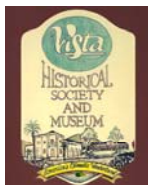


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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Since both President Diane and Vice President Paul Eckert are on Vacation, I will thank this space to thank them and all the other volunteers that have really made this place hum recently. Beginning with last years Dinner Downtown we have had several events and opportunities to make the Historical Society well known in the Community. The Christmas Tea, the most interesting March Meeting, as well as the Annual meeting, were very successful. Also, so far this year we were showcased at two events, The Cinco De Mayo celebration at the The Vista Christian Fellowship and the two weekends Show at the Gas and Steam Engine Museum. We are becoming very well known.

Be prepared to have a great time at the Steak Fry on July 21st

When we move to our new home later in the year we will need the skills of all our members, I hope that every one will be able to help.

Again thanks

Jack Larimer Museum Director

VISTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY 40TH ANNIVERSARY

The Vista Historical Society celebrates its fortieth Anniversary on Saturday, July 21, 2007, with an afternoon barbecue and program at Larkin's Pond.

The anniversary commemoration is open to the public at \$25.00 for a chicken dinner or \$30.00 for steak. Children under 12 are \$8.00. Cost includes a full barbecue meal of beans, coleslaw, roll, apple pie, and drink. Chef Paul Eckert, who was also the principle chef of the Annual Meeting, will prepare the food

The Society was formed in May 1967 by a group of longtime Vistans interested in preserving the history of the community. See additional information on the Society's history elsewhere in the newsletter. The museum will move in the next few months to Rancho Minerva, a historic home built in 1934 by pioneer resident Nick Huntalas.

Reservations and money are required by July 17. Further information, tickets, and directions to Larkin's Pond are available by coming to the Historical Society office at 651 East Vista Way, Vista, or phoning (760) 630-0444 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. See the Reservation form on page 11.

MEMORIALS

As of July 7, 2007

IN MEMORY OF FRANK AND OLGA HORAK

Frances Horak

IN MEMORY OF FRED ARREDONDO

Luz and Margarita Duran

IN MEMORY OF MAYME BARNES

Paul and Diane Eckert
Janice Klafehn

IN MEMORY OF MARGARET LOMELI

Luz and Margarita Duran
Dan and Sue Carr

IN MEMORY OF TED ARAIZA

Luz and Margarita Duran

DONATIONS

Lorraine Gerz
Darwin and Lois Lumley
Carsten Carlson
Ruth Holte
Ernest and Clara Follis
Richard Sepulveda
Art Clement Chavez
Ted And Irene Huntalas-Expansion Fund

DONATIONS-LIFE MEMBER

Ray and Harriet Ebersold
Lorraine Gerz
Victor and Jean Weatherbee
Helene Nickel
David Larkin
Ruth Yahn
Luz and Margarita Duran
Karl and Margaret Ramsing
Janice Klafehn-Expansion Fund
Ann Wanczuk
Stephen Bobbett
Juanita Reep
Alan and Jackie Shada
Richard and Jean Vought

MEMORIALS

As of July 7, 2007 continued

IN MEMORY OF MARILYN MEISINGER

Paul and Diane Eckert

IN MEMORY OF VISTA HIGH CLASS OF 1952

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bedford

IN MEMORY OF FRED ROSE

Victor and Grace Freudenbeeger

ANTIQUÉ STEAM ENGINE MUSEUM

On the weekends of June 16-17 and 23-24, the Museum had a booth at the spring Gas and Steam Engine Museum Harvest Fair.

First of all of big thanks to co-chair Carol Chiriboga and all the volunteers: Alvora Beck, Rosemary Conway, Melinda Anderson, Marge Cosh, Annemarie and Greg Cox, Sandi Graham, and Lois Cavalier.

All including all the volunteers had a good time. In case you have been the museum in a while, you should put it on your things to do.

There was a lot to see and do. They had tractor races (slow), tractor parades, wagon rides, exhibits in all the buildings, including a beautiful display of quilts and Short Track N" Scale Model Trains, Weaving Demos, Blacksmiths and Wheelwrights.

People were dressed in period outfits, civil war uniforms. I even had an opportunity to take a picture of Abe Lincoln. The food was great and varied; breakfast was served in the Bakeshop. There was hot dogs, chili, tri-tip, corn on the cob, Mexican food and a myriad of others and of course the old stand by kettle corn. Lots of sweets: cookies, ice cream, brownies and strawberry shortcake.

There were a lot of items to see and buy ranging from hand-made items, plants, and even a tractor or two.

The activities for the kids included: tractor ride, opportunities to pan for gold, make your own jump rope and pottery. The Bayou Brothers, Pine Creek Posse and Riverside Concert Band provided entertainment.

I can't tell you again what a good time it was; it was just like taking a walk in 50's. It was a real family affair. At the end of two weekends we were presented with a ribbon from the Steam Engine Museum in recognition for our attendance. I want to give a special thanks to Melinda and Glen Anderson for helping me close up the booth. You can rest assured we will attend this event in the future.

Janice Klafehn Co-Chair

ANTIQUE GAS AND STEAM ENGINE MUSEUM HARVEST FAIR



2007 ANNUAL MEETING AND HALL OF FAME

The Annual Meeting and Luncheon of the Vista Historical Society, held on Saturday June 2, 2007 at the Vista Elks Lodge 1947 East Vista Way, included induction of eleven new members into the Vista Hall Of Fame, election of board members, and reports on the state of the Vista Historical Society and museum move. The meeting was chaired by President Diane Eckert

The excellent luncheon provided by the Elks, consisted of Roast Sirloin of Beef or Chicken Breast Florentine cooked by our own Paul Eckert.

In addition to the Hall of Fame, we elected four Board Members to new three-year terms on The Vista Historical Society Board of Directors. These are Carolyn Chiriboga, Rosemary Conway, Diane Eckert, and Melinda Andersen. We also received reports on our move to Rancho Minerva and other Society Business.

As part of the presentation of the new Hall of Fame members, several of their family members and friends spoke about them.

The Hall of Fame currently is on display at the Vista Historical Museum. For the first time the inductees were chosen as Early Vista Residents. This new procedure, adopted last year, is limited to significant Vista Residents who died at least 30 years ago. The first use of this procure includes eleven new members, the next use of this procedure in 2009 will be limited to two new members. The Vista Historical Society Board of Directors chose the new Hall of Fame members after being nominated by a committee, chaired by Mayor Vance, of existing Hall of Fame members, representatives of the City, The Historical Society, and others appointed by the Board of Directors the new members are:

Cave J. Coutts

The owner of the Rancho Guajome, builder of the Guajome Adobe and major Vista figure in the mid 19th Century.

Joseph H. Fotheringham

First Vista Mayor, member of the Tri-City Hospital Board of Directors and Civic activist.

John Frazier

Founder of the first Vista Post Office (1882), first Postmaster, and responsible for the name Vista.

Wells Miller

Macadamia Nut farmer, one of the organizers of the Boy's Club, and Civic activist.

Charles Mull Sr

Early Vista Irrigation District Engineer-Manager and Real Estate Developer.

William B. Pechstein

The first Treasurer of the Vista Irrigation District and Real Estate Developer.

Melvin Z. Remsburg

The founder of The Vista Press in 1926

Everett Remsburg

The son of Melvin. He ran the Vista Press after his fathers death in 1950.

Harry and Cora Walker

Ranchers, builders, and civic activists. Both died in 1984 and were granted early admission to the Hall by the board of Directors,

Dr. Walter Weil

Eye surgeon, owner of the Rancho Buena Vista, and

KEEP THE DATE

**DINNER DOWNTOWN
VII**

SEPTEMBER 15, 2007

ANNUAL MEETING PICTURES



MAYOR VANCE



ALVORA BECK



DEVON DANIELLE AND KIRK RICHARDSO



CAROL MILLER



ALAN SHADA



BOB TOMKO

ANNUAL MEETING PICTURES



SHARON LARIMER



SHERYL AND DAVID LARKIN



REMSBERG FAMILY



MARY LOU HAYWARD DIANE ECKERT ROSEMARY CONWAY
CAROLYN CHIRIBOGA



PAUL ECKERT



SYNEVA PINR

ANNUAL MEETING PICTURES



HAROLD TRUDEAU AND LOIS CAVALIER

BILL HARMATZ AND CAROL GRAHAM



BILL TAYLOR GIVES THANKS



HELENE NICKEL



PEGGY AND KARL RAMSING



MARY LOU HAYWARD AND SANDI GRAHAM

ANNUAL MEETING PICTURES



MELINDA ANDERSEN AND RICHARD SEPULVEDA



JEAN AND RICHARD VOUGHT AND JOHN WIGGINS



LUZ DURAN WINS A RAFFLE



JEAN BICE AND LOIS CAVALIER



MARGE COSH AND WILMA LUSARDI

MARY KATHERINE SMITH

VISTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE JULY 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Museum Closed	3 Museum Closed	3 Museum Closed	4 Museum Closed July 4th	5 Marita Allen	6 Ann Wanczak 10-12:30	7 Diane Eckert
8 Museum Closed	9 Museum Closed	10 Museum Closed	11 Jean Bice Marylou Hayward	12 Al Beck	13 Frances Horak	14 Betty Baker 10-12:30
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VISTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY STEAK FRY AND BARBECUE CELEBRATING OUR FORTIETH BIRTHDAY



COME AND ENJOY A SUMMER BARBECUE TO COMMEMORATE THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VISTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Date: Saturday, July 21, 2007

Time: 2:00 to 6:00 PM

Place: Larkin's Pond at 2732 Hutchinson

Lunch will include the following entrees by Chef Paul:

1. Barbecued Steak

2. Barbecued Chicken

Served with beans, coleslaw, and roll, Apple Pie,
with soda, coffee, tea, and water.

We will also have no host beer and wine

Steak \$30 per Adult, \$12 per child 12 and under

Chicken \$25 per Adult, \$8 per child 12 and under

Please fill out the reservation form and mail it to

the Vista Historical Society, P.O. Box 1032, Vista, Calif. 92085

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

How many: _____

**Reservations must be received by
Tuesday July 17, 2007**

Choice of Entrées: # _____

Donation _____

The Steak Fry is a fundraiser for the Society. If you can not come please consider a donation by filling out the donation line and returning it with a check

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**MUSEUM AVAILABLE FOR TOURS
AND MEETINGS**

Tours of The Vista Historical Museum can be scheduled outside of normal Museum hours. In addition, the Museum is available for meetings for small groups. For more information, contact the Museum at 760-630-0444

**SPECIAL TOURS
CAN
BE ARRANGED
CALL**

760-630-0444

PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

The Women in History program is available for presentation on request for schools clubs and other organizations. In addition, other presentations can be customized to fit your needs. For more information, call the Museum at 760-630-0444.

The next newsletter will be published in September 2007. Please submit articles by August 15, 2007