The proposed Zimmerman Two-Story Bunkhouse is not intended to be an exact restoration of the original, and it will have different uses. The construction, materials and details would be historically appropriate for the site and relationship to the main house. The facility shall provide: a place for volunteers to inventory and then safely store materials, room for historic research, an area to gather for meetings and tours, handicap accessible restrooms and an alternative accessible interpretive space, and a limited use kitchenette. The building shall be arranged to allow flexible use, including rental for small weddings and other events.

We’ve accomplished much since obtaining ownership of the Zimmerman house back in 1995. It’s been a struggle at times, but we always moved forward, overcoming many hurdles, and now with phase I of the proposed Two-Story Bunkhouse complete, we look forward to phase II and beyond. The future looks bright!

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Mabel Zimmerman’s Travel Journal
1909-1910 Trip to the East Coast of the United States
From St. Paul Minnesota to Chicago IL.

Tuesday, Sept. 21

When I got up this morning we were whizzing thro’ a fine farming country; saw the largest corn fields ever. I watched so anxiously for the first sign of Chicago, and soon spied some tall smoke-stacks in the distance, and could hardly wait till the train got there. Took a bus right to the hotel, from the depot, and as I didn’t feel very well stayed in my room most of the afternoon. About five o’clock we went out to get supper and were caught in a hard rain. My hat is still suffering from the effect of it’s wetting. Were glad to get back to the hotel.

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"An Evening at the Zimmerman House"

If you've enjoyed the Zimmerman House during the day, you should see her at night!

The historic Zimmerman House was built in 1874 and was home to three generations of the Zimmerman Family. Their furnishings and personal articles remain in this two-story Victorian home. The 3rd annual evening tour will be held on

Tuesday, December 10th, 3pm-8pm.
Tuesday, December 17th, 3pm-8pm.

We'll have carols playing on the parlor piano, family recipes on exhibit and ginger snap cookies from the family recipe to take home.

Reservations are required and can be made at https://zimmermanholidays.eventbrite.com/or by calling 503-261-8078.

The address is 17111 NE Sandy Blvd., Gresham, and the suggested donation for this special event is $5.00 per adult. For more information, please call 503-261-8078 or email frwinfo@frwhs.org.
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Volunteers Hard at Work!

We work Tuesday afternoons/evenings every week at one of the Houses. These photos were taken at the Zimmerman House. If you’d like to join the fun, please contact Twila at tmysinger@frwhs.org or 503-695-2597.

Emily Terhune and Rachael Coover

Patty Brost

Private Tour: Heslin House

We hosted a private tour of the Heslin House and City Jail for Cub Scout Pack 717 in mid-September. The Scouts asked a lot of great questions and did a great job (better than some adults!) in not touching the artifacts. If your group would like a private tour of either House, please contact us at: 503-261-8078 or info@frwhs.org.

Lael Larger and Cub Scout Pack 717

Focus on Artifacts

We recently received a “Cresolene Vaporizer” from the estate of Margaret Stone, via her daughter Nancy Stone Hoover. You would fill the lamp base with kerosene, light the wick and then fill the pan with Cresolene. The vapors from heating the Cresolene were supposed to improve breathing when one was suffering with a cold or cough. These lamps were first sold in 1879. This artifact is at the Heslin House, and is not yet on exhibit.
**Wednesday, Sept. 22 Chicago**

Spent all morning around in the stores and got a new traveling suit. It rained again this afternoon and evening. A hard, drenching rain, so did not venture out except for supper.

**Thursday, Sept. 23 Chicago**

Spent nearly all day at Lincoln Park. As we were waiting for a car. We saw Reuben Steelquist, from Eugene, and it surely seemed good to see a familiar face once again. He is on his way to Cornell & is only to be in Chicago for a day. He was going to the Park too and we saw him there later. Lincoln Park is in the north part of the city near the lake and the famous Lake Shore Drive runs thro’ the edge of the park. It was by far the finest park we had yet seen and had the finest collection of animals, besides. There were also several palm houses, which had the most beautiful palms & ferns of all descriptions. It seemed like being in a tropical country.

**Friday, Sept. 24 Chicago**

Today we went to the Board of Trade and watched proceedings on the floor of the Exchange. At first it seemed a very foolish huh bub but we got some information about their methods and then were able to see the sense of it all. The greatest excitement seemed to center about the wheat pit, which contained the largest number of brokers. They certainly made a terrible noise and from the gallery we could not distinguish any words altho’ we were not far away. They all seemed to yell at once, and wave their hands and occasionally shake their fists at each other. It is really very interesting and I have been reading about the history of the Board of Trade, and its methods so now I understand better what they were doing. Would like to go again. Next we went thro’ Marshall Fields large department store, did not intend to stop but saw some things and stayed there most of the afternoon. This store has been erected recently at a great cost and is said to employ 8,000 people, also said to be the largest store of the kind in the world. After we managed to lean ourselves away from all the pretty things, we went down to the Library, which cost $2,000,000. And is decorated most magnificently inside with mottoes, frescos and the most wonderful mosaics. It is far the handsomest building I have ever seen. Before coming home we stopped at the Post office. This is a fine building covering an entire block.

**Saturday, Sept 25. Chicago**

Today we had a great deal on our program so started out early. First we took a car to Washington Park, but it had nothing of especial interest so we did not stay long. The university of Chicago was close to this Park so Olive and I were very much interested in going thro’ their grounds. They have a lot of fine large buildings altho’ the campus is not pretty. Saw the football teams practicing. From there walked along the Midway Pleasance to Jackson park, the site of the Columbian Exposition. Here is situated the Field Columbian Museum in the old arts building. This museum was endowed by Marshall Field and has exhibits of unusual interest and value. The building itself is immense and I believe we must have walked several miles in it. A few of the most interesting things I saw were the remains of a prehistoric mastaedon (sic) and other ancient animals of the greatest size and oddest shapes. There were several rooms with minerals of all kinds and precious stones. And room after room filled with fine collections of stuffed animals and birds. Then all kinds of Indian relics, prehistoric pottery and totem poles and stone carvings, exhibits from China, Java, the Philippine Islands and from Rome and Egypt. The last were exceedingly interesting and contained several mummies and old tombs. Also an old boat believed to be about 4500 yrs old. We did not have half enough time to see everything for a person could spend a week in the building to good advantage. O, it was simply great and to me more of interest than the whole R. Y. P. Exposition. Well I must stop writing for I’m so tired. P.S. I forgot to say we took the car over town from the museum and such a crowd, I didn’t enjoy Chicago very much on Saturday night.
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