



# Oregon Historical SOCIETY

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Lillian Pierce  
**The Millstone**  
6616 S. E. Queen Road  
Milwaukie, OR 97222

Dear Mrs. Pierce:

You may remember me as one of the "Humanatones" who was a most appreciative guest last year to your home to view Mr. Pierce's extraordinary collection of historical sheet music.

One of the hats I wear at OHS is that of Coordinator of the Century Farm Program. The Program honors farms that have been in the same family for 100 years or more, and we present each family with a certificate signed by the governor and inscribed with the name of the farm's founder and the year founded.

It occurred to me that perhaps because of your expert knowledge of calligraphy, you would like to bring to the attention of your society of calligraphers our need for inscribing as many as 115 of these certificates with a name and date. Attached is a sample certificate for your consideration.

Another hat I wear is that of coordinator of the Affiliate Society Program, an organization comprising almost all of the historical societies in Oregon and Southern Washington. I just recently received a package of printed certificates we would like to present at some appropriate date to each of the 57 affiliated societies. On each of these certificates there is a blank space for inscribing a name. Again, we were hoping this project would be considered worthy of the efforts of the calligraphic society. Both projects are of a permanent nature, with the certificates handed down from generation to generation.

If either or both of these projects is recieved favorably, I have on hand approximately 75 approved Century Farm applicants ready for lettering, with the remainder available just after the deadline of May 31st. We hope to present the certificates starting in late June, through the fall.

We really appreciate the consideration of these projects.  
Please feel free to call on me anytime for further  
information or to answer any questions (evenings 238-4004).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ron", written in black ink.

Ron Brentano  
Chief Field Representative