

Parish Archives Record, 2007

St. Boniface in Sublimity, Oregon

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Meetings of the Archives committee are **Tuesday Morning at 10:00 in the Archives Room** in the Convent Building. No appointment is needed. We welcome guests or volunteers! Share your history. For more information go back to the Archives page or see the Sunday Church Bulletin. Thanks!

DECEMBER 8, 2007

Thanks to Marc Covert, Editor of the *Oregon Catholic Historical Society Newsletter*, who sent us four recent copies. The Fall 2006 issue had a substantial article on the 125 anniversary of St. Boniface Church as presented in the History Of Sublimity on www.saintboniface.net. A new article on the St. Boniface Archives is to be expected in 2008.

We've been busy getting fully established in our new location, but no need to bore you with all the details here. New smoke detector being installed. Primarily working on getting display items, drawers, and filing boxes and labeled.

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Minutes for November 27, 2007 10:00AM to 11:30 by Carol Zolkoske.

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Fred Ripp, Rita Young, and Carol Zolkoske

The group began taking items from the boxes and rearrange them into categories. All the pictures were removed from the picture boards they will now be placed in order as well. Discussions need to be held as to categories such as family pictures, wedding pictures, school pictures etc.

The shelves were rearranged to accommodate the books and other items. The archives walls are filling up quickly with pictures and religious items. Future discussions will address items to be displayed and items to be stored.

Thanks to Duane Bradley we now have on display a couple old school desks from the long gone St. Boniface Grade School. These will trigger memories in many of our guests.

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Minutes for October 30, 2007 10:00AM to 11:30 by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Rita Young, Vera Boedigheimer, Joe Spenner, Carol Zolkoske

Joe donated a photograph taken June 28, 1935. It is of Jesuit Father Anthony Spenner with family members and friends at this first Mass in Sublimity. The picture was taken in front of Ben and Katie Toepfer's house in Sublimity.

Vera donated three national Catholic Society of Foresters pins, a 25 and 50-year pin and a membership pin.

Henry said that he was in hopes that we would be completely in the new up-stairs rooms by

Christmas. We will begin moving on November 6. Locks have been changed. Volunteers will be needed to help move.

OCTOBER 24, 2007

We have some real progress to report about our facilities. As you know we have been located in the basement of the old convent building. We have outgrown this space, which was never very attractive, with its low ceiling, overhead pipes, and outside stairway that was awkward if not hazardous to the old and handicapped.

We are very encouraged, having met with the St. Boniface Financial Council on Oct. 17, and with the pastor, Fr. Paul on Oct. 23. Subject to final approval, Fr. Paul has kindly offered us the option to move to the first floor room in the southwest corner. We accept! Let's list some of the advantages of this move:

- This is quality space, with a high ceiling, windows and heat, appropriate for our growing parish and community Archives and Museum. We will look like a first class institution.
- An excellent handicapped access ramp leads right to it. Convenient, inviting, and avoids the expense of building another ramp to the basement.
- The expense of new construction to expand the old basement space is avoided. Building code and safe access problems are avoided.
- The chapel is just across the hall, providing temporary expansion space for open house exhibits as well as pews to afford the weary a moment of peace and rest.
- Additional semi-permanent display space for picture panels will be used in the hallway. These would be thin, wall mounted, protected by thin plexiglass from passersby.
- A doorway will be cut (donated labor, no cost) between the new archives room and the small office space at the left of the main front entry to the convent building. This will expand the archives room proper and provide a second entrance/exit for it. Visitors will be able to use either the main entrance or the side (ramp) door.
- This is a win-win solution and we are excited. A new jewel for St. Boniface and its community.

Respectfully, the archives committee

MINUTES for OCTOBER 23, 2007 10:00AM to 11:30 by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Father Paul, Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Rita Young, Vera Boedigheimer, Carol Zolkoske

Open house donations for copies of the "Let us Remember" book were \$62. It was decided that this money would be used as petty cash.

Options were discussed for making the Archives room larger, or moving it to another part of the convent:

* Leave the Archives room in the basement but move a wall out to make the room larger. The space would most likely be available but the problem of access to the Archives in the basement other than the stairs would need to be addressed.

* Move the Archives room to a room on the main floor upstairs in the convent where there is an

existing ramp. This room is very close to the same size as the existing Archives room but it could be enlarged by closing off an existing door and coming thru the door off the main entrance hall. This room has good natural lighting plus a wall with built in cabinets and shelves which would be good for storage. Pictures could be exhibited in the hallway immediately outside of the room. Storage could be an issue but it was suggested that some larger items could be kept downstairs in the present Archives room or moved to the 3rd floor. Father Paul said that he would ask the Parish Council about the possibility of using this room for the Archives room.

Vera showed the pictures of the groundbreaking ceremony for the new hospital clinic where the John Kintz house was. When the new clinic is open she plans to lend the pictures to the hospital for a display.

OCTOBER 16, 2007

By all accounts the St. Boniface Annual Chicken Dinner of last Sunday was a huge success. We had an Archives Open House at the same time - also a huge success. Only 60 signed the guest book, but we were too busy visiting with guests to see that people signed it, and our best estimate is that there were actually about close to 200 guests! A principal reason for this success was the use of 800 or so of our St. Boniface Archives (Sublimity History - Walking map - Historical photo gallery) place mats ("placemaps") at the dinner. These were described below.

We met with the St. Boniface Financial Council on Oct. 17 for a presentation of our work and to discuss plans for much needed expansion space and support. We were assured of their full backing. Thank you, Financial Council!

Perhaps even more important, we will be scheduling a meeting with the St. Boniface Pastoral Council. Not everyone understands that St. Boniface Archives operates at the recommendation and sponsorship of the Archdiocesan Historical Commission. (I am one of the ten or so commissioners appointed by the Archbishop, hence my involvement.) Every parish is encouraged/expected to have an "archives." If I may say so, ours is one of the best and most active in western Oregon.

We are planning to produce some publications. A possible example, already mentioned below:

"Vera Boedigheimer's mother wrote in 1936 about her visits to the State Prisons and other State facilities in the Salem area. This is fantastically detailed, fascinating information, worth printing! She donated the manuscript to the Archives."

Another is a "St. Boniface Community History" book containing family histories and illustrations. This will be aimed at recording and furthering the feeling of community and belonging. We hope many, both old and new, will contribute their stories.

Henry Strobel

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MINUTES for OCTOBER 16, 2007 10:00AM to 11:30 by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Rita Young, Vera Boedigheimer, Don Porter, George Gerspacher, Carol Zolkoske

The group discussed the success of the opening of the Archives room during the Parish dinner. Members agreed that there was a lot of interest in every aspect of the Archives. Some enjoyed the photographs, while others looked through the many books and family histories, while still

others enjoyed looking at items from the past. There were 60 names in the guest book but the Archives members thought the actual number who visited was much higher as the rooms were mostly full from 11 AM until after 3PM.

Also, Sister Joseph Catherine was able to spend some time in the Archives room. She is planning to donate the CD's that were made from the records the Choir made from Regis during the 1960's while she was a teacher there. She is also planning to write her story when she was a teacher in the local Catholic Schools and her memories of living at the convent in Sublimity.

The Archives Committee discussed the possibility of getting a ramp of some type or making another door opening in the basement, which would not require stairs for access to the Archives room.

Henry said that the Parish Council will come to the Archives room tonight October 16, at 7PM. Vera invited them as a group to come and see the progress the Archives Committee has made over the last couple years. Henry also said that it would be a good time to discuss the possibility of expanding the Archives room in some way. Also planned for discussion is the book that the Committee is planning to write about the current members of St. Boniface Parish. Henry asked that all members of the Archives Committee come to this important meeting.

Vangie said that someone from St. Catherine's of Siena of Mill City contacted her about obtaining information about Priests who served in Mill City from St. Boniface. They would also be interested in any information about the Alter Society in Mill City. Vangie said mill City is thinking about writing a book about the history of St. Catherine's.

George Gerspacher donated a copy of "An Industrial Survey of Sublimity" 1951. The survey listed all the businesses and their locations. The survey was informative, interesting, and fun.

MINUTES for OCTOBER 9, 2007 10:00AM to 11:30 by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Rita Young, Vera Boedigheimer, Don Porter, Joe and Virginia Peters, Margaret Hendricks, Carol Zolkoske

Vangie showed the group a sample survey that could be used for references in writing the book about current Parishioners. Virginia Welter Basl Peters donated a copy of a photograph of her parents wedding pictures.

Rita showed a picture of her son Ken Young with Sister Joseph Catherine. Sister was the music teacher at Regis during the 1960's. She also showed a picture of Sister Joseph's Golden Jubilee, plus a story of her years as a teacher in the area. Sister Joseph plans to attend the Parish Dinner and visit with her former students. She will be in the Archives room for part of the time.

Margaret Hendricks returned all the items she borrowed for the celebration of the 100-year anniversary of the Foresters in Sublimity.

A work party is planned for Saturday October 13 in preparation for the opening of the Archives room during the Parish dinner. Members of the Archives Committee will be available to meet, visit and try to answer any questions about the history of Sublimity and St. Boniface.

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MINUTES for OCTOBER 2, 2007 10:00AM to 11:30 by Carol Zolkoske, Attendance: Henry

Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Ray Heuberger, Rita Young, Joe Spenner, Carol Zolkoske

Dave Wendell sent copies from the Oregon Archives documents pertaining to the founding of Sublimity College. One excerpt is: Section 1 "Be it enacted by the Legislative assembly of the Territory of Oregon that there shall be, and hereby is established in or near the town of Sublimity in the County of Marion a college to be called and known by the name of "The Sublimity College" and that John Denny, Thomas J. Conner, Eli Hubbard, D. L. Stayton, Jesse Harritt, William Bishop, Jeremiah Kenoyer, David R. McMillan, James Campbell, Allen J. Davie, Hadley Hobson, Solomon Albrison, G. W. Hunt, James M. Chandler, Morgan Rudolph, and their associates and successors are hereby declared to be a body corporate and prolitic in law, by the name and stile of the Trustees of the Sublimity College"

The United Brethren in Christ formed the school in 1857.

Ray Heuberger donated a bullet pencil souvenir from Mike Benedict's service station in Sublimity – 1946. He also donated a whetstone from Sestak & Thomas's meat market located in Stayton and Sublimity. The whetstone was inscribed: "Fresh, Salted and Smoked meats."

Joe Spenner donated a chicken catcher (must see) that was used on the Van Handel farm. He also donated assorted photographs.

Vera read a story that her mother wrote in 1936 about her visit to the State Prisons and other State facilities in the Salem area. This is fantastically detailed, fascinating information, worth printing! She donated the manuscript to the Archives.

Vangie Ripp volunteered to be the editor of a book about St. Boniface. She would like to start to gather information as soon as possible for the book. This will be a community project with input from parish members about past and present members of the community.

Mission Sunday is to be held October 6 and 7 after the Masses. Carol will be there after the Saturday night Mass, Vangie after the 8AM Mass, and Henry after the 10AM Mass. The new walking maps will be handed out.

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MINUTES for SEPTEMBER 25, 2007 11:00AM to 11:30 by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Vangie Ripp, Don Porter, Rita Young and Carol Zolkoske

Rita said that Sister Joseph Catherine, a former music teacher at Regis High School will be at the Parish dinner. During her years as music teacher at Regis, choir was extremely popular with the students. In addition to winning many awards, the choir also made a number of records. Sister is anxious to see and visit with her former students.

Vangie made copies of photographs on loan from Doug Schumacher. Many are of old school buildings and several are group pictures from the turn of the century. Many of the people are identified. Some of the names are Lulay, Senz and Zimmerman.

Vangie and Carol attended a meeting Tuesday September 18th about Mission Sunday. At coffee and doughnuts following Mass on both Saturday and Sunday October 6th and 7th, volunteers will be stationed at various tables to discuss the many opportunities available to parishioners to become involved in Church activities. Carol will be there following the Saturday evening Mass; Vangie will be available after 8AM Mass and Henry after the 10AM Mass. We

will have a sign up sheet and talk about the Archives Committee.

Henry reported that 1,000 walking maps of old Sublimity are being printed for the dinner and he will contact the printer to see if they could be ready by October 6th.

Rita said Gerry About has lent the archives his original framed map of Stayton and Sublimity from the 1880s. It will be on display at the Parish dinner.

The following is the mission statement for the Archives Committee written by Henry.

*Dear Lord,
Help us remember our work is both history and mission,
Inspired with grace, while treasuring tradition,
Together in charity, we welcome the new.*

(That was from an invocation I gave at a meeting Of the Archdiocesan Historical Commission in Portland. Mission statement - why not? HS)

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MINUTES for SEPTEMBER 18, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon

By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske, Vera Boedigheimer, Rita Young

The group discussed the map of old Sublimity in regards to the cost, how to get it printed, and how to use it. It was intended as a place mat at the Parish dinner. Carol will talk to Wayne and Henry will talk to Kim concerning the map.

Henry talked to Father Paul who suggested that the Archives Committee, along with the other church organizations, should set up a table at the next coffee. One of our main needs is finding people who would be willing to put photographs and other materials into the computer.

Vangie said that she is up to date listing all the materials received. (I have entered all of Vangie's additions and published the updated "*What's in the Archives*" to the web.

Vera donated an artistic hand made booklet that her mother made to commemorate the dedication of the new Public Grade School in Sublimity in 1947. It contains all the names of the children from grades three through six. Also included are signatures of Board members, teachers etc.

Don Porter was able to borrow pictures from Doug Schumacher. Many of them were extremely old dating to end of the 19th century. Many included members of old time families in Sublimity and group pictures of school children. Some of the people have been identified. Don will pick out the pictures that most represent Sublimity, its people and history and make copies of those for the Archives.

Vangie showed us a book that St. Peter's Catholic Church in Newberg published to commemorate their 100th anniversary i.e. 1907-2007. Perhaps St. Boniface would like to do something similar?

Next meeting: Tuesday September 25, at 10:00 AM. in the Archives Room.

Henry's note: I attended the meeting of the Archdiocesan Historical Commission Sept 14. Discussed a communications system for "networking," that I had described earlier and reported on our parish archives activities. We have one of the most active programs here in Sublimity.

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MINUTES for AUGUST 28, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Vangie Ripp, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske, Vera Boedigheimer, Rita Young

The group moved the extra picture boards back to the main Archives room.

The Parish office has given the Archives Committee rolls of 8 mm film from 1948 thru 1964; Ed Bell took the movies of the Men's Foresters Conventions he attended including film from Salem and Sublimity. Discussion followed of having this film made into a DVD.

Also received were log and receipt books from the Men's Foresters starting in 1903.

Henry talked about the importance of keeping the names with the photographs and eventually putting the names with the pictures that are already on the computer and adding recently located photos.

Vera spoke of how successful the Catholic Order of Foresters Sublimity 100 anniversary was. Many people attended including a past president from Illinois. Kudos to Margaret Hendricks for all her hard work.

Carol donated a copy of students enrolled in Fern Ridge School in 1908. Names included Freres, Lambrecht, Zolkoske, Etzel, Laux, Siegmund, Nietling, and Duman.

AUGUST 29, 2007

We moved the additional photo display panels from the room across the hall (needed by the youth group). This points up dramatically our need for more space. The museum-office is beginning to look like a maze. We discussed expansion plans, primarily by including adjacent space to the west.

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MINUTES for AUGUST 21, 2007 - 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske, Vera Boedigheimer, Margaret Hendricks

Margaret stopped by and borrowed the Charter of the Ladies Foresters for display at their celebration. She also named some of the people on the wedding pictures of her parents Peter Laux and Anna (Mamie) Zimmerman June 14, 1920.

Henry is still working on the updated map of Sublimity and can use more information about the houses etc.

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MINUTES for AUGUST 14, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske, Kelly Smart, Vera Boedigheimer, Bob Schumacher, Dave Schumacher, Sparrow Dillard.

The group talked about the open house during the Parish picnic. Thirty people signed the guest book, but it was felt that many more attended as both rooms had lots of visitors throughout the afternoon.

Later the members of the Altar Society took all the robes and vestments back upstairs to the storage closet. Thank you Altar Society!

Henry spoke of the need in the future of enlarging the Archives room.

Dave Schumacher donated a picture of Peter and Mary VanDenborn Schumacher and family from about 1900. The Schumachers came here from the Green Bay Wisconsin area.

Dave also identified all the people on a collage that is a copy of one that is in his family. Don Porter will put all the names on our copy.

Henry is revising the map of Sublimity that was made available the 1st of August.

Kelly Smart with her mother Sparrow Dillard talked about the Hobson-Whitney cemetery. Kelly spoke at length of her interest in and extensive work and investment in the cemetery, which began when her mother married Hank Dillard. His families were donation land claim people in the area. The first burial was in 1853. She needs help with clean up, etc. The Archives Committee was able to give her some reciprocal information on the history of the cemetery.

[I emailed:

"Dear Kelly,

I'd like to thank you and your mother personally and on behalf of the St. Boniface Archives for your wonderful presentation on H-W cemetery. We look forward to and thank you in advance for any further information, documents, or photos. Any format by email to me is fine - or of course in person!

Henry Strobel"

She replied:

...Joe Spenner and I are going to meet up at the cemetery in a couple of weeks to do some cleanup. I will get a couple of nice photos for you then. Nice meeting all of you too. I'm sure we will see each other again. Stay in touch.

Bye for now

Kelly"]

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MINUTES for JULY 31, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon by: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske, Rita Young, Doris Owen, Vera Boedigheimer, and Betty Young.

Historic Sublimity Map: Henry reported that the walking map of sublimity pointing out where houses and business once were... is finished and being printed by Kim at the Rectory Office. It will be ready in time for the Parish picnic.

The carpet was cleaned in the second room across the hall from the Archives room. This room will be used only for the day of the picnic for overflow from the Archives room. It will contain the more important and elaborate vestments. Also more photograph boards will be in this room.

Vangie, Betty and Carol added more items to the display cases including some from the original Marian Home chapel, rare books, etc. and vestments used in the 1979 100th anniversary celebration.

Francis and Don rearranged pictures on the walls and added new ones.

Rita, Doris, Don and Francis put photographs in order on the display boards.

Henry helped out with everything, did some general cleaning and made everything run smoothly.

Just before noon on Tuesday the group agreed that the Archives rooms were ready for the picnic. All the members of the group said they would be on hand for the open house sometime between 12 noon and 3 PM to answer questions etc.

Doris Owen donated a record album of the 1966-67 Regis High School Choir spring concert. Carol said that she would take it home and have it put on a CD and have it available for the picnic.

Vera donated an apron and pillowcases made and crocheted by Mary Muetschler Zimmerman, Vera, Rita and Doris's great grandmother. They will be in the display cases in the Archives room.

The Kerber - Doll family history has been donated to the Archives.

Next meeting: Tuesday August 7, at 10:00 AM. in the archives room.

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JULY 23, 2007

Catching up: there was no meeting last week because of vacation conflicts. However I met casually with Vangie, Vera, and Rita. I produced a draft of the brochure/place mat and distributed it by email as well as full size printed copies for mark-up to those available. Following are **copies of emails** for those not connected -

"I got a start on the project we have been discussing. The attached pdf will be self-explanatory. It's for your review, suggestions, adjusting locations of numbered places, additions, subtractions, corrections, etc. The pdf will be too small to read with an ordinary printer like most of us have, but you can read it very well on the screen by zooming.

"This is a draft. Please call or email me your input, especially since we are not meeting next week. Well I might be there to update the catalog, need to put Vangie's donation list in.

Vangie, I took your brief historical outline and merged it with my brief version. Hope you don't mind. The result is a little longer, . . . Not much room left for graphics. I think just a few small ones can be fitted in. I considered combining the numbers key with the history text, but felt it would not be as clear. (We later added 24 captioned photos in historical sequence to the other side.)

The idea here is to use the parish machine to produce these as needed. It should be like printing a (black & white, both sides) bulletin page. . . We expect to use this as a handout in various places (Chamber of Commerce, etc.), also as dining place mats.(at the parish dinner)"

"Here is an update . . I had a few copies printed at OfficeMax Saturday for visualizing and markup, gave copies to Joe, Vera, and Rita on Sunday. Come by if you would like one. I'm especially interested in you ideas on the balance of history and sites to look at. Which important things/ places on the map have we overlooked ? We don't want to overcrowd things. I drove around Sublimity on Sunday checking things. Revisited Hobson-Whitney and, for the first time, Grier cemeteries. Might note that also since Drury Stayton of Sublimity college early postmaster of Sublimity ended up there
With Evelyn's funeral and a couple of regulars out of town we won't have meeting at the regular time this week. However, time is passing and we need to get together at your convenience informally to get the picture panels from the rectory moved into the display area across the hall from the archives, populate them with pictures, etc. etc.

Vera has arranged to have the old spinning wheel on display at open house.

The previous meeting, July 10, was active and productive. The "What's in the Archives" document was updated. We sorted and arranged the Mass vestments, the selected ones placed in the adjacent room for display t the open house on August 5, the overflow being stored in closets. More "housekeeping."

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MINUTES for JULY 10, 2007 - 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon by: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

Historic Sublimity Map: Henry and Vangie are putting together a historic walking map of Sublimity. The size will be 11 x 17 and will contain historic information starting in the 1840's and going thru 2007. The map identifies 37 places of interest from the past to the present. Rita and Don will meet

with Henry to offer their input. The maps will be ready for the parish picnic and our Open House both on August 5..

The rest of the vestments were temporarily put in plastic bags. Vestments that are seen as significant to the parish. The Archives Committee found it necessary to spread out to the room across the hall for the open house. This is where the vestments will hang plus there will be three more photo boards. Most of the furniture will need to be removed temporarily. Don and Francis are framing and hanging more displays in the Archives room.

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MINUTES for July 3, 2007 - 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Diana Welter, Carol Zolkoske

The group talked about the great articles in both the Stayton Mail and Our Town paper. It was about the razing of the John Kintz house on the corner of Church and Center in Sublimity. John Kintz was the first mayor of Sublimity in 1903. He and his wife Agatha Zimmerman Kintz had 8 children and many of their descendants still live in the area. The property will now become a health clinic run by the Santiam Memorial Hospital.

Forty Mass vestments were removed from a closet in the Rectory. Some are brocade and very colorful and some are lightweight and simple. They will all be put in plastic bags and displayed at the August 5th Parish picnic. There will be an attempt made to find something out concerning their history in the Parish. The more valuable and significant ones will be kept and displayed occasionally. The rest will if possible be donated where they can be used or respectfully disposed of.

Beautiful large Missals ("Missale Romanum") in Latin, one from 1891, two from 1920, and a 1922 Masses for the Dead ("Missae Defunctorum") were also brought from the Rectory.

We will be busy cataloging this material and completing the Sublimity "place map."

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MINUTES for JUNE 12 and 19, 2007 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Rita Young, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

Pictures and Photographs were sorted and arranged on the wallboards of the archives room at both meetings. The other three photograph wallboards will be brought over from the rectory hall and be filled and used on the day of the Parish picnic in August.

Vangie and Henry are busy cataloging and listing everything that is in the Archives into the computer. These items get numbers and are placed in appropriate boxes with reference numbers. One need only to look into the computer to determine where needed information is located.

Frances donated 35 pictures of the 100 anniversary of St. Boniface (1979)

Vera donated an interesting booklet called "excerpts from the day book old St. Mary's and St. Lawrence Church Rush Lake" edited by Gabe Kereükes in 1986. It consists of records kept by Father Joseph Albrecht. It also contains the letter that Father Albrecht wrote to the Pope in 1870 to get back into the Popes good graces, as he was more or less in a schism along with 40 others who signed the letter. Most of the signers eventually made their way to Jordan, Sublimity and Stayton.

Vera also donated another interesting booklet on the Mütschler family. Mary Mütschler Vannog wrote this in 1996. Partly written in German it traces the history of the Mütschler/Schindler family from Baden Germany to Ohio, Minnesota and on the Sublimity. Rosa Schindler married Joseph Mütschler. Their daughter Maria married Joseph Zimmerman in 1862. In 1887 Marie and Joseph Zimmerman moved to Sublimity. Rosa also moved to Oregon in 1887. She returned to Perham, Minnesota for couple years and then back to Sublimity where she died in 1911. She is buried at St. Boniface cemetery. You can find Rosa Schindler Mütschler and her daughter on Page 89 of the St. Boniface book "Let Us Remember

1879-1979"

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MINUTES for MAY 29, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Rita Young, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

The property on the corner of Church and Main in Sublimity has been bought by the Santiam Memorial Hospital to be the site of a new clinic. John and Agatha Kintz built the house on this property. The house is scheduled to be demolished. On Thursday May 31, at 10:30 AM, descendents of John and Agatha will meet at the house to reminisce, including our Rita and Vera who are grandchildren. Henry volunteered to be there to take pictures.

Donated to the Archives are copies of the Saint Boniface High School yearbook from 1957-58. Also donated were two postcards from the dedication of the new St. Boniface High School September 9, 1945. The building is now part of the Sublimity School System.

Carol said that Gary and she have completed a half hour program about Jenny Riesterer. It is a power point program plus some video put on a DVD. It is an interview with Jenny talking about her life. She talks about a series of events and photographs that were important to her and her family. The DVD can be loaned out plus agreements can be made if some one wished to purchase one.

We discussed participating in the upcoming picnic August 5th. Henry said that a lot of work needed to be accomplished before then. The pictures need to be redone on the wall. All gathered material and information need to be placed in the computer with information on where it is in the files, boxes, etc.

We also discussed doing a map of the Sublimity of the past. The area would be small. Numbers would indicate former business and homes were located. A few sentences would go along with the number. Gary and Carol would put the map together and Vangie, Rita and Vera would determine what would go on the map. These maps would be given out as the picnic. The size would be 8 1/2inches x 11inches. These could also be made larger, perhaps to sell ad space and use them at the parish dinner in October as place mats.

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Henry's notes: We had a productive work meeting to continue filing and cataloging on June 1. Also discussed the historical map handout and felt it should be 11x17in (place mat size, optionally folded) from the beginning.

I placed a large photo of the Kintz gathering on the St. Boniface website. Front page temporarily, to be moved into the History of Sublimity later. Vera is writing a paragraph to go with it there.

I made two copies of Carol and Gary's CD with the interview of Jennie Riesterer for use / lending in the Archives room. This is a great job with a great subject at age 90. The high point comes at the end, watching and hearing her exquisite piano playing.

Next meeting: Tuesday June 5 at 10:00 AM. in the archives room.

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MINUTES for MAY 22, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Rita Young, Don Porter, Jo Trigg, Carol Zolkoske

Jo Trigg came to the Archives meeting and said that the Catholic Daughters of the Stayton/Sublimity area was disbanding. The Catholic Daughters have been involved in the area since 1940. The

following items were given to the Archives Committee for safekeeping and reference:

- § Minutes from December 1940 to 1958
- § National Pamphlets from 1903 to 1958
- § Scrapbooks
- § Invocation/initiation robes
- § Various plaques and certificates

Mary Breitenstein was the last Regent.

We discussed having the Archives Room open for the August 5 parish picnic. Also the possibilities of having a walking map of Sublimity for the day and perhaps the Parish dinner in October.

We will take the next few meetings to redo the picture wall for the August 5 picnic.

Also a display of the items from the Catholic Daughters is planned for an after Mass coffee at some future date.

Henry said that Vangie and he have been working hard at putting together a list of all the items in the Archives Room. This is available on the Archives page of the web site as "What's in the St. Boniface Archives, and is frequently updated.

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MINUTES for MAY 8, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon by: Henry Strobel (for Carol Zolkoske, excused)
Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Vera Boedigheimer, Rita Young

Vera gave us numerous historical newspaper clippings, for example on the brief history of the Trappist Monastery, 1907-1911 in the Jordan area of Linn County, Oregon. She also provided a brief history of the Steinkamp family by Catherine Busch.

Vangie contributed a collection of unused greeting cards made by the late local artist Margaret Sussbauer with her fine pen and ink drawings and brief poems.

The August 5, 2007 St. Boniface picnic will coincide with a walking tour and archives open house arranged by Carol Rambousek.

In addition to our weekly meetings we will be spending more time filing and recording assets to catch up with what we have recently received. Today (Wednesday) we had a special work meeting with Vangie, Don Porter, Rita Young, and me (Henry). We made substantial progress and plan to publish a new list of "What's in the Archives?" to be available in August.

You can see the current, updated "What's in the Archives?," as always, on the St. Boniface website www.saintboniface.net You will also see that the Parish Archives Record has been split into two parts, for 2006 and 2007. Eventually there will be many such annual chapters!

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MAY 11, 2007

Henry Strobel attended the meeting of the Archdiocesan Historical Commission at the Pastoral Center in Portland. He presented a plan for an enhanced email communication system for the Historical Commission members and those involved in parish archives groups, workshops, etc.

MINUTES for MAY 8, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon By: Carol Zolkoske
Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

Don Porter brought in a book called Covered Wagon Woman "Diaries and Letters from the Western Trails 1852". Excerpts from one of his great-great grandmothers (Martha Read) diary is included in the book. Don also brought in articles from the Stayton Mail called "Looking Back". These articles probably appeared in the Stayton Mail in the 1960's? Mae Neitling who for many years was the unofficial historian

of the Stayton Sublimity area most likely compiled them.

Henry Strobel Jr. donated a brochure called "Centennial Memories – Turner Oregon 1871-1971".

Carol said she spoke to a woman who is from Philomath and she said that there was a strong connection to Sublimity College and Philomath College. Each was run by the United Brethren Church. She also said that Milton Wright (father of Orville and Wilbur) was Head Master at one time at both of these schools. She said that Philomath College is now a museum and that Philomath still has a deep connection to the Churches roots. The Archives Committee thought that a field trip to this museum might prove fruitful and interesting.

Vera donated an 8x10 copy of a July 4, 1909 photograph of Arnold and Mary Van Handle and Joseph and Mary Zimmerman. The picture contains many relatives and friends.

Henry suggested that the photograph wall in the Archives Room needs redoing. Most of the pictures have been removed and used as displays in the Rectory Hall. When taken down they were filed away. Henry suggested that we need to find an afternoon or two to organize and file folders, pictures etc.

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MINUTES for APRIL 24, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon, by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

The Oregon Catholic Historical Society held their spring event at the Queen of Angels Monastery and the Mount Angel Abbey, both in Mt. Angel, Oregon. Don and Henry attended this event, which was held April 21. It was a busy day starting with Mass at both locations followed by historical lectures and tours of both facilities. Both Henry and Don enjoyed the day very much including the wonderful lunch.

2007 marks the 125th year of the Benedictines in Oregon and more festivities are planned for later in the year. On Oct 30 th in particular the set of newly cast English bells will ring out in the campanile (bell tower) to be completed on that anniversary date!

Vangie and Carol took down the latest display of pictures at the Rectory Hall. So far no plans have been made for the next display.

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MINUTES for APRIL 17, 2007 – 10:00AM to 12:00 Noon By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel: Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Joe Spenner, Rita Young, Don Porter, Carol Zolkoske

Joe bought in a very old photograph album containing Van Handles, Spenners and various friends and neighbors. Many of the photographs are not identified. Francis and Rita looked over the album and attempted to identify some of the people. Joe took copies of other old pictures and he will ask Tony Beitel to help with identification. Francis finished labeling the CD's. Now the CD's will be updated in the computer inventory.

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MINUTES for APRIL 10, 2007 – 10:00AM to 11:15 By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Rita Young, Francis Hendricks, Vera Boedigheimer, Don Porter, Joe Spenner, Doris Owen, Vangie Ripp, and Carol Zolkoske

Don brought in a photograph of Nicolas and Theresa Renner Neitling.

Henry suggested that the group break up into small groups to do different tasks.

§ Francis labeled the CD collection.

§ Don worked on the names of St. Boniface graduate pictures.

- § Henry entered information into the computer.
- § Vangie sorted and filed information.
- § Vera, Rita and Doris identified people in Vera's mother's albums.

MINUTES for APRIL 3, 2007 - 10:00AM to 11:15 By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Rita Young, Francis Hendricks, Vera Boedigheimer, Don Porter, and Carol Zolkoske

Vera showed three old photo albums that belonged to her mother Angeline Kintz Hassler. Vera and Rita will try to identify as many photographs as possible to be put on discs. Vera said that she would perhaps donate the albums to the Archives in the future.

Don brought in three St. Boniface High School annuals from 1953, 1954, and 1955. They are on loan from Larry Riesterer and will be used to help identify the students in other photographs. Rita donated two Baltimore Catechisms from the 1960's and a scrap book of news paper clippings that she collected from the 1930's - 50's etc.

MINUTES for MARCH 27, 2007

Attendance: Francis hendricks, Don Porter, Vera Boedigheimer, and Henry Strobel (notes)

The Archives room being closed this morning, the meeting was held at Vera Boedigheimer's invitation in her home. Thanks, Vera.

Much friendly historical and other discussion, most notably Vera's presentation of her research of her great great grandfather Corp Daniel Miles Kintz service in the Civil War. She had completed this some years ago with the assistance of Senator Hatfield and an agency in Washington DC.

MINUTES for MARCH 20, 2007 10:00AM to 11:00 By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Rita Young, Doris Owen, Don Porter, and Carol Zolkoske

Don, Rita and Doris looked at all the old 4x6 graduation pictures of Students of St. Boniface. They were able to name quite a few including maiden and married names of the girls.

Henry donated copies of documents to the Archives including a copy of the 1857 document giving permission to the United Brethren Church from the Territorial State Government of Oregon to open Sublimity College.

MINUTES for MARCH 13, 2007 – 10:00AM to 11:00 By: Carol Zolkoske

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

Carol talked about the upcoming Archdiocesan Historical Commission workshop titled "Storing Your Parish History: A workshop for Parish Archivists and Historians: It will be held at St. Joseph's in Salem on April 14. Carol has already attended this workshop in the past. If anyone is interested in going, Carol has a registration form.

Henry said that he and his son visited the Marion County Historical Society Museum and spent a couple hours looking for information on Sublimity and Aumsville.

The group also talked about how to identify the photographs on the family collage that Bob Schumacher donated. It was decided to number each picture in the corner and put the collage on a large white poster paper with the names and number.

Henry got an email from Ron Etzel who identified the old photograph of his parents' farm. (Al and Marcy)

Margaret Hendricks donated 7 large artistic neck crosses used by her late husband Leonard when he was a Eucharistic Minister and religious education teacher.

Don has been busy identifying all the 4x6 black and white photographs from St. Boniface High School. When completed they will be displayed at the Rectory Hall.

Vangie plans to visit Louise Hafner Stuhr Tuesday afternoon and have her identify old pictures.

Henry said that he has copies of the cemetery record that he will donate to the Archives.

The group talked about changes to the display boards on the south wall of the Archives Room. The large collection of memorial cards will be removed and stored.

MINUTES for MARCH 6, 2007 – 10:00AM to 11:00 By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Vera Boedigheimer, Vangie Ripp, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Bob Schumacher, Carol Zolkoske

Henry received a note from Ronald Barnick of Turner thanking Henry for the information about the Wright family in Sublimity (Father of Orville and Wilbur). Henry also received an email from Bob Evers of Mercer County Ohio who is interested in the connection of Mercer County and Sublimity, Jordan, and Scio. Don will provide this information.

Last week Vangie and Henry worked Tuesday morning sorting and filing and putting information in the computer. A paper file will be kept for each family. These files will contain information and photographs of the families. Henry explained the importance of keeping good records and being organized. Don donated a history of Paul Darst from the book "History of the Willamette Valley 1903". Paul Darst was an early wagon train pioneer coming in 1847. His donation land claim is now owned by the John Wolf Family.

Bob Schumacher gave the Archives a collection of pictures of the Lulay, Schumacher, and Schmid, families. His son David will put names on the pictures. Henry will get poster board so the names will be available close to the pictures. It will be a display item for the Rectory Hall.

Carol donated a recently completed CD of an interview with Ed Cooney from the radio show "Kpicks Talent Picks" which airs on KPIK 102.9 (Stayton OR) on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Monte Mensing hosts the show. Carol's husband Gary tapes the interview then edits and dubs the artists music into the interview to complete the show. The 2nd show of the month will air on the 21st of March at 8:00AM, 5:00PM and 8:00PM. For those who may not know, Ed is the mixed choir director of St. Boniface and he also teaches music at St. Mary's Grade School in Stayton. The interview with Ed is very interesting and his music... excellent.

An email answered by Henry Strobel:

From: "The Etzels" <etzel4@wbcable.net>

To: <webmaster@saintboniface.net>

Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2007 20:18:59 -0700

"Hello Henry. I am looking at the pictures on your website, and recognise this one. It is of the Al and Marcella Etzel family farm, with the photo taken from somewhere around the cemetery located at the top of the hill on Boedigheimer Road. The farm at the time of the photo was owned by Garrett Telle (spelling unsure). The big white barn that was already built when Dad and his brothers bought the farm in 1947, is not in the picture. The larger building in the background was the pig barn. The building on the far left was the chicken house, and the one to its right was the granary. The 3 fir trees to the right of the house were taken down about 25 years ago and replaced with 3 new fir trees.

What a surprise for me. I will continue looking at more of the pictures. Thanks Henry.

Sincerely, Ron Etzel"

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MINUTES for FEBRUARY 20, 2007 By: Carol Zolkoske

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

Ray Heuburger donated a Cooc's farm accounting book from 1913 that contains very interesting ads from the local area. Ray also donated many old studio photographs.

Ray also loaned a very old album of mostly unidentified people. Don will scan all the pictures. A display of pictured with unidentified people will be scheduled for an upcoming display at the Rectory Hall. It is hoped that those who view the photos can identify some of the people in the pictures.

Henry designed and wrote an insert about the Archives for the Church bulletin. One hundred extras will be made for other distribution. Vangie will put the insert in the bulletin on Friday for the upcoming Sunday.

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MINUTES for FEBRUARY 13, 2007 by: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Don Porter, Vangie Ripp, Bob Schumacher, Rita Young, Francis Hendricks, Vera Boedigheimer, and Carol Zolkoske

Carol will contact the Statesmen Journal to see if information from our Website could be used in their daily column about the history of Salem and Marion County.

Henry is working on an informational insert for a Sunday bulletin.

The Archives Committee received a letter from Ronald Barnick from Aumsville asking for information about Professor Wright who was the Headmaster for Sublimity College before the Civil War. After returning to Ohio, Professor Wright started a family. His children were Orville and Wilbur Wright. Henry copied various historical material and presented it to Mr. Barnick.

Don said he has been in contact with the Aumsville Society and will ask them if they would like to take a tour of our Archives Room.

Vangie and Carol will change the pictures in the Rectory Basement. The theme this time will be St. Boniface Schools and related religious activities.

Francis Hendricks invited everyone to his and Fran's 50th wedding anniversary party on February 25 at Anthony Hall from 1 to 4PM.

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FEBRUARY 14, 2007

Henry received a historical note from Bob and Ruth Brundage of Sublimity for the *Illustrated History of Sublimity* web page about the Sublimity Masonic Lodge #25 AF&AM, 1859-1863. He edited and inserted this and notes that this history is of both the town and the church.

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MINUTES for JANUARY 30, 2007 – 10:00AM to 11:00 By: Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Don Porter, Vangie Ripp, Bob Schumacher, Rita Young and Carol Zolkoske
The February issue of Stayton's *OurTown* carried a three page feature, *Looking Back, Saving the Stories*, on our archives project by Elena Hammond based on her recent interview.

Rita brought in pictures of herself when she was about 5 years old, of her and Evelyn at a Mayday

celebration. The picture also includes Georgine Gehlen Freres as May queen. Rita also shared a recent letter from her cousin Mary about how much she enjoys the Archives website.

Bob showed an article written in a 1940 newspaper about Pete Etzel, injured by a piece of farm equipment that hurled a pitchfork into his jaw. We scanned the copy for filing.

Carol has been talking to Jenny Minden Riesterer about some of her life story. A program (slides with audio on the computer) is being completed.

Henry purchased ten more acid free boxes to store family photos and histories.

JANUARY 24, 2007

We had an informal meeting on Jan. 16, hampered by the snow. To make up for it we had a particularly good meeting yesterday January 23.

Joe Ripp of Salem Fire Alarm confirmed that the installation had been completed and operational for some time, pending completion of training today.

A visitor was Fr. Golla Vija Kumar of Vatsavai, India. Significant that his education had been sponsored by the Sublimity VanHandel family.

The Rauscher family provided an interesting document, bill of lading and information on the acquisition of the WWI cannon memorial in the city park.

Carol Zolkoske and husband Gary had a taped oral history interview with Jennie Minden Riesterer. They are expecting to polish this into a multimedia slide show!

Other guests were Walt Hafner, who brought us some wonderful old photos, and Bob Schumacher, who had completed fifty years on the board of Sublimity Insurance. They are preparing a history of this very substantial and historical local business, and promised us a copy.

We are preparing an informational and invitational insert for the St. Boniface Bulletin to encourage participation in the Archives. This might well be published to the larger community as well. The scope of our "Archives" extends to the greater community, and is not at all limited to church members! Likewise note that my "Illustrated History of Sublimity" at www.saintboniface.net includes the town and the times preceding and additional to the church.

Henry Strobel

MINUTES for JANUARY 9, 2007 by Carol Zolkoske

Attendance: Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Don Porter, Vera Boedigheimer, Vangie Ripp, and Carol Zolkoske

Elena Hammond from Our Town Press Paper/Magazine came to the Archives room January 9th. She came at 9AM and was met by members of the Board. She stayed until about 11AM asking question about Sublimity and the history of St. Boniface. In the future, there will be a story in "Our Town" publication about this subject written by Elena.

Vera brought a scrapbook that she gave to her late cousin Father Fritz on the occasion of his 40 year anniversary as a Catholic Priest. She said she may donate it to the Archives at a later date.

Vangie and Carol changed the photographs in the Parish Hall. These photos's are of old Sublimity and includes buildings, homes, people etc.

JANUARY 7, 2007 Our regular meetings will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 9th at 10:00. But if possible come earlier, as early as 9:00 since Elena Castaneda Hammond of Our Town would like to meet with us about a possible article.

We have acquired some new historical information about the Pietrok family. I added a fascinating homestead picture to the History of Sublimity web page under the date 1877. (Henry)

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