

THE SMOKE SIGNAL

Chatsworth Historical Society -- December 1969

NOVEMBER MEETING

The Tour of the Iverson Movie Ranch and Museum - well, it was just great! The museum includes the best collection of mounted wild-animal heads in these parts -- and most of the land; the most comprehensive Butterfly Collection from all over the world; a fabulous collection of geodes, gem stones, scenic rocks; a collection of beautiful petrified wood; a marvelous exhibit of Indian arrowheads, trade beads, artifacts. I could go on and on. A surprizingly large number of the exhibits were found in the general Chatsworth Area - as well as from their very extensive travels to Africa, India, South America etc.

You really missed a wonderful afternoon if you were unable to attend. We surely enjoyed the hospitality of the Joe Iversons and seeing the ranch, home and museum. It might be arranged again in the late Spring if you let us know your interest.

Our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Iverson; to Katharine and Kelly Johnson for making the arrangements and of course, to our Vice President Bill Schepler who planned and chaired

DECEMBER EXCITEMENT - MEETING - TRIP TO OLIVERA STREET FOR "LAS POSADAS"

On Sunday afternoon, December 14, we will meet at the Glendale Federal Savings parking lot on Devonshire St., Chatsworth. Time 3:45 p.m. We will leave together to go to Olivera Street and the famous "Las Posadas" Mexican Festival. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. and entertainment at 7:00 p.m. will be at the El Paseo Restaurant and is fun with a capitol F and the traditional search for lodging's for the Holy Family is reenacted. Finally, pouring out into Olivera St. itself we enjoy the children and the Pinata. Then over to the Kiosko and the beautiful Nativity Scene. All this, plus the excitement of the shops and shopping on Olivera Street itself.

Set the date aside now for a wonderful evening with your family at this event. Children will love it as much as adults. And the entire celebration is so typical of the heritage of California. DECEMBER 14.

Call your Reservation to President Lillian Schepler, 341-0603, before December 11. The entire cost (unless you shop of course!) is \$6.00 per person.

PHONE NOW FOR A CHRISTMAS EVENT WHICH IS UNUSUAL AND MEANINGFUL FOR YOU!



PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord, make me an instrument of
Thy peace
Where there is hatred . . . let me
sow love
Where there is injury . . . pardon
Where there is doubt . . . faith
Where there is despair . . . hope
Where there is darkness . . . light
Where there is sadness . . . joy.

St. Francis of Assisi

Merry Christmas and a
peaceful New Year.
Lillian Schepler
President

WINDOW INTO THE PAST

Another Vignette is included with this edition of the Smoke Signal. Your response to the first one on "Lighter than Air Capitol - Chatsworth" was very gratifying. We offer this one with the fun of reminiscing a bit together.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Dues for the year 1969-1970 have been collected from a small amount of people, which means that some of you reading this Smoke Signal have not yet paid! If you have forgotten please send the check to Mrs. Alice Roach, Membership Chairman

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Recruit others to join the Society - we must work together to preserve what remains of the past; what is here now that is of importance to save for the future. History is Now as well as Long Ago.

Leuse Mitchell, Editor

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If you have news which you wish to get to the members please call me at 341-1775 and I will see that it is included in the next issue of the Smoke Signal.