arranged by Dr. Mable Hardenbrook, one of the club's organizers, assisted by Mrs. Henry Arbuckle.

The history of the club and a resume of its accomplishments formed the basis for a song which was led by Frank J. Alldredge and entitled "Our Club Is Marching On." Impromptu talks were given by six past presidents — John Drumm, T. L. Charman, Anton Naterlin who substituted for part of the term of his son, Andrew; Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, and J. H. Charriere; and the president, P. T. Soreghan.

J. L. Franzen Speaks

J. L. Franzen, city manager, discussed work projects of the city, stressing in particular the program to be carried on in Atkinson Memorial park in which the Buena Vista clubhouse is located. The building of stone fireplaces and stone benches, outdoor lighting and construction of a playground are a part of the plans for the park.

At the anniversary dinner, Joe Alldredge, 83, oldest charter member of the club, blew out the 14 candles on the three-tiered cake baked by Mrs. Clyde Anderson. Rev. A. J. Ware gave the invocation. The table centerpiece of red carnations and white freesia was sent to C. A. Thorpe, a past president, who is ill in Hutchinson hos-

pital. White candles in red cellophane holders burned on the dinner tables.

In charge of the dinner were Mrs. Clyde Anderson, chairman, Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mrs. Gene Gurley and Mrs. W. T. Montieth. Assisting in serving were the Misses Jean and Bernice Hall, Gwendolyn Morley, Marie Marshall, and Beth and Ruth Hardenbrook.

Old-time dancing, with music furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Harless Ely and R. E. Marshall, concluded the entertainment.

The club membership has grown steadily since organization was affected with 46 charter members on February 27, 1923. John Drumm, the first president, served for five years.

1937

Club To Observe 13th Anniversary Tuesday Evening

The 13th anniversary of the organization of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club will be celebrated at the club's meeting on Tuesday evening in the clubhouse. A no-host supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook is in charge of the program. The supper committee, Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mrs. William Montieth and Mrs. R. E. Marshall, is asking members to bring plates and cups for the supper. 1936

IMPROVEMENT CLUB PLANS TO OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

Plans were made to observe the thirteenth anniversary of the organization of the Buena Vista Civic and Improvement club Tuesday, February 25, at a meeting held Tuesday evening in the clubhouse. The meeting, attended by about 50 persons, was presided over by Jack Charriere, the president. As special features two interesting talks were given, one by Miss Miriam Swafford, instructor in one of the local schools, who told of her Hawaiian trip last summer, and the other by Andrew Derchar, who told of the Hopi Indians in Arizona. Mrs. Charles Scharback was named to have general charge of the potluck supper which will be a feature of the February 25 meeting, and Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook is to be in general charge of entertainment. Feb 4-1936.

13th Anniversary of Club Organization is Observed

The 13th anniversary of the formation of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club was celebrated at a no-host dinner for 62 members and friends of the organization on Tuesday evening in the clubhouse, which stands in Atkinson Memorial park, a gift from the club to the city of Oregon City.

Twenty-three of the club's charter members were present, and all past presidents, with the exception of Andrew Naterlin who lives at Newport, were in attendance and occupied places of honor at a special table.

Sharing honors with Jacques Charriere, who is now serving as president of the club, were John Drumm, the club's first president, who held office for five years; Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, Mrs. Charles E. Surfus and T. Leonard Charman.

"Lucky 13" provided the theme for the program, arranged and presented under direction of Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who helped organize the club. Thirteen original "wills," bequeathing possessions and characteristics of past presidents and prominent members of the club, were read during the dinner hour.

Mrs. W. I. Blinstone gave a humorous reading and responded with an encore. Musical numbers were given by an instrumental trio with Dr. Franklin Heisley, Floyd Rice and Charles Wilson entertaining, and Mrs. Heisley accompanying.

Corsages were presented to Mrs. Blinstone, Mrs. Heisley, and Mrs. Henry Arbuckle, secretary of the club.

The 13-candle-trimmed birthday cake was made by Mrs. Frank J. Alldredge. In charge of the dinner were Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mrs. R. E. Marshall and Mrs. William Montieth.

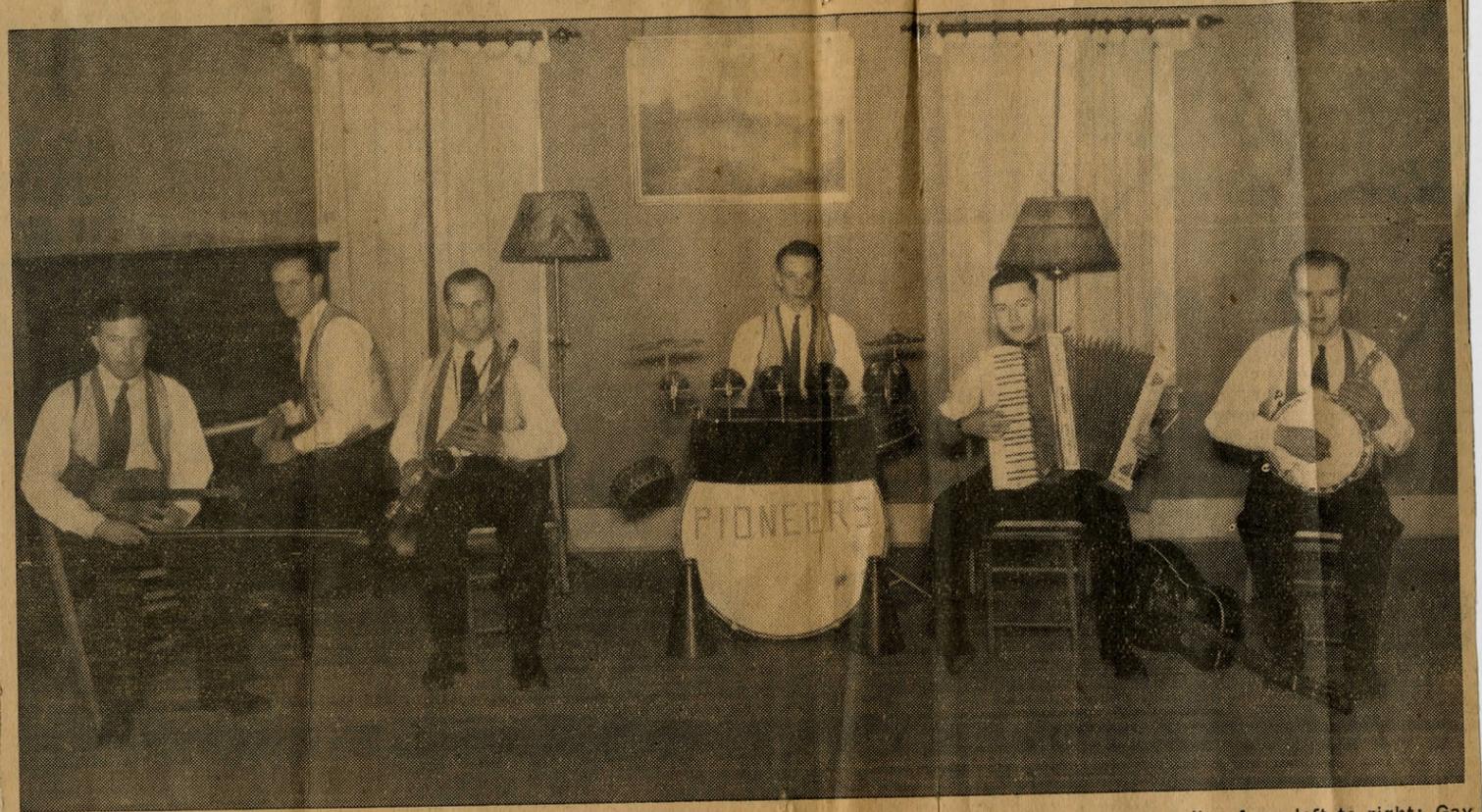
The hall was decorated in red and white, and crystal bowls of dark red tulips and freesias, flanked by tall white tapers in crystal holders, centered the several dinner tables.

Games followed the dinner hour, with prizes awarded to Mrs. Eric Hedlund, T. L. Charman and Joseph Alldredge. Dancing concluded the entertainment, with Mr. and Mrs. Harless Ely furnishing music.

A definite program for the balance of the club year will be outlined at the March meeting over which Jacques Charriere will preside.

1936

Win County Title at Old-Time Orchestra Contest



The Pioneers, old-time and semi-modern dance orchestra of the Buena Vista district, won the title of county champions in the old-time orchestra contest at Maple Lane last week. The orchestra, organized in November 1934, plays for grange dances at Redland

and New Era. In the orchestra are, reading from left to right: Gay Charriere, violin and director; Clyde Freeman, piano; Ed Hrovart, saxophone; Lloyd Minor, drums; Merlyn Soesbe, accordion; and Dick Barney, banjo.—(Photo by Hardy)

Buena Vista Club Plans Party 1937

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and Mrs. Eric Hedlund were joint hostesses at the Buena Vista Art Needlecraft club meeting held at the club house at Sixteenth and Jackson streets Tuesday afternoon.

Plans were formulated for holding a Halloween party at the club house, final plans to be completed at the next meeting of the club to be held October 19. The hostesses for that day will be Mrs. Charles Surfus and Mrs. Roy Marshall.

The club also is to assist at the fair to be held at the Community house on High street, Saturday.

Following the business session, tea was served by the joint hostesses, with Mrs. Clyde Anderson presiding at the attractively arranged tea table. A cloth of cut-work linen covered the table which was centered with French marigolds and larkspurs, forming a colorful combination. Orange and yellow marigolds were effectively

14TH ANNIVERSARY MARKED BY CLUB; SHORT TALKS GIVEN

More than 80 attended the 14th anniversary meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club, held in the clubhouse on Tuesday evening. Dinner was served at 6:30 o'clock, followed by a program arranged by Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, one of the club's organizers, assisted by Mrs. Henry Arbuckle.

The history of the club and a resume of its accomplishments formed the basis for a song which was led by Frank J. Alldredge and entitled "Our Club Is Marching On." Impromptu talks were given by six past presidents — John Drumm, T. L. Charman, Anton Naterlin who substituted for part of the term of his son, Andrew; Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, and J. H. Charriere; and the president, P. T. Soreghan.

J. L. Franzen Speaks

J. L. Franzen, city manager, discussed work projects of the city.

White candles in red cellophane holders burned on the dinner tables.

In charge of the dinner were Mrs. Clyde Anderson, chairman, and Mrs. Charles

BUENA VISTA CIVIC CLUB (Fifteenth Anniversary)
Tune of "Glory, Glory, Halleluliah"

Words by
The Rev. John Drumm

1. Twas many many years ago, Away upon this hill, don't get blue,
When they mentioned Kansas City, Everybody had a chill; don't
Then Buena Vista organized--A vision to fulfill. along.
Our Club is marching on.

Chorus:
Glory, Glory, Halleluliah
" " "
" " "

2. We started in as innocents; To study civic needs
We used a lot of common sense, And multiplied our deeds,
Elma Surfus took our money, While Queviene smiled pleasantly,
Our club is marching on.

Chorus:
Mabel and Mary Hedlund, Did organize a band,
And with it they did battle, Up and down the land.

3. Judge Cross said we couldn't, Live more than 5 years more,
And still we're going onward--Don't you hear the lion roar?
That was 14 years ago--How time, it passes o'er;
Our club is marching on.

Chorus:
Then we grew and grew and grew, Our houses got too small
A club then was needed, To hold us one and all

4. John Drumm was our first president-- For 5 long years he stood
And labored hard and loyally-- To make things understood
He never did stop talking--Altho' we wished he would.
Our club is marching on.

Chorus:
And when the club house got too small, We hurried over that,
Jack Charriere, our president, Said we should stand right pat,
That we had better get a new place, The clubhouse to enlarge,

5. Then Waterlin and Charman Were next to fall in line,
Mrs. Surfus followed--To keep things going fine:
Thrope, Charriere, and Aldredge, completed the old line.
Our club is marching on.

Chorus:
And now you see we've got to move, Unto another spot.
For the place where we are sitting, Is getting rather hot.
6. Now there's P. T. Soreghan--of the Buena Vista store
Who stands behind his counter--A'selling more and more
He is our present President-- Hurrah for evermore.
Our club is marching on.

Chorus:
The streets and signs and parks and trees, came in for their full share
A. Waterlin had sleepless nights, and many a long nightmare,
For the bridge on Madison St. was gone, And we had to go round and round.
Our club is marching on.

Chorus:
15. But time would fail to tell of all, Who helped us win this day,
Of Anderson and Moshake and Charles, Of Marshall, Kearney, Long,
Of Whiteman, Northish, Sturdivant, Twas there we organized.
Our club is marching on.

Chorus.

Has No-Host Supper

A no-host supper was enjoyed Tuesday evening at the Buena Vista clubhouse by members of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club. Attractively used in decorating the table were red rambler roses and pink sweet peas.

The men in the group cleaned the grounds about the clubhouse, and the women devoted a part of the time to playing cards, doing needlework and visiting.

Eric Hedlund is president of the club.

Attending were Mrs. William Monteith and daughter Miss Willa, Mr. and Mrs. William Croner, Mr. and Mrs. William Moehnke, Joe Benoit, Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. John Braker and son Max, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mr. and Mrs. George Jewell and daughter and son, Joan and Warren, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Aldredge, Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Charriere, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whiteman, Mrs. Gabriel Charriere, Sam Loudea and Della and Jacqueline Harn.

Buena Vista Club Committee Heads Appointed

R. E. Marshall, president of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club for 1939, announced appointment of his committees for the year Tuesday evening when he took over his duties as successor to Eric Hedlund, whose term expired that night.

Named on committees were Mrs. F. J. Alldredge, publicity; Mrs. N. F. Reaksecker and Mrs. William Monteith, card parties; Mrs. Clarence Alldredge and Mrs. A. E. Morley, January entertainment; Mrs. Jacques Charriere, sick and flower; Charles Scharback and Mrs. F. J. Alldredge, dance.

It was decided to make special awards at future meetings.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. William Croner, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Marshall, Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Anton Naterlin, John Drumm, Eric Hedlund, T. L. Charman and Mrs. Lillian Kasinger.

Short talks were given by the past presidents of the club, Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, Mrs. Charles Surfus, John Drumm, T. Leonard Charman, Jacques Charriere and Anton Naterlin, the latter substituting for his son, Andrew J. Naterlin, who was unable to attend.

At the business session conducted by Mr. Hedlund, plans were discussed for three future events. One is a dance on Tuesday evening, March 1, at the clubhouse, arrangements for which are in charge of a committee headed by Mrs. Clyde Anderson. Another is a card party, the date for which has not been definitely set. Anton Naterlin is in charge of details for the party. The other event is to be in the form of a benefit entertainment planned for the near future. Named to arrange the affair are Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Anton Naterlin, Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mrs. Charles Surfus and Mrs. Jacques Charriere.

Composing the supper committee were Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Miss Jeanette Welsh, Mrs. A. E. Morley and Mrs. Jacques Charriere, and serving on the dining room committee were Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Mrs. L. M. Lent, Mrs. W. T. Monteith and Mrs. Frank Alldredge. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook was chairman of the entertainment committee.

Attending the affair were Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Charriere, Mr. and Mrs. John Braker and son Max, Mr. and Mrs. George Jewell and daughter and son, Joan and Warren, Mr. and Mrs. J. Naterlin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patnaude and son Ray, Mr. and Mrs. William Moehnke, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wilton and daughter Joan, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Whiteman, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Alldredge, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Monteith and daughter Willa, Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Benoit, Mr. and Mrs. Harless Ely, Mrs. A. Ek, Miss Irene Ek.

Mrs. Charles Herzig, Mrs. Hattie Jewell, Mrs. Sidna Davis, Miss Marguerite Moehnke, Mrs. L. M. Lent and son Harold, Miss Jeanette Welsh, Miss Dorris Morrell, Miss Marie Marshall, Joaquin Barr, Miss Beth Hardenbrook, Mrs. A. E. Morley, Mrs. C. Rey, Mrs. G. Charriere, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, Mrs. Charles Surfus, John Drumm, Lee Young, J. W. Alldredge, Roy Hedlund, Ted Anderson, Fred Purvins, T. Leonard Charman, Herman H. Chindgren, Anton Naterlin, Miss Jacqueline Harn and Miss Della Harn.

1938

Buena Vista Club Marks 15th Anniv. At Jolly Affair

The 15th anniversary of the organization of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club was the occasion for a delightful gathering Tuesday evening at the clubhouse. The affair, attended by members of the club and their families, began with a no-host dinner at 6:30 o'clock.

Crystal, in keeping with the 15th anniversary, and a red, white and blue color scheme, carrying out a patriotic theme in observance of George Washington's birthday, were used in decorating the dinner tables.

The table, at which the club president, Eric Hedlund, and the past presidents and the guest speaker of the evening were seated was centered with a large crystal bowl of red tulips and fern, and tiered crystal candelabra with red, white and blue tapers. The other tables were decorated with red cyclamen and crystal candleholders bearing red, white and blue candles. The place cards for the special table and for the other tables, which were arranged in the form of a "U," were in keeping with the Washington's birthday theme.

A large tiered cake, adorned with small silk American flags and blue candleholders with red candles, was served after the lighted candles had been blown out by J. W. (Uncle Joe) Alldredge and Warren Jewell. Mr. Alldredge is the oldest member of the club and Warren was one of the younger children present. The cake had been baked by Mrs. Clyde Anderson and Mrs. Frank Alldredge.

A message of congratulations to the club from Andrew J. Naterlin of Newport, a past president of the group, was read by Mrs. Charles Surfus.

Greetings were extended by Mr. Hedlund, and a pianologue was presented by Lee Young. Herman H. Chindgren of Meadowbrook, ex-president of the Greater Clackamas Union of Clubs, was the guest speaker of the evening. He congratulated the group on its activities, some of which not only affected the Buena Vista district but the city as a whole. He also told the group of the aims and activities of the Greater Clackamas Union of Clubs. Proving amusing was the statement made by Mr. Chindgren as he was leaving the affair, "Well, I guess you'll live." When the club was began it was not known that it would continue for so long a time.

Also entertaining were two readings given by Mrs. Charles Scharback and one by Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, and the group singing of four songs, with Mrs. Clarence Alldredge acting as the leader and Mrs. Harless Ely serving as the accompanist.

BUENA VISTA CIVIC CLUB



19 38

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

Buena Vista C. I. Club Sponsors Program Tues.

Two one-act plays are to be presented in the auditorium of the city hall on Seventh street Tuesday evening of next week at 8 o'clock. The affair is being sponsored by the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club.

The plays, "The Girl of the Flying X" and "Stubborn Cinderella," are to be presented by members of the Molalla Dramatic club, under the direction of Elton Ralston, who conducts dramatic classes in Clackamas county under the WPA education and recreation program. It is said that specialty numbers will complete the entertainment.

Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mrs. Jacques Charriere, Mrs. Charles Scharback and Anton Naterlin compose the committee in charge of arrangements for the affair.

Buena Vista Clubhouse Interior Being Painted

The interior of the Buena Vista clubhouse is being repainted by women of the Buena Vista Art Needlecraft club. The paint is being furnished by the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club.

Meeting Wednesday at the clubhouse to do the painting and to enjoy a no-host luncheon were Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Mrs. Jacques Charriere, Mrs. Frank J. Alldredge, Mrs. John Braker, Mrs. Charles Surfus and Mrs. George Jewell.

Mrs. Clyde Anderson joined the group in the afternoon.

All members of the Art Needlecraft club who care to assist in finishing the work are asked to gather at the clubhouse this Friday at 9 a. m. It is hoped to complete the work by noon.

IMPROVEMENT CLUB CARS CARD PARTY FRIDAY

Six tables of 500 were in play at the card party sponsored by the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club and enjoyed Friday evening in the clubhouse. Receiving the awards in cards were Mrs. Charles Scharback, Mrs. J. Fent, L. Buckner and Charles Scharback. The special award went to Mrs. William Eggman.

Following the cards, refreshments were served.

Arrangements for the affair were in charge of Mrs. J. Benoit and Mr. Gabriel Charriere. Anton Naterlin is general chairman for card parties given under auspices of the club.

1940
**17th Annual Dinner
Held In Buena Vista
Club House Tuesday**

The 17th annual dinner of the Buena Vista Civic and Improvement club was held at the club house Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock. A program, conducted by the program chairman, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, was held after dinner with a short business meeting presided over by the president, Charles Scharbach, following.

The program ran as follows: Welcome, Charles Scharbach; vocal solo, Ellerd Larkins; reading, David Herd; musical numbers, R. E. Marshall and Gabriel Charriere, and a short talk by John Drumm. A birthday cake was baked by Mrs. Roy Marshall, and "uncle" Joe Alldredge, oldest member of the club, blew out the candles which is the yearly procedure. The door award went to Charles Scharbach an special award went to Anton Naterlin. Mrs. J. Charriere had charge of the dining room and Mrs. E. Hedlund had charge of the kitchen.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Marshall, Miss Marie Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. F. Alldredge, Joe Alldredge, Karl Koellermeier, Mrs. Pearl Burkhalter, E. G. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Croner, Mrs. Bruce Stiffler, Miss Gwen Morley, Mrs. Marie Morley, Miss Birdie Couture, Mr. and Mrs. E. Deming, Mrs. W. Montieth and Willa, Mr. and Mrs. Ellerd Larkins, David Herd Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. J. Naterlin, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Thompson and Dick and Roger, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Scharbach, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Purvine, Mrs. A. U. Bronson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hedlund and Gary, Misses Jacqueline Harn, Della Harn, Ruby Shartzler, Anne Hardenbrook, Beth Hardenbrook and Evelyn Shepard, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Reaksecker and Beverly and Dean, Mrs. Sidna Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Anderson, J. H. Wright, J. H. Cook, Miss Lillian Kasinger, Mr. and Mrs. R. Whiteman, Mr. and Mrs. William Moehnke, Mr. and Mrs. George Jewell and Warren and Joan, A. Naterlin, T. L. Charman, John Drumm, Mr. and Mrs. J. Charriere, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Scharbach, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and Mrs. Charles Surfus.

1941
nd CLUBS

**Club Celebrates
Event Tuesday
With Program**

The 18th anniversary of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club was observed at the club house Tuesday evening by a no-hostess dinner and program, followed by a business meeting.

The program, preceding the dinner, opened with the flag salute, followed by group singing of "America," with Mrs. Harless Ely as the accompanist; invocation, Rev. A. J. Ware; introduction and presentation of corsages by Mrs. Marie Morley, to Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mrs. Charles Surfus and Mrs. George Jewell in honor of their birthdays, who responded; group singing, "Happy Birthday," Mrs. Ely accompanist; presentation of corsage to Mrs. Marie Morley, by Mrs. Eric Hedlund in behalf of the club; address of welcome, William Croner, president.

The table was decorated in keeping with Washington and Lincoln's birthdays. One of the features of the table arrangement was the anniversary cake baked by Mrs. Concie Kearney, adorned with red, white and blue tapers, and tiny American flags. Red japonicas and red tapers were also used.

The committee in charge of the dinner was composed of Mrs. Jack Charriere, Mrs. Emil Scharbach and Mrs. Clyde Anderson; dining room, Mrs. Eric Hedlund and Mrs. George Jewell; serving, Misses Anne Hardenbrook, Della Harn, Ruby Schartzler, Beverly Reaksercer and Mrs. Gary Charriere.

The following program was presented: Yodel selections, Miss Rosemary Stauber; guitar selections, Roy Patenaude; patriotic address, Rev. John Drumm; vocal solos, Miss Gwendolyn Morley, accompanied by Mrs. Harless Ely.

In memory of those who have passed away during the past year in families of members of the club, a moment of silence prevailed, including P. T. Soreghan family; William Montieth family and N. W. Charles family. This was followed by "God Bless America," by Mrs. Fred Patenaude, soloist, joined by the group in the chorus, Mrs. Ely accompanist.

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and Eric Hedlund were on the entertainment committee.

At the business meeting William Croner appointed the following committees: Ways and means, Mrs. Marie Morley, Mrs. Fred Patenaude, Mrs. Roy Hedlund and Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook; card party, Mrs. Fred Reaksecker, Mrs. Charles Scharbach and Mrs. Kenneth Karns; entertainment committee for March 25, Kenneth Karns, Jack Charriere, and Anton Naterlin; membership, Rev. A. J. Ware, Mrs. Charles Surfus and Rev. John Drumm.

The door prize went to Mrs.

Emil Scharbach.

Mr. Croner announced the recital to be given by the piano students of Lee Young, working under the WPA program, this evening at the club house at 8 o'clock, to be open to the public.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Charriere, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hedlund and son, Gary, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Naterlin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Kidner, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Croner, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. John Naterlin, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Karns, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Scharbach, Mr. and Mrs. Concie Kearney and daughter, Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scharbach, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Alldredge, Mr. and Mrs. Harless Ely and children, Kathleen and Gerald, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reaksecker, Mr. and Mrs. George Jewell and children, Warren and Joan, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Mr. and Mrs. William Moehnke, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Durwald Thompson and sons, Dick and Riger, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patenaude, Beverly and Dean Reaksecker, Mrs. Gary Charriere, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mrs. Lillian Kasinger, Mrs. Marie Morley, Mrs. Charles Surfus, Mrs. Amalee Gunderson, Mrs. Sidna Davis, Mrs. Hattie Jewell, Mrs. Zuna Taylor, Mrs. Fay Norris, Miss Gwendolyn Morley, Miss Gertrude Kasinger, Miss Anne Hardenbrook, Miss Ruby Schartzler, Miss Della Harn, J. H. Cook, Rev. A. J. Ware, Edwin Heiling, Rev. John Drumm, T. L. Charman, Melvin Persyn and Roy Patenaude.

by Mrs R.E. Marshall, Oregon City - Parks Aug 1951

History of Atkinson Memorial Park

A Civic Club composed of voters and tax payers of the Buena Vista and Park Addition to Oregon City, was organized January 30, 1923 at a special meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sturdivant 16th Street.

Mr. A. J. Lewis was elected the first President.

This organization was named the Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club.

One of the first aims of this Club was to save the beautiful trees and preserve the park addition for a future park.

They began making negotiations immediately with Mrs. Anna Warren daughter of Reverend George Henry Atkinson who was called here from Massachusetts in 1843 to organize the first Congregational Church in the west, to buy lots at the site where the park is now located.

Adjoining lots were secured from Mr. Ed Caufield and Dr. Ic.

Part of the cost of the Park was solicited from business men and individuals, but the largest amount was raised by the Club.

On June 11, 1927 the three separate deeds were turned over to the City Recorder, Mr. Hugo Westphal.

The Buena Vista Club House which now stands on the Park grounds, is privately owned by the two Buena Clubs, and was given to them for use as a club house, and was moved to the present location in 1930, by the permission from the city.

The Park has always been called the Atkinson Memorial Park by the residence in the neighborhood but in late years strangers have confused the park with the Buena Vista Club and that is how it got the name of Buena Vista Park.

With the exception of some gravel walks and a partly constructed stone building, built during depression years, nothing much has been done to develop the park until the last few years. Now there seem to be a city wide interest. Play ground equipment being donated by the Buena Vista Clubs, The Junior Chamber of Commerce and several individuals, cash donations by the Oregon City Woman's Club and others. The city keeps the grass and weeds down, and has rid the park of Poison oak.

The Recreation department has installed a soft ball back stop and a number of horse show pits, which draws hundreds of pitchers and spectators each Tuesday evening. More money is being raised and plans are going ahead to finish the kitchen, and also to run water and lights into the park in the near future.

Atkinson

Plans also call for two large park signs to be erected at the entrance of 16th and Jackson Streets and at McLoughlin Avenue and Sixteenth Street.

Other plans call for a wading pool, a multi-use game platform, a recreation building, out-door theatre and stage, and plenty of tables and benches, rest rooms and parking space.

6 Enterpr

T



ORI
first pl
Hallowe
"undesc
gained
costume
Mrs. R.



Oregon City - Photos

Faded, illegible text from a newspaper page, possibly a continuation of the article below.

6 Enterprise-Courier, Oregon City, Ore., Wed., Nov. 7, 1951

The Strange Is Seen on Halloween



OREGON CITY—The demon costume won first place among women at the Buena Vista Halloween party Wednesday night and the "undescrivable" thing to the extreme left, gained the top prize among the men at the costume party. Dressed as the demon was Mrs. R. E. Marshall and the other winner was

Joe Hardille. One thing that members of the Buena Vista club are still trying to find out is the name of the tall woman, or man, dressed as woman in the picture. That person left the party without being unmasked and without being identified. (Mr. Pix photo No. 44981).



Oregon City - Parkas

The Strangers



OREGON CITY—The demo first place among women at the Halloween party Wednesday "undescribable" thing to the gained the top prize among costume party. Dressed as the Mrs. R. E. Marshall and the other

BUENA VISTA CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Oregon City, Oregon

1951

Organized 1923

Devoted to encourage Civic Improvement

CLUB MEETINGS

Last Tuesday of the Month

7:30 P. M.

OUR PRESIDENTS

- 1923-----A. J. Lewis
- 1923-1927-----John Drum
- 1928-----Andrew Naterlin
- 1929-----T. L. Charman
- 1930-1932-----Mrs. C. Alldredge
- 1933-----Mrs. Chas Surfus
- 1934-----C. A. Thorpe
- 1935-1936-----Jack Charriere
- 1937-----P. T. Soreghan
- 1938-----Eric Hedlund
- 1939-----Roy E. Marshall
- 1940-----Chas. Scharback
- 1941-----Wm. Cronner
- 1942-1943-----H. C. Arbuckle
- 1944-----Roy Hedlund
- 1945-1946-----N. F. Reaksecker
- 1947-----C. J. Kearney
- 1948-----Wm. Croner
- 1949-----Edgar Ingram
- 1950-1951-----Russell Baker

Oregon City - Parkas

The Strangers



OREGON CITY—The demon first place among women at the Halloween party Wednesday gained the top prize among the "undescrivable" thing to the costume party. Dressed as the Mrs. R. E. Marshall and the other

OFFICERS

- President-----Russell Baker
- Vice President-----Edgar Ingram
- Secretary-----Mrs. Ed Hrovat
- Treasure-----Mrs. Dick Long

COMMITTEES

- Membership
 - Mrs. Chas Surfus G. Walton
 - Eric Hedlund
- Program
 - Ken Karns Ed Hrovat
 - Mrs Geo. Jewell
- Publicity & Sunshine
 - Mrs. Chas Surfus
- Telephone
 - Mrs. Russell Baker
- Park
 - Mrs. R. Marshall Mrs. E. Hedlund
 - Mrs. R. Baker
- Ways & Means
 - Richard Long
- Nominating
 - Marie Morley Fred Reaksecker
 - Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook

Oregon City - Parkas

Enterprise-Courier, Oregon City, Ore., Wed., Nov. 7, 1951

The Strang



OREGON CITY—The demon first place among women at the Halloween party Wednesday. "undescrivable" thing to the gained the top prize among the costume party. Dressed as the Mrs. R. E. Marshall and the other

PROGRAM

January 30, 1951

Hostess Mrs. Chas Surfus
Mrs. Marie Morley
Talk Leonard Lindas

February 28, 1951

Anniversary Dinner
Pot-luck
Program Committee in charge

March 28, 1951

Hostess Roy Marshall
C. Kearney
Musical Program

April 25, 1951

Hostess Geo. Jewell
Eric Hedlund
Garden Program

May 29, 1951

Hostess Russell Baker
Ed Hrovat
Family Relations

June 26, 1951

Hostess Wm. Cronner
Bert Morgan
Patriotic Program

July 31, 1951

Pot-luck
Clean-up Night

August 28, 1951

Annual Picnic
No Host

September 25, 1951

Hostess L. Grassman
Dr. Hardenbrook

School Days
October 30, 1951

Annual Halloween Party
Hostess Dick Long
Lenora Parker



CHARTER MEMBERS — These 13 Oregon City residents are charter members of the Buena Vista Community club. The club was founded 35 years ago and members celebrated the 35th anniversary Tuesday night. Left to right, front row, are Mrs. Gertrude Criswell, Mrs. C. A. Thorpe, Eric Hedlund, Art Phillips, Mrs. Harless Ely. In the back row are George

Jewell, C. A. Thorpe, Mrs. Kathryn Carothers, Bessie Kearney, Mrs. Art Phillips, Mary Chariere, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and Mrs. Eric Hedlund. Mrs. Hattie Jewell, 85-year-old mother of George Jewell and another charter member of the club, was unable to attend because of illness: (Mr. Pix 111529).



At the top of Madison Street hill in the Buena Vista district of Oregon City stands Atkinson Memorial Park, a five-acre woodsy tract with facilities for picnicking, a playground and ball field, and attractive landscaping. Near the entrance to the park is Buena Vista clubhouse. The area around the park is an attractive, well-kept residential district.

Back in 1922 this vision of Buena Vista was just the dream of a few civic minded citizens. In real life, Buena Vista was a run-down step-child of the city, referred to as Kansas City and sadly in need of better streets, lights and a new bridge across Madison street canyon.

In January, 1923, 45 residents of the Buena Vista area met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sturdivant, bent on doing something drastic about their community. A month later they formed the Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club at a meeting held at the home of Anton Naterlin. A. J. Lewis, elected first president, resigned at the next meeting, to be replaced by John Drumm who headed the organization for five years. Mrs. Chester Carothers was first secretary and treasurer.

The club's first move was to re-name the area, and its second to do something about the bridge. The decisive action that resulted was the subject of a front page editorial in The Morning Enterprise on Nov. 24, 1925, which reported:

"Last Saturday night, while property owners of the main stream were indifferent or too busy to attend the city road meeting, these energetic people (Civic Improvement Club members) marched down the hill and marched back home again, but not until they had put

across a program providing for the construction of a new and greatly needed bridge over the Madison street canyon. That was not all. They recognized the necessity of cleaner streets in the business section as elsewhere, so they voted \$5,000 for the purchase and maintenance of a street flusher."

The bridge issue settled, the club turned its energies to street improvements, better lights, better sewer connections, shade trees and street signs.

From its very inception, one of the organization's goals was the purchase of a 23-lot tract at the intersection of Jackson and Sixteenth to establish a park and playground. A fund for the park, begun with small donations, was swelled by fund-raising dinners, card parties, dances, donations from business firms, and some help from the Kiwanis Club.

The park was donated to the city, and the Fourth of July, 1924, chosen for the formal dedication. A parade that included 150 children, half of them from Buena Vista, the Oregon City band, the American Legion drum corps in their new uniforms, the GAR and Women's Relief Corps, led by a be-whiskered Uncle Sam, marched up the hill to kick off the festivities.

It was a big day for Oregon City, and a triumph for the Improvement Club, as prominent citizens, including Oregon City authoress Eva Emory Dye, gathered on the bunting-decked platform for speeches of dedication.

Spectators brought their own blankets and cushions and picnic lunches, and the clubwomen served free coffee. The stars and stripes flew from a temporary 60-foot pole and grown-ups and kids had a wonderful time, de-

spite the edict against fireworks in the park.

The clubhouse, still in constant use, was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Surfus. Located behind Huntley-Draper Drug store at Seventh and Center, it was moved to the park site by charter members of the club, Mike Long and George Pursifull, and renovated for use by members of the club.

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who spearheaded the organization of the Civic Club and is credited with being its founder, was also the organizer of two groups that the club fostered, the Oregon City Boys Band and The Junior Stamp Club.

The boys band, begun in the latter part of 1923 and continued for four or five years, was the nucleus for the Oregon City and West Linn high school bands. Begun as a small group, it grew to 60 members and was then split into two divisions. Large, expensive band instruments purchased by the club were divided between the two high schools when the two bands were incorporated into the schools.

Mrs. Eric Hedlund has served as secretary - treasurer for the band committee. Other members who spent many hours in making the band a going project were Mrs. C. A. Thorpe, Mrs. Jack Chariere, and Mrs. Arch Phillips.

The stamp club became a county-wide endeavor, and grew to a member of about 45 members, children over 10 and teenagers. Mrs. David Bradley and Mrs. Eric Hedlund served with Dr. Hardenbrook on the Civic group committee that directed the stamp club.

There are ten living charter members of the Buena Vista Club, which still maintains an active interest in civic affairs, especially matters that pertain to the Buena Vista area.

Buena Vista Civic Club
 "35"
 1923 — 1958

BUENA VISTA CLUB

HISTORY 1923-1943

Listen my people and you shall hear
Of the Buena Vista Club in it's twenty long years.
Way back in nineteen twenty-three
Just a group of neighbors we used to be:
Then all of a sudden without delay
Our Madison Street bridge was to be taken away.
The old City Council said that we could go
Just any old way we happen to know.
Up hill and down hill or round about,
Oh, they said we'd get to town without a doubt.
But it's a mighty long ways we all did shout.

Now they were determined and so were we,
So a mighty battle did rage you see,
Right here's where Dr. Mable went to work
She found a neighborhood that would not shirk..
She gathered us together just forty strong,
John Drumm was president for five years long.

Now we were victorious, we captured our prey
The old city council remembers it to this day.
For we marched them uphill and we marched them down
We marched them practically all over town,
Then we dragged them up and showed them our bridge
Just told them we had no intentions of jumping over the ridge.

So they left us our bridge, it was rickety I know,
But it served us well for a year or so.

Then all was quiet, 'twas to much for us,
So we made another great big fuss.
A street light was needed on Fifteenth Street
Again the city council we had to meet.
We were victors once more, the light went where it should
Let the council do what they could, should or would.

Then street signs were needed so again we went
To the city council whose time was well spent.
But they could not help us, they said they were poor,
So we made them ourselves, 'twas the only cure.

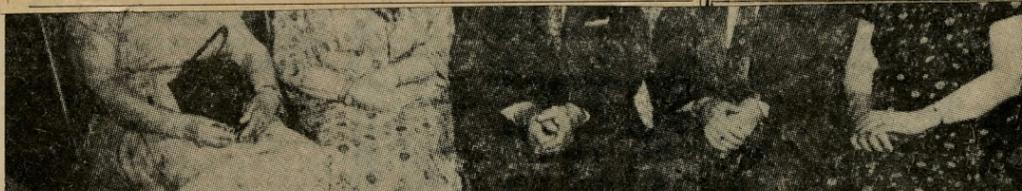
Now Fifteenth Street to a forest grew
'Till only a cowpath we had to get through,
A committee was appointed with sythe and rake
A beautiful street they certainly did make.

In Jewell's orchard our first picnic we had,
Everybody was there to the smallest lad.
Judge Cross was our speaker and here's what he said,
"Five years I'll give you, and your club will be dead."
Yes, dead and forgotten in years, just five,
Oh, that he now was only alive.



CHARTER MEMBERS — These 13 Oregon City residents are charter members of the Buena Vista Community club. The club was founded 35 years ago and members celebrated the 35th anniversary Tuesday night. Left to right, front row, are Mrs. Gertrude Criswell, Mrs. C. A. Thorpe, Eric Hedlund, Art Phillips, Mrs. Harless Ely. In the back row are George

Jewell, C. A. Thorpe, Mrs. Kathryn Carothers, Bessie Kearney, Mrs. Art Phillips, Mary Chariere, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and Mrs. Eric Hedlund. Mrs. Hattie Jewell, 85-year-old mother of George Jewell and another charter member of the club, was unable to attend because of illness: (Mr. Pix 111529).



At the top of Madison Street hill in the Buena Vista district of Oregon City stands Atkinson Memorial Park, a five-acre woody tract with facilities for picnicking, a playground and ball field, and attractive landscaping. Near the entrance to the park is Buena Vista clubhouse. The area around the park is an attractive, well-kept residential district.

Back in 1922 this vision of Buena Vista was just the dream of a few civic minded citizens. In real life, Buena Vista was a run-down step-child of the city, referred to as Kansas City and sadly in need of better streets, lights and a new bridge across Madison street canyon.

In January, 1923, 45 residents of the Buena Vista area met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sturdivant, bent on doing something drastic about their community. A month later they formed the Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club at a meeting held at the home of Anton Naterlin. A. J. Lewis, elected first president, resigned at the next meeting, to be replaced by John Drumm who headed the organization for five years. Mrs. Chester Carothers was first secretary and treasurer.

The club's first move was to re-name the area, and its second to do something about the bridge. The decisive action that resulted was the subject of a front page editorial in The Morning Enterprise on Nov. 24, 1925, which reported:

"Last Saturday night, while property owners of the main stream were indifferent or too busy to attend the city road meeting, these energetic people (Civic Improvement Club members) marched down the hill and marched back home again, but not until they had put

across a program providing for the construction of a new and greatly needed bridge over the Madison street canyon. That was not all. They recognized the necessity of cleaner streets in the business section as elsewhere, so they voted \$5,000 for the purchase and maintenance of a street flusher."

The bridge issue settled, the club turned its energies to street improvements, better lights, better sewer connections, shade trees and street signs.

From its very inception, one of the organization's goals was the purchase of a 23-lot tract at the intersection of Jackson and Sixteenth to establish a park and playground. A fund for the park, begun with small donations, was swelled by fund-raising dinners, card parties, dances, donations from business firms, and some help from the Kiwanis Club.

The park was donated to the city, and the Fourth of July, 1924, chosen for the formal dedication. A parade that included 150 children, half of them from Buena Vista, the Oregon City band, the American Legion drum corps in their new uniforms, the GAR and Women's Relief Corps, led by a be-whiskered Uncle Sam, marched up the hill to kick off the festivities.

It was a big day for Oregon City, and a triumph for the Improvement Club, as prominent citizens, including Oregon City authoress Eva Emory Dye, gathered on the bunting-decked platform for speeches of dedication.

Spectators brought their own blankets and cushions and picnic lunches, and the clubwomen served free coffee. The stars and stripes flew from a temporary 60-foot pole and grown-ups and kids had a wonderful time, de-

spite the edict against fireworks in the park.

The clubhouse, still in constant use, was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Surfus. Located behind Huntley-Draper Drug store at Seventh and Center, it was moved to the park site by charter members of the club, Mike Long and George Pursifull, and renovated for use by members of the club.

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who spearheaded the organization of the Civic Club and is credited with being its founder, was also the organizer of two groups that the club fostered, the Oregon City Boys Band and The Junior Stamp Club.

The boys band, begun in the latter part of 1923 and continued for four or five years, was the nucleus for the Oregon City and West Linn high school bands. Begun as a small group, it grew to 60 members and was then split into two divisions. Large, expensive band instruments purchased by the club were divided between the two high schools when the two bands were incorporated into the schools.

Mrs. Eric Hedlund has served as secretary-treasurer for the band committee. Other members who spent many hours in making the band a going project were Mrs. C. A. Thorpe, Mrs. Jack Chariere, and Mrs. Arch Phillips.

The stamp club became a county-wide endeavor, and grew to a member of about 45 members, children over 10 and teenagers. Mrs. David Bradley and Mrs. Eric Hedlund served with Dr. Hardenbrook on the Civic group committee that directed the stamp club.

There are ten living charter members of the Buena Vista Club, which still maintains an active interest in civic affairs, especially matters that pertain to the Buena Vista area.

Buena Vista Civic Club
 "35"
 1923 — 1958



Buena Vista Club Scores Top Honors In Table Show

OREGON CITY — Buena Vista Art and Needlecraft club emerged top winner in the Soroptimist table-setting contest held at West Linn inn Tuesday, April 21. Entered in the special occasion classification the table represented a "hired man's birthday party of 1878." Set with the traditional red and white checked cloth the table featured the coal oil lamps of that era with authentic goblets, copper lustre tea leaf china and a bouquet of flowers looking as though they had just been picked from some quaint old-fashioned garden. The club received the \$100 grand prize.

In the four remaining classifications American Association of University Women won in the buffet class; Oregon City Women's club in the wedding reception class and Gladstone Garden club in the formal dinner classification. Honorable mention went to Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Oregon City Garden club, Pioneer Chapter OES Social club and Ladies Auxiliary of Elks.

Awards were made at the show's opening by Francetta Kowaleski, general chairman of the table-setting show.

GRAND
PRIZE

SOROPTIMIST
CLUB
OF

OREGON CITY

SECOND ANNUAL
TABLE
SETTING
CONTEST

APRIL 21
1953

Daily
Except
Sundays

HOMETOWN NEWS

By Mail
3 Months
\$2.50

Josephine M. Barnett, Editor
Vol. II No. 168
Weather: Slippidy-slop

815 Van Buren, Oregon City

Telephones 6374 or 8831
June 25, 1958

The Mt. Pleasant Booster club social hall was being redecorated by a team of volunteers Sunday but volunteers of the Buena Vista club, who had expected to start painting today were idled cause thieves broke into the clubhouse and stole the paint Friday night. The Oregon City police said someone broke one of the new windows, which club members had recently installed, to gain entry into the club house which is located in Atkinson Memorial park. Four gallons of Boysen paint in a color called "Petal pink" was stolen. Valuable tools which the volunteers had been using in the carpentry work, were overlooked by the prowlers. Mt. Pleasant Booster club hall, which is large and used for square dancing parties and other large groups, was being redecorated with plaster board. Lee Faust, contract painter, loaned ladders and supervised the volunteers. Buena Vista club members had also secured the services of a professional to assist them but all plans there were cancelled until some way of raising enough money to buy more paint could be worked out. Buena Vistians use all proceeds from club rentals and other money raising events for improvements on Atkinson Memorial park. Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook is the club president.

Little realized by Oregon City folks of 1958 was the toll which the California gold rush of 1849 took with doctors, preachers, merchants and familymen, stocking up with hundreds of dollars worth of provisions from the Oregon City stores and leaving sumarily for their chance in the California golden harvest. Dr. Irwin Storey, English professor at Pacific university brought this out in a talk which he made Tuesday evening at the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club. Speaking on the life and work of Dr. George Atkinson, Oregon pioneer interested in religion and education, he told of the \$200 worth of books which Dr. Atkinson brought around the horn in a sailing vessel. In 1849 Dr. Atkinson recounts in his diary that he could stand on the bluff in Oregon City and see 95 farm houses to the east and 25 to the west. Dr. Storey believes that Oregon City should recognize Dr. Atkinson in some tangible way for the contributions he made to Oregon City, the Oregon country and "the golden fringe of the continent." Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook introduced Wilmet Gardner, president of the Clackamas County Historical society who presented the speaker to the group.

The work and life of Dr. George Atkinson, Oregon pioneer, will be discussed by Dr. Irwin Strong of Pacific university at the Tuesday evening meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Improvement club. The public is invited to hear Dr. Strong. The George Atkinson memorial park is located in the residential area of Oregon City. The Buena Vista Civic Improvement club purchased the ten lots which comprise the park site and presented the deed to the city of Oregon City in return for cancellation of tax liens against them. It was being recalled in Oregon City that Dr. Atkinson, early-day Congregational minister, wanted to start an academy in Oregon City and offered to donate all the land in the area of the park for that purpose. When Oregon City was unresponsive to the plan Dr. Atkinson, who was known as widely in educational as church circles, went to the Tualatin valley and organized Pacific University.

1959
**Club Marks
36th Year**

Approximately 50 members of Buena Vista Civic club were in attendance at the Tuesday evening, Feb. 24 meeting which celebrated the 36th anniversary of the club, held in the club house. Those attending enjoyed a ham dinner served at individual tables with the club colors of purple and gold.

Miss Helen Brunner, music instructor at West Linn high school, was in charge of the program which followed the dinner. Her exceptional ability to train voices was demonstrated by the male vocal octet of West Linn school, boys chosen from the high school level.

Sally Alvers, West Linn sophomore, student of Dale Liberty, presented two pantomime numbers which especially delighted the children in the audience.

Why Not Fix Up Buena Vista Park?

Our harassed City fathers and the genial City Manager are apt to have a visitation if some means aren't found to dress up Atkinson Memorial Park, popularly known as Buena Vista park, the old "Kansas City" of Oregon City's forgotten history.

With the centennial celebration approaching and some hope, if no assurance, that the rainy season will some day stop, there seems to be lively public interest in getting the park raked up, some picnic tables and fireplaces built and perhaps a drinking water pipe for the park. A rest room is likewise a desideratum.

The residents in the Buena Vista area are themselves going to gather this coming Saturday afternoon to do a little week-end cleaning up that will cost the taxpayers nothing. When that is done, the city will probably be asked to scrape the bottom of the general fund and start a little work.

The agitation seems reasonable. There is no close-in park where there are picnic facilities of any consequence we are advised and while he haven't checked very much on that point, it would seem something might be started in Buena Vista Park. There was, when the tract was deeded to the city and named Atkinson Memorial Park, something like that in mind. If anyone has forgotten where Atkinson Memorial Park is, we remind them it is that five acre rather scenic spot bounded by Sixteenth street, Jackson, and McLoughlin avenue, and if anyone would like to help clean it up, voluntarily, this coming Saturday, Mrs. R. E. Marshall, telephone 6602, will tell them how they can help. In the meantime City Manager Finlayson might as well survey the situation, for a visitation is in the offing if the grist that comes to the editor's desk is any indication.

Date ?

The carnation, I am told, is the official flower for Mother's Day, but long before my children were adults I had come to accept another bloom as more truly the mother's flower.

To some it is only a weed; yet to children it is a wealth of purest gold. God planted it everywhere and caused it to grow in great profusion. When spring comes, it does not matter where a fence is built, the dandelion is there—on either side, a miniscule sun waiting for a child who need not wander from his own yard to find it.

What mother is there who does not remember the sudden moment of enchantment, the hurried footsteps near, and the tiny fist, jammed with gold, proffered lovingly: "I picked them for you, Mummy!"

Jennie Margaret Ely
Oregon City, Oregon

1960
First Story—First Time
Out—Sold

It is proverbial that writers have enough rejection slips to paper a wall before they make a sale, but Oregon City has one who sold her first story the first time she sent it out. Mrs. Harless Ely, take a bow.

She sent an article to "Guide Posts" the magazine published by Dr. Norman Vincent Peale and they snapped it up. Perhaps her timing was right. The article was about Mothers' Day and it appeared in the May issue. She called it "A Fistful of Gold." Her theme was that the lowly dandelion instead of the carnation should be the Mothers' Day flower. Not every mother receives carnations but everyone gets a fistful of dandelions.

Mrs. Ely is a self-taught writer. She keeps English books and grammars close at hand when she is writing and it has paid off. Along with the check came a letter of congratulations from Mr. Van Varner the associate editor of the magazine. She has sold PTA jingles, but this is the most ambitious piece of writing she has had accepted.

People in other states have written to tell her how much they enjoyed the article; one letter came from Florida and another from Arizona. A number of telephone calls from people she did not know have congratulated her.

She is hard at work now on other articles.

BOBBIN' AROUND

BY BOB PAULOS

We're happy to see the community interest being generated in Oregon City's public park development.

Most recent of the projects to receive community support is development of Atkinson Park in the Buena Vista District.

But the more ambitious and larger project in the city actually is Rivercrest Park. Rivercrest Park is bounded by Park Drive in the Rivercrest district and features a wading pool for the children and play areas. The city presently is working on the west side of the park area where leveling is in progress to be followed by seeding. All of the trees are being left. Picnic tables are to be placed about the new park area.

The park itself is two blocks by one block in size, a large park by Oregon City standards.

Atkinson Park is to reap the benefit of the interest aroused in a number of civic clubs and groups. Already much clean-up work has been under way and more such activity is planned. There is talk of a big community barbecue to be staged by one of the service clubs as a benefit to raise funds for further improvements to the park.

We're all for this sort of community action, but we have one

warning for the City Commission. Before the projects get too far along the city should either establish a park commission or see to it that a formal committee is given the power to coordinate park development.

It is essential we believe, that any park development be planned in an orderly manner and that some agency have final authority over the stages of development. We are not asking the city to establish a park department, complete with director, budget, etc. But we do believe the city should establish a park commission or committee, made up of citizens, who will assume the responsibility to see that orderly development of our parks is accomplished.

There is much to be done -- now and in the future -- to pursue development of our park system. Orderly park development will come only if there is a final authority to make decisions on what goes where and when.

And the city would do well, as a first step, to erect some signs in these two parks to identify them. It wouldn't hurt to have a few signs on our main streets to direct people to the parks. Rivercrest and Atkinson are both a little difficult to find.



1
9
6
2



1
9
6
3

The carnation, I
official flower for
but long before m
adults I had come t
bloom as more tr
flower.

To some it is on
children it is a
gold. God plant
and caused it to g
fusion. When sp
not matter whe
the dandelion is
side, a miniscule
child who need
his own yard to

What mothe
not remember
of enchantment
steps near, and
med with gold
"I picked them

First Story- Out-Sold

It is pr
have enoug
per a wal
sale, but C
sold her f
she sent i
take a bo

She sen
Posts" th
Dr. Norr
they snapped it
timing was right. The article was
about Mothers' Day
appeared in the May
called it "A Fistful of
theme was that the
delion instead of th
should be the oMther
er. Not every mo
carnations but eve
fistful of dandelions

Mrs. Ely is a self
She keeps English
grammars close
she is writing and
Along with the ch
ter of congratula
Van Varner the
of the magazine
PTA jingles, but
ambitious piece
has had accepte

People in d
written to tel
they enjoyed t
ter came from
other from A
of telephone
she did not
ulated her.

She is ha
other article

BOBBI

We're happy to see
community interest being
in Oregon City's pu
development.

Most recent of the
to receive community
development of Atk
in the Buena Vista

But the more am
larger project in the city act
ally is Rivercrest Park. River-
crest Park is bounded by Park
Drive in the Rivercrest district
and features a wading pool for
the children and play areas. The
city presently is working on the
west side of the park area where
leveling is in progress to be fol-
lowed by seeding. All of the trees
are being left. Picnic tables
are to be placed about the new
park area.

The park itself is two blocks
by one block in size, a large
park by Oregon City standards.

Atkinson Park is to reap the
benefit of the interest aroused
in a number of civic clubs and
groups. Already much clean-up
work has been under way and
more such activity is planned.
There is talk of a big commun-
ity barbecue to be staged by one
of the service clubs as a benefit
to raise funds for further im-
provements to the park.

We're all for this sort of com-
munity action, but we have one

some agency
over the stages of developme
We are not asking the city to es-
tablish a park department, com-
plete with director, budget, etc.
But we do believe the city should
establish a park commission or
committee, made up of citizens,
who will assume the responsibil-
ity to see that orderly develop-
ment of our parks is accom-
plished.

There is much to be done --
now and in the future -- to pur-
sue development of our park sys-
tem. Orderly park development
will come only if there is a final
authority to make decisions on
what goes where and when.

And the city would do well,
as a first step, to erect some
signs in these two parks to
identify them. It wouldn't hurt
to have a few signs on our
main streets to direct people
to the parks. Rivercrest and
Atkinson are both a little dif-
ficult to find.

BUENA VISTA CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB

OFFICERS - YEAR 1962

President	Mrs. Vera Marshall
Vice-President	Mr. Ken Karns
Secretary	Mrs. Lorraine Barnett
Treasurer	Mrs. Kate Carothers

Meeting date -

Last Tuesday of each month

1
9
6
2

BUENA VISTA CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB

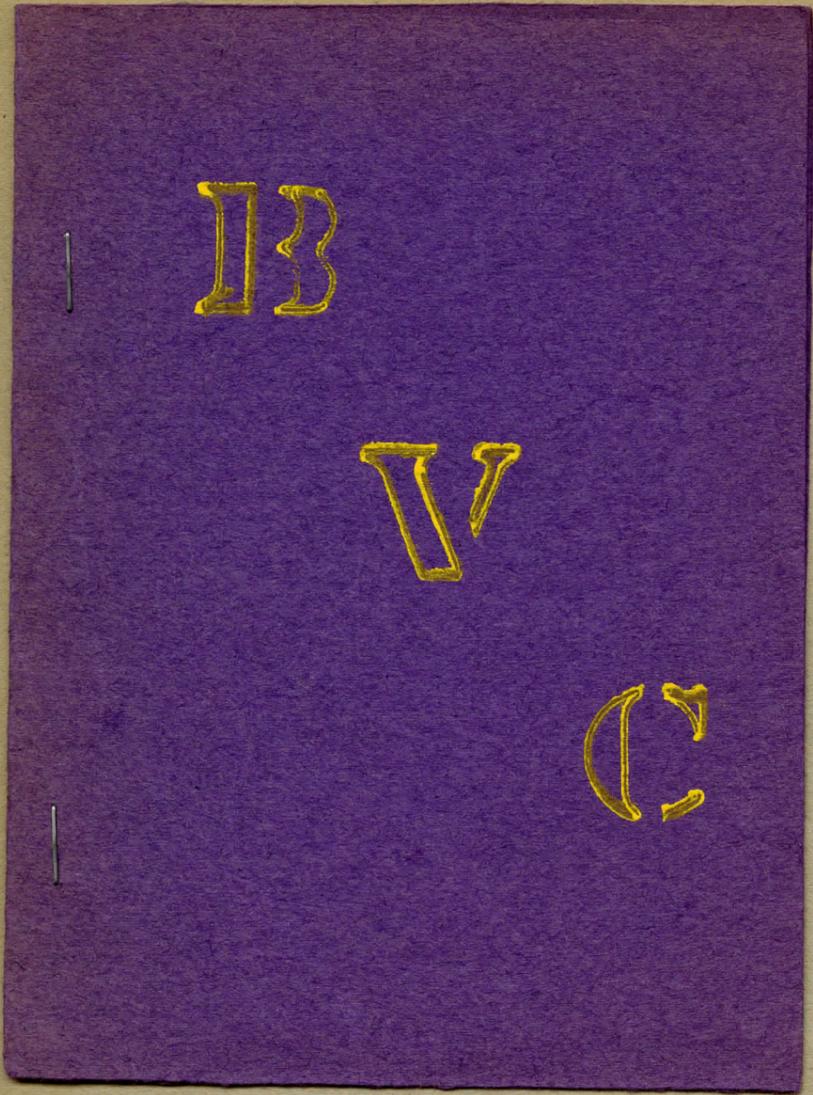
OFFICERS - YEAR 1963

President	Mrs. Vera Marshall
Vice-President	Mr. Ken Karns
Secretary	Mrs. Delores Ireland
Treasurer	Mrs. Kate Carothers

Meeting date -

Last Tuesday of each month - 7-30

1
9
6
3



1964

Announcements 18

LARGE RUMMAGE Sale, Buena Vista Club House, Fri, Oct 16, evening 5-7 & Sat, the 17th, 9-4 pm. Several good sweaters, girls dressing table, Martha Wash sewing cabinet, girls checked suit, size 10, girls leather jacket, size 12, girls ski shoes, size 5, boys ski shoes, elec blanket, misc clothing. Also lawnmower.

1964

Rummage Sale Slated by Club

Final arrangements for the April 2 rummage sale will be made when members of the Buena Vista Civic Club meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m., in the clubhouse.

Mrs. Donald Ireland is chairman of the sale and she will be assisted by Mrs. Minnie Jewel. The two women will act as hostesses and be in charge of the program on Tuesday.

Anyone wishing to donate rummage for the sale, should contact Mrs. Lanora Parker at 656-3651.

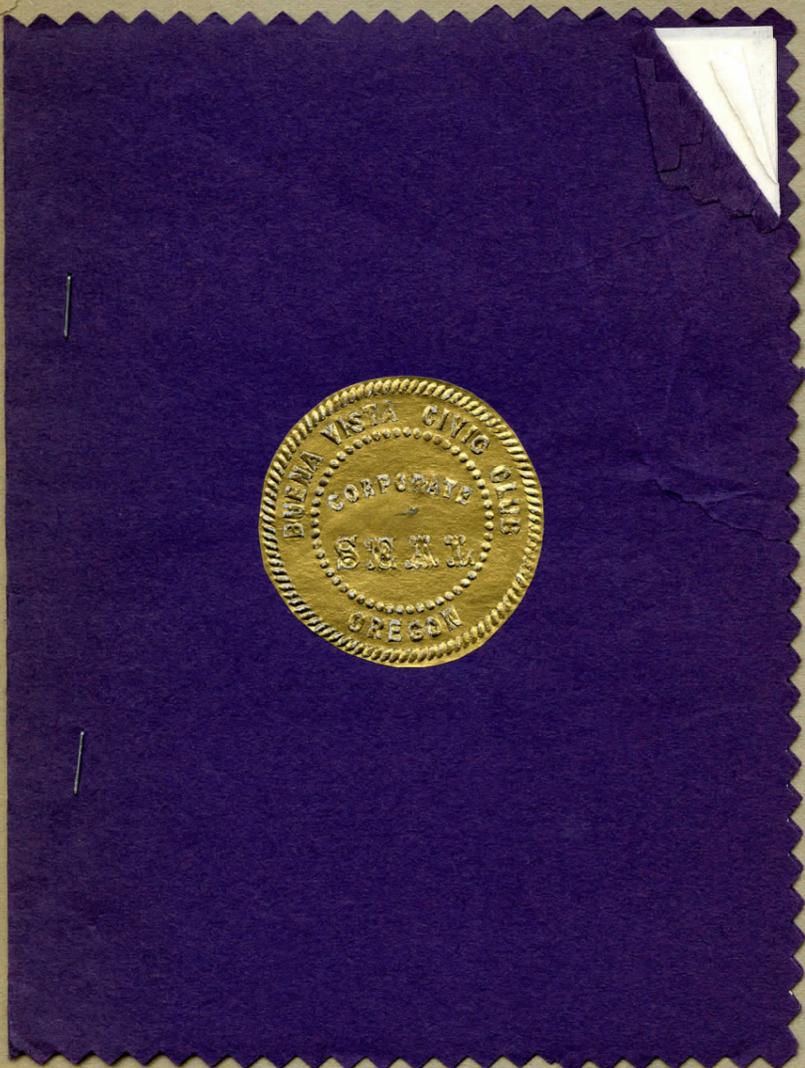
Buena Vista Club Plans Second Sale

Members of the Buena Vista Civic Club have scheduled a second rummage sale Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the clubhouse, according to Mabel Hardenbrook, general chairman.

Items from the sale, held last Saturday, will be sold at half price or less. Articles acquired since the sale will have a full price value, reported Dr. Hardenbrook.

Proceeds from both sales will be used to mend the roof of the clubhouse in Atkinson Memorial Park.

Among the items to be sold this Saturday are three complete sets of Christmas tree lights.



1965

Erick Hedlund 1965 Feted by Friends

Fifty friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Erick Hedlund, gathered at the Oregon City home of Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook where the couple was visiting Saturday evening, for a surprise dinner party and farewell to Hedlund before leaving for first visit to his homeland, Karnswaden, Sweden, since his arrival in America 48 years ago.

A social hour was spent in the Hardenbrook home, punch was served and vocal solos, At Eventide, Deep in My Heart, Prayer Perfect, were by Mrs. Joseph Miller with Mrs. John Rayl, accompanist.

Refreshments were served at an attractively decorated table, centered with the American and Swedish flags. Assisting the hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Keil, Mrs. Ira Scouse, Mayor and Mrs. Richard Long, Mrs. David Bradley, Mrs. Lee Harville, Mrs. Margaret Vidmar, Mrs. George Jewell, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Baker, Mrs. Emil Krause and Mrs. Marie Morley.

Buena Vista club house was visited next, where games were played and group singing enjoyed. Leanna Harville accompanying on piano. A talk by Mayor Long was followed by presentation of 30 silver dollars, gift of group to Hedlund by Russell Baker.

Hedlund, recently retired from the mill, left Portland via plane Monday evening to visit his old home, accompanied by his twin sister, Mrs. Johnson, Portland, and another sister, Mrs. Johnson, San Francisco, Calif.

BUENA VISTA CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB
Organized 1923

OFFICERS - YEAR 1964

Pres. Mr. Richard Long
V. Pres. Mrs. Lorraine Barnett
Secretary Mrs. Lanora Parker
Treasurer Mr. N. Carpenter

Meeting date:
Last Tuesday of each month
7:30 pm

Place:
Buena Vista Clubhouse
16th and Jackson Sts.
Oregon City, Oregon

Announcements 18

LARGE RUMMAGE Sale, Buena Vista Club House, Fri, Oct 16, evening 5-7 & Sat, the 17th, 9-4 pm. Several good sweaters, girls dressing table, Martha Wash sewing cabinet, girls checked suit, size 10, girls leather jacket, size 12, girls ski shoes, size 5, boys ski shoes, elec blanket, misc clothing. Also lawnmower.

Rummage Sale
Slated by Club

Final arrangements for the April 2 rummage sale will be made when members of the Buena Vista Civic Club meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m., in the clubhouse.

Mrs. Donald Ireland is chairman of the sale and she will be assisted by Mrs. Minnie Jewel. The two women will act as hostesses and be in charge of the program on Tuesday.

Anyone wishing to donate rummage for the sale, should contact Mrs. Lanora Parker at 656-3651.

Buena Vista Club
Plans Second Sale

Members of the Buena Vista Civic Club have scheduled a second rummage sale Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the clubhouse, according to Mabel Hardenbrook, general chairman.

Items from the sale, held last Saturday, will be sold at half price or less. Articles acquired since the sale will have a full price value, reported Dr. Hardenbrook.

Proceeds from both sales will be used to mend the roof of the clubhouse in Atkinson Memorial Park.

Among the items to be sold this Saturday are three complete sets of Christmas tree lights.

Erick Hedlund 1965
Feted by Friends

Fifty friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Erick Hedlund, gathered at the Oregon City home of Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook where the couple was visiting Saturday evening, for a surprise dinner party and farewell to Hedlund before leaving for first visit to his homeland, Karnswaden, Sweden, since his arrival in America 48 years ago.

A social hour was spent in the Hardenbrook home, punch was served and vocal solos, At Eventide, Deep in My Heart, Prayer Perfect, were by Mrs. Joseph Miller with Mrs. John Rayl, accompanist.

Refreshments were served at an attractively decorated table, centered with the American and Swedish flags. Assisting the hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Keil, Mrs. Ira Scouse, Mayor and Mrs. Richard Long, Mrs. David Bradley, Mrs. Lee Harville, Mrs. Margaret Vidmar, Mrs. George Jewell, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Baker, Mrs. Emil Krause and Mrs. Marie Morley.

Buena Vista club house was visited next, where games were played and group singing enjoyed, Leanna Harville accompanying on piano. A talk by Mayor Long was followed by presentation of 30 silver dollars, gift of group to Hedlund by Russell Baker.

Hedlund, recently retired from the mill, left Portland via plane Monday evening to visit his old home, accompanied by his twin sister, Mrs. Johnson, Portland, and another sister, Mrs. Johnson, San Francisco, Calif.

BUENA VISTA CIVIC
IMPROVEMENT CLUB

OFFICERS - YEAR 1963

President Mrs. Vera Marshall
Vice-President Mr. Ken Karna
Secretary Mrs. Delores Ireland
Treasurer Mrs. Kate Carothers

Meeting date -

Last Tuesday of each month 7-30

41st Anniversary Of Buena Vista Club Observed

More than 40 members and guests attended the ham dinner celebrating the 41st anniversary of the Buena Vista Civic Club Tuesday evening at the clubhouse.

Eight charter members were present for the event. They included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Chester Carothers, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Lanora Parker and Mrs. Mary Charriere.

Richard Long, president, was master of ceremonies for the meeting which opened with a "silent time" for deceased members. The Longs have been members about 25 years. Other officers, who are also members of long standing are Lanora Parker, secretary; N.G. Carpenter, treasurer; and Mrs. R.D. Barnett, vice-president.

Fabian Carangelo, head of the music department at Thora B. Gardiner Junior High School, entertained the guests with several solos. He was accompanied by Mrs. R. D. Barnett.

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook was in charge of decorations for the dinner and Mrs. David Bradley supervised serving of the ham. Mrs. Vera Marshall, past president of the club, served the decorated birthday sheet cake.

New members of the club introduced at the dinner are Dr. and Mrs. Graeme Strickland who have a nursing home in the Buena Vista area. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Strickland, new residents of the area, also joined the club.

Guests included Major and Mrs. O. L. Parker and family who have been stationed in Newfoundland; Mr. and Mrs. Vic Bowman, N. L. Meten and Mrs. Sade Howland.



EIGHT CHARTER MEMBERS of the Buena Vista Civic Club were present for the 41st anniversary of the club Tuesday at the clubhouse when a ham dinner was served. Seated from left are Mrs. Chester Carothers, Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Charles Thorpe and Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook. Standing from left are Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Eric Hedlund, Lanora Parker and Mrs. Mary Charriere.



THE 41ST ANNIVERSARY of the Buena Vista Civic Club was observed with a birthday dinner in the clubhouse Tuesday. Serving the decorated cake was Mrs. Vera Marshall, right, past president. She is shown with Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, left, past president and charter member of the organization.

Buena Vista Improvement Club
16th & Jackson St.,
Oregon City, Oregon

April 24, 1973

At a regular meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Club, January 28, 1947, the following resolutions were adopted:

Section 1

The Buena Vista Club House shall not be rented to outside person or persons, lodges, societies, clubs or other organizations.

Section 2

All active members in good standing, upon payment of \$5.00 per night, shall have permission to use the Club House. Said payment being only to cover expenses of light and heat. \$2.50 to be refunded if Club House is left in good condition.

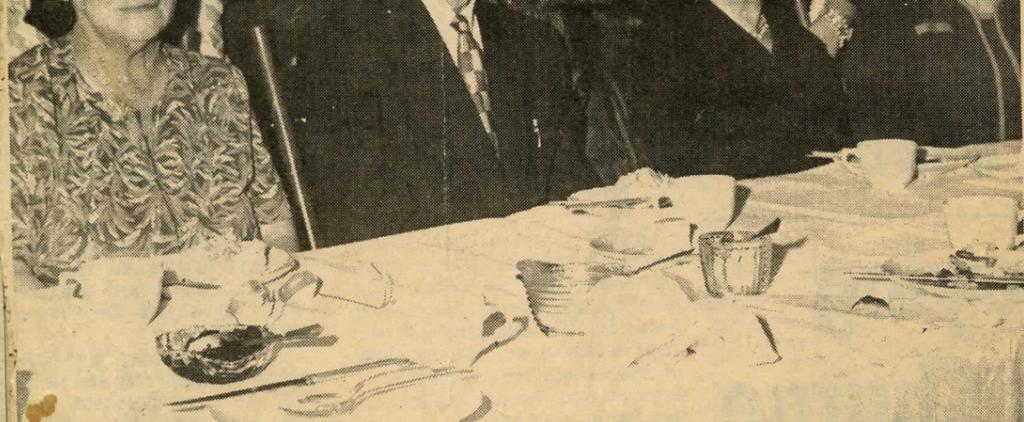
Section 3

No member of the Club shall obtain permission to use the Club House and then sub-let it to another.

Section 4

No member of the Club shall obtain permission to use the Club House and charge, therefore neither for his own personal benefit, nor for the benefit of any other person or persons, lodge societies, Club or any other organizations, except by vote of the club, or by a special meeting called by the Club for that purpose.

Section 5



EIGHT CHARTER MEMBERS of the Buena Vista Civic Club were present for the 41st anniversary of the club Tuesday at the clubhouse when a ham dinner was served. Seated from left are Mrs. Chester Carothers, Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Charles Thorpe and Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook. Standing from left are Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Eric Hedlund, Lanora Parker and Mrs. Mary Charriere.

lund, Lanora Parker and Mrs. Mary Charriere.

Richard Long, president, was master of ceremonies for the meeting which opened with a "silent time" for deceased members. The Longs have been members about 25 years. Other officers, who are also members of long standing are Lanora Parker, secretary; N.G. Carpenter, treasurer; and Mrs. R.D. Barnett, vice-president. Fabian Carangelo, head of the music department at Thora B. Gardiner Junior High School, entertained the guests with several solos. He was accompanied by Mrs. R.D. Barnett.



THE 41ST ANNIVERSARY of the Buena Vista Civic Club was observed with a birthday dinner in the clubhouse Tuesday. Serving the decorated cake was Mrs. Vera Marshall, right, past president. She is shown with Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, left, past president and charter member of the organization.

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook was in charge of decorations for the dinner and Mrs. David Bradley supervised serving of the ham. Mrs. Vera Marshall, past president of the club, served the decorated birthday sheet cake. New members of the club introduced at the dinner are Dr. and Mrs. Graeme Strickland who have a nursing home in the Buena Vista area. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Strickland, new residents of the area, also joined the club.

Guests included Major and Mrs. O. L. Parker and family who have been stationed in Newfoundland; Mr. and Mrs. Vic Bowman, N. L. Meten and Mrs. Sade Howland.

Buena Vista Improvement Club
16th & Jackson St.,
Oregon City, Oregon

April 24, 1973

At a regular meeting of the Buena Vista Civic Club, January 28, 1947, the following resolutions were adopted:

Section 1

The Buena Vista Club House shall not be rented to outside person or persons, lodges, societies, clubs or other organizations.

Section 2

All active members in good standing, upon payment of \$5.00 per night, shall have permission to use the Club House. Said payment being only to cover expenses of light and heat. \$2.50 to be refunded if Club House is left in good condition.

Section 3

No member of the Club shall obtain permission to use the Club House and then sub-let it to another.

Section 4

No member of the Club shall obtain permission to use the Club House and charge, therefore neither for his own personal benefit, nor for the benefit of any other person or persons, lodge societies, Club or any other organizations, except by vote of the club, or by a special meeting called by the Club for that purpose.

Section 5

No hard liquor to be served in or on the premises.

An Amendment to Section 2

All active members in good standing upon payment of \$2.50 per night shall have permission to use Club House. Said payment being only to cover expenses of lights and heat. Club House to be left in good condition.

All Other Acts and Resolutions In Conflict With These Resolutions Are Hereby Repealed.

Arice Strickland
President

Dell Talent
Secretary

1966

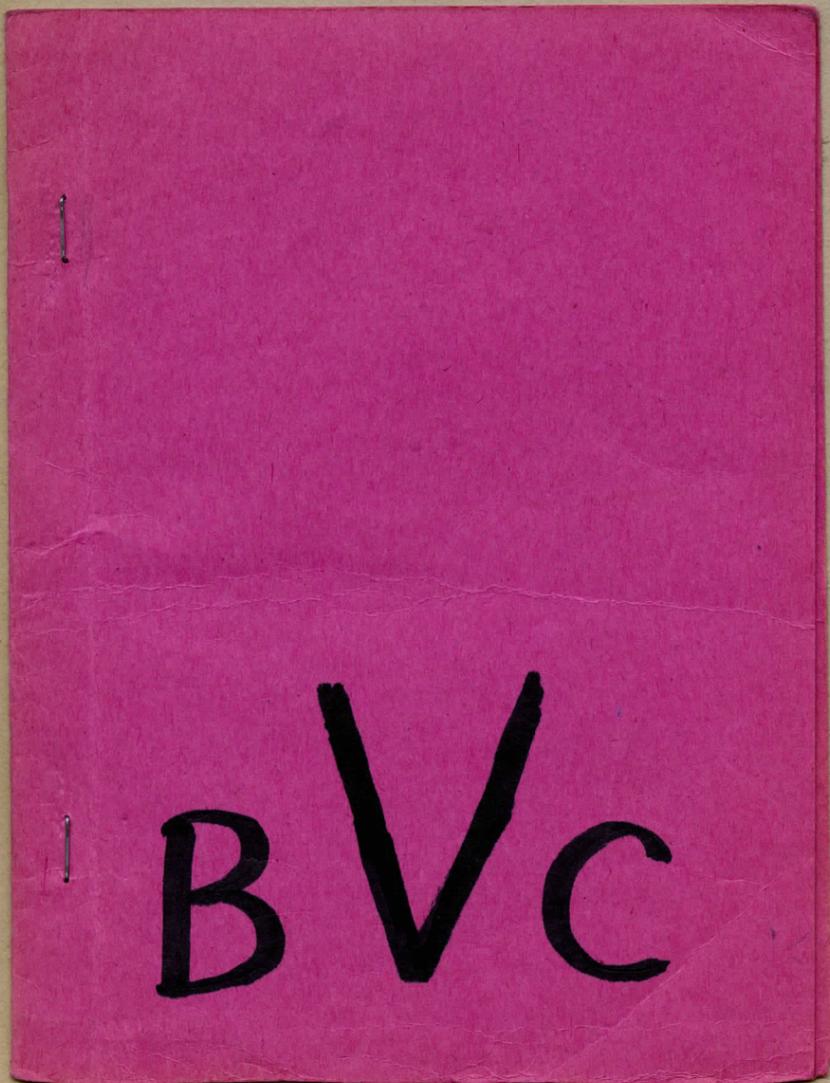
Eric Hedlund



PAST PRESIDENTS of the Buena Vista Civic Club were honored at the 43rd anniversary of the founding of the club Tuesday night when a dinner was held in the clubhouse. Seated from left are C. A. Thorpe, Dr. Mable Hardenbrook, Vera

Marshall and Charles Scharback. Standing from left are Russell Baker, Ken Karns, David Brasley and Richard Long. The club was organized in 1923 by Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook.

** Eric Hedlund*



1966

Eric Hedlund



PAST PRESIDENTS of the Buena Vista Civic Club were honored at the 43rd anniversary of the founding of the club Tuesday night when a dinner was held in the clubhouse. Seated from left are C. A. Thorpe, Dr. Mable Hardenbrook, Vera

Eric Hedlund

Dear members

It'd like to thank you for once again inviting us to your marvellous Anniversary dinner

It's a wonderful thing for a Club to have gone on that many years and for its members to still

have their strong interest in the Community

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Al + Helen Simonson

1967

BUENA VISTA CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Organized 1923

OFFICERS: 1967

PRES: Lanora Parker
V. PRES: Richard Long
SEC: Lorraine Barnett
TREAS: N. G. Carpenter

MEETING DATE:
Last Tuesday of each month at
7:30 P. M. Except dinner
meetings will start at 6:00.

PLACE:
Buena Vista Clubhouse
16th and Jackson Streets
Oregon City, Oregon

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:
Therese Stoltz
Florence Karna

CARDS AND FLOWERS
Mrs. Eric Hedlund

Buena
Vista
Civic
Club
1968

Tri-City Couriers



Clackamas County's Only Daily Newspaper—In Our 102nd Year

OREGON CITY, OREGON, FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 1968

Centenarian Marks 103rd Birthday



A RARE CENTENARIAN, MRS. ET TAGRAVES was honored Thursday on her 103rd birthday with a luncheon at Buena Vista park. While two great-great grandchildren in California could not be present, she is here posing for a four-generation picture including a daughter, Leona Graves; son, John Graves; grandson, John King; a granddaughter, Phyllis Amrosino, and two great-grandchildren, John and Tom King. They all reside in the Tri-City area.

Luncheon Marks 103rd Birthday

Still an active centenarian, Mrs. Etta Graves observed her 103rd birthday Thursday when she was an honor guest at a luncheon at Buena Vista park. She has resided at the Buena Vista home for the aged the past four years.

Among those presenting gifts to Mrs. Graves were Errol Hollowell, Tri-City Chamber of Commerce president; Stan Skoko, a Clackamas county commissioner, and Frank H. McElroy, mayor of Oregon City. Mrs. Graves received con-

gratulatory telegrams from President Lyndon B. Johnson and Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey.

Mrs. Leona Graves said that her mother attributed her long life to faith and prayers. She said she read the Bible daily and also wrote prayers each day. "Mother corresponds with Oral Roberts regularly," said the daughter. "She is very thoughtful and every week writes me a note of appreciation for kindnesses."

The centenarian was born June

20, 1865, at Eagle Creek and has never been out of the state, according to the daughter. Her husband was a farmer who died in 1930.

The daughter told that her mother takes care of herself at the home, reads and writes every day and takes care of flowers she grows on a porch.

The offsprings of the elderly woman include three living children, five grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

The Formation of "The Buena Vista Art Needle Craft Club"

In the year of 1928 on December 11th, a group of ladies met at the home of Mrs. Jack Charriere, and under the leadership of Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, an auxiliary club to the Buena Vista Improvement Club was formed. It was to be known as "The Buena Vista Art Needle Craft Club". Dues were to be 50¢ per year and each member was required to make an apron. Meetings were to be on the first Tuesday of each month. Later, the meeting day was changed to the third Tuesday. Refreshments were to consist of not more than two articles. Dr. Mabel was the first Chairman. The first elected officers, were as follows:- Pres., Hazel Herzig; Vice-Pres., Mrs. H. B. Schlegel; Secy., Mrs. T. P. Long; Treas., Mrs. Lucille Klemson; Apron Com., Mrs. Charriere; Pillow-slips and Fancy work, Dr. Mabel; Novities, Mrs. Erik Hedlund; Towels, Mrs. Kate Carothers. The proceeds from these going to the improvement of Atkinson Memorial Park.

The charter members are as follows:

Mrs. F. E. Parker

Mrs. G. Jewell

Mrs. H. B. Schlegel

Mrs. A. Klemson

Mrs. E. Hedlund

Mrs. Tom Long

Mrs. Chester Carothers

Mrs. C. H. Herzig

Mrs. G. Criswell

Mrs. Chas. Surfus

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook

Anniversary Tea Held by Ladies



CHARTER MEMBERS OF BUENA VISTA ART and Needlecraft Club posed at the tea table during the friendship tea held Wednesday afternoon in celebration of the Club's fortieth birthday. From left are Mrs. Eric Hed-

lund, Mrs. Minnie Jewell, Mrs. Chester Carothers, and Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook. Seated at the tea service is Mrs. Charles Thorpe, who is not a charter member but joined four months after the club was organized.

Buena Vista Art and Needlecraft Club, a neighborhood women's organization that has met on the third Tuesday of the month for an afternoon of sewing and good deeds since 1928, celebrated its fortieth anniversary with a friendship tea at the clubhouse Wednesday.

Many former club members as well as those still active were in attendance. Messages were read from a number of former members who have moved away, including Mrs. Letha Kendall of Condon, Mrs. Vernetta Fitzgerald of Reno, Mrs. David Bradley of Stockton, and Mrs. Beldon Alldredge.

In relating a brief history of the club, Dr. Mable Har-

denbrook gave special recognition to one of the charter members, Mrs. Chester Carothers, who has never missed a meeting since the club began 40 years ago.

Dr. Hardenbrook explained how the organization grew out of a costume-making project for a parade planned by Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club. She outlined some of the accomplishments of the group, and touched briefly on the various fund-raising projects it had sponsored.

The program began with vocal solos by Mrs. Victor Bowman, who was accompanied by Mrs. Barbara Bell. Becky Black, senior at Oregon City high school,

presented a humorous reading. Like the music, it was keyed to the holiday season.

The room was attractively decorated for the Christmas season, with an especially lovely arrangement of red tapers, white chrysanthemum, and white birds on the tea table. Mrs. Eric Hedlund was general chairman, and Dr. Hardenbrook arranged the program. Both are charter members.

Mrs. Charles Herzog was the club's first president and Mrs. Thomas Long its first secretary.

40TH

Anniversary

Art Needlecraft

1928-1968



Buena Vista Civic

Club

1969



Pres. Mrs. Florence Kains

656-7180

Vice Pres. Mr. Dick Long.

Sec. Mrs. Lanore Parker.

Treas. Mr. Ted Carpenter

Club, Founder Celebrate Birthdays



45th Year Observed By Buena Vista Club

Buena Vista Civic Club's annual anniversary dinner held the last Tuesday in February, fell this year on Feb. 27, date of its first organizational meeting in 1923, which also happens to be the birth date of one of its founders, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook.

Besides its usual anniversary cake, the club had a birthday cake and corsage to honor Dr. Hardenbrook, who in addition to helping organize the Civic Club, has been an active member throughout its 45-year history.

One of the Club's first projects was the formation of two city bands, eventually absorbed by the high school when it added a music department. Atkinson Memorial Park, where the club-

house is located, was purchased by the group and given to the city during its early years. The clubhouse was built from two homes moved up the hill by a team of horses and a winch, according to charter member Lanora Parker.

The club's civic projects have been many and varied during its 45-year history, as have its fund-raising efforts in support or worthy causes. Special guests at the dinner were Mayor Frank McElroy, City Manager Al Simonson, Commissioners Richard Conrad and Gil Danielson and their wives. The program included excerpts from the play now in production at Oregon City high school under the direction of William Line.

CHARTER MEMBERS OF Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club got together for a picture during the Club's annual dinner celebrating its 45th anniversary. Standing, from left, are Mrs. Chester Carothers, Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Eric Hedlund. Seated, from left, are Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mrs. Charles Thrope and Mrs. Lanora Parker. Below, Charles Thorpe presents a special birthday cake to one of the club founders, Dr. Mable Hardenbrook. Both the organizational meeting and the Club's 45th anniversary party happened on her birthday.

Club, Founder Celebrate Birthdays



45th Year Observed By Buena Vista Club

Buena Vista Civic Club's annual anniversary dinner held the last Tuesday in February, fell this year on Feb. 27, date of its first organizational meeting in 1923, which also happens to be the birth date of one of its founders, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook.

Besides its usual anniversary cake, the club had a birthday cake and corsage to honor Dr. Hardenbrook, who in addition to helping organize the Civic Club, has been an active member the

tory. One projects city by the a mus Memo

house is located, was purchased by the group and given to the city during its early years. The clubhouse was built from two homes moved up the hill by a team of horses and a winch, according to charter member Lanora Parker.

The club's civic projects have been many and varied during its 45-year history, as have its fund-raising efforts in support or worthy causes. Special guests at the dinner were Mayor Frank

CHARTER MEMBERS OF Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club got together for a picture during the Club's annual dinner celebrating its 45th anniversary. Standing, from left, are Mrs. Chester Carothers, Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Eric Hedlund. Seated, from left, are Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mrs. Charles Thrope and Mrs. Lanora Parker. Below, Charles Thorpe presents a special birthday cake to one of the club founders, Dr. Mable Hardenbrook. Both the organizational meeting and the Club's 45th anniversary party happened on her birthday.

IN COLLABORATION

Twenty-five years ago progressive groups of Buena Vista, under leadership of Dr. Mable Hardenbrook, met together to form a club for community betterment. With great pride we celebrate this Silver Anniversary and look forward to even greater achievements.

48th Anniversary

Club, Founder Celebrate Birthdays



45th Year Observed By Buena Vista Club

Buena Vista Civic Club's annual anniversary dinner held the last Tuesday in February, fell this year on Feb. 27, date of its first organizational meeting in 1923, which also happens to be the birth date of one of its founders, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook.

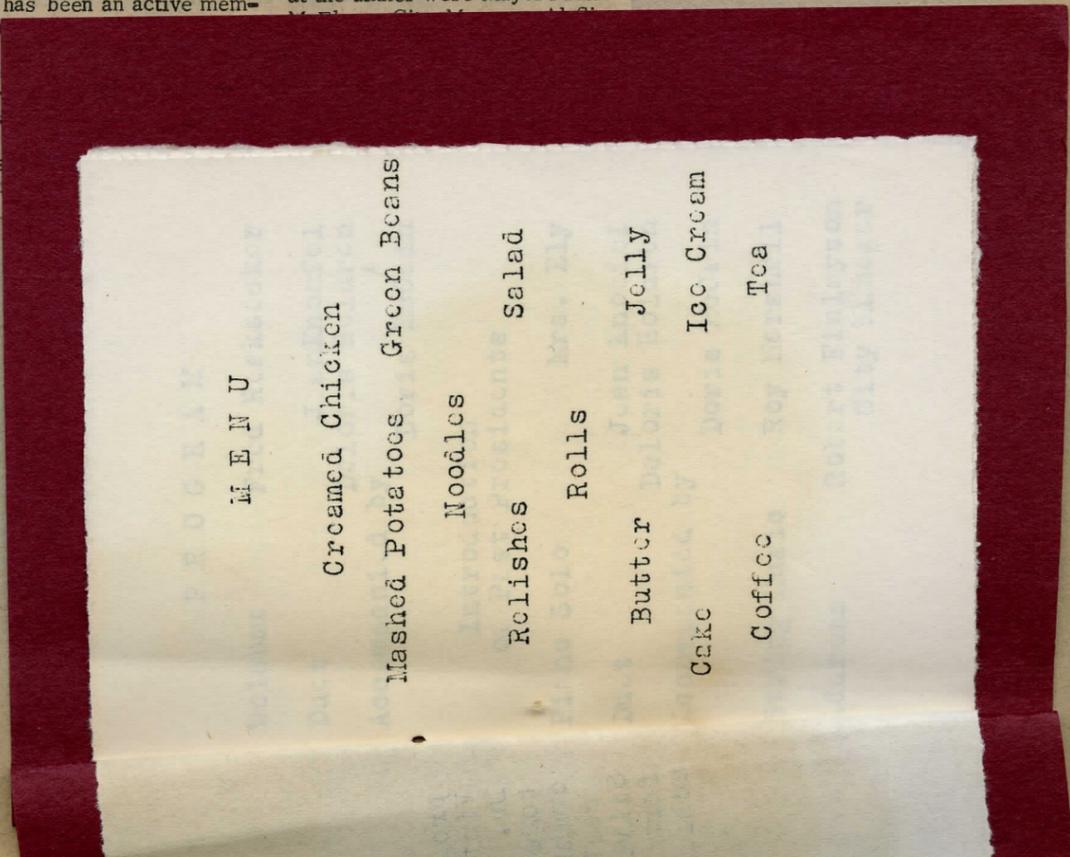
Besides its usual anniversary cake, the club had a birthday cake and corsage to honor Dr. Hardenbrook, who in addition to helping organize the Civic Club, has been an active member throughout its history.

One of the club's projects is to improve the city by the use of a museum.

The club's civic projects have been many and varied during its 45-year history, as have its fund-raising efforts in support of worthy causes. Special guests at the dinner were Mayor Frank...

house is located, was purchased by the group and given to the city during its early years. The clubhouse was built from two homes moved up the hill by a team of horses and a winch, according to charter member Lanora Parker.

CHARTER MEMBERS OF Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club got together for a picture during the Club's annual dinner celebrating its 45th anniversary. Standing, from left, are Mrs. Chester Carothers, Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Eric Hedlund, Eric Hedlund. Seated, from left, are Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, Mrs. Charles Thrope and Mrs. Lanora Parker. Below, Charles Thorpe presents a special birthday cake to one of the club founders, Dr. Mable Hardenbrook. Both the organizational meeting and the Club's 45th anniversary party happened on her birthday.



M E N U

- Creamed Chicken
- Mashed Potatoes
- Green Beans
- Noodles
- Rollishes
- Salad
- Rolls
- Butter
- Jelly
- Cake
- Ice Cream
- Coffee
- Tea

BUENA VISTA NEIGHBORHOOD

MEETING

Tuesday, March 28th, 7:30 p.m.
Buena Vista Clubhouse (Atkinson Park)

year?

- * ARE YOU AWARE THAT THERE HAS BEEN A CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD FOR 55 YEARS?
- * DO YOU KNOW THAT UNDER THE PRESENT ZONING THAT MORE BUSINESSES CAN BE BUILT NEAR THE BUENA VISTA STORE?
- * IS THERE "CREEPING BLIGHT" AROUND THE HOSPITAL?

WE NEED YOUR OPINIONS IN PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE OF THE BUENA VISTA NEIGHBORHOOD. THE OREGON CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IS BEING REVISED AND IT AFFECTS YOU. THE BUENA VISTA CLUB IS CONCERNED CITIZENS WHO MEET TO SHARE COMMON INTERESTS IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD. AT THE NEXT MEETING, AN EXPLANATION OF ZONING AND THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WILL BE PRESENTED BY CITY PLANNERS. WHY NOT JOIN US?

whether you are a renter or an owner.

THE FUTURE CHOICE IS YOURS. COME TO THE BUENA VISTA NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 28TH AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE BUENA VISTA CLUBHOUSE (ATKINSON PARK). FIND OUT WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT AND WHAT YOU CAN DO. *You don't have to join the club, but you are, of course, welcome to do so.*

ENCLOSED IS A SURVEY WHICH WILL HELP TELL US WHAT YOU THINK. PLEASE COMPLETE THE SURVEY AND FOLD IT SO THE ADDRESS IS VISIBLE ON THE OUTSIDE. NO POSTAGE IS NECESSARY, SO DROP IT IN THE MAIL TODAY OR BRING IT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING ON THE 28TH.

NEIGHBORHOOD QUESTIONNAIRE

1. How many people are in your household? _____
How many are 18 or under? _____
How many are 62 or older? _____
2. How many people in your household are employed? _____
Where are they employed? ___ Oregon City ___ Other parts of Tri-City
___ Other parts of Clackamas County ___ Washington County
___ Portland/Multnomah County ___ Other
3. How long have you lived in your residence? _____
Please indicate nearest cross streets, example: 7th & John Adams _____
4. Do you ___ Own or ___ Rent?
5. Do you live in a ___ Single Family ___ Duplex ___ Apartment ___ Mobile Home?
6. Is your present housing adequate? ___ Yes ___ No
If not, why? ___ Too small ___ Too expensive ___ Poor location
___ Poor condition ___ Other (Specify)
7. Considering what you can afford, what type of housing do you prefer?
___ House ___ Duplex ___ Apartment ___ Mobile Home
8. At the present time, would you rather ___ Own or ___ Rent?
9. Would you be interested in a low interest government loan to help finance improvements on a home? ___ Yes ___ No
10. Are absentee landlords a problem in your area? ___ Yes ___ No
11. Do you favor rezoning your neighborhood to prevent construction and creation of duplexes and multiple family dwellings? ___ Yes ___ No
12. What new or expanded businesses would you like to see in your neighborhood?
13. Do you favor more industry in Oregon City? ___ Yes ___ No
14. Are there enough parks in Oregon City? ___ Yes ___ No
in your neighborhood? ___ Yes ___ No
What additions or improvements should be made to the parks in your neighborhood?
15. Are there enough recreation programs and facilities in Oregon City? ___ Yes ___ No
What new recreational programs or facilities are needed in Oregon City?
16. If you are dissatisfied with any City services (Police, Fire, Nuisance Control, Administration, Sewer, Water, Street Maintenance, Etc.) explain below:

17. What are the most significant problems in your neighborhood? Please mark 1st (most critical problem), 2nd and 3rd:

Traffic Noise Air Pollution Housing Conditions
 Street Conditions Vandalism Youth Problems New Construction (not in keeping with the neighborhood character) Other (Specify)

18. Is there a need for more parking spaces in your neighborhood? Yes No

19. Would you favor closing streets to discourage traffic? Yes No

20. Are there curbs and sidewalks in front of your residence? Yes No
If not, would you want curbs and sidewalks constructed? Yes No

21. Does Oregon City need more bikepaths? Yes No
If yes, do you have any suggested routes?

22. How important is historical preservation to you?
 Important Unimportant Opposed

23. Do you read "Talk of the Town" (water bulletin)? Yes No

24. Do you receive the "Planning Oregon City" newsletter? Yes No

25. How do you find out about what's going on in Oregon City?
 "Talk of the Town" (water bulletin) "Planning Oregon City" newsletter
 School Flyers Direct Mail Notice Enterprise Courier
 Portland newspapers Radio Word of Mouth Other (Specify)

26. Are you aware whether there is a neighborhood association in your neighborhood? Yes No

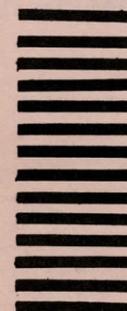
27. Would you be interested in joining such an association in your neighborhood? Yes No

28. Are there any suggestions which you have for your neighborhood?

FIRST CLASS
Permit No. 44
Oregon City, OR

BUSINESS REPLY MAIL
NO POSTAGE NECESSARY IF MAILED IN THE U.S.A.

POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY
OREGON CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT
P.O. Box 631
Oregon City, OR 97045



Feb. 1970

Dear members of the
Buena Vista Civic Club,

We, the members of
the Senior High School Orchestra,
would like to thank you
for your generous gift. We
enjoyed playing for you!

We are leaving for
Hawaii soon and your
gift has helped us to
achieve our goal. Thank
you again so much!

Sincerely,

The Oregon City
Senior High School
Orchestra

Bruce Williamson Master

Club Notes 48th Year

Plans for their 48th annual anniversary dinner were made by Buena Vista Club members when they met Tuesday evening at the clubhouse at 16th and Jackson Streets.

The dinner is set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, at North's Chuck Wagon Restaurant on McLoughlin Blvd. Mrs. Lanora Parker will serve as hostess for the dinner and reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Erik Hedlund at 656-6132.

Following dinner the group will return to the clubhouse for a program featuring slides of a trip through the Southwest shown by Russell Baker.

Standing committee heads for 1971, appointed by President Mrs. Ken Karns during the meeting last week, include Mrs. Erik Hedlund, sunshine; Mrs. Richard Long, publicity; Mrs. Agnes Morgan, telephone; Erik Hedlund, Ken Karns and Ted Carpenter, house; Mrs. Graeme Strickland, ecology.

Club to Aid Fish Program

Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club, meeting last week at the clubhouse on 16th and Jackson, commended the Oregon City Commission for its prompt action on the Club's suggestion that pedestrian walkways be painted on 15th street between John Adams and Madison and between Jackson and Harrison.

The program featured an explanation of the Fish program by Mrs. Erik Hedlund. The organization, made up of representatives from local churches, provides emergency aid for community needs, including food, clothing and transportation. Calls to the Portland emergency Fish number from this area are referred to local volunteers.

The Club members voted to assist in the Fish program, and a collection barrel will be placed in the clubhouse to col-

lect contributions of food and clothing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Karns served refreshments after the meeting.

Walkways Suggested

Discussion of the need for a marked or protected walkway on the two steep hills on 15th street, between Jackson and Harrison and between John Adams and Madison, highlighted the recent meeting of Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club.

The club secretary was instructed to request consideration of the walkways by the Oregon City Commission.

The program featured a talk by Madjid Golesorke from Iran on the making of Persian rugs. The club presented a farewell gift to member Mrs. Lanora Parker, who has left for Japan, where she will visit her son and his family.

Mrs. Erik Hedlund was refreshment committee chairman for the social hour afterward.

Zoning Talk Due

Oregon City Manager Al Simonson and City Engineer Jack Donahue will discuss zoning and other city matters at the meeting of Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club, scheduled Tuesday, Nov. 30, 7:30 p.m., at the clubhouse at Sixteenth and Jackson streets.

They will also answer questions on the effect of zoning on the Buena Vista area. This program was originally scheduled for the October meeting, and was canceled due to a conflict of engagements.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend the meeting.

Civic Club Sets Potluck

The Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club will hold its regular meeting Tuesday, July 27, at 7:30 p.m. in Atkinson Park.

A potluck dinner in the park at 6:30 p.m. will precede the meeting.

Members are asked to bring a hot dish, salad or dessert, and their own table service. Coffee, cream and sugar will be furnished.

Members are urged to attend and to bring guests.



TOM McCALL
GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
STATE CAPITOL
SALEM 97310

September 26, 1972

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook
Broadmoor Manor
7905 S.W. Cedar Street
Portland, Oregon 97225

Dear Dr. Hardenbrook:

I have marked Governor McCall's calendar for February 23, 1973, to address the Civic Club in Oregon City in observance of your 50th Anniversary.

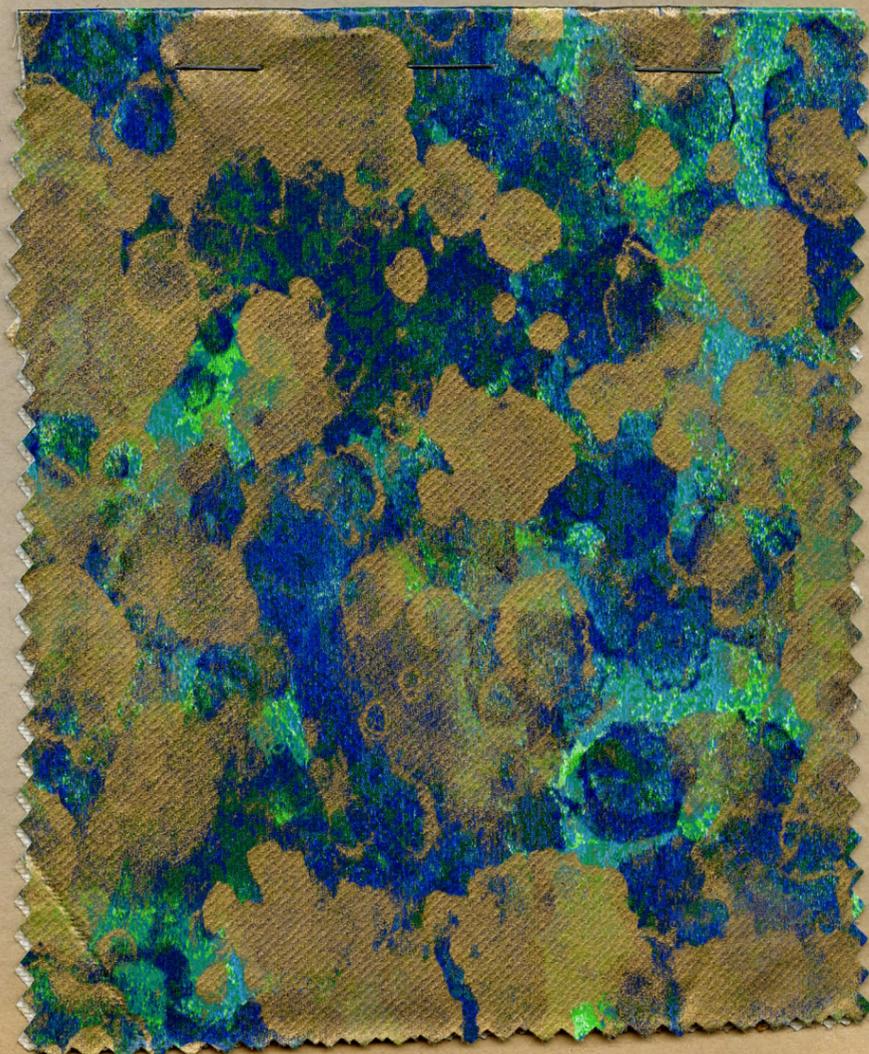
We are unable to make a definite commitment this early because of Governor McCall's extremely busy schedule the first of the year with the legislative session. You can be assured, however, that the Governor will make every effort to be with you -- and to help foster your concept of a grove of trees around the park.

You will hear from me early in January to establish the Governor's appearance if it is at all possible.

Sincerely,

Ronald G. Schmidt
Administrative Assistant
to the Governor

RGS/k





TOM McCALL
GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
STATE CAPITOL
SALEM 97310

September 26, 1972

Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook
Broadmoor Manor
7905 S.W. Cedar Street
Portland, Oregon 97225

Dear Dr. Hardenbrook:

I have marked Governor McCall's calendar for February 23, 1973, to address the Civic Club in Oregon City in observance of your 50th Anniversary.

We are unable to make a definite commitment this early because of Governor McCall's extremely busy schedule the first of the year with the legislative session. You can be assured, however, that the Governor will make every effort to be with you -- and to help foster your concept of a grove of trees around the park.

You will hear from me early in January to establish the Governor's appearance if it is at all possible.

Sincerely,

Ronald
Admini
to the

RGS/k

Officers of 1972

President:
Alice Strickland 656-812

Vice-President:
Dick Long 656-5137

Secretary:
Lanora Parker 656-8059

Treasurer:
Ted Carpenter 656-9421
656-4324

House Maint.:

Vinton Strickland
Ted Carpenter
Ken Karns

Couple Celebrate Golden Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Erik Hedlund

About 150 friends and relatives gathered at the First Baptist Church of Oregon City to help Mr. and Mrs. Erik Hedlund to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.

They were married July 8, 1922 in Oregon City and have lived all their lives together here. He was born in Sweden and she in Illinois.

Mr. Hedlund was a papermaker at Crown Zellerbach until he retired in 1956. His wife has been active in Baptist women's work. Both are charter members of the Buena Vista Civic Club and have participated in community activities.

Hostesses for the obser-

vance Saturday were their daughters, Mrs. Bernetta Rickards of Cedarville, Calif. and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Evelyn Hedlund of Portland. Assisting were the couple's grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hedlund of Milwaukie, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Laxague and Mrs. Clara Laxague of Cedarville, Calif.

Serving the golden wedding cake were Mrs. Russell Baker and Mrs. Bruce Hedlund.

Two old friends who had attended the wedding, Mrs. Ralph Baughman of Buhl and Clem Parberry of Moscow came to attend the celebration.

Twenty-eight attended the family picnic which followed at the Buena Vista Club.



Buena Vista 1972
Celebrates Date

Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club will celebrate its 49th anniversary this month, with a dinner meeting planned for Tuesday at North's Chuck Wagon.

After dinner, the group will return to the clubhouse at Sixteenth and Jackson streets for a program featuring slides by Rod Barnett, taken while he was serving on the USS Enterprise in Vietnamese waters and Bengal Bay.

The navy man, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barnett of Clackamas Heights, is on leave following his return to the States, and reports to LaMore Naval Air Base on March 4. His wife Donna and daughter Jodi, who have been living in Oregon City while he was gone, will be returning to California to live until his enlistment time is completed in June.







SHARED BIRTHDAY — Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, founder of Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club (at left) gets corsage from Club president Mrs. Vinton Strickland during club's 50th anniversary dinner, which coincided with Dr. Hardenbrook's 88th birthday. The Civic Club plans an open house Saturday.

50th Anniversary Due For Buena Vista Club

Fifty years ago on Feb. 27, a small group of concerned citizens of Oregon City's Buena Vista and Park additions had a meeting to discuss civic improvement in their area.

On Sunday Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club will celebrate its golden anniversary with an open house at the clubhouse in Buena Vista Park, 16th and Jackson streets. Hours will be two to four o'clock.

Instigator of the meeting in 1923 was Oregon City dentist Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who has been putting together a collection of club mementoes to be displayed at the open house.

First action of the group was to oppose the contemplated closure of the Madison Street bridge by the city council.

The club took action on a wide range of problems during the ensuing years and sponsored almost as varied an array of fund-raising endeavors to support its worthy causes.

Major accomplishments over the years were the purchase of Atkinson Memorial Park for the city and formation of two city bands, which were later absorbed by the high school after it added a music department. The club owns and maintains a meeting building located in the park, which was built from two homes moved up the hill with a team of horses and a winch, according to one of the charter members.

Besides Dr. Hardenbrook, living charter members include Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorpe, Mrs. Katherine Carothers, Mr.

and Mrs. Erik Hedlund, Bessie Kearney, William Croner, Jenny Ely and Mrs. Arch Phillips.

Dr. Hardenbrook, William Croner, Charles Thorpe and Erik Hedlund are past presidents, as are Charles Scharback, Russell Baker, Kenneth Karns, David Bradley, Richard Long, Lanora Parker and Florence Karns.

Wednesday evening club members and invited guests met at North's Chuckwagon for a birthday dinner party, to reminisce about a half a century of working together for community good.

There was special recognition for founder Dr. Hardenbrook, who was celebrating her own 88th birthday.



A TIME FOR REMINISCING — Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club at a special dinner Tuesday night, long-time members each had an opportunity to recall incidents in the organization's history. There were only four of the 10 living charter members present. From left they are Erik Hedlund, Jennie Ely, Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook and Mrs. Katherine

Carothers. At right is Richard Long, a past president whose parents were charter members. Mrs. Ely's father, John Drumm, was the club's first president. Members will hold open house tomorrow afternoon from two to four in their clubhouse on 16th and Jackson streets. The public is invited.

1973

10/21/73

11

Civic organization marks 50th birthday



Mrs. Vinton Strickland
Buena Vista Club

Fifty years ago on Feb. 27, a small group of concerned citizens of Oregon City's Buena Vista and Park additions had a meeting to discuss improvements in their area.

This year they celebrated the golden anniversary of Buena Vista Civic Improvement Club, which grew out of that meeting and has met monthly ever since, to contribute much to community betterment.

First action of the group was to oppose the contemplated closure of the Madison Street bridge by the city council.

Major accomplishments over they years were the purchase of Askinson Memorial Park for the city and formation of two city bands, which were later

absorbed by the high school after it added a music department. The club owns and maintains a meeting building located in the park, which was built from two homes moved up the hill with a team of horses and a winch, according to one of the charter members.

Instigator of the organization meeting in 1923 was the late Dr. Mabel Hardenbrook, who remained active in the group until her death.

Mrs. Vinton Strickland is current president of the club; Richard Long, vice president; Mrs. Steve Talent, secretary; N. G. Carpenter, treasurer.

Club meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month, in the evening.