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CARLSBAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

January 1998 Newsletter

Victorian Christmas

Those of you fortunate enough to attend the Christmas Tea organized by **Margie Monroy** and **Lenore Bouras** on Dec. 7th, saw what a wonderful decorating job our members accomplished at Magee House.

Stockings for the tree sewn by **Ann L'Heureux** were complimented by the decorations made by St. Patrick's 4th grade class. **Dorothy Krepps** and **Etta Hetherington** once again constructed garlands and streamers for the doorways that received rave reviews.

Marge Howard-Jones lent us her artistic touch to spruce up the Twin Inns Chicken with a little holiday spirit. **Arlene Gardener** and **Dee Morning** accomplished wonders with some greenery and ribbons in the bedroom and **Carol Landis** was lending a hand to **Susan Gutierrez** in the Kitchen with paper snowflakes and tulle.

Hap L'Heureux and **Danny Gutierrez** were invaluable for their muscle and artistic eye.

Thanks to all who contributed their time and energy to making a Victorian Christmas at Magee House.

Calendar of Events

January 20

Historic Preservation Dedication, Hosp Grove Park, 11am, **Marge Howard-Jones** speaking.

January 31

Lifelong Learning Tour Presentation-Heritage Hall 10am, contact **Jules Djiebenow** at 1-800-854-4080 for more information.

February 15

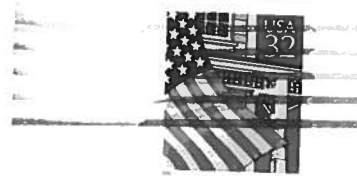
Rancho Guajome Tour, 2pm, \$2 per person and reservations are a must. Contact **Margie Monroy** at 726-7242 by February 6th.

February 26

Thursday Night Lecture, 7pm Magee House, **Geoff Armour** speaking on the History of Carlsbad City Library.

March 5

Historic Reading Group, 7 pm at Marge Monroy's home, 3610 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad. (See article on next page for more information about the group.)



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Carlsbad Historical Society Calendar

1998

January

No Special Activities Planned

February

Sunday the 15th: 2 pm Rancho Guajome Tour \$2.Fee Reservations required. Call Margie Monroy 729-7242.

Thursday the 26th: 7 pm Magee House Geoff Armour speaking on "The History of the Library of Carlsbad".

March

16th through the 20th: Third Graders Historical walking tours, mornings only. Volunteers needed to facilitate student's appreciation of Carlsbad History. Call Marge Howard-Jones 729-2054.

April

Wednesday April 1st: 9 am Spring Decorating of Magee House. Volunteers welcome.

Sunday the 26th: 2 - 4 pm at the Magee House Membership Tea. This is the time to invite a friend to join the Historical Society!

May

Tuesday the 5th: Historical Society Sponsored Rail & Sea Cruise, 3 nights in New Orleans & 7 day cruise to Yucatan, \$1895. For details, call LifeLong Learning at 1-800-854-4080.

Sunday the 17th: 11:30 am. Rancho Buena Vista Adobe tour. \$3. Fee. Reservations required. Call Margie Monroy 729-7242.

Friday the 29th: 6 pm Sundowner on Magee House Porch. Bring an appetizer & join friends to kick off summer.

June

Tuesday the 2nd: 7 pm Essay Scholarship Awarded Cultural Art Center.

Sunday the 7th: 2 pm Lecture & Ice Cream Social in the park. Lecture topic to be announced.

Monday the 29th: 9 am Summer decorating of Magee House. Volunteers welcome.

July

Every Friday Night: 6 pm-9 pm "Jazz In The Park". Volunteers Needed!! Contact Connie Trejo at Lola's Market 434-2191.

August

Tuesday the 4th: Historical Society Sponsored 14- day Alaskan Cruise departs. Air to Vancouver, over Mt. McKinley & Kotzebue. \$2,681. For details, call LifeLong Learning at 1-800-854-4080.

Sunday the 16th: 2 pm Lecture & Ice Cream Social in the park--topic to be announced.

Every Friday Night: 6 pm-9 pm "Jazz In The Park". If you can help, Call Connie Trejo at Lola's Market 434-2191.

September

Friday the 25th: 6 pm Sundowner on the Magee house porch. Bring an appetizer & end the summer with friends.

October

Saturday the 10th: 10:30 am Annual Membership Brunch (no dinner this year). Election Results.

November

Wednesday the 4th: 9 am Fall Decorating of Magee House.

Sunday the 8th: 2 pm Lecture at the Magee House. Topic to be announced.

December

Saturday the 5th: 9 am Decorating for Victorian Christmas.

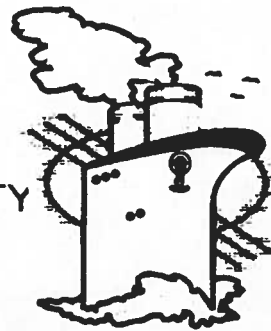
To be announced: Membership Tea.

Of Interest

Third Saturday of each month: The Congress of History meets at various San Diego County Historical Society locations. Refer to Adelante Newsletter or call Helen Halmy, editor at 618-469-7283.

TWO GREAT TRIPS

SPONSORED BY CARLSBAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY



1

Back by Popular Demand
The RAIL -- CRUISE

To New Orleans by rail and
on to the Yucatan Penninsula
aboard ship. This is a fun
trip, Check with those that
have gone.

PACK your BAGS FOR ----
May 5, 1998

2

A SPECIAL NEW
TRIP

A beautifull cruise
to ALASKA. every-
one will want to
go. It's is a won-
derful trip..

Pack your bags for
Aug. 4, 1998

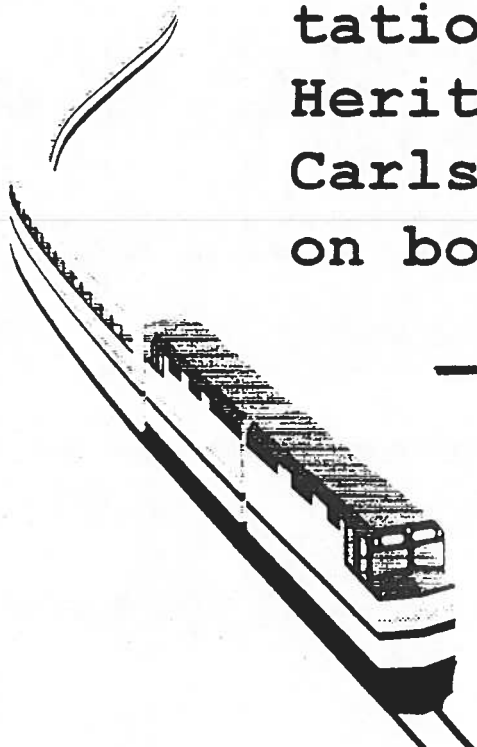
A briefing and slide presen-
tation will be held at
Heritage House in Magee Park,
Carlsbad, 10AM Jan. 31, 1998
on both of these trips.

BRING YOUR FREINDS

Brochures and

*** REFRESHMENTS ***

SHOULD YOU REQUIRE MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT OUR MEMBER - -
JULES DIEBENOW at Lifelong Learning
toll free 1-800-854-4080



Phone Chain

Don't be surprised when you are contacted during this year by a phone call from the Society. In order to curb expenses, we have some volunteers who are willing to give us a friendly reminder by phone of upcoming events. This will greatly reduce the amount we spend on postage to send out all those little postcard reminders.



High School Essay Contest

Once again it is that time to prepare for the High School essay contest. Start thinking about the possibility of reading some essays in May. We need three readers to make the judging fair.

Society E-mail URLs

Any member who has E-mail and would be willing to share their URL with the Historical Society membership can send it to **Sue Gutierrez** at ggutier@earthlink.net. We will include it in our next directory and in the meantime we can print them in the newsletter. This will be a great time and energy saver.

Historic Reading Group

An historic reading group is being formed. The first meeting is on Thursday March 5 at 7 pm at **Margie Monroy's** house. Refreshments will be served by the hostess.

The first book we will be reading is a novel *Panama* by Eric Zencey and can be found in paperback. It is an historical mystery novel featuring Henry Adams as the sleuth.

Each month the meeting place will rotate to the home of another member and the member hosting the group will select the book for the next reading.

Anyone interested in joining the group should contact **Margie Monroy** at 729-7242 for information.



Third Grade Walking Tours

Anyone interested in helping out with the Third grade walking tours this year, please contact **Marge Howard-Jones**.

Carlsbad third graders tour all the historic sites downtown in March. Learning more about their local history helps to inspire them with information and ideas for their Historic Preservation Posters.

Marge usually helps out the volunteers with a small fact sheet so we can answer questions.

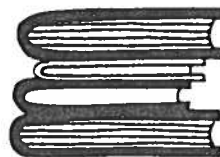
New Members

A big welcome to new Members!

Jean Ball, 1857 Palisades Drive
Carlsbad, CA 92008

Elaine Lyttleton, 6853 Maple Leaf Drive,
Carlsbad, CA 92009

Vera Theiss, 2974 Ridgfield Ave,
Carlsbad, CA 92008.



Book For Sale

The Historical Society has a new history book available for sale. Written for third graders, Carlsbad history is detailed as a fictional cat goes to visit the Magee house.

Currently the book can be purchased at Magee House on the weekends and will be available on Thursday January 29, 1998 at the Carlsbad City Library between 3 and 5pm when **Ann L'Heureux** and **Susan Gutierrez** will be there for a book signing.

Painting Magee House

We got the okay from the city to spruce up the interior of Magee House with a little paint. We already have several volunteers ready to start, what we need now is paint, brushes, rollers and ladders and help. If you have anything you are willing to donate give **Ann L'Huereux** or **Susan Gutierrez** a call.



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Membership Tea

Our annual membership tea is scheduled for Sunday, April 26th from 2 - 4 pm. This year we will be supplying all members with one invitation to be sent to a friend or neighbor that you think may be interested in joining and participating in the Carlsbad Historical Society. Please, be thinking of whom you could invite.

Our phone committee will be calling you in early April to ask for the address of your invitee or you could call **Lenore Bouras** at any time and give her your suggestion for a new member.

We really would like to increase membership this year and the board feels strongly that the only way to accomplish this task is to ask the members to help with the invitations.

Essay Contest

Dot Muth and **Dee Morning** have volunteered this spring to read the entries for our Annual High School Essay contest. We are looking for one more volunteer to help out. If you are interested, please contact **Susan Gutierrez** at 760-434-5308.

Calendar Of Events

February 21

Book Signing for *Beckett's Walk Through Carlsbad History* at Carlsbad Library Book Sale 10 am - 12 noon.

February 26

Thursday Night Lecture, 7 pm Magee House, **Geoff Armour** speaking on the History of The Carlsbad City Library.

March 5

Historic Reading Group meets at 7 pm at **Margie Monroy's Home**, 3610 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad. Book to be discussed is *Panama* by Eric Zencey.

March 11

Board Meeting at 3 pm in the Magee House.

March 16

Third Grade Walking Tours begin with **Marge Howard-Jones** helping volunteers with leadership and a fact sheet. (See article on the next page for more information).



Escondido's Historic Walking Tours

Homes that date back at least 100 years are featured during Escondido's Historic Walking Tours, held once a month in "Old Escondido".

Since 1992 the Escondido Historical Society and the Escondido Citizens Ecology Committee have co-sponsored the free, hour-long walks as a public service, according to **Jack Pomeroy**, walk coordinator.

The walks begin at the southeast corner of Broadway and Grand Avenues in downtown Escondido, days and times vary. Pre-registration is not necessary. One docent is assigned to each walk. Most of the buildings on the walks are privately owned homes, so only the outsides of the homes are on view.

The city of Escondido was founded in the late 1880s and there are five buildings on the *Downtown Walk* that date back to 1890 or earlier.

On the *Old Escondido East* walk there is a 1913 house designed in the 'Prairie-School' type of architecture located at 455 E. Fifth Avenue that was built by John Lloyd Wright, son of the famous architect, Frank Lloyd Wright. A total of 550 people have taken these walks during the six years they have been offered.

The walk schedule is as follows:

Saturday February 28 at 10 am
Old Escondido East
Saturday March 28 at 10 am
Downtown Escondido
Tuesday April 28 6 pm
Old Escondido West
Tuesday May 26 at 6 pm
Old Escondido East.

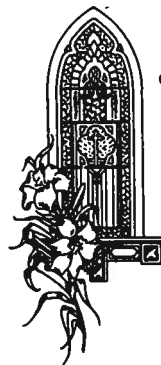
There will be additional walks through the end of 1998. For more information, call **Jack Pomeroy** at 760-739-8703.

Tour Postponed

The Rancho Guajome Tour was canceled because of the weather, but will be rescheduled at a later date. Sad for some, but maybe an opportunity for those who had a conflict with the February date. Hope you can join when we reschedule.

Carrillo Ranch Wins Award

The Carrillo Ranch Park Master Plan has received the 1998 award from the California Preservation Foundation for excellence in cultural resource studies. There will be a luncheon at the Los Angeles Library to which the public is invited. For more information contact **Alan Kindle**.



In Remembrance

B.J. Cochrane
A long time member

HISTORY CONVENTION

Friday, March 6 &
Saturday, March 7, 1998
8:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 8, 1998
Tour of Two Hospitals

Crystal Room
Handlery Hotel

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The Congress of History of San Diego
County Invites You to Attend Its
33rd Annual Convention --



\$15 per person
(Plus Lunch,
\$10 per person per day)

"From Leeches to Lasers: The History of Health Care in Southern California"

Our speakers represent the disciplines of medicine and history throughout the region. They will share their knowledge of the history of medical care in Southern California and Baja, Mexico. Most speakers will show slides with their presentations.

Book Sales will be offered by historical book sellers on-site both days. Books relating to healthcare also will be offered.

Displays & Sales will be offered by local historical societies and additional groups representing the history of health care in Southern California and Baja, Mexico.

The Congress of History of San Diego County was formed in 1964. It is comprised of more than 80 historical societies, museums, libraries, historically oriented groups and individuals from throughout San Diego and Imperial County interested in, or dedicated to, the study and preservation of history. The general purpose of the Congress is to unify and coordinate the educational efforts of its member organizations, and others, to effect a greater public awareness of the region's history. Offering networking opportunities is one of the major goals of the Congress. We welcome new members, at \$12 per person, or organization, per year.

This history convention is not restricted to members; the public is cordially invited.
For More Membership or Registration Information, Call: Elizabeth Montgomery (619) 444-3391

Third Grade Walking Tours

Anyone interested in helping out with the Third Grade walking tours this year, please, contact **Marge Howard-Jones**. Carlsbad third graders tour all the historic sites downtown in March.

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Learning more about their local history helps to inspire the children with information and ideas for their Historic Preservation Posters.

Marge has in the past provided a fact sheet to help volunteers answer questions.



More Book News

Our September speaker was **Nancy Johnson**, a children's historical novelist. Nancy gave a very informative talk on how she gets her ideas and how she does her research.

Her latest book, *My Brother's Keeper*, has recently been released and may be purchased at B. Dalton or Barnes and Noble book stores. This story deals with two teen age brothers who join the northern army together during the Civil War. The story line and many of the fact came from Nancy's personal family history and memorabilia.

The society will be inviting Nancy and her husband to join us for our Membership Tea and she has already agreed to sign any copies of her books that members bring .

Congress of History

Each year the San Diego Congress of History sponsors a convention of all the local Historical Societies. This year the Congress will meet March 6th and 7th at the Handlery Hotel, 2270 Hotel Circle S, San Diego. The theme of this convention, *From Leeches to Lasers*, deals with medical advancements and technology in San Diego County.

One does not need to be a member of the congress in order to attend. Our Representative, **Amelia Irvine** will be attending both days.



Historic Preservation Walking Tour Flyer

The Historic Preservation Commission and the Carlsbad Historical Society will combine forces in formatting an *Historic Walking Tour Flyer* for Carlsbad. **Margie Monroy** and **Lenore Bouras** have agreed to represent the Carlsbad Historical Society, **Geoff Armour**, our past president, who heads the commission will lead the committee's efforts. Look for the flyer some time in late summer.

E-mail Addresses

For the first time ever we will be including e-mail addresses in our membership directory this year. Those of you interested in having your e-mail address included please send a message to **Susan Gutierrez** at gggutier@earthlink.net. The new directory will be sent out in early July and we need the addresses by mid June at the latest. Thanks.

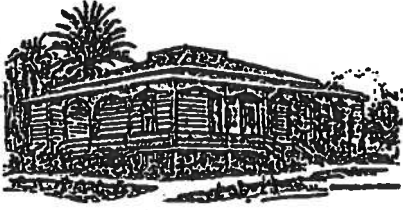


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Membership Tea

April 26 is the date for our annual membership tea drive. The tea will be held at the Magee House from 2 - 4 pm.

If you haven't already been contacted by the phone committee, you soon will be, so have a name and address of someone you think might be interested in joining. If you want you can drop a line to **Lenore Bouras**, our membership chair, her new address is 901-D Caminto Madrigal, Carlsbad Ca 92009.

We plan to have some new displays and our seasonal decoratrors will have worked their magic on the house, so please plan on attending. See you there.

Essay Contest

The dead line for our Annual High School Scholarship essay contest is April 19, 1998. We have our three judges lined up, **Dot Muth**, **Margie Monroy** and **Mari Andersson** have all agreed to donate some time. We are fortunate, to have these three judges because all of them are excellent writers themselves, and very professional in their critiques.

Calendar of Events

April 2

Book Club Meeting at **Susan Gutierrez's** 7 pm, reading *How The Irish Saved Civilization* by Thomas Cahill

April 5

Rancho Guajome Tour, a rescheduled event. Please contact **Margie Monroy** 729 -7242 if you are planning to attend.

April 26

Membership Tea at Magee House from 2 - 4 pm. (See article first column)

Magee House

Our docent is going on vacation in April. We will still be open during April except for Easter Sunday.

Membership Billing

This year we will be collecting our annual membership dues a little differently. We will send you a separate reminder, not part of the newsletter. This reminder will be your only notification.

The dues are due by the June 30, 1998 and the fees will remain the same. We are trying this format in an effort to reduce confusion.

The reminders will be mailed at the end of May. New directories will be mailed to members in July.



Photos

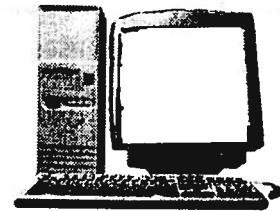
Ann L'Heureux and Susan Gutierrez are working on the second Beckett book on Carlsbad History. They are looking for photos of Carlsbad between the years of 1928 to 1950. They can be of anything, schools, buildings, children, cars, whatever, particularly anything to do with the war years.

Please contact either one. Ann at 760-729-7003 or Susan at 760-434-5308. The photos will be copied and then returned to you.



E-mail Addresses

The group working on the *Membership Directory* is anxious to include the E-mail addresses of any member who agrees to have it included. Please notify **Susan Gutierrez** at gsgutier@earthlink.net if you would allow yours to be added. It is a quick and easy way for members to contact you. Much more accurate than leaving a phone message and saves time for both the sender and receiver. Please consider letting other members know how to reach you by this method.



The following addresses of Carlsbad Historical Society members are included for your convenience with their approval:

Geoff Armour:

garmo@ci.carlsbad.ca.us

Mary Holden:

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Alan Kindle:

CXWP29A@prodigy.com

Margie Monroy:

beachcmbr@worldnet.att.net

Dee Morning:

dmorning@gowebway.com

Address Changes

Carolyn Ayars
1551 Basswood, Carlsbad 92008

Jean Ball
1841 Palisades Drive, Carlsbad 92008

Lenore Bouras
901-D Caminto Madrigal, Carlsbad
92009



Book Club Meeting

The next Book Club Meeting will be held April 2nd at 7 pm in the home of **Susan Gutierrez** 1864 Palisades Drive, Carlsbad. They will discuss the book *How the Irish Saved Civilization* by Thomas Cahill. It is in paperback and can be purchased at most book stores. Do feel free to join this interesting group of the Carlsbad Historical Society.



Books For Sale

Anyone interested in purchasing a copy of *Beckett Walks Through Carlsbad History* can do so at Magee house or by sending a check for \$7. plus a dollar for postage to **Susan Gutierrez** at 1864 Palisades Drive Carlsbad CA 92008. A book will be sent to you within the week.

Congress of History

Our representative to the recent Congress of History Convention, **Amelia Irvine**, reported to the board on the interesting topics covered by the convention. This years' theme was medicine in Southern California. Besides attending the lectures, Amelia also had time to man a booth where she sold many Historical Society fund raisers. As we all know whenever Amelia sets her mind to something we always benefit and this time was no exception. Amelia came back to the Society with over \$90 in sale money.



Field Trip

The trip to Rancho Guajome in Ocean-side had to be postponed in February because of rain. It is rescheduled for April 2 at 2 pm. The cost is \$2 per person and reservations are needed. Call **Margie Monroy** at 729-7242 if you can go.

Rancho Guajome was granted by Governor Pio Pico to Andres & Jose Manuel Luiseno in 1845. The brothers sold the 2,219 acre rancho to Abel Stearns for \$550. In 1936 it was listed as a California Satate Landmark and in 1970 a National Historic Landmark. Since 1973, when the ranch house and 566 acres of the original grant was acquired by San Diego County, the Dept. of Parks & Recreation has restored the chapel and kitchen wing of the ranch house.



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Upcoming Membership Tea

The Board is looking forward to seeing everyone at the Membership tea on April 26th, 2 - 4 pm at the Magee House. Please feel free to bring guests that might be interested in joining.

Magee House has been decorated by our Seasonal decorators and we have a few new exhibits on display. One of which we are sure will be a favorite, the restored Twin Inns Chicken, thanks to **Marge Howard-Jones** and **Ann L'Heureux**. Hopefully we will be able to keep the chicken in better shape than previous custodians. The hole has been patched, new feet attached and a much needed touch up paint job applied. Overall, the chicken is looking very dapper.

Membership Dues

It is again the time of year for renewal to the Society. This year we will be sending a renewal application envelope, just write your check and mail it back to us by June 30th. All renewals received by this date will be included in the 1998-99 directory.

Calendar of Events

April 26

Membership Tea at the Magee House
2 - 4 pm (See article first column)

May 7

Reading group at the home of Barbara Otwell, 7 pm. Call 729-2107 for directions

May 17

Rancho Buena Vista Tour, 11:30 am. Call Margie Monroy for reservations

May 29

Sundowner at the Magee House, 6 pm.

Rancho Guajome Tour

Once again our trip to Rancho Guajome was canceled due to the weather. We will try to reschedule in a few months or possibly in the fall. El Nino certainly has rearranged all of our schedules this past winter

Victorian Gardens

Be sure and visit the gardens in front of Magee House. They are in full bloom and look lovely. The Arboretum Foundation has done a lovely job planting and making informational display markers.

We are fortunate that they took on such a labor intensive job that has truly benefited the society. Now visitors receive a more well rounded understanding of Carlsbad History, particularly since agriculture played such a big part in the development of the town.

San Pasqual History Days

California State Parks, in cooperation with the San Pasqual Battlefield Volunteer Association, will present *San Pasqual History Days* from 11 am to 4 pm on the first Sunday of each month at San Pasqual State Historic Park. The event will feature cannon firing drills, craft and skill demonstrations of the 1800's, history lectures, entertainment, volunteers in period attire, and authentic food sales. **San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park** is located on Highway 78, one mile east of the Wild Animal Park. Go out to the park for a day of history! Call (760) 489-0076 for more information

E-mail Address to Note

John Casler at jcasler@ucsd.edu



In Remembrance

**Caroline Ayars
She will be missed!**

Rancho Buena Vista Tour

The Historical Society has plans, weather permitting, to tour Rancho Buena Vista, in Vista. Our Tour will begin at 11:30 am lasting about 1 hour. The cost is \$3 per person. Those interested in joining the group should notify **Margie Monroy** at (760) 729-7242



Carrillo Historical Art Contest

By Alan Kindle

The Friends of Carrillo Ranch, Inc. is currently sponsoring a comprehensive effort to tie Art, California History & Carrillo Ranch together for fourth grade students in the Carlsbad Unified School District. Participating schools receive multiple hours of classroom instruction from qualified artist-educators chosen by the District. A mini-field trip to Old Town on the Coaster follows an on-campus orientation workshop including a hands-on artifacts display. Interested students are encouraged to create images relevant to Leo Carrillo and/or Carrillo Ranch. Media materials are provided upon request. Judges select a winner and runnerup for each school. These artworks will appear this fall on the internet in a special Student Art Gallery underwritten by the Target store in Oceanside.

The Friends is indebted to the Historical Society for its assistance with the artwork judging and for its long-term support of the Carrillo Ranch Community Park. In fact, the Society pioneered the concept that Carrillo Ranch was an opportunity for a unique educational, passive recreational and tourist destination resource for Carlsbad and all of Southern California.

Who Were the Cowboys?

From the book, *Don't Know Much About History*

Without a native mythology, America had to manufacture its heroes. A nation turning one hundred years old had no Odyssey, no Saint George slaying the dragon, no Prometheus. The emerging American genius for making a lot of money was a poor substitute for King Arthur and his knights (although the Horatio Alger myth of rags to riches was good for a lot of mileage). So the mythmaking machinery of nineteenth-century American media created a suitable heroic archetype in the cowboys of the Wild West. The image was of the undaunted cattle drivers living a life of reckless individualism, braving the elements, staving off brutal Indian attacks. Or of heroic lawmen dueling with sixguns in the streets at high noon. This artificial Wild West became America's *Iliad*.

It was an image so powerful, appearing first in the newspapers and reinforced in dime novels and later through countless Hollywood movies, television series, and cigarette commercials, that it entered the American political mentality. This code of the cowboy shaped policy and Presidents, perhaps most notable Teddy Roosevelt, Lyndon Johnson, and Ronald Reagan.

The heyday of the cowboy lasted approximately twenty years, from 1867 to 1887. The life wasn't as glamorous or as romantically dangerous as it has been portrayed. The modern politicians' comparison of drug-ravaged urban streets to the Wild West does a disservice to the West. The famed cow and mining towns of Tombstone, Abilene, Dodge City, and Deadwood had fewer shootouts and killings in the combined history than modern Washington, D.C., has in a few months.

The soul of the cowboy myth was the cattle drive, and it began with the famous trails

out of Texas, where Spanish cattle introduced by the conquistadores later mixed with the English cattle of American settlers to produce a genetic marvel, the Texas longhorn steer. Moving north from Texas along trails like the Chisholm, charted out in 1867 by a half-Cherokee named Jesse Chisholm, the drives ended at the newly opened railheads in Kansas City and Sedalia in Missouri, Cheyenne in Wyoming, and Dodge City and Abilene in Kansas. The rowdiest of the Wild West towns, Abilene was founded by an Illinois cattleman as a railhead to meet the cattle drovers from Texas. It soon sported a boisterous barroom and brothel business that grew to meet the demand of the drovers who had just traveled from Texas over rugged terrain for several months accompanied only by cattle who fattened themselves on the open range. The situation demanded "peacekeepers," men whose histories were often more violent than those of the people they were supposed to police. The most famous was James Butler "Wild Bill" Hickok, who shot only two people while presiding over Abilene; one of them was another policeman. But Hickok, and other western legends like Jesse James, were being brought back to easterners in newspaper reports and dime novels that made the West seem romantic and adventurous.

By the 1890s the Wild West had already begun to fade. Cattlemen learned that the hearty steer could survive on the northern plains, killing off the need for the long drives. The advent of barbed wire in 1874 meant they could enclose huge areas of land (which they often didn't own, or claimed under very questionable authority). The freebooting days of the postwar period were gradually replaced by cattle-raising as big business and the era of the cowboys and Wild West outlaws ended, their place taken by a much more sinister and ornery character, the American businessman.

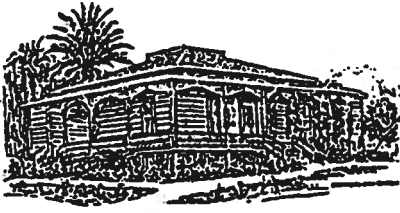


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Jazz Concerts Fund Raising

The Society will once again sell hot-dogs and drinks at Carlsbad's Friday night Jazz concerts. We are lucky enough to have **Connie Trejo** willing to coordinate and staff the booth. Please remember that this is one of the Society's major fund raisers. So any volunteer help that you can offer is needed and appreciated. In order to continue to offer programs and social events throughout the year at no additional cost to the members, we need to make money. So if you can volunteer just two hours during the summer, please call Connie at 434-2191. She needs people to help load her van in the afternoon before the concerts, unload after the concerts, help set up at the park, help cook hot-dogs, and help sell them. The concerts are held throughout the city, so at least one of them will be convenient for you to attend.

Membership Renewals

Soon you will receive an envelope to fill out with your name, address, phone and areas of interest. Please enclose your check and mail back before June 30, 1998. Our new membership directory goes to the printers the first week of July, and to be included, get those envelopes back in time! Remember: this is the only notice you will receive for renewal.

Calendar of Events

June 4

Book Club at **Dee Mornings**, Thursday at 10 am. (See article on page 2)

June 7

Ice Cream Social and Lecture with **Evelyn Kooperman**, Sunday at 2 pm at Magee House. Just bring an appetite and lawn chair. (See article on page 3)

June 10

Historical Society Board meeting, Magee House, at 3 pm, Wednesday. Members welcome.

June 26

First Carlsbad Jazz Concert Friday at 6 pm. Call the Carlsbad Arts Office for location, 6 -8 pm. (See article opposite column).

Beckett Book Sales

We are almost out of our first printing of *Beckett Walks Through Carlsbad's History*. Encinitas Union School District just purchased 78 copies for their schools that are within the city of Carlsbad. If you want a copy call us or stop by Lola's Market or the Blue Cactus Book Store.

Book Group

The book group is going along just great with 5 members. However we can squeeze in a few more if anyone is interested. We have changed the time to 10 AM in the morning and will meet at **Dee Morning's** house on June 4, 1998. Our book for the next two months is *No Ordinary Time* by Doris Kearns Goodwin. This nonfiction book deals with the Roosevelt's during the war. We are reading the first 11 chapters for our next meeting. If you would like to attend please call Dee at 930-0220 for directions.



Successful Membership Tea

Our annual membership tea was a great success. Great weather, good food and lively guests all contributed to the outcome. We were fortunate in having the house looking its very best through the terrific work of the seasonal decorating committee. Everyone commented on how lovely the place looked. Colorful gardens with outstanding blooms certainly set the mood for our house. Additionally, the Twin Inns Chicken had its own set of admirers. Everyone seemed to have a good time visiting with old friends and meeting new ones.

High School Essay Contest

If you have wondered about our High School Essay contest, wonder no more. The Guidance Office forgot to include our Essay requirements in the awards bulletin they publish for graduating Seniors. So we have no essays to judge or award. The board is thinking up ideas for next year to be sure this doesn't happen again. If anyone has an idea let us know.

Thank You, Thank You. **Thank You, Thank You**

We want to give a big THANKS to **Rick Doty** of AA Trophies on Roosevelt Street in downtown Carlsbad. He generously made and donated a small bronze plate for our portrait of Samuel Church Smith. **Joan Kindle** contacted him and ordered the nameplate but when she went to pick it up, he said, "If it is for the Historical Society, no charge".

We also want to thank *George Mason* for the fine job he did as the Society's Archivist. We hope he will continue to be involved with the society in the future.

Job Opportunity

Marie Flannagan, our Magee House docent, is leaving and we are in need of someone to take the job. The hours are 1 - 5 pm Saturday and Sunday. It is a paid position. Members, please ask around and if you find anyone interested have them phone: **Susan Gutierrez** at (760) 434-5308.

We do want to keep the House open!!



New Archivist Accepts Position

Arlene Gardiner has agreed to take on the position of Archivist for the Society. She has many years of experience as an Escondido High School Consulor and years of volunteer experience. We are certainly fortunate to have her accept this vital job for us.

Ice Cream Social & Lecture

Sunday June 7, at 2 PM is our scheduled ice cream social and lecture. We are fortunate to have **Evelyn Kooperman** as our guest lecturer. She is a librarian from San Diego who has written *San Diego Trivia*. Mrs. Kooperman will speak on Carlsbad and North County Trivia and will also have copies of her book for sale. Please join us for an enjoyable event We plan to meet in the park unless it is already booked, in which case we will be on the porch of Magee House.

New Members

Connie Chartier, 3139 Camina del Arco,
Carlsbad CA 92009.

Jeanette K. Thornton, 6809 Shearwater Drive,
Carlsbad CA 92009.

Catheryn Craft, 3057 Highland Drive,
Carlsbad CA 92008,



Poems by Leo Carrillo

Friends of Carrillo Ranch just published a collection of poems by Leo Carrillo entitled *Western Breezes*. To receive your own copy, and they are limited, all you have to do is join the Friends of Carrillo Ranch. Annual dues are \$5. What a deal! You also receive four issues of the *Carrillo Ranch Quarterly*. Contact them at 2622 El Aguila Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92009. This is a great group and their promotion of local history has been terrific.

Area Historical Opportunities

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum
2040 N. Santa Fe Avenue, Vista
Museum open daily 10 -4pm

Semi-Annual Threshing Bee, Antique Engine
and Tractor Show
June 20 &21, 27 &28; 9 am - 4:30 pm
\$5 admission, children under 12 free
Food available. No dogs on show grounds
(760) 941-1791

"Plows to Plate" Exhibit
San Dieguito Heritage Museum
561 S. Vulcan, Encinitas
Open 12noon - 4 pm, Wednesday - Sunday
(760) 632- 9711

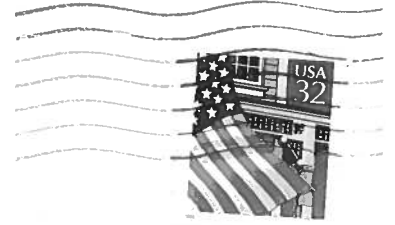
Escondido Walking Tours
Free hour long historical tours begin at the SE
corner of Broadway and Grand Ave.
Contact Jack Fomeroy at (760) 739-8703
Schedule of Tours:
May 26 - 6 pm
June 23 - 6 pm - at Grapeday Park
July 28 - 6 pm
August 25 - 6 pm

Vista Ranchos Historical Museum
652 E. Vista Way, Vista
Open 10am - 3pm, Wednesday - Saturday
(760) 630-0444

San Marcos Historical Society
270 W. San Marcos Blvd., San Marcos
Open 1- 4 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thurs-
day, Saturday and Sunday
(760) 744-9025

Correction to Note

In the April newsletter the e-mail address of
John Casler was incorrectly reported. It is:
casler@cassir.ucsd.edu



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Ice Cream Social

More than 15 people showed up for our first ice cream social/ lecture Sunday June 7th. The Lecture given by **Evelyn Kooperman** was very interesting and full of fun and unusual trivia about San Diego County. For example, did you know that Camp Pendleton trained marines to land on some Pacific islands during W.W.II by surfboard? Additionally, the ice cream sundaes were enjoyed by all, we even had a few passer bys who stopped in for some ice cream and left nice donations. Hope you will be able to attend the next Ice Cream social later this summer.

Jazz in the Parks volunteers needed



TGIF Jazz in the parks concerts run every Friday night 6-8 PM beginning June 26 through August 28. These concerts sponsored by the Carlsbad Arts Office offer the Carlsbad Historical Society a perfect opportunity to raise funds for our programs. Under the direction of Connie Trejo, we sell hot-dogs, drinks, ice cream and candy. This fund raiser provides the lions share of money used through out the year for programs, displays, newsletters, etc. Without this outside source of income our activities would be greatly curtailed and either our dues would have to increase or we would have to start charging for events, such as ice cream socials and our lectures. The Society will not work two Concerts, July 3rd and August 28. The greatest need is during intermission when we have lots of people approaching the booth. So if you don't want to work 2 hours, could you spare at least 15 minutes if you already plan to attend a concert. Not only is it an immediate help to the society, but people who know you will then become interested in joining the society once they see a friend already involved. So your participation has a two fold benefit. Concerts are as follows **Stagecoach Park June 26- July 17. Magee Park July 24 & 1. Calaveras Park August 7- August 28.** As it stands now help is desperately needed for all the Stagecoach and Calaveras dates. If you can volunteer please contact **Connie at 434-2191**

Calendar Of Events

June 26



First TGIF Jazz Concert, Stagecoach Park 6-8 PM, help sell refreshments

June 29

Seasonal Decorators at Magee House, contact Barbara Jensen at 438-0129 if you'd like to help.

July 2

Book Club Meeting, No Ordinary Time at Lenore Bouras's house 10 AM

Book Group

We continue to read *No Ordinary Time* by Doris Kearns Goodwin, a

fantastic account of the Roosevelt years during the War. Everyone

participating in reading this book is thrilled with the choice. Next meeting is

July 2, 10 am at Lenore Bouras's house. We are reading chapter 12 to the

end of the book. Please give Lenore a call at 431-9445 if you'd like to attend,

as her address has changed since the last directory printing.

Magee House Changes

Beginning in July Magee house will have new visiting hours. Our current

much loved and appreciated docent Marie Flannagan is leaving us to pursue

other opportunities. We are very fortunate in having two wonderful people to

take over as docents. *Jean Hamill* and *Orpha Frobom*. Our new hours will

be **Thursdays and Fridays 1 to 5 PM** with Jean and starting the first

weekend in **August, Saturday 1 to 5 PM** with Orpha. They look forward to

seeing you a the house. So pass the news along to your friends and neighbors

to stop by and learn something about their local history.

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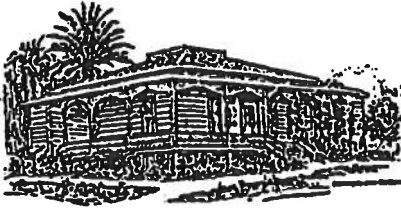
Thank you to all who have renewed for another year. We look forward to

seeing you at up coming events. For those who haven't sent in your renewal,

remember that the due date is **June 30th** to be included in our 1998-99

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Bimonthly Meetings

The Society's Board of Directors voted the following during the June Meeting. Beginning immediately we will now have bimonthly meetings rather than monthly. The next board meeting will be September 9 at 3:30pm. The sofa and chair that are in the Magee House living room will be reupholstered and that should be completed by the end of August. We will change our method of educational third grade school tours. We will now implement a program of hands on historical education rather than providing docents for a down town walking tour. Every Friday from February 19 to May 21, 9 to 10:30 am will see Magee House open to receive local third graders. We will have a variety of activities that teach the children a clearer view of Life in Carlsbad at the turn of the century. Such activities as washing clothes on a board, doing needle work and learning the Virginia Reel will be included. Volunteers will be needed but we do not expect anyone to volunteer for every Friday.

Del Mar Fair Award

The Del Mar Fair judges awarded first place to **Marge Howard-Jones** and **Ann L'Heureux** for their video, "What We Did For Fun". We of the Carlsbad Historical Society, congratulate them for their efforts and success.

Calendar of Events

August 6

Book Club at **Susan Gurierrez's** home, Thursday at 10am. (See article on page 3).

August 7, 14 & 21

Jazz Concerts at Calaveras Park. (See article on page 2).

August 16

Lecture by John Daley, Oceanside historian, on "Historic Highway 101".

August 28

Pot luck dinner at last jazz concert at Calaveras Park. (See article on page 2).

September 9

Ice Cream Social at Magee House in Magee Park at 3:30.

September 25

Sundowner on the Magee House Porch at 6pm. Bring an appetizer.

October 10

Annual Brunch at 10:30am, Saturday, site to be announced. (See article on page 3).



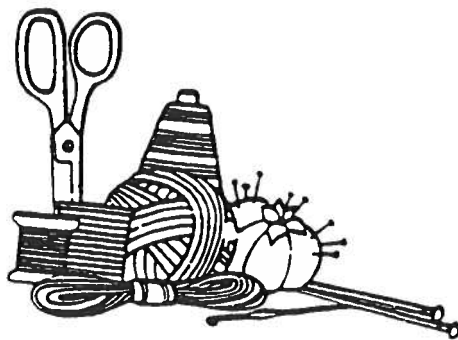
Election

It is that time again when we elect a new board of directors. Anyone interested in placing their name on the ballot, please contact **Ann L'Heureux** at 729-7003. Positions available are president, vice- president and treasurer. Terms run for 2 years and the ballots will be mailed in September. Results will be announced at the Annual Brunch held October 10th, and terms of office will begin January 1999.



Jazz Concerts

So far so good this summer with our stand at the jazz concerts. Many new faces have shown up to help and all are appreciated. We are really fortunate to have so many willing hands. Remember there is still time to volunteer, just give **Connie Trejo** a call at Lola's and ask what day she needs help. For those of you attending this summer's Jazz Concerts, why not leave your picnic baskets at home, and buy dinner at the Historical Society's Refreshment booth. We serve delicious turkey hot-dogs, drinks, snacks, ice cream and candy. Your purchases support our group. We will be at Magee Park July 24 & 31, at Calaveras August 7, 14 and 21. Remember that August 28th at Calaveras will be our Society Potluck to end the summer concert series with good friends, so plan to attend.



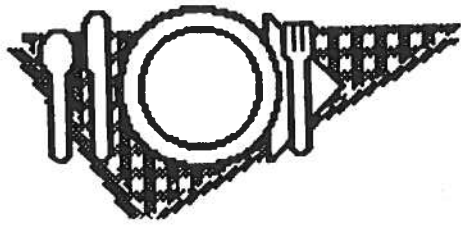
Needle Craft Show

Thanks to the efforts of **Ann L'Heureux** we will once again put on a November Show. This time the focus will be on needle crafts. The show will run on the following dates, Nov. 20, 21 & 22 from 11am until 2pm. Please give **Susan Gutierrez** a call at 434-5308 if you can volunteer some time to docent the show. All information pertaining to the crafts will be provided.



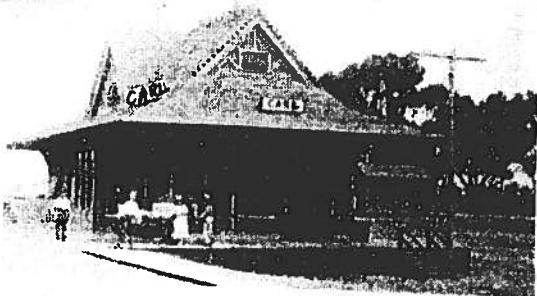
Magee House Happenings

If you haven't toured Magee House (on Beech Street in Carlsbad) ya just gotta go - and it's free! Our 100 year old treasure is blessed with showcase gardens, thanks to Marge Howard-Jones and the arboretum foundation. The house dominates lovely Magee Park. Stop By and enjoy. Our new hours are Thursday and Friday 1-5pm, and beginning August 1, Saturday 1-5 pm. We also have two new docents, **Jean Hamill** on week days, and **Orpha Frob- lom** on Saturdays. Tell your friends and neighbors, it is a must see.



Annual Brunch

This year we decided to change the annual dinner to a brunch in the hopes that more people will be able to attend. It will be on Saturday, October 10th at 10:30am. The plans are for a gay 90s music presentation, that includes a brief history of the music and what was happening at that time in history. At this time we don't have a site, but we are working on it. Please, be sure to mark your calendar and look in your mail for an invitation.



Historical Archives Available

The Carlsbad Library has a 2,500 non-circulating collection of historical photos that can be viewed by calling Assistant Library Director, **Geoff Armour** at 434-2889. Reprints are available at varying costs. Shown above is an example, the Carlsbad Railroad Depot, as it stood in 1907. Notice the name, Carl which the Sante Fe Railroad used to avoid confusion with the New Mexico city by the same name. Ten years later the name was changed back to Carlsbad.

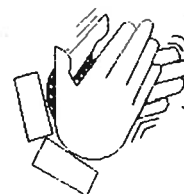


Book Club

Our new selection for the August meeting of the Historical Society Book Club, is *Longitude*, by Dava Sobel. We will meet this month at the house of **Susan Gutierrez**, August 6, 1998 at 10 am. Please call 434-5308 for directions, if you plan to attend.

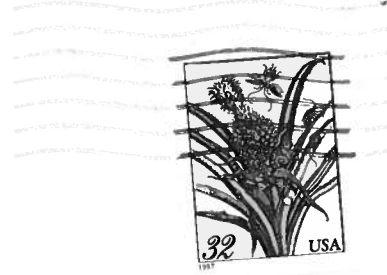
Directory

Because a number of members gave us a call, we held off publication of the directory to include everyone. The new directory will be in the mail shortly. Thanks for your patience.



Carlsbad Inn

The Carlsbad Historical Society would like to extend a most appreciative *Thank You* to the Carlsbad Inn. This local hotel and timeshare business has supported the Society regularly for a number of years at the business/ institutional rate of a \$35 membership. However, this year they renewed their membership as lifetime members, by donating \$250 to our treasury. Thank you, Carlsbad Inn, for your generosity.

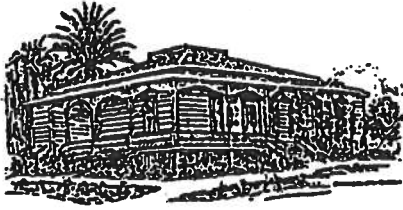


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Annual Brunch

To accommodate more members this year, we have switched from an Annual Dinner to a brunch. Invitations are on the way. But here is some advance information so that you can mark your calendars. This year the Brunch will take place at the **Raintree Restaurant** at 755 Raintree Drive off Poinsettia on October 10, 1998 at 10 am.

An omelet buffet will be offered for \$15. per person, and you may certainly make reservations for an added guest. Our program will feature *The Soft Touch Banjo Ensemble*. This group, of five musicians, plays a variety of popular, turn of the century music and offer a historical interpretation. Cassettes of their music will be on sale. Please return your invitations early, so that we can make the appropriate number of reservations. Thanks!

A feature of the Annual Brunch is the special recognition of outstanding contributing members. Please join your friends and fellow members in our appreciation of these special people.

Last and important, the new Board of Directors will be announced

Calendar of Events

October 10

Annual Brunch at Raintree Restaurant at 10 am, Saturday. (See Article this page, 1st column).

November 20, 21, & 22

Needlecraft show at Magee House 11 am to 2 pm. (See article page 3, column 2).

November 21

Tecate train trip—Campo to Tecate 10 am to 3 pm, Saturday. (See Article page 2, column 2).



Ice Cream Social

August saw many of us gathered on the porch at Magee House enjoying an ice cream sundae and listening to **John Daley** speak on the Historic Highway 101. It was one of our best attended lectures yet. More than 25 people showed up to enjoy the good food, beautiful day and good friends. We hope that the next time you will be able to attend too.

Donations

We have been very fortunate in the past few weeks with many donations to the society and to Magee House. First we need to thank **Betty Bankert** for her gifts of vintage 1920's clothing. Childrens' chairs, an apple juicer circa 1920 and a centrifuge also from the same time period. What is so amazing is that Betty lives in Encinitas and gave us a call and asked to donate to our museum. The clothing is absolutely beautiful and in great condition. A complete wedding outfit from the 20s was part of the donation, veil, dress, jacket, slip, silk stockings and kid shoes. Beautiful childrens' clothing and petite little shoes and booties (all hand sewn) were included. From an earlier time, Mrs. Bankert gave us a quilted long skirt, and jacket, along with bonnets. All these objects now displayed at Magee House were artistically arranged by two new members, **Maggie Lee** and **Carol Landis**. We need to extend a big Thanks to these members for jumping right into our activities and lending such a great helping hand.

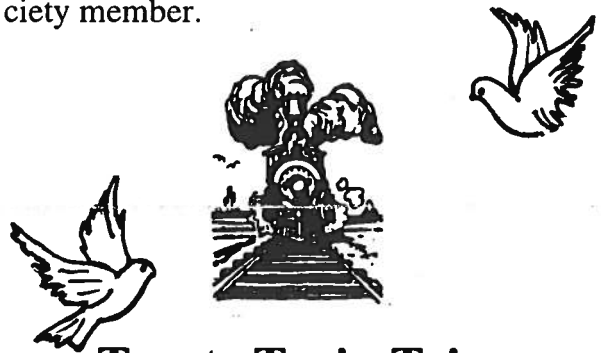
There is more great excitement! We have received a generous donation from **Mrs. Sue Walwick** of **Florence Shipley Magee** and **Julia Shipley**'s clothing and artifacts. **Geoff Armour**, our past president received the donation and brought it to Magee House.

Everything was packed into a large trunk on which were **Julia Shipley**'s initials. Included in the trunk, besides clothing and books, from the Shipley family, were a few photos. One of which pictured the Shipleys on board a Japanese ship with the Rising Sun Flag. Various other articles from the 1890s were included. One outfit

included is believed to be **Florence Shipley Magee**'s going away outfit from her marriage to **Hugh Magee** in 1912. All of the clothing is in excellent condition, as are all the other articles.

At this time, none of the **Shipley Magee** Articles are on display. We are concentrating on cataloging and preserving them first, then we will display them.

Once again we offer a huge "thank you" to **Sue Walwick** for her generous donation. Words really cannot express how important these articles are to our Society. And also a huge "thank you" to **Geoff Armour**, who continues to be a most dedicated society member.



Tecate Train Trip

Through the diligence of one of our members, **Stephanie Cannon**, we have discovered a great little trip for those of you interested. The San Diego Railroad Museum offers a trip Saturday, November 21, 1998 from Campo to Tecate on one of their antique trains. If you are interested, you need to call **Kay** at the San Diego Railroad Museum at (619) 595-3030 and make reservations. The train leaves Campo at 10am and returns at 3:30 pm. A tour of the Campo Museum, the train trip to Tecate, a no host lunch in Tecate and a Tecate Brewery Tour will be offered for the cost of \$30—if you mention that you are a member of the Carlsbad Historical Society.



Jazz Concerts

Well again we made it through the summer Jazz in the Park Concerts under the expert guidance of **Connie Trejo**. Every Friday night since the beginning of the Concert series, Connie has purchased, transported, set up, cooked, sold, cleaned up and transported back everything that the Society had at our stand. She did all this after working all day at her own store, dealing with the public. Connie faced the crowds at the park with her classic friendly smile and good humor.

Not only does this stand earn a great portion of the Society operating budget, but it also is a fantastic vehicle for public relations and new membership. Connie is one of our best ambassadors to the city at large. We cannot thank her enough for all the time she has put in each Friday night this summer and all the Friday nights from previous summers.

We also need to thank Connie's daughter **Stephanie**, and her friend **Mechi**, who have helped year after year.

All of those, who volunteered this year, were greatly appreciated. This was the best turn out of volunteers that we have ever had.

Upholstery

Some of you I'm sure have already seen the new upholstery on the love seat and chair in the Magee House living room. Those who haven't stopped by to visit won't know that the love seat was redone in a beautiful forest green and the chair in a blue and green stripe. The work was completed by Mike Wheeler, of Custom Upholstery on State Street. You might wonder how the reupholstery came about. Well, **Lynn Chase** who worked at one time for the City of Carlsbad, made a donation a few years ago for the express purpose of recovering the stained love seat and chair. So the Board voted money to add to Lynn's donation and to have the two pieces redone. We are very lucky to have such concerned and caring friends for the society. "Thank You," Lynn.



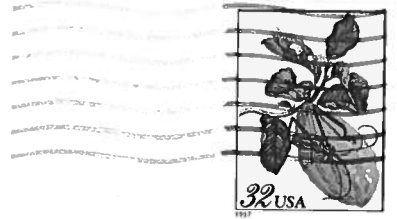
Needle Craft Show

Mark your calendars! November 20, 21 & 22 will see the Historical Society hosting a Needle Craft Show at Magee House. Students from **Candy Hartman's** class and others will present works both simple and complex, many with local themes.

Volunteers are needed to be docents for the show, scheduled from 11am to 2pm. Please contact **Ann L'Heureux** at 729-7003, if you can help for a few hours. During last years' Quilt Show we had over 300 visitors, so you can see the need for many docents, men and women.



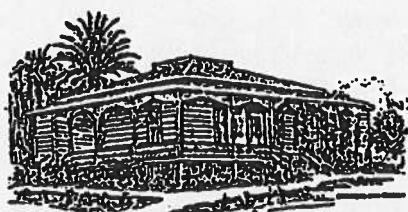
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Annual Brunch

Soft Touch Banjo Ensemble presented the Historical Society Members with quite a show on October 10th, during our Annual Meeting and Brunch. While the performance lasted about 45 minutes, we were amused, entertained and educated. For example, did you know that the Banjo originated in Africa? The Performers skill was truly enjoyable and towards the end of the show, members were singing along.

Along with the great music, members seemed to really enjoy the setting, The Raintree Grill and the menu, an omelet buffet. The board would like some feedback from members, did you prefer the Raintree rather than the Senior Center? Do you prefer a morning brunch rather than dinner? Let us know so we can plan for next year.

Along with great food and good entertainment, the annual meeting, is just that a meeting. The election of the Board is announced and is as follows:

Susan Gutierrez - President
Margie Monroy - 1st VP
Geoff Armour - 2nd VP
Keith Cannon - Treasurer

Recognition of Volunteer efforts is also announced. Those acknowledged this year are **Marge Howard Jones, Ann L'Heureux, Geoff Armour, Connie Trejo and Mary Holden**. The Board of Directors is very grateful for all volunteer help, and most especially for those listed above.

Clothing Displays

Carol Landis and Maggie Lee have been hard at work setting up wonderful displays of clothing at Magee House. Additionally they both took a course in San Diego on the proper techniques of preservation for all types of artifacts. They are now busy with purchasing the proper storage materials and storing those artifacts that are currently off display. We are very fortunate to have their expertise in this area.

Needle Craft Show

On November 20, 21 & 22 there will be a Needle Craft Show at Magee house, 11am & 2 pm. Students from Candy Hartman's class and others will present works. Volunteers are needed. Call **Ann L'Heureux** at 729-7003

Victorian Christmas

It is still in the planning stages, but it is hoped that the society members will have a gathering on Sunday, December 6th from 2 to 4 pm. Check for further details.

Florence Shipley Magee



Florence Shipley was the daughter of Alexander & Julia Shipley who had come to Carlsbad from New Zealand and purchased the Samuel Church Smith home in 1896.

Florence was reared in near-isolation from her town classmates. Friends were not allowed to visit her at home and for her high school years she attended the Academy of Our Lady of Peace in San Diego. She is remembered as a very pretty, high-spirited

girl whose only social life was centered around tennis, polo and amateur theatrics, organized by English immigrants from San Luis Rey valley.

She met Hugh Magee while horseback riding at Rancho Santa Margarita and in 1924 when Florence was 34 years old, they were married at the Mission San Luis Rey. Her parents were not pleased with the union because of Hugh Magee's Spanish Indian heritage and refused to attend the ceremony. Soon after their marriage, the Magees moved to Condor's Nest, a ranch high above Pauma Valley. They remained there until Hugh's death in 1941, when Florence moved back to the family home to take care of her mother. She retreated into seclusion and became a town legend.

She died in 1974 and willed her house and land to the City of Carlsbad for use as a recreational and historic park. The Carlsbad Historical Society owes much to this lady.

The above are facts taken from *Seekers of the Spring* by Marje Howard-Jones. As the donated collection is explored new facts maybe discovered and old ones revised.

The following letters, written by Florence to her mother in 1895, are reprinted from the Magee-Shipley collection that has been donated to the society and which we are in the process of exploring. I wish I could duplicate her handwriting as it is pretty and unusual.

Rockwood, Calistoga P.O. Cal.
Thursday Night

My darling Mother:

Last night we had the tree lit up and I think it looked very pretty.

After we had watched it for a little while, I distributed the presents, which were under the tree.

You can imagine my surprise and delight when I opened a package that Aunt Emma said was from you, and found the lovely spoon and such a perfect gem of a knife! Both of them things that I had been wishing for.

I thank you ever and ever so much for both the beautiful presents dear Mama; the

spoon is very heavy and such a pretty pattern too, and the knife is lovely and will be very useful things it seems too nice to use.

Many, many thanks for all your Christmas gifts. Mc Ginty sat in the tree and made us all laugh heartily at the absurd appearance of his eyes which seemed to look everywhere at once.

Now I must tell you about my presents.

Aunt Emma gave me a pair of knitted boots and a silver taper stand for my desk, but it has not come yet.

Aunt Lizzie gave me a book, "The Days of Bruce" by Grace Aquilas and a Dickins calendar for 1896.

Aunt Mary Shipley Derickson gave me two silver spoons, one a souvenir teaspoon of Cape May and the other a souvenir coffee spoon of the old Sewedirsh Church at Wilmington that she says she wanted to give me last year for Christmas but could not get it.

Miss Julia and Miss Laura sent me a pretty little inkstand and a cute little taper-holder to match.

Beth sent me a funny little calendar. It is a dog sitting on his haind legs holding a stick in his mouth, and from the stick hangs a little calendar.

If I forget what day of the month it is I don't think it will be for want of a calendar, do you?

Bertha and Leon gave me a box of letter-paper.

Aunt Emma and I found the candy you sent us very nice and we both thank you for it.

Leon and Bertha were both very much pleased with their gifts. Bertha says the stockings are just what she wanted and are just the right size too.

They will write and thank you in a few days.

I really must tell you about the gifts that Pussy Tiger received.

Tom, Miss Julia's cat, sent him a pretty little card—a picture of a cat standing under the mistletoe.

Aunt Emma also gave him a card and I gave him a card and a pink kribbon for his neck so I think he was pretty well remembered.

I gave Juno a huge piece of bread and a turkey bone and she appreciated it better than she would anything else.

I received your letter of the 23rd and the doylie yesterday afternoon.

Am glad you like Mr. Jacobs' preaching, how often does he hold services at the church in

Carlsbad?

It will be very nice to have the flowers from the cottage for the hotel parlor.

I am glad you have some nice people at the hotel.

Oh! dear its bedtime already and I must stop.

So with lots of love from Aunt Em and me and hoping you had a Merry Christmas.

Your loving child
Florence Shipley

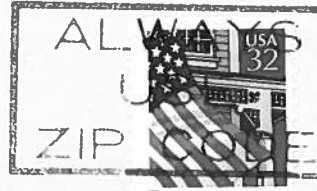
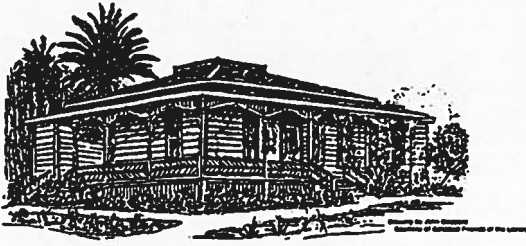
The Caballeros Gate



The Caballeros Gate, designed by Paul Hobson of San Diego, has gained a funding proposal from the Carlsbad Arts Office. Hobson is known for his distinguished, imaginative works. Well known is the colorful tiling in the underground tunnel between the Old Town train station and the Park.

The preliminary design of the gate was recently approved by City Council with Mayor Lewis quipping, "I can tell what it is so it must be okay."

Once the Council approves a contract for the gate's ironwork fabrication, it will be installed temporarily as part of the Sculpture Garden adjoining the Arts Office that is located immediately north of the Main Library. The Caballeros Gate will ultimately be moved to Carrillo Ranch for re-installation at a permanent location to be determined. (Facts taken from the Carrillo Ranch Quarterly, October, 1998)



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