

HOUSE REMODEL UPDATE

Mark and Cyn (mostly Cyn) having been working hard on the house.

The Upstairs bathroom is completely finished . It looks great especially with the smiling hippo shower curtains.

Emily moved into her new pink/cat room which Cyn completely redid. This room was Teresa's. Emily's old room (Blue room) will become the office, after Richard's room is done.

The basement has been torn apart again. Neil's old room will become the train room. The entire south side will become the family room/sewing area. The "SCA closet" will be enlarged.

The dining room is also in the process of being remodeled. Once this room and the living room are complete, wall-to-wall carpeting will be laid in the downstairs.

Enough talk, have to get back to work!

BRIAN AND LUCYND A TO BE MARRIED

Brian Kavanagh of Selkirk and Lucynda Moonwind are going to be married at Norse feast on December 17 in Terra Pomeria.

For those who don't get it, Brian and Lucynda are Mark's and Cynthia's persona in the Society of Creative Anachronism or SCA. The SCA is a middle Ages re-creationist group. Terra Pomeria is the name of the Barony in which they reside (Salem). This is an SCA wedding. The local Baroness insisted on a "Church" wedding and many gifts for the bride price This is what makes the SCA fun! And you get to dress up in middle age costume too!

In other SCA business. Cynthia is the Minister of Arts for our barony. She also holds bi-weekly stitch meetings at our house. Cynthia is also kept busy with making garments for the local baron and baroness. Never a dull moment.

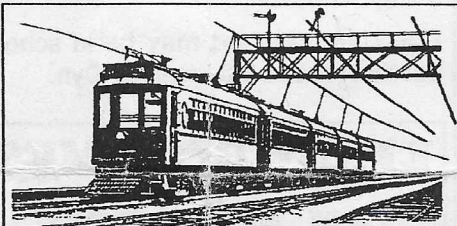
MARK BECOMES EDITOR OF 2 NEWSLETTERS

Mark this past year started up two newsletters. One for Cub Scouts. The other for the Trolley Museum.

Akela's Ears is for the Cub Scouts. It is a monthly publication. Since Mark is the secretary and as assistant Webelos leader he gets all the info needed.

The Transfer is for the Trolley Park, or the Oregon Electric Railway Historical Society (OERHS). He started this one because the newsletter editor for the society was too busy to write one and the membership didn't know what was going on.

All this keeps Mark out of trouble!



MARK ELECTED SECRETARY AND TRUSTEE

In November the Trolley Park or OERHS had their elections and Mark was elected secretary and trustee. A Trustee votes on the board and is on it for 3 years. The Secretary is on for one year.

Mark has devoted a lot of time and effort to the Trolley Museum. The museum is currently 65 miles from home. But, it is moving toward Salem, such that it will only be 11 miles away. This will take 3 years, and much money to complete

Mark has much fun operating the trolley cars. He sports a uniform with a hat and coat from the New York City Transit Authority. Working with the tourist has been real helpful to Mark in overcoming his shyness.



MARK'S JOB (From page 1)

except he maintained Plasma Etch equipment at Intel. Basically a plasma etcher remove material (like metal) from part of the circuit where it is not needed or wanted (inverse of sputtering.).

In November, MRC contacted Mark and made a counter offer. Instead of handling the Intel account he would be handling the Hewlett-Packard account which is closer to home. (Intel is 45 miles and 1 hr 10 min., HP is 35 miles and 45 minutes)

Also at the same time LRC was playing with shifts. He started worked 4 ten hour days (actually 11 hours with lunch) Sun-Wed and due to Or. State law, no over time was paid. Night shift was also threatened. Well Mark thought it over and decided to make the switch back to due several different reasons.

Before he left Lam he was approached by several Lam and Intel people that said they were sorry to see him leave, that they thought he did good work.

Mark started with MRC on Nov. 28th, who knows what the future will bring.

