

*the Carlsbad  
Historical  
Society*



Post Office Box 252 Carlsbad, Ca. 92008

Our Next Meeting Will Be  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1985  
Heritage Hall, Magee Park  
7:30 a.m.

PRESIDENT - Geoff Armour  
VICE PRESIDENT - Kip McBane  
SECRETARY TREASURER - Jeannette Smale

Dear members:

Welcome to 1985, a year we all hope will be prosperous and progressive for the Carlsbad Historical Society. Of course, we plan to do more than just hope. In an effort to expand and become more prosperous, we are planning a major membership drive. As a part of the drive, an Open House is being proposed for late February that will involve displays and exhibits in both the barn and Magee House as well as a showing of Carlsbad's history film, THE TRAIN DOESN'T STOP HERE ANYMORE and other activities in Heritage Hall.

Other projects being considered this year include open houses during the Spring and Fall Faires; a picnic and open house at Carrillo Ranch; and visits to neighboring historical societies. Work will also continue on acquisitions, archives, preservation of historic sites and the furnishings of the Magee House.

We look forward to renewed contributions of time, expertise, and energy from all of you. To those who worked on various projects last year we owe special thanks..you are officially recognized on the attached list.

Now that the heating problem seems to have been solved, Heritage Hall will remain our primary meeting site. So please join us at our first meeting of the year.

The Board of Directors at its Dec. 11 meeting considered a request for \$500 from the Historic Preservation Fund for a proposed project to move the Twin Inns granary building to a new site. The project is being sponsored by the Carlsbad Rotary Club, which hopes to also obtain funds from the city. The Board also prepared the following budget for 1985...to be presented for approval at our January meeting.

Income:	\$1200 - annual memberships	Expenditures:	\$100 - office supplies
	1000 - fund raising		150 - mailing
	<u>\$2200</u>		400 - insurance
			500 - membership drive
Current balance:	\$3393.84		100 - programs
	(less the cost of the Magee House drapes,		400 - acquisitions/displays
	which is part of our 1984 budget and		250 - cistern
	will be approximately \$1000.)		300 - contingency
			<u>\$2200</u>

All good wishes to Rob Walwick as he recuperates from his "holidays in the hospital."

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1984 Active Participating Members

January - Old Timers Round Table

Manuel Castorena  
Art Ennis  
Marje Howard-Jones  
Betty Ramsey

(also Roger and Mildred Dawson, Charles Ledgerwood)

Refreshments at Monthly Meetings

Lucia Sippel  
Sherry Ellis  
Jan Statzer  
Patra Straub

May - House Cleaning

Myrtle Broam  
Kay Christiansen  
Barbara Gross  
Marje Howard-Jones  
Jeanette Smale  
Alberta Taylor

Carpentry

Harold Clarke - new sign  
RALph Walton - closet shelves  
book case

May - Furniture Refinishing

Jack Casler Geoff Armour  
Harry Krepps  
Rob Walwick  
(also Jo Hinckley)

July - Preservation Seminar

Marje Howard-Jones  
Kip McBane  
Patra Straub

October - End of an Era Dinner Dance at the Twin Inns

Myrtle Broam  
Kay Christiansen  
Jack Casler  
Anne Clarke  
Barbara Gross  
Ann L'Huereux  
Elaine Lyttleton  
Don and Jan Statzer  
Marje Howard-Jones

Officers - Geoff Armour

Marje Howard-Jones  
Pat Lowry  
Lucia Sippel  
Rob Walwick

Executive Secretary - Jeannette Smale

November - Open House

Tony Bellin  
Barbara Gross  
MARje Howard-Jones  
Allan Kelly  
Geoff Armour  
Ann L'Huereux  
Pat Lowry  
Elaine and Hugh Lyttleton  
Kip McBane  
Gary Nessim  
Lucia Sippel

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We Will Meet

TUESDAY, MARCH 26 at HERITAGE HALL 7:30 am

MAGEE PARK

If  
the address label  
that brought this letter to you  
has a date on it that's earlier than 3/85

NOW IS DEFINITELY THE TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP !

Elaine Lyttleton, our Membership Chairperson, is about to launch a city-wide campaign to culminate May 5 at our Spring Faire Open House. She will bring news of it to our meeting and present a design for a revised brochure and stationery...all part of her strategy to elevate our identity in the community.

Meanwhile, please indicate your continued interest and support of the Carlsbad Historical Society by bringing YOUR membership up to date.

THE TWIN INNS GRANARY HAS FOUND A NEW HOME !!!

Thanks to a favorable reception by the Carlsbad Parks and Recreation Commission and the active support of several key members of the city staff, the quaint little structure will soon come to rest...guess where... in Magee Park ! Within the next few weeks, the city council will be asked to provide funds for its re-location; the request will be enhanced by specific commitments of active support from our Historic Preservation Fund (\$500) and other community groups. The entire project has been the result of cooperative efforts to match the need for re-locating the granary, with the need for community facilities... and the desire to really do something about preserving a tangible element of Carlsbad's history.

As to other historic buildings, plans are still on hold. City staff members have inspected the Magee barn and are preparing their report on the possibilities of re-habbing it; hopes are fading for state funds to restore the Santa Fe Depot. On a more positive note, the Magee House is looking better than ever with its new lace curtains and we expect it to really shine at our May 5 Open House.

OUR HISTORICAL ALTERNATIVE TO SPRING FAIRE HYSTERIA

Indoor and outdoor displays, an art show, movies, music and cool cups of old-fashioned lemonade...these are in the plans for the Open House. We will discuss this important event and RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS to help welcome visitors and potential members to the Magee House between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 5.. Please be thinking of how you can be an active part of the festivities...the more the merrier !!!

A MEMORIAL GIFT TO THE CARLSBAD HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

Friends of the late Merlyn Lage have donated \$280 to the CHPF in recognition of her love of Carlsbad and deep interest in its history. The contribution was presented by her co-workers and the management of the Best Western-Beachview Lodge and received with much gratitude.

HOPE TO SEE YOU BRIGHT AND EARLY ON TUESDAY

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We Will Meet

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1985

Heritage Hall, Magee Park  
7:30 a.m.

The new year has started with a goodly handful of new projects. We will be discussing plans for moving the Twin Inns granary and the relocation of Clint Pedley's original Bird of Paradise stock, plus a reponse to the Carrillo Rancho proposal by J.R. Westfall last month.

This will also be an opportunity to exchange ideas on the concept of Historical Parks, in general; how can Magee Park be further developed, should we have other historical parks, perhaps at Carrillo Rancho, or Macario Canyon or ?

We hope to form a few standing working committees to support chairpersons already selected by the Board of Directors. Elaine Lyttleton is in charge of Memberships. Kip McBane has volunteered to inventory all of our resources and possessions, including the cistern, and work on plans to develop them. Natalie Vermilyea is in charge of our archives. Rob Walwick will supervise acquisitions (of goods and cash). Marje Howard-Jones will organize programs and special events. Please consider these on-going activities and decide which one(s) you would like to be involved with.

The possibility of rehabilitating the Magee Barn will be explored. The anticipation of needing more space for displays and furniture has prompted us to contact the city about its requirements for expanded use of the barn. We need to hear from you, the membership, about ideas for utilizing the barn as more than rudimentary storage. Current suggestions include crafts, passive recreation and youth programs... much of which would probably be sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department, since it is city property, but would also benefit us.

We look forward to seeing you Tuesday morning...

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Geoff Stemann".

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Our Next Meeting Will Be

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 1985

Heritage Hall, Magee Park

SPRING FAIRE OPEN HOUSE - Sunday May 5, from 11 am to 3 pm

Our headquarters at the Magee House are going to look better than ever as we greet visitors, potential members and old friends on the first Sunday in May. We have a new collection of large historical photos to display, plus an entire wall of Barbara Gross photos of Carlsbad's historic buildings. Our resident weaver, Joan Jackson, will be there, with hand-loomed throws and rugs to sell and we will present the video film, "The Train Doesn't Stop Here Any More," on a continual schedule. Cool sips of lemonade will be served on the front porch. The barn will be decorated with our old farm implements, plus Harold Clarke's vintage auto and the old Shipley horse buggy that has been stored in the barn for so many years. The lawn will be dotted with art, as members of the Oceanside-Carlsbad Art League show and sell their work. In addition, we hope to have a demonstration-lesson of Western "swang" dancing by Lee and Sandy Kincaid of Escondido; they and their dancers will be on the lawn in front of Heritage Hall...if all goes well (and they can obtain a portable floor.)

WE WILL NEED LOTS OF MEMBERS TO BE ON HAND TO GREET VISITORS AND TO SHOW THEM OUR MANY TREASURES AND EXPLAIN WHAT WE DO IN THE CARLSBAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY...THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO DO, TOO ! Please offer your time (2 hours) during the day, or help set up before 11 am, We need greeters, membership signer-ons and lemonade servers...and we need you ! There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting on Tuesday, or call Pat Lowry at 439-6978 to let her know when to expect you.

Our new Membership brochures will come from the printer on May 1, according to Membership Chairperson Elaine Lyttleton. This will make our Open House the kick-off for our 1985 Membership Campaign. But don't feel that you have to wait until then to renew...your dues are welcome NOW!

Twelve people have signed up for the Designers' Showcase tour in San Diego on Friday, May 26 at 2 p.m. You can still join the party, but we need to know before May 24. The tour is at the Lucy Coulter home, built in 1912 on Bankers' Hill on Second Avenue. Please call Marje Howard-Jones, 729-2054 for reservations or more information.

#### HISTORIC NEWS TIDBITS

The proposal to move the Twin Inns granary to Magee Park will go before the City Council April 23...The lobby of the new Carlsbad Inn will be decorated with historic photos of the old Cohn home and other Carlsbad landmarks... Plans to refurbish and repair the Carlsbad Depot are still up in the air, due to uncertainty about the Chamber of Commerce's plans...but a major fund-raising effort seems likely, no matter what. Allan O. Kelly's book on geology is to be off the presses soon.

A proposal to devote more of our Tuesday morning meetings to sharing of memorabilia and reminiscences has brought up the idea of an Open Board Meeting at some other time, to accomplish our organizational business. We will discuss it further on Tuesday...HOPE TO SEE YOU THEN !!!

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Our Next Meeting Will Be

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 1985

7<sup>30</sup> a.m. at

DENNY'S RESTAURANT

1048 Elm Avenue, Carlsbad

That's right...we will be meeting at our new-old place ! Denny's has welcomed us back to its newly redecorated dining room (with sliding chairs) and we hope that this relocation will provide everyone with the necessary encouragement for early rising and shining and breakfast with us!

LAST CALL FOR 1985 MEMBERSHIPS

If your address label on this newsletter has an \* on it, you are a member in good standing for the current year. If your name and address stand alone on the label, please indicate your continuing support by getting your dues to our treasurer, Jeannette Smale, by June 1. Even if you think that your membership doesn't expire until later in the year, now is the time to renew...we hope to simplify our record keeping by making all annual dues payable during the first six months of the year. So, if your dues are due, you may use the form on the enclosed membership brochure... otherwise, why not pass it on to a friend who also would like to join!

A mass mailing of the new brochures will take place the instant we get the necessary documentation from the IRS regarding our non-profit status. In anticipation of this momentous event we are planning a late afternoon

PORCH PARTY

Thursday, June 27, 1985

Magee House

to welcome the community to our headquarters, which are looking so nice since the May Open House. We will discuss the details of this upcoming event at our meeting on May 28, meanwhile, be sure to save the date.

Our Spring Faire Open House drew over 70 visitors to Magee House and Park. Many thanks to everyone who helped: Jack Casler, Ann L'Heureux and Kip McBane for the displays; Gary Nessim for the bunting and a thousand other good deeds; Jan Statzer for the lemonade; Pat Lowry, Myrtle Broam, Jeannette Smale and Barbara Gross for hostessing...and special thanks to Barbara also for her photos; Harold Clarke for his vintage auto...and Rob Walwick and Elaine Lyttleton for helping to set things up.

As a postscript to the Open House, we have selected three prize winners and an honorable mention from among the entries to our Essay Contest. Writing on "Today is Tomorrow's History," the students in Scott Wright's Carlsbad High School English class submitted thoughtful pieces of work and we hope to award the best of them with their cash prizes at school... and to display the essays at our headquarters.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ON TUESDAY AT DENNY'S

7<sup>30</sup> a.m.



# CARLSBAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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We Will Meet

TUESDAY, JUNE 26 at 7:30 a.m. HERITAGE HALL  
Magee Park - 2650 Garfield  
Carlsbad

Inspired by the City of Carlsbad's proposal for an Historic Site ordinance/element/commission, and our own contacts with San Diego preservationists, we have planned an:

HISTORIC PRESERVATION WORKSHOP  
Monday, July 2 at 7 p.m.  
Heritage Hall - Magee Park

It will be an informal discussion of practical aspects of restoring and renovating historic properties. We have invited several expert, or at least experienced, architects, planners, developers, etc. from San Diego to present information and answer questions. We hope to attract architects, accountants, attorneys, builders, developers, engineers, city staff members and officials, real estate brokers, property owners...and everyone else interested in the restoration or renovation of older buildings.

Our own historic preservation efforts took a giant step forward at our Magee House work party last month. The furniture was squeaky clean by the time Myrtle Broam, Alberta Tarter and Jeanette Smale were through with it; dust was banished from walls and windows by Barbara Gross and Lauren BcBride. Meanwhile, out by the barn, the beauty of our recently received sideboard was revealed by liberally applied doses of finish remover and elbow grease provided by Jack Casler, Rob Walwick, Harry Krepps and his neighbor, Jo Hinckley. So MANY willing hands accomplished much...but those who missed out will get another chance this month: Saturday, June 30 will be set aside for building closet shelves, organizing photos for display and, of course, more furniture refinishing. Details of organization will be discussed at our meeting.

ALSO ON THE AGENDA: approval of drapes for Magee House  
results of Cohn home auction  
progress reports on our new sign and the  
good old cistern.

We also will tour the Magee House to see the work produced on our loom by our resident weaver, Joan Jackson. This also will be an opportunity to consider what our next projects in the house should be. The Carlsbad Parks and Recreation Department plans to move into the back rooms, as soon as the colony of termites in attic and basement have been dispatched to insect heaven. We look forward to the departure of the termites and the occupancy of P&R; it will be good to have others on the premises and very handy to have a telephone in the building.

This probably will be our last meeting until the end of August so we hope to see you there.

The Bicentennial Carlsbad Historical Society  
Chartered - October 21, 1975

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1985

7:30 a.m.

Denny's Restaurant 1048 Elm Ave.

The Carrillo Ranch turned out to be a great place for our July meeting; its success was a real inspiration for future excursions! It was wonderful to see the house and grounds looking so well cared for. We could envision all sorts of grand events out there, so that more people could enjoy the very special atmosphere...but once the fantasy of socializing in the patio, or theatricals in the barn, or a resident art colony in the many outbuildings had simmered down, we realized that the logistical reality of the ranch today made such ideas a little premature.

However, we did organize a committee to work with the city regarding the future of Carrillo Ranch. If you were not able to come to the July meeting but have thoughts and ideas to share on this topic, please contact Geoff so that you can be included on the committee.

We also formed an Ad Hoc Special Events Committee, which has met and settled on our major fund raising event for the year. It will be

A VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS PARTY  
from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, December 15  
at Magee Park

Basic plans call for music, food and festivities to usher in the holiday season. For all the details (and your part in them), be sure to come have breakfast with us on Tuesday !

In case you haven't noticed, the old Twin Inns granary has been moved to its new home at Magee Park and nearly settled on its new foundation. This project has been a great example of CIVIC COOPERATION: city staff members spearheaded official city approval, the City Council approved funding, the Carlsbad Evening Rotary built the foundation, and we contributed \$500 from our Historic Preservation Fund to help with the project. The Carlsbad-Oceanside Art League has applied for a grant to help with rehab of the building for use as an art gallery.

In order to insure the continuation of historic preservation in Carlsbad, plan to attend the Planning Commission meeting of September 11, when the city's historic site preservation element and ordinance will be under consideration. Copies of these documents will be available at our meeting, for your inspection and discussion.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT DENNY'S ON TUESDAY

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Our Next Meeting Will Be

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1985

7:30 a.m.

Denny's Restaurant  
1048 Elm Avenue

Still floating on the success of our last get-together, the joyous reception and celebration in honor of Allan Kelly's book, we will breakfast again...and get back to a little business.

The Nominating Committee appointed by our president will make its report, submitting a slate of directors to be elected for the coming year. As you may (or may not) remember, our by-laws call for yearly elections of two/three board members; this year it's two.

Other business involves a report of our committee to recommend plans for development of the Carrillo Ranch to the city planning department.

Historical Society members will be interested to know that the city has adopted an Historic Site Preservation Element and is due to give final approval to an accompanying ordinance Oct. 15. The ordinance provides a structure for official city encouragement of historic site preservation. It includes formation of a commission, members of which are to be citizens with long-standing active interest in Carlsbad's history...the city will be looking to our organization for recommendations to serve in this capacity, so please give the idea your consideration.

The city's first major fund-raiser to benefit the Carlsbad Santa Fe Depot restoration will be held Saturday night, Oct. 19 at the Jazzercise Studio on Roosevelt Street. It will be a Nifty Fifty's Hop...with all sorts of special events and prizes reminiscent of those good old days, thirty years ago. The attached sheet provides all the information... we are glad to be able to support this event and encourage all of our members to attend. See Geoff Armour at the library for tickets.

Finally, plans for our Victorian Christmas Party are taking fantastic shape, with an enthusiastic response from all participants: floral designers, ornament crafts people, musicians, etc. Be sure to save the date Sunday, December 15, because it's really going to be our best party yet...and you know we have had some good ones !

If you weren't able to attend the party for Allan and his book, we will have color photos of it to share at our meeting on the 22nd. We are very grateful to the Carlsbad Inn for their generous and gracious hospitality. Many thanks to Shaun McGinley and to Chris Lau, Allan's business representative, for all your help and contributions. Everyone had a wonderful time...especially our honoree !

WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR YOU ON THE 22ND

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1985  
7:30 a.m.

Denny's Restaurant  
1048 Elm Avenue, Carlsbad

Our last meeting for 1985 will have a full agenda...including specific plans for our Victorian Christmas Party December 15 at the Magee House and election of officers for 1986. We also will have a follow-up on our meeting with the city planning department regarding plans for Carrillo Ranch...and a review of some of our committee activities. With new members joining our ranks, it's a chance to re-activate some of our projects that have been deferred for want of a few good indians...and chiefs!

Most notable in this area is the need for continuing exhibits at the Magee House, plus a thorough inventory of existing and future furnishings and memorabilia. This activity should also be extended to include the searching out of possible donations, and, where necessary, the restoration of these items. As an example, we have recently received a lovely little hand loom from the city parks and recreation department, which found it in the attic of Harding Community Center. It needs some gentle loving care to clean and restring it, plus some research to learn more of its history.

The Depot Restoration Fund is \$2300 richer thanks to the successful dance sponsored Oct. 19 by the Downtown Merchants Association. It's great to see the community rally around a cause so dear to our hearts, a situation due in no small way to our Kay Christiansen.

We are sad to note the death of Art Ennis, a long time member of the Carlsbad Historical Society and our favorite piano player. Art participated in our Old-Timers' Round Table in January 1984 and the music of his Carlsbad Stompers was the hit of our Porch Party last May. We sent flowers to the memorial service held for him in Oceanside Nov. 16.

Below is the slate of officers presented at the last meeting by the Nominating Committee. You can vote by mail or bring your ballot to the meeting on Tuesday; you also may add your own nominees (with their permission, of course). Also please indicate your choice regarding the recommended by-law change regarding an ex-officio position on the board of directors for the out going president.

NOMINATIONS FOR 1986 DIRECTORS  
(To serve a two year term)

\_\_\_\_\_ Kay Christiansen

Other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Kip McBane

Hold overs from 1985: Marje Howard-Jones

\_\_\_\_\_ Gary Nessim

Jeannette Smale

ByLaw Change: Recommended that the past president of the Carlsbad Historical Society serve an additional term as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Hope To See You On Tuesday

The Carlsbad Historical Society  
Cordially Invites You To Attend

# A Victorian Christmas Party

Sunday,  
December 15, 1985  
from 1 to 4 p.m.

\$3 per person



The Magee House  
258 Beech Avenue  
Carlsbad

Floral Designs    Ornaments Boutique    Refreshments

Please be so kind as to purchase your tickets in advance

at the Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce  
Elm Ave. at the railroad tracks

or from members the Carlsbad Historical Society  
(a limited number of tickets will be available at the door)

Proceeds to assist in the restoration of the Carlsbad Depot

Call 729-2054 for further information