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New Look ... Same Commitment

by Andy LaTomme

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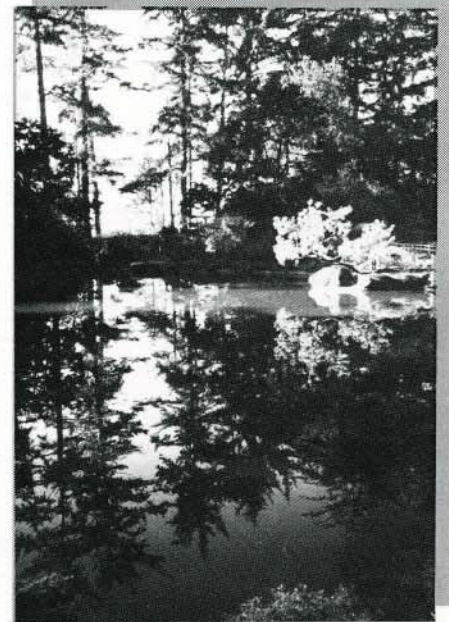
Sunset Bay, February '94 —

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) will have a new look in '94. Perhaps most noticeable to park visitors will be the dress uniforms that park managers and visitor service employees will be wearing. Khaki wool trousers, silver-tan shirts and dark green ties comprise the new apparel. Topping the ensemble is a dashing, Snowy River type hat. Tres chic!

Park visitors may also notice our increased emphasis on recreation and interpretation. A basketball backboard, horseshoe pits and sand volleyball courts will be ready at Sunset Bay for the summer season. Plans are to expand our popular evening campground programs as well as our naturalist talk/walks, the junior ranger program, and nature crafts.

Opportunities for volunteers will increase, too, with OPRD's exciting new *Partners in Parks* program and extended service park hosts.

Few park visitors will notice the change that is most significant for OPRD employees, however. The agency is reorganizing to meet the demanding times ahead. We are responding to the Governor's instructions to reduce levels of management and our management-to-staff ratios. Accordingly, 4 regions and 25 park districts will be replaced with 9 park areas. Field management will be reduced from 62 positions to 33. Service to park field staff and park visitors will be enhanced by the creation of a Field Services Division and a Public Services Division in the Salem headquarters.



Winter reflections - Oriental Pond

For a lot of folks "change" is a four-letter word. Be it for the good or for the bad, the mere thought often strikes fear into the stoutest hearts. Yet change is as inevitable as death and taxes. Just look at the seasons at Shore Acres. From the muted greens and subtle textures of winter through the riotous color of fall dahlias, the gardens remind us that nothing is static for long.

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Editor's Notes

I hope you enjoy the photos in this issue of the *Journal*. I wish there was room for more because so many people helped with the Holiday Lights and Open House. There were about 700 names on the scrolls in the Garden House and we didn't have individual names of all the groups that entertained. We simply can't thank everyone enough.



Crocus

Al Aslakson does most of the stats on the lights display and some of them are scattered through this issue. But here are a few more. In 1993, four individual flower beds *each* had more lights than we had totally in our first year, 1987. The Oriental garden area alone had nearly 20,000 lights. The purple Christmas tree near the Garden House had 1,100 lights. And the blue rhododendron next to the Garden House had 1,550. The light stringers outdid themselves again. A special thank you also goes to the host teams and entertainers who did a super job. We've just received the first donation for Holiday Lights '94 from the Beta Delta Chapter of ESA, so we're already thinking about December. In fact, as this goes to press, I'm headed to Clackamas with the first van load of lights for Ken Kocher to check and fix. Thanks, Ken.

In other news, Ellen Garner, our Information and Gift Center Volunteer Coordinator, asked me to remind you that the Center is open daily now and it's stocked with many new items and some "great bargains." Remember to take advantage of your discount if you are a member.

Doris Emmett and Jo Hower are planning a wonderful event - "*In the Pink with Mom*" - in the Garden House for Rhododendron Sunday on Mother's Day, May 8. Doris tells me they need donations of fruit bread. If you'd like to provide some, call her at 756-4450. Watch for more details on Rhododendron Sunday in the *Spring Journal*.

Also, the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) has moved its offices in Salem. The new address is 1115 Commercial St., N.E., Salem, OR 97310-1001. The phone number is 503-378-6305. Fax is 503-378-6447.

We have a lot of exciting things to do this year and it's nearly spring. Don't forget the pond cleaning on April 9 and be sure to visit the gardens often so you can see firsthand the excellent job that George, Ellie, and their hardworking crew do in keeping it beautiful. *

Shirley Bridgham



Living up to our potential

by Ann Koppy, President

Teamwork expands our abilities to thrive, grow, and live up to our potential.

The simple truth is that we need each other.

Have you attended any interagency meetings lately?

If you have, then you know that developing partnerships is a recurring theme. It's not a new idea, but one that's receiving attention more than ever before.

In an era of downsizing and budgetary dilemmas, groups turn to each other to become more responsive to their audiences. Resources of public and private agencies frequently become diluted at the same time that increasing demands are placed on them.

However, these aren't the only reasons state parks cooperatives such as Friends of Shore Acres, Inc. work with a broad range of people and groups.

Teamwork expands our abilities to thrive, grow, and live up to our potential. All parties involved benefit from coordinated efforts because each shares common goals. The simple truth is that we need each other.

Successful combined projects among museums, interpretive centers, state and federal governments, governments, cooperatives, and civic organizations address the needs of each group in an energetic and purposeful manner. Friends of Shore Acres, Inc. looks forward to developing and maintaining collaborative ventures throughout the coming years. *

Wildlife Watching Weekend

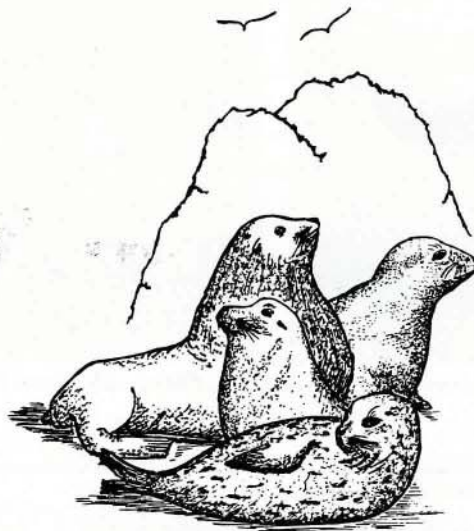
Bandon—Shoreline Education for Awareness (SEA Inc.) will sponsor a new program - **Wildlife Watching Weekend, April 22-24.**

Participation is limited to 30 guests who will share an eco-tour of the south coast's magnificent off-shore sanctuaries including Simpson Reef, Coquille Point, and the Bandon Marsh National Wildlife Refuge.

A special highlight will be a pelagic boat trip from Charleston to the deep waters beyond the bar where we hope to observe migrating gray whales (mothers and calves).

The \$275 fee includes deluxe accommodations for 2 nights and all meals.

SEA docents who volunteer for W.W.W. will be participants and hosts to adventurous visitors and will share the excitement of discovery and the start of a tradition. All the amenities of the



Joan Russell

program will be free to docents except for meals, which will be discounted to them at cost.

To volunteer for W.W.W., call Joan or Bill Russell, 347-3683; Joan Neibaur, 347-2699; or Shirley Stentz, 756-1867.



Docent Training

SEA Inc's docent training will begin with a free orientation program at Bandon High School.

March 16 - 7 p.m.

It's an excellent opportunity to learn what docents do and how you can become one.

Agency staff, members of SEA, Inc. and Friends of Shore Acres, Inc. may attend the training sessions free, except for a \$10 charge for copying materials.

Training Schedule

March 23, Oceanography, Bill McConnell

March 30, Intertidal, Bruce Miller

April 6, Pinnipeds, Dr. Jan Hodder

April 13, Whales, Dr. Jan Hodder

April 20, Cape Arago & Coquille Lighthouses & Local Native Americans, Reg Pullen

April 27, Sea Birds, Mike Graybill

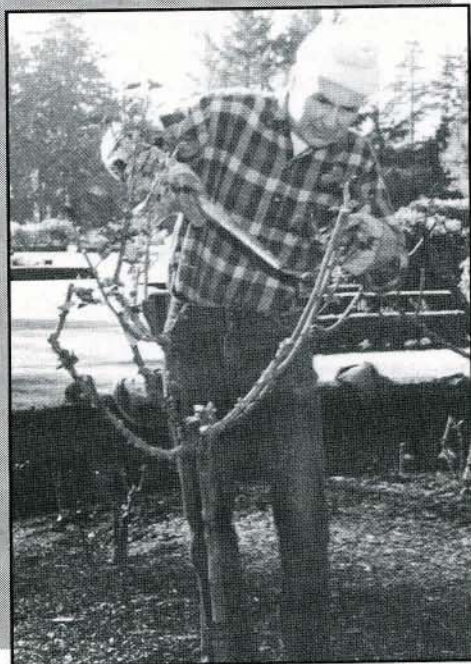
May 4, Interpretive Skills, Sue Townsend

May 11, Flora Along Shore, Dr. Steve Brown

May 18, Discussion/Open Book Test

May 30, Docents are ready to go to work.

Annual Rose Pruning "Party"



Mike Kelly

On a clear, crisp, sunny Saturday in late January, members of the South Western Oregon Rose Society helped park staff George Guthrie and Ellie Kinney prune 500 rose bushes in the formal garden.

Fifteen volunteers put in 6 hours of hard work. Those helping included: Nancy Forsberg-Hammans, Donna and Bob Ahlgrim, Alice Hobbs, Sally Harmer, Jan and Mike Kelly, Jay and Joy Dow, Jim Siewold, John Menegat, Nancy Pennington, Andrea Knudsen, Deborah Lynn Jensen Gibbs, and Katie Jumper.

Besides a lot of appreciation from George and Ellie, those helping were treated to barbecued hamburgers provided by the Friends of Shore Acres. Park manager Andy LaTomme loaned his grill and volunteer David Bridgham cooked the hamburgers.

On the following Monday and Tuesday, Karen Wuethrich helped Ellie prune the rose bushes in the All America Rose Display Garden. Ellie says she and Karen pruned about 300 bushes. "It was wonderful to have the help and be able to finish the pruning in both gardens in 3 days," Ellie said. ☺

Volunteers and park staff pruned more than 800 rose bushes in 3 days.



Rose pruners enjoyed barbecued hamburgers.



They pruned hard for beautiful blooms this summer.

"Company's Coming" Beach Cleanup

Saturday, March 19 ☺ 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

sponsored by Oregon Parks & Recreation Department

For our area, bags are available at the following access points: Bastendorff Beach, Horsfall Beach, Winchester Bay (Dunes NRA), and The Barn (Bandon). Gloves are recommended.

☺ For further information, call Ellie Kinney at 888-3732. ☺

The Magic of Shore Acres

by George Guthrie, Landscape Maintenance Superintendent

Another holiday lights display has come and gone. Wow, the park looks so empty without the Christmas trees, light sculptures, bandstand, and crowds of people—almost like it's just a garden again.

Of course gardens in winter are supposed to be kind of quiet places, mostly waiting for spring to finally arrive—not! Thanks to a comparatively mild winter (so far) you'd be surprised at the number of flowers that are peeking out now in February. Strolling down the garden path you can see pansies, daffodils, crocus and wallflower, not to mention a cherry tree in the back rose garden and the stray rhododendron, camellia, and azalea at scattered points throughout the garden, and a crazy bottlebrush that hasn't stopped since last November! That's what's happening now so you can imagine all the goodies that should be popping up by the time you read this.

If you're heading out from the Oriental pond to look at Simpson cove viewpoint or walk down the coast trail, stop and take a moment to look at our new fence and gate. We had long felt that parts of our old deer fence were in sad shape while the gate was extremely heavy and difficult to open and close.

In late December we started replacing the fence and while we were in the process assistant district manager Dan Lucas suggested that we consider redoing the gate in a style more appropriate to the quality of the garden area it gave access to. As a result we brainstormed a "plan" incorporating a

more Oriental/Japanese style to match the rest of the pond area.

Everybody made some contribution to either design or construction, but special recognition must go to Tim Condron from our Shuttles Creek inmate crew for all his good ideas in planning and his hard work in building the gate. A tip of the hat must also go to ranger Greg Foster who "lent" us his considerable woodworking skills when our artistic vision outran our technical knowhow. Please take a look and see how it all came out. I think you'll appreciate the results.

One of the "magic" things about Shore Acres is that it brings individuals and groups together to do things that benefit both park people and the community in general. Friends' projects like the holiday lights, "night lightscaping," the Information and Gift Center, and the various interpretive brochures and signs are obvious and

much appreciated examples of cooperation.

The recent rose pruning by the local chapter of the American Rose Society and the upcoming pond cleanup—April 9—with BLM and the Friends are even more examples.

And there are countless local people and groups that have fun being a part of the "magic" of the volunteerism in their own ways.

Recently, Parks Director Bob Meinen sent out a letter outlining a new parks program that happened to dovetail with some recent ideas Ellie and I've had on this subject. Called *Partners in Parks*, his plan calls for an increased connection between parks and people to work together on a variety of projects

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New style gate - "A tip of the hat goes to Greg Foster who lent us his considerable woodworking skills when our artistic vision outran our technical knowhow."

from basic maintenance to interpretation and recreation programs. All the details aren't out yet, but we can see opportunities for local people to do all sorts of productive and fun things at Shore Acres. Everything from weeding flower beds to "bud-busting" dahlias and roses (and so much more) is possible. Not only as work making the garden beautiful but as an on-going "clinic" on gardening skills between "us" and "you"—creating a park and garden that the community can say is truly "ours."

As I say, the program details aren't finalized yet, but if there is something that you "gentle reader" or someone you know would like to do, learn to do (or maybe teach us to do), please think about it and get in touch—we'd love to hear from you.

Together we can make "magic" at Shore Acres. ✱

Pond Cleaning ✪ April 9 ✪ 10 a.m.

Bring boots, rain gear, and gloves. The Friends will provide lunch, so if you plan to help, please call Gregg Nelson at 269-7978.

1993



Brownie and Cappy were ready for the rain.



So were Alice, George, and Archi



and Kent.



Glen risked falling in.



David and Keith were everywhere.

VISITORS

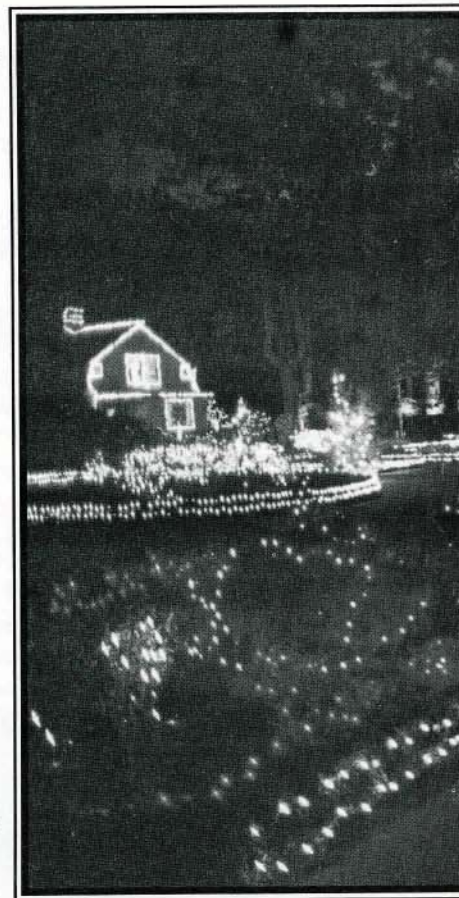
from
6 continents
35 countries
47 states
1 territory
29 Oregon counties
186 Oregon cities & towns

VOLUNTEERS

Individual Hours
Cooky Bakes - 200
Set-up - 926
Hosting - 1200
Entertainment - 360
Take-down - 150
Gift Shop - 360

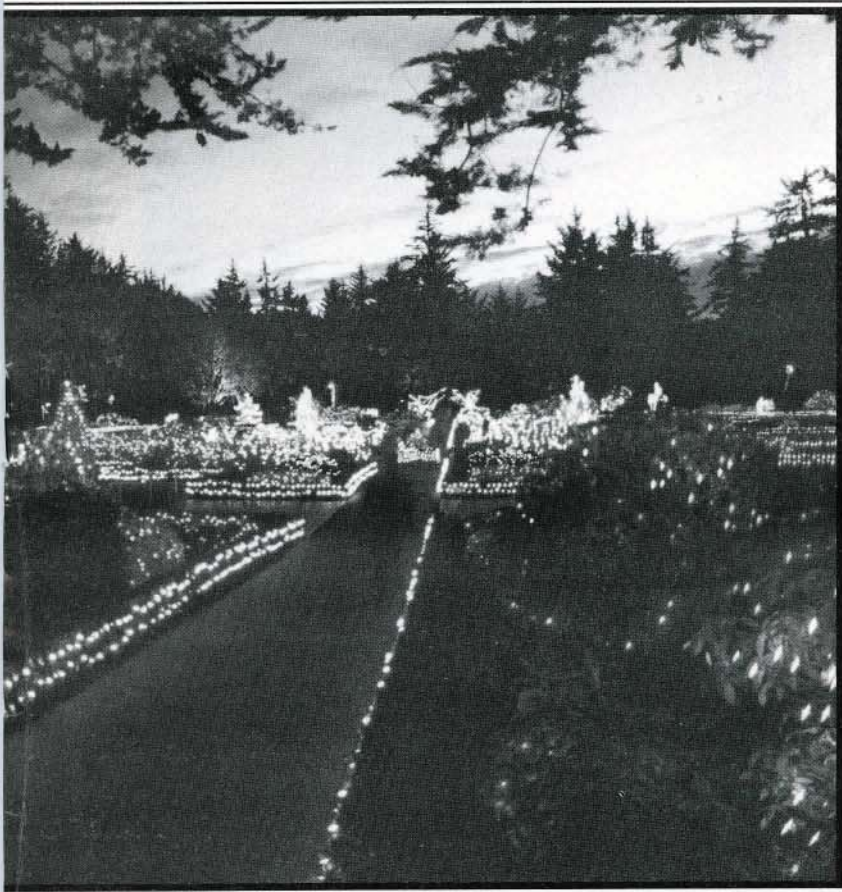
REFRESHMENTS

34,000 Cookies
840 Gallons Apple Cider
200 Gallons Punch
7 Cases Coffee



After a stormy start, ne

The best year yet!



Bernard Schlapf

perfect weather and 120,000 lights drew 65,000 visitors.



Carol, Mike, Betty and Donna got some sun..



Boy Scouts helped string hedges.



C.B. Fire Dept. volunteers



Pacific Power's helped since 1987.



Heather and David strung Flounder.

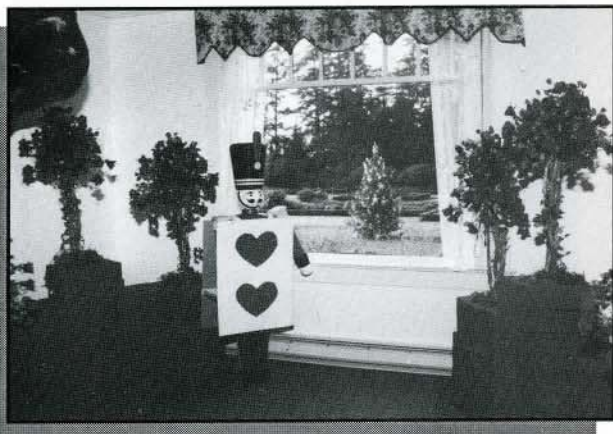
Alice visits the Garden House



The Madhatter's Tea Party



Carol Todd arranges the lanterns.



Red roses for Alice from Schaefer's Custom Bouquets.



Caterpillar delighted young and old alike. Does he have a name?



Helen Barton sewed, then sewed some more.

Alice in Wonderland was the theme in the Garden House. Eileen Paul of the Umpqua Valley Arts Association in Roseburg loaned us the cardboard figures and the house committee, chaired by Ann Koppy and Connie Eslinger, worked for weeks.

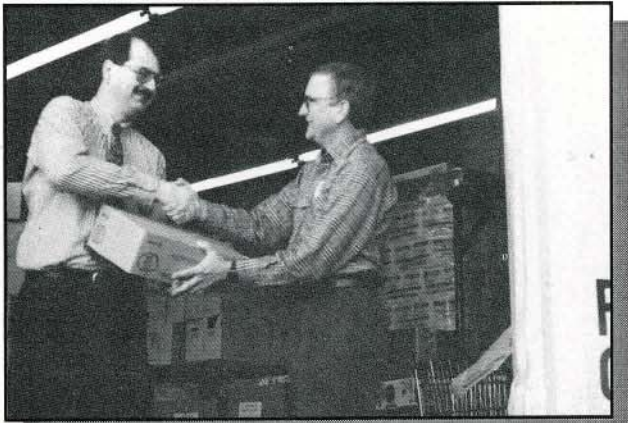
Ann asked for teapots and got more than a shelf full! Keith Ott and Don Todd provided valuable carpentry skills. Carl Siminow installed the speakers and strung the lights. Jay & Julie Schaefer, of Schaefer's Custom Bouquets provided roses and the finishing touches for the living room.

Others joining in the extraordinary effort of decorating the house were: Helen Barton, Linda Cheek (House of Fabrics), Coos County Historical Museum, Sally Crisp, Jean Donason, Bob & Doris Emmett, Ariann Eslinger, Anita Grant, Dolores Grinden (Marshfield Mercantile Antique Emporium), Kathy Grossman (Katydid Gifts), Sally Jones, Janet Nevin, Barbara & Lauren Osterhout, Helen Shefstad, Charlotte Skinner, Diana Smith, Dottie Steel (Marshfield Mercantile Antique Emporium), and Carol Todd. Great job!

As we start thinking about Holiday Lights and Open House '94, Carol Todd, Barbara Osterhout, and Sally Jones have agreed to chair the house decorating effort.

A huge thanks goes to Ann Koppy and Connie Eslinger for their dedication to an awesome task for so many years. ♦

So many helped!



Fred Meyer's Chuck Carncross helped David load apple juice; Fred Meyer donated 25 cases.



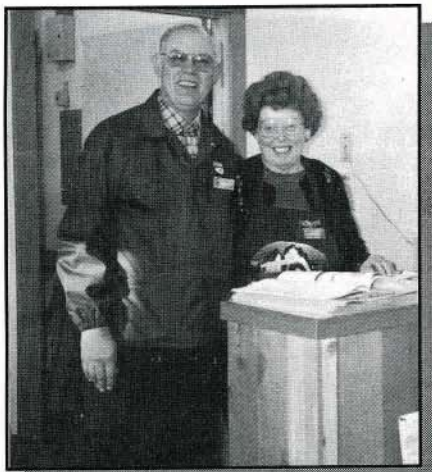
Dan Kubitz, Adam Reed (Bridgham's grandson), and Greg Kubitz (hidden) studied the lighting plans carefully.



Security Bank, Bank of America, and the Friends provided busing from Pony Village three nights. More people rode the buses in 1993 than in the previous year.



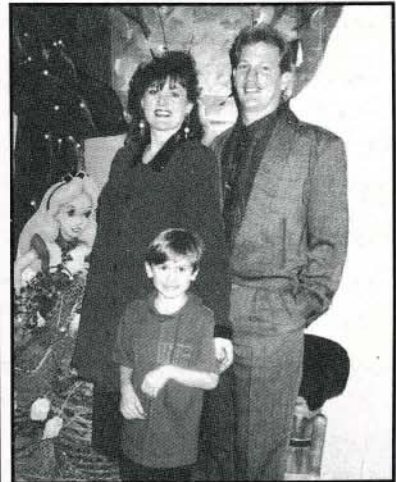
For the 7th year in a row, the choir from the First Presbyterian Church, North Bend, sang on opening night. It's tradition!



Wally and Mabel McNair, park hosts, helped in the Information & Gift Center.



Larry and Wanda Holloway, Coos Bay, won the Ultimate Bed & Breakfast. They gave it to their newlywed daughter and son-in-law from Montana for a belated honeymoon.



Holiday Lights & Open House '93 - Shakedown Meeting Report

(62 people attended)

Visitors' comments

I was excited to see where my gread grandfather Bastendorff used to be a gardener. Very nice display - Freeport, IL

Fairyland - Eugene

Breathtaking! Thank you. - Sedro-Woolley, WA

More beautiful than last year! A real triumph! - North Bend

Tremendous!! - Pleasant Hill

A feast for the eyes! - San Mateo

Love the purple lights! - Lakeside

Bloody well good! - England

Awesome!! - Pasadena

We can't say enough about the beauty, thanks. - Medford

Incredible! - Gold Beach

Was worth the drive over to see you. Thank you. - Jacksonville

Just like home. - Las Vegas

Can't wait 'till next year! - Yachats

Fantastic - Lebanon

Charming, Magical! - San Francisco

Excellent! - Coos Bay

Tres jolite! We will spread the word in the north! - British Columbia

Beautiful!! - Trinidad, West Indies

Very lovely! - Eugene

Thank you! Exquisite Wonderland - Rainbow, OR

Beautiful, thank you. - Halfmoon Bay, CA

Fabulous - A Lovely Retreat, Thank you. - Bandon

Absolutely fantastic! - Portland

Financial

Income:

Lights Pledges (45)	\$ 2,705
Bed & Breakfast	820
Bus Donations	375
Donations	13,621

Total \$ 17,521

Expenses:

Advertising.	\$ 50
Bed & Breakfast	103
Bus	405
Holiday Lights	2,350
Permanent Garden Lights	3,896
House Decorations	1,172
<i>(includes reuseable items)</i>	
Buttons	258
Coffee	144
Cookies	469
Apple Juice (52 cases)	1,113
Cups/Napkins	1,447
Electrical.	398
Flight	55
Live Garland	291
Miscellaneous	1,121
Punch (koolaid, sugar)	147
Cider Spice	155
Twist Ties	83
Carpet Cleaning	294

Total \$ 13,951

BOTTOM LINE:

Income	\$ 17,521
Expenses.	13,951

Net \$ 3,570

Holiday Lights Status 1993

Strung '93	121,145
In reserve '93	3,450

Total '93 124,595

1994 Plans

Replace 25,000 lights.
Add 5,000 lights.
Buy permanent garden lights for west side of garden.

Suggestions for 1994

- Calendar reminder stickers
- Contact entertainment groups earlier
- Groups should use stage
- Entertainment after Christmas
- Fountain? Maybe '94
- Smoking? Areas or ash trays - set policy
- Team for parking on peak nights
- Wreath on entrance booth (lighted)
- Tape off bus parking lanes
- Lights around perimeter of pond at water line
- String lights on rhodys in a pattern easier to check
- Work with BLM on garden plan
- Take-down, be sure date is on original notices
- Another Claire - Registrar, improve sign-in
- Better location of guest book in IGC
- Display hooks for IGC
- IGC close same time as Holiday Lights.
- Bus with wheel chairs park closer to curb
- Better parking
- Involve groups of young people
- Photo cards by opening night
- Garden house decorated like era of house
- Holiday theme - house
- Cookies - 3 bakes, Aug - Sept - Oct
- Coos Aviation - \$39 (3 people)
- Bus parking needs protection by hosts and/or volunteers; better signs; official volunteer jackets
- Elevated place to take pictures from
- Stouter trees - Noble Fir?
- South Slough needs stronger tree
- List of suggestions for tree trimmers
- Round planters in front lighted like wreaths
- Video of the gardens
- Plan Garden House early
- Better handicap access to back
- Host at garden entrance to greet visitors
- More wheelchairs
- IGC, 2 shifts only
- Feasibility study - mansion - with model
- Covered entertainment area
- Metal stakes for stringing lights on hedges
- Light in tubes in vulnerable areas with black tape
- Light cranes in Oriental pond better
- Should we decorate upstairs? a second staircase?
- Have hosts monitor stairs
- Better identify hosts - vest? - hats?
- Improve walking surface side & back of house
- Better signs - your host
- Patio & yurt south of garden house
- Include holiday lights in slide show
- Label cooky boxes, kind and how many
- Cherry tree in Oriental Garden - light under it that changes colors
- Indirect landscape lights west side (like east side)
- Soft start on turning on lights (rheostat)
- High voltage protection at panel
- Call Hwy Dept, fix shoulders, add reflectors
- Coos County roadside maps - add Shore Acres.

1994 New and Renewed Members as of February 28, 1994

Life Members

Dale Sause, *Coos Bay*
Jack & Carol Shinniger, *North Bend*
L.L. Stewart, *Eugene*

Family Members '94

Bruce Andresen, *Portland*
Ash Creek Gardens, Ronald & Ingrid
Cooper, *Independence*
Ben & Pauline Barnett, *Medford*
Melvin & Marjorie Becker, *Grants Pass*
Patricia Ann & Bill Borchert, *Coos Bay*
Frank & Opal Bryant, *Coos Bay*
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Rose & Arthur Clark, *Eastside*
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The Bill Eastland's, *Astoria*
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Helen & Wally Ferguson, *Coos Bay*
Anna Mae & Jim Ferry, *Coos Bay*
Chris & Donna Flammang, *Coos Bay*
Willard & Genevieve Hayne, *North Bend*
Dwight & Mary Ann Jackson, *Springfield*
Carl & Marjorie Jensen, *Eugene*
Robert & Carol Lee, Jr., *North Bend*
Arky Lewis, *Grants Pass*
Myles K. Lowell &
Adele O'Boyle, *Florence*
Carol & Mike Lucas, *Concord CA*
Harry & Sabra Luckett, *Coos Bay*
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& Erika Nelson, *Coos Bay*
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W.S. Richardson, *Eastside*
Al & Sally Roberts, *North Bend*
Robert & Florence Ross, *North Bend*
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Rick & Barb Shreckengost, *North Bend*
Lynn Standish, *Coquille*
Brenda, Edgar, Lens,
& Elling Steinsvik, *North Bend*
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Nathan L. & Norma Welsh, *Olympia WA*

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Thanks for your support!



Holiday Lights Reflection in Oriental Pond at Shore Acres State Park 1993 – photo by Luis Velasquez

***"Company's Coming" Beach Cleanup - Saturday, March 19
Annual Pond Cleaning - Saturday, April 9
Rhododendron Sunday, Mother's Day - Sunday, May 8
Rose Sunday, Father's Day - Sunday, June 19***

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CALENDAR

January

8-9 - Take down lights
11 - Board meeting
25 - Shakedown meeting
29 - Rose Pruning

April

* 9 - Pond Cleaning
12 - Board meeting

July

4 - Independence Day
12 - Board meeting
* 16-28 - Oregon Coast
Music Festival

October

10 - Columbus Day
11 - Board meeting
31 - Halloween

* Special event

February

8 - Board meeting
12 - Dahlia Divide
14 - Valentine's Day

May

* 8 - Rhododendron Sunday
Mother's Day
10 - Board meeting
30 - Memorial Day

August

9 - Board meeting

November

5-6 - Holiday setup
8 - Election day
8 - Board meeting
11 - Veterans Day
12-13 - Holiday setup
19-20 - Holiday setup
24 - Thanksgiving
25, 26, 27 - Holiday setup

March

1 - IGC opens daily
8 - Board meeting
* 19 - Beach Cleanup

June

12 - Children's Day
14 - Board meeting
* 19 - Rose Sunday
Father's Day

September

5 - Labor Day
6 - Annual meeting
11 - Grandparent's Day
13 - Board meeting

December

No board meeting
* 1 - Lights open and run
every night from 4 - 10 p.m.
through Jan. 1

Calendar is subject to additions and changes.

For more information, call 756-5401, 756-5826, 888-4902, 888-3732.

Be sure and check out the Information and Gift Center, which opens with afternoon hours in March..

Lots of new items, great ideas for kids, and some special bargains.

Don't forget, if you are a member, you get a 10% discount on all merchandise.

The phone number is 888-2472 and yes, there's a message machine on when we're closed.

Why your membership is important

by Shirley Bridgham

Membership is an important source of income for a non-profit organization and Friends of Shore Acres, Inc., has been very fortunate in having a growing membership from its very beginning in 1986. But many 1993 members have not yet renewed for 1994.

Maybe the success of the Holiday Lights and the development of the gift shop have made some think membership is no longer important.

Not so. Membership is important because it gives our organization important credibility when we apply for grants and ask for community and business support. Dues help cover the cost of running the organization – including all the paperwork. They also help support many programs, projects, and services.

We have always felt it important to maintain a high quality profile of Friends of Shore Acres, Inc. With that in mind, we offer a quality newsletter, take lots of photos, maintain albums of our activities and provide quality brochures. We have no paid staff. Volunteers do everything, including the operation of our Information and Gift Center.

The Holiday Lights and Open House—8th annual in '94—has definitely given us momentum. And donations that we receive from businesses in the community and from visitors in December keep it going. (See separate Holiday Shakedown report, page 10.)

But members are still the foundation of the Friends. For 1994, (as of Feb. 28) we have received 148 renewed and new memberships or 242 members. If all '93 members renew, we will have 278 memberships or 459 members. We'd like to maintain 500 memberships every year.

We've accomplished a great deal, but there's so much more to do!

For example: completion of the storage shed that state parks built for us last year . . . a new fountain in the center of the garden . . . more permanent plant markers . . . a video program about the gardens and the Cape Arago area . . . a Shore Acres puzzle . . . rewiring of the garden house . . . a new or remodeled greenhouse . . . completion of garden night lightscaping . . . more parking lot lighting . . . more parking—period . . . new porch on the back of garden house and a patio and yurt in the back side yard. . . covered stage . . . new and replacement plants for the garden . . . new entrance sign . . . Simpson Reef signs and remodel of Simpson Reef overlook.

Donations and gift shop income will help accomplish many of these goals, but your membership is still essential. If you haven't joined the Friends or renewed yet for 1994, please consider doing so — today. ☘

Annual membership is from January 1 to December 31. Your mailing label has a code ending in "4" if you are current until December 31, 1994. To become a member or to renew your membership, please fill out the form below and mail it with your payment to Friends of Shore Acres, Inc., P.O. Box 1172, Coos Bay, OR 97420. For further information call 756-5401.

Friends of Shore Acres, Inc. is a private non-profit organization with tax-exempt status.

☐ \$10 Individual
☐ \$15 Family

☐ \$25 Patron
☐ \$50 Sponsor

☐ \$100 Benefactor
☐ \$250 Sustaining

☐ \$500 Life
☐ Gift/Memorial

Name / Address / Phone _____

Please circle activities you would like to help with.

Board of Directors

Information & Gift Center

Garden Sitting/Tours

Pond Cleaning

Rhododendron
Sunday/Mother's Day

Rose Sunday/Father's Day

Oregon Coast Music
Festival Garden Concert

Holiday Lights & Open
House