Thanks to all of you for your interest, your stories, and your contributions.

Note the Garden Home History Gazette is our new title. The P.T.A. newsletters from Garden Home School were always called The Garden Home Gazette. Marge Ross shared a whole stack of Gazettes with us. They included stories about the community, scouts, the church and school projects. The 1961-62 P.T.A. Program book listing all the officers and programs stated:

“The person who knows what is happening in Garden Home School and community read it first in THE GARDEN HOME GAZETTE.”

We are delighted to carry on the tradition in sharing our history.

TWO OPEN HOUSE INVITATIONS for Saturday afternoon, June 2, 2012
Visit lovely Fogelbo and enjoy the old church sanctuary with stories and slides!

This event includes stops at two locations just one block apart. You can choose where to start. Parking is available at both locations. Forty minute presentations will be made hourly at 1, 2 and 3 p.m. at each venue.

This is a fabulous opportunity to visit one of the most charming homes in Garden Home and also enjoy the stories of moving the old sanctuary from the original Garden Home Community Church. Then you’ll have time to move to the other venue. The two properties are about a block apart and easily walkable on the sidewalk.

Fogelbo: This beautiful Steiner-built log home of Ross Fogelquist is filled with Swedish and Scandinavian antiquities, art and collectibles. The home is located at 8740 SW Oleson Road, right across Oleson from the Swedish-inspired bus shelter.
Lovely grounds. Do not use the driveway, please park next door at the Scandinavian Heritage Foundation. Participants at each presentation in this home will be limited to 20 people. Sorry, no wheelchairs.
Thank you Ross Fogelquist. See gardenhomehistory.com

West Hills Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 8470 SW Oleson Road: The main building started out as the sanctuary for the original Garden Home Community Church which was located at 71st and Garden Home Road in the early 1900s. The bell at Thriftway hung in the old church. We’ll have a slide show and hear from some of the people who worked on this amazing feat. You may explore the Sacred Grove grounds with native plantings and old growth forest. Thank you Fellowship members.
Help! Our activities, our website, our research, writing and great new ideas have expanded beyond what our current organization can manage. We appreciate your interest in documenting our Garden Home history. Some new ideas include: Young Historians on the website, further documentation of our business community with photos, possible historic signs on Fanno Creek Trail, a train consultant for writing and expertise on our early train history, a secretary and several people to organize two or three events a year. Writers who could take on a project for research and photos. Please send me an email or call regarding your interest. Minimal meetings, you’ll learn something new and have lots of fun doing it! Elaine: 503-246-5879, elaineshreve@comcast.net

Email or postal mail for this Garden Home History Gazette? We prefer to send this out by email if possible. However, if you prefer the postal mailing, please send $5 for the remainder of this year and then $10 will be due in December for 2013 for your annual subscription for 3 or 4 mailings. See the last page for details. You may also ask a neighbor or family member to print out the Gazette when it comes!

Businesses Listed: Take a look at our new category of Business listings to find what you need right here in Garden Home.

More new Historic Garden Home signs are going up. We’ll have a total of 30 signs and will turn in the next order when we have 10 requests. See last page for information. Donations for the large Welcome to Historic Garden Home sign (in planning) at the intersection are also being accepted.

Thanks to the following donors:

- Bohman Parkway & 84th: Sharon Leonard
- Garden Home Road at 84th: Janet Habegger
- Garden Home Road at 83rd: Patty Gazeley
- Garden Home Road at 89th: Craig Charbonneau
- Oleson Road at Shirley Lane: Bob and Delia Day
- Oleson Road at 89th: Ross Fogelquist
- Oleson at Alden and Alden at 87th: Jack and Leila Steele in memory of parents Jonathan & Charity, and siblings Donald and Bruce Steele and Joyce Steele Chamberlin.
- Alden & Greenwood and Alden & 74th: Kay Ross
- Washington Drive & Taylor’s Ferry Road: Eugene and Bert Shirley in memory of Allen and Thelma Shirley
- Washington Drive & Oleson Road: Eugene and Bert Shirley in memory of Raymond and Cleo Shirley
- Greenwood Drive & 80th: Eugene and Bert Shirley in memory of Richard Stevens and in honor of Mildred Stevens’ 95th birthday.
**New Stories:**  See our website for these and many more stories: www.GardenHomeHistory.com

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**Notable Buildings: Fogelbo:** This lovely home at 8740 SW Oleson Road is nestled on a couple acres of mature trees, shrubs and flowers. It is called Fogelbo (bird nest) which is derived from the family name of Fogelquist. Henry Steiner built the home in 1938 and it was purchased by the Fogelquists in 1952. Steiner worked on Timberline Lodge and built other well-known Steiner cabins on Mt. Hood.

Fogelbo has become the center of Swedish and Scandinavian culture and activities. The Scandinavian Cultural Center is next door. The blue and yellow Swedish flag flies on the front flagpole. Washington County designated Fogelbo as a historical site in 1978. Fogelbo has hosted hundreds of events over the years and thousands of people have enjoyed the home and hospitality and learned something about the Swedish culture.

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**Bob Feldman and the Fanno Creek Dairy:**
After becoming the owner of the property in the 1920s, Bob’s dad, **Harry Feldman started the Fanno Creek Dairy** on about 50 acres south of Garden Home Road at 88th.

Linn and Yolanda Nusser are the current owners of part of this property and still have the barn that was used for milking the Jersey cows by machine. This barn was built in about 1937 and had a cupola on the top, which Bob usually called a dog house. The rather low-roofed barn had room for the 24 cows, each one in their stanchion during the winter where they were fed and watered. Of course, the boys had to muck out the barn daily. This manure was then spread on nearby fields with one of the two teams of horses that they kept for chores that the tractor was unable to do. The barnyard also had another adjacent larger barn for storing hay and two silos for ground-up corn silage.

Bob fondly remembers the family visiting the Oregon State Fair each year. His mother would pack up a big picnic in a basket and the family would all get into the milk delivery truck for the drive to Salem. He also recalls a Garden Home softball team that was developed in the summer. They had special T-shirts with “Lions” emblazoned on them. One time they were surprised to find they were paired against a team of adult men in Portland.
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By mail: each calendar…………………………………………………………$12.00

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Join the Club! Thank you for your donation to support this project with funds for printing, paper, events, signs and publications.
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