



THE WEBFOOTER

Celebrating 44 Years

"Every subject known to man can be found on a post card" -- Club Motto
ESTABLISHED 1966

The official publication of The Webfooters Post Card Club in Portland, Oregon

www.thewebfooters.com

Volume 44

Issue Number 3

March 2010



Happy St. Patrick's Day



St Patrick's Card Courtesy of Carole White

- ◆ See Mark's Hometown History of Lents, Oregon on Page 4.
- ◆ Maggie's Minutes on Page 9.

Next Meeting – March 20, 2010

At Russellville Grange – 12105 NE Prescott Street

10 am to 3:30 pm

Bring your items to consign or donate to our April 16, 2010 Auction

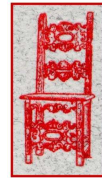


Somewhere in Time

Antique to Modern

Roy and Linda Bell

503-820-1137



Specializing in

- Advertising, Cameras
- Glass, Jewelry, Military
- Postcards, Vintage Photos, Furniture

Wed-Sat 12-5 By Chance or appointment

1412 E Burnside St

Portland OR 97214

bell6847@comcast.net



Now Located at:

FARMHOUSE ANTIQUES

Mini Mall in Old Historic Sellwood with Seven Dealers

Tuesday thru Sunday: 11 to 5

Glassware - Depression - Elegant

Postcards - Paper - Sheet Music

Jewelry - Furniture

See Janice on Tuesdays

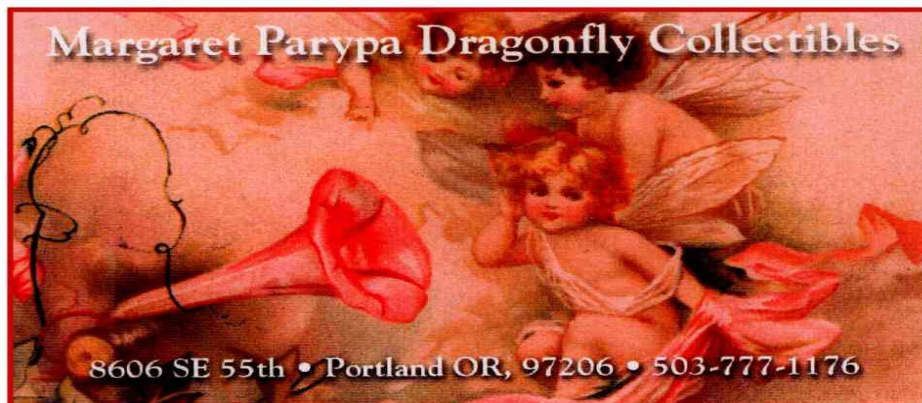
8028 SE 13th Avenue

Portland OR 97202

503-232-6757

Also in Farmhouse Antiques in Sellwood

8028 SE 13th Avenue



(paid advertisements)



Fourth Annual

WEBFOOTERS POST CARD CLUB

Postcard, Photograph & Ephemera

*** AUCTION ***

Friday, April 16, 2010 * 6:30 pm

Preview begins at 3:30 pm

The Grotto Conference Center

8840 NE Skidmore St.

Near 85th & Sandy Blvd.

AUCTION LOTS INCLUDE:

- Post Cards: real photo, holiday, artist signed, lithos, linens & chromes.
- Vintage Photographs: daguerreotypes, ambrotypes, tintypes, stereo views, CDVs, cabinet cards, snapshots & mounted photos of all sizes.
- Paper Ephemera: advertising, trade cards, travel brochures, maps, menus & other early paper items!

No-host banquet dinner at The Grotto Conference Center beginning at 5:00 pm

Reservation Deadline: April 10, 2010. Please contact: Maggie Parypa at 503-777-1176



30th Annual Show and Sale

Saturday, April 17 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 18 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Oregon National Guard Armory

6255 NE Cornfoot Road, Portland, Oregon

www.thewebfooters.com

HOMETOWN HISTORY

LENTS, OREGON

by Mark Moore



View of the Lents - City Transfer Wagon.

Oliver Perry Lent, a stone mason born in Ohio in 1830, arrived with his wife in 1852 and they settled in a small community east of Portland called Sycamore. In 1866, they moved a little to the west to farm a tract of 190 acres which is the current site of the community of Lents, Oregon.



Early view of Main Street or 92nd looking north from Woodstock in Lents, Oregon.



View of the Bethel Hotel after expansion which was located on the southeast corner of 92nd and Foster. The Hotel also housed a Ladies Tailoring Shop and a restaurant serving meals for 25 cents. The building was torn down in the 1930s and it was replaced by the building which now houses the Copper Penny. The building first housed Marvin Hedge's Hardware Store, then a Safeway Store.

Lents was originally platted as the town of Lent by the eldest son of Oliver Lent, George P. Lent in 1892. The original town was bounded by southeast Foster Road, southeast Duke Street, southeast 92nd Avenue, and southeast 97th Ave.



Lents Pharmacy was located at the northwest corner of 92nd and Foster.



William Hansen had a grocery store at 21 Woodbine Street in Lents.

Oliver Lent built and operated a sawmill for many years. He served as school director, road supervisor and justice of the peace. Oliver Lent died in 1899.



Early birds eye view of Lents looking west showing the Mt. Scott interurban car.



Beginning in 1892, streetcars on the Mt. Scott Car Line came from downtown Portland and across the Hawthorne Bridge out to the town of Lent. They would connect with the interurbans that went to Gresham and Estacada at Lents Junction near 102nd & Foster.

Oliver Lent's town was originally built as a self-sufficient town and suburb of Portland. As Portland grew and absorbed other smaller towns, Lents was annexed into the City in 1912.



View of Main Street which is now 92nd Avenue. Looking north on 92nd you can see Lents Pharmacy in the center and the school building in the far right. The grove of trees in the center is Lents Park.



Another perspective of Main Street in Lents looking north from Woodstock.

Because of its distance from central Portland and lower income class, it was repeatedly neglected by the city in terms of street and sewer improvements. Lents has been called "Felony Flats" through the years.



Early view of the newly completed Public School in Lents at 92nd & Harold.

Editor's Note: Though I didn't grow up in Lents, I was conceived in Lents when my parents lived there. When I was born, my parents had moved to a house on Morrison Street, near 88th. When I was about a year old, we moved east to Gresham, Oregon.



Maggie's Minutes

We had a nice turn out at the February 20, 2010 monthly club meeting. Postcards do have a magnetic appeal that attracts a crowd.

Arne Soland gave a financial report.

Krissy Durden reported that we have 230 members. The Club thanked her for the nice job she did setting up the Oregon Paper Trail blog Web site. She warned us that this won't succeed if members don't use it as a communication site. We can use it to let sellers know if we have special requests when attending our meetings. It is easy to join by going to: **oregonpapertrail.ning.com**. You will also want to go to Groups and sign in as a Webfooter where your membership is verified to protect the privacy of our members.

Our **April 16, 2010 Auction** is shaping up well. **March 20 is the deadline** for accepting lots of your better postcards and ephemera for consignment at the next meeting. The sooner we receive the lots, the better the chances of advertising the items on our Web site. Feel free to mail them in or request pickup of your better items. We can also receive donations of table top plants or flowers, gift certificates, restaurant or lodging gift cards, a service or about anything you would donate to the auction to help support The Webfooters.

Our dinner is **Grilled Teriyaki Chicken (Salmon also available on request)** on fried rice, with oriental salad, rolls, and dessert. The cost is \$20 per person. We'll take your reservations till April 10th. We told our chef to expect 45 to 50 for dinner. Beer and wine will be offered at a no-host bar. The Grotto Conference Center is known for their outstanding banquets and it is a really comfortable location for our auction.

We have sold out all of our tables at our **30th Annual Show and Sale on April 17-18, 2010**. If you have some cards or ephemera to sell and you haven't signed up, we might find another table. We are expecting nine new dealers who didn't sell at our show last year. Also, Steve Kuryk has offered to sell our out of date books from the library which will clear out space for our new acquisitions.

We were sad to hear that several members of our club have had physical challenges this month. It was great to see Al Powers looking healthier. He described his surgery to remove the blood clot from his brain and the hard work to his recovery. Dave Elston had surgery on his back early in the week and still had the fortitude to attend. Donna Miller walked in with a broken nose and two black eyes. She slipped and fell in her yard and broke her new glasses that she was so proud of. Luckily her neighbor spotted her and was able to get help and take her to the Emergency Room. Roy Bell shared the sad news that he has been diagnosed with congestive heart failure and cancer. Our thoughts, prayers and best wishes are with all of you. How wonderful that you were able to attend.

Dr. Tracy Prince from Portland State University spoke about the history of the Goose Hollow Neighborhood in downtown Portland. She is writing a book "as a labor of love" for Arcadia Publishing. She is looking for postcards and images prior to 1922 and has about six months to gather them. Please share, she will scan them, return them and give you credit in her book. Also, Steve Kuryk has offered to sell our out of date books from the library which will clear out space for our new collection.

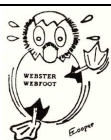
Thanks to Irene Adams for the great job of providing the refreshments of chicken and rice, hot garlic bread, cheese and meat for sandwiches. Thanks to Mark for bringing chocolate éclairs and cheese sticks. Don't miss David Sell's Irish stew for St. Patrick's Day at our March meeting. Thanks to David, this is usually one of the most popular meetings of the year.

The next board meeting will be held on March 17th, 2010 at Elmer's Restaurant at 10001 NE Sandy Boulevard at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Parypa, Secretary

See the full color version of this newsletter at www.thewebfooters.com



Club Officers

President/Editor.....	Mark Moore
Vice President.....	Tony Roberts
Secretary.....	Maggie Parypa
Treasurer.....	Arne Soland
Membership Chairman.....	Krissy Durden
Directors.....	Irene Adams and Phyllis Palmer
Historian.....	Joe Macdonald
Librarian.....	Steve Kuryk



Calendar

March 17 – Webfooters Board Meeting at Elmer's Restaurant (no host)
10001 NE Sandy Blvd – 6:30 pm (Board Meetings held every other month)

March 20 – Webfooters Post Card Club Meeting at Russellville Grange
12105 NE Prescott St near 122nd & Sandy Blvd – 10:00 am to 3:30 pm

April 16 – Webfooters Auction & Banquet at The Grotto Conference Center
8840 NE Skidmore near 85th & Sandy – Banquet at 5, Auction at 6:30 pm

April 17-18 – Webfooters Post Card Club Show & Sale at Jackson Armory
6255 NE Cornfoot Rd – Sat: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, Sun: 10 am to 4:00 pm

For the latest news, visit our website:



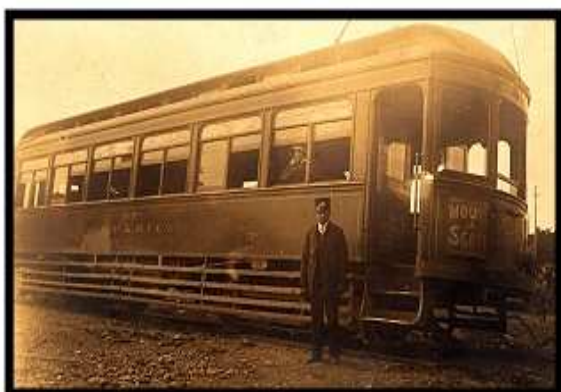
www.thewebfooters.com



WEBFOOTERS POST CARD CLUB

PO Box 17240

Portland OR 97217-0240



Mount Scott Interurban Car #57 circa 1900.
See Page 4 for Mark Moore's
Hometown History of Historic Lents, OR.