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The OE History Night at the Edgefield in October

The Oregon Encyclopedia (The OE) continues its monthly series of History Nights at McMenamins pubs with programs at the Edgefield Power Station Theater. At each History Night, The OE will look back at the people and events that have shaped our communities. Visit www.oregonencyclopedia.org for History Night locations and more details.

“History of Amusement Parks in Oregon”

Presented by Darrell Jabin

Tuesday, October 30, 2012

6:30 p.m., doors open at 5:00 pm

McMenamins Edgefield Power Station Theater, 2126 SW Halsey St., Troutdale

Which amusement park in Oregon was the largest in the nation when it opened in 1928? Which amusement center is the longest continually operating park in the country and features a roller rink, carousel and dance pavilion? Do you have memories of crawling through the rabbit hole at the Enchanted Forest or enjoying the rides at Pixieland in Lincoln City? At the next Edgefield Oregon Encyclopedia History Night learn about the history of amusement parks and how they evolved into the entertainment attractions we enjoy today. Through photographs and video footage you will have the opportunity to learn about little-known amusement parks such as Council Crest Park and Lotus Isle. Take a ride on an entertaining and informative journey through more than half a dozen historic and current amusement parks in Oregon.

Each year Darrell Jabin travels more than 6,000 miles, working in more than two dozen cities in Oregon, researching the interesting events, history and people he encounters. With this rich material he creates videos. He has provided more than fifty presentations throughout the state with his videos in the last two years.

The OE is an online resource for information on the state’s significant people, places, events, institutions, and biota. Over 1000 entries and essays have been published online, and new entries are added every day. For more information visit www.oregonencyclopedia.org.

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