

St. Boniface Community Archives & Museum, 2012

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Background

Looking through the *Archives Record* for 2006 and old emails we note that St. Boniface Archives, later known variously as St. Boniface Community Archives & Museum, was officially **founded on February 27, 2006**. This was at a meeting that included Vera Boedigheimer, Evangeline Ripp, Carol Zolkoske, Carol Rambousek, Henry Strobel, Francis Hendricks, Bill Steinkamp, and St. Boniface church pastor M. Jeyamani Paul, who offered to provide space for the new organization.

Earlier activities leading up to that were

- June 1979, the 100th anniversary of St. Boniface church. Huge outdoor Mass and celebration.
- *Let us Remember*, a local pictorial history was published by Dr. Raymond Heuberger.
- 1997-2001, Rev. Arthur Dernbach collected and stored more pieces of history.
- 2002, Henry Strobel began publishing his pictorial *History of Sublimity*, www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/sublimit.htm. Town historians Vera Boedigheimer, Evangeline Ripp and others helped expertly and generously. This was always intended as a history of the town and community as well as of the church. (Installments from it were sent out with the municipal water bills!)
- June 2004 was the 125th anniversary of St. Boniface Church as well as the 1250th anniversary of the martyrdom of its patron saint Boniface in 754 AD. A German sausage picnic and music welcomed the community. Evangeline Ripp and Vera Boedigheimer and others presented an extensive historical exhibit in the old convent building across the street – where we are now.

We have continued to actively grow and to serve a larger community. “Our mission is to discover, preserve, and share the history and heritage of Sublimity and its environs.” While our association was originally inspired by the Portland Archdiocesan Historical Commission, and enjoys facilities provided by St. Boniface church, it operates otherwise independently and is member supported.

Should you wish to contribute historical items, volunteer services, or financial support, please phone president Evangeline Ripp, 503 769-5381, or email coordinator Henry Strobel, books@henrystrobel.com

About our web pages

Henry Strobel & Sons, Aumsville, Oregon has been on the web since 1995. In 2002, with the concurrence of St. Boniface pastor Patrick Donoghue, they registered the internet domain www.saintboniface.net. Since then they have created, maintained, forwarded to and hosted it gratis on www.henrystrobel.com. It has grown far beyond its original scope, with extensive sub-pages, including the St. Boniface Community Archives & Museum page you are now on, www.henrystrobel.com/saintboniface/archives.htm