



The Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church congregation in Portland celebrating the 30th anniversary of O.B. Williams as pastor in 1975. The Oregon Historical Society Research Library photo is part of a new Experience Oregon exhibit opening Thursday with free admission all weekend.

Unforgettable Stories

‘Experience Oregon’ opens with free admission

Using broad themes connecting yesterday to today and emphasizing why learning about history matters, the Oregon Historical Society unveils a new 7,000 square foot exhibition, Experience Oregon on Thursday, Feb. 14.

The dynamic educational space allows visitors to learn about the

countless people, places and events that have shaped the state.

The opening date is also Oregon’s 160th birthday, and the museum will celebrate the exhibit’s grand opening with a blessing led by members of the Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde followed by a ribbon cutting ceremony at noon.

Other celebrations during the weekend include a Family Day event filled with cultural performances and activities on Saturday, Feb. 16; and free admission all weekend, Feb. 14 through Sunday, Feb. 18.

“From priceless artifacts to breathtaking images to unforgetta-

ble stories, there is truly something for everyone in this exhibit,” said Kerry Tymshuk, Oregon Historical Society executive director.”

The Oregon Historical Society’s museum is open seven days a week, Monday – Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.