

Rose Garden Beauty

Every year it seems the rose gardens around the Shipley-Magee house get prettier. The North Coastal Rose Society has added more new roses and has been maintaining everything in a near perfect way.



From the Archives --by Susan Schnebelen Gutierrez

Often a historian's best informational resource for daily life of times gone by can be found in old newspaper articles, sale ads, classifieds and society news. Newspapers recount lofty events as well as civic and government actions and they also provide the recorder of the minute details of a community. These details create a clearer and more accurate picture of real life, occurrences that affected the common citizen; the touchingly small details of family life such as births and deaths, marriages, divorces, children's achievements, and family sorrows and misfortunes. Mundane business Classifieds present information on the sorts of jobs available, giving us

an idea of a community's economic viability. Sale ads let us know which sorts of goods and services were available in an area, spotlighting the economic stability of the place and how it connected to the larger community.

Carlsbad was fortunate to have several local newspapers that provide us with these details. The Carlsbad Sea Lion published weekly for a 6 month period in 1887, the Spirit of Love published monthly by local resident W.W. Borden in the early 1900s until 1922, the Carlsbad Champion, begun in the 1920s published weekly and then daily, and then underwent a name change to The Carlsbad Journal, and continued printing until the 1990s. Lastly, we had coverage through the Blade Citizen, published daily and later known as the North County Times.

For the most part these newspapers documented the development and growth of the city beginning in the late 1880s when we are notified through print of the actual construction of the first buildings in downtown, to the incorporation of the city in the 1950s and beyond to the tremendous growth and development through the 2000s and much more. Most are available on microfilm at the Carlsbad City Library-Cole Branch. Here are a few interesting excerpts from our earliest newspapers.

Carlsbad Sea Lion

December 10, 1887 The Des Moines In. Saturday Mail has the following to say regarding the marriage of Col. S.C. Smith, Secretary of the Carlsbad Land and Mineral Water Co. of this city to Miss Louise Lehman of that city.

Smith - Lehman

Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kahler, Miss Louise Lehman sister

of Mrs. Kahler and Samuel C. Smith of Carlsbad California were married by Rev. George C. Henry of the English Lutheran church. Miss Lehman wore her traveling costume, a rich wine broadcloth tailor made suit and coat and hat to match she added on starting away. A wedding breakfast followed the ceremony after which Mr. and Mrs. Smith took their departure amid a shower of old shoes and rice, for visits in Omaha, Columbus, Grand Island Nebraska and Boulder Colorado before proceeding to Carlsbad California where Mr. Smith is engaged in the real estate business. *(Our addition - Samuel Church Smith was a town founder and builder of the Magee house)*

Spirit of Love

July 1914 Death of Mrs. Emily Kelly, mother of the owners of Kelly Ranch and adjoining Carlsbad died in San Diego July 8th 1914 in her 84th year. Interment was in Greenwood Cemeteries. Her husband and relatives will be moved from the old homestead near San Marcos, Ranch Los Kiotes now owned by Leo Carillo.

August 1916 Alfred Schutte has a new Dodge car; he is becoming expert in driving.

Carlsbad Champion

1925 Masthead, author unknown: "Carlsbad, where spring comes in the summer, and summer comes in the fall; where fall comes in the winter and winter comes not at all."

Lecture on Del Mar Fairgrounds

This lecture held on May 19th at the Carlsbad by the Sea Retirement Community was a great success. Diane Welch gave us a presentation and she played a short film made by herself and her husband Paul. One of the many things we learned that the proceeds of all the fair events go to the State of California, and that Rachel Welch (Raquel Tejada) (no relation) was one of the first Fairest of the Fair Queens.



Plan for next lectures

In the fall we are planning to have two more lectures. A tentative topic for one is the Carrillo Ranch history.

Barn Work

We are soon starting work on the barn to add a new display of paleontology and to reorganize and improve the existing displays. Also some volunteers are going to continue painting the inside walls white, enhancing the visibility of our displays. If you are interested in helping with this please call us or send us an email.

New Docent

Dylon Pope has joined us as docent on Saturdays and Sundays. He will be a senior in High School next year. He runs track and loves history. Dylon is the brother of Coral, who worked for us last year, and the son of Carl Pope, who has worked for the City for a long time.

Tour of Map Museum

On June 19th we are invited to tour the La Jolla Map and Atlas Museum of La Jolla, located at 7825 Fay Ave Suite LL-A, La Jolla CA 92037, in the Lower Courtyard. The tour starts at 1:30pm, but those desiring to car pool are invited to meet

at the Magee Park by 12:45pm. We should be returning by 4pm.



CHS sells history books

Last month, attendees to an investment seminar in Carlsbad, by UBS Realty Investors, were treated to a copy of "Windows on the Past", to take home as a souvenir, and they purchased 55 copies of the book. Our history is diffusing to Hartford, Connecticut.

Book Scanned

The first book on the history of Carlsbad, also known as the "little green book" was written with funds of the Friends of the Library, in the 1950s, by Master Sergeant John Harmon, of Camp Pendleton. This book has been scanned and converted to text using Google OCR. It is being corrected and will be made available on the Internet, for research. Thank you, Friends of the Library, for giving us the go ahead with this project.

CHARLES LEDGERWOOD'S Seed Store

For more than 50 years, Charles Ledgerwood sold seeds and gave away agricultural advice at his

home/store on Carlsbad Blvd. His picturesque red tiled building was the place where farmers, and then, gardeners, found warmth and wisdom for the growing of almost any variety of vegetables or flowers.

As a way of keeping his memory alive, loyal friends began collecting fruit and vegetable recipes from customers. "Seasonal Selections," a small black and white booklet of typed and hand written recipes, has recently been re-printed and is now available for purchase from its co-authors, Judy Sturgeon and Lori Turley. To own your own, please contact Judy Sturgeon by phone at 760-504-5782 or on e-mail at: mj35yrs@att.net.

June 23 Sundowner and Open House at 3pm

Come to enjoy the summer and spend time with friends on the deck of the Magee House. We will be sharing historical ideas, planning for the future displays, and welcoming new members. Wine, refreshments, cheese and snacks will be provided.

Renew membership please

This is the time of year to renew your membership. Please send your check to the PO Box listed at the end. Also consider becoming a Life Member. If you need, you can print a membership application/renewal form from our website. Individual membership is \$25; family, \$35; and Lifelong, \$250.

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## Early Carlsbad History Presentation Available

One of our Spring Lectures given at the Carlsbad by the Sea featured early Carlsbad History. The PowerPoint file is available for anyone interested in giving presentations on our history. Please contact Susan Gutierrez if you need to get a copy.

## Upcoming Events

June 19 tour of the Map Museum  
June 23 Sundowner and Open House at 3pm  
July 15 Board  
July 22 CINCH at Rancho Guajome  
August 18 Ice Cream Social  
November Barrio Museum meeting  
December Holiday Sing Along and Decorating

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

Volunteers welcome in any of these areas:

- \* Friday Docent
- \* Third grade tours
- \* School presentations with audiovisual display and trunk show
- \* Private tours with Victorian teas
- \* Carlsbad history research
- \* Photo collection management

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## BOARD MEETINGS

All members are welcome to attend our bimonthly Board of Directors meetings. Meetings are held in the Magee House meeting room at 4 p.m. on the third Monday of every other month. Meetings are held in the following months; January, March, May, July, September, and November

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