

CHATSWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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FROM THE DESK OF OUR PRESIDENT:

June 7th and 8th are the dates for the Historical Society yard sale. This is an annual event which funds the projects of the year. All of our members should check their homes, garages, yards and buildings which may harbor some thing which may not be used or needed. As your merchants and friends who may have similar items, which they would contribute. Almost anything can be sold at the yard sale.

Iolene Cleveland has used her yard and house for this event for several years and she has spent hours and hours arranging these items for the sale, during the sale, and afterwards. She is great! All of us should help in this worthy event. We need assistance, goods, and buyers.

Several days before the sale bring anything which you can give or call us and we will help you move it. Iolene's address is 10347 Jordan Ave., Chatsworth, CA 91311. Her telephone number is 341-1529.. Or call Lillian or Frank Schepler, Jr. at 341-0603 for more information or pick-up.

Ruth

FLORIDA VACATION

Chuck and Eileen Janess have just returned from a two-week vacation trip to Florida. They flew down and rented a car to tour the area. They had a "marvelous trip", according to Chuck, seeing many historic spots such as the oldest city in the United States, St. Augustine's.

They visited the fort at St. Augustine's and saw the 200 ft. stainless steel cross that was put up later to mark the landing of the Spanish in 1565. (Editorial Note: Don Pedro Menéndez de Aviles, captain general of the Spanish Fleet founded the city on Sept. 8, 1565. He named the city St. Augustine because the day he made the landfall, August 28, 1565, was the day of the feast of St. Augustine.)
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Other highlights of the trip included the city of Tampa where they visited Busch Gardens and the Ringling Brother's Mansion. The mansion, built by John Ringling, houses his collection of circus displays and his art collection. They visited Ripley's Believe It Or Not Museum and rode their car on the sandy beach near Datona (sound romantic) and visited Fort Lauderdale, Brighton Beach, and Sarasota as well as Disney World, which Chuck says is a lot bigger and better than our Disneyland. He says you could sit our Disneyland down in the middle of Disney World and never miss it -- it is 41 square miles big with parking facilities for 25,000 cars. They discovered that Florida, like the rest of the country, is getting ready to celebrate our country's bicentennial anniversary. "Florida is all right," Chuck said, "But I like California." Glad you're back, Janesses.

NEWS OF EX-RESIDENTS

Lillian and Frank Schepler, Jr. stopped by to see Rueben and Mrs. Ahlstrom recently when they were returning from San Diego where Lillian (she's president of the Chatsworth Women's Club) attended a convention.

They were stunned to learn that Mrs. Ahlstrom had passed away last spring. She suddenly dropped dead in the store on March 23, 1975. Rueben is now 91 and in good health considering his advanced age. His daughter Betty has sold her home and moved in with him and Lillian reports that Rueben lives comfortably in Fallbrook.

The Scheplers got an oral history that Lillian is not satisfied with, but she did get Rueben on tape. Lila and Bill plan to go down later and make another taping.

PORNO MOVIES IN CHATSWORTH?

Chuck and Eileen Janess are spearheading a drive to protest the opening of "The Fun House" planned to be placed where the first Golden Bull and then later the Heads and Tails were located next to the railroad tracks on Devonshire and across from the Post Office. According to Chuck the place will feature nude dancers, prono movies and liquor. (Wouldn't the founder's of our community who had such restrictions placed on the land be shocked if they knew these things were planned?)

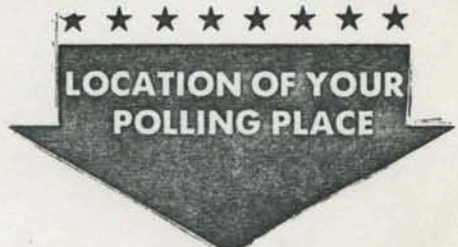
Chuck has petitions to sign. The deadline for protesting is May 14 and if you would like to sign the petition or need more information call the Jannesses at 341-2828 evenings.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Our May meeting is election of officers. Please come and let your voice be heard. Last month we published the report of the nominating committee and nominations from the floor were sought, however no new names were presented. We need a quorum for the following slate of officers to be elected.

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<u>Office Number One</u>	<u>Vote For One</u>
<u>Lila Schepler, President</u>	
<u>Office Number Two</u>	<u>Vote For One</u>
<u>Jane Matthews, Vice President</u>	
<u>Lillian Schepler, Hospitality</u>	
<u>Tolene Cleveland, Fund Raising</u>	
<u>Bill Schepler, Membership</u>	
<u>Fern Jack, Recording Secretary</u>	
<u>Lorraine Mitchell, Cor. Secretary</u>	
<u>Eileen Janess, Tres.</u>	
<u>Virginia Watson, Histor.</u>	
<u>Frank Schepler, Jr., Parl.</u>	
<u>Frank Daugherty, Bd Mmbr</u>	
<u>Joe Pampalone, Mmbr. Recr.</u>	



May 20, 1975 - Glendale Federal Savings and Loan Assoc., 21821 Devonshire St., Chatsworth, CA 91311

OUR SPEAKER FOR THE MEETING IS DR. JOHN BAUR, AUTHOR, LECTURER, AND PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AT NORTHRIDGE. HIS LECTURE IS ENTITLED "CALIFORNIA IN 1776".

Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. with dessert so don't forget.



MARK YOUR CHOICES IN THIS PAMPHLET AND TAKE IT WITH YOU TO YOUR POLLING PLACE



A BICENTENNIAL QUIZ

All over the country people are getting ready to celebrate our country's 200th birthday and there is an awakening of interest in our history. Each month in the Smoke Signal we will try to bring you some bit of history in the form of a quiz, an essay, a short article or a profile of one of our founding fathers, something to remind you it is the Bicentennial!

This May is our election night so it seems timely that we have an election night quiz. All of these slogans were used by the winning candidates except one and it is identified.

Write down your answers and bring them to the meeting and we will announce the winners.

1. "Tippecanoe and Tyler, Too." This is one of the more well-known slogans and has an interesting story attached to it.
2. "A Chicken In Every Pot". Some of You may remember this one.
3. "The Front Porch Campaign." During this campaign "take to the stump" became a phrase to be remembered.
4. "The New Deal." And how it lasted.
5. "Fifty-four Forty or Fight." You need geography and history for this one.
6. "The Union Forever." This was one of the most famous campaigns and the loser was a silver-tongued orator.
7. "I Like Ike." Every quiz should have an easy one.
8. "Four More Years Of The Full Dinner Pail." His successor was a lot more well-known than he in the long run.
9. "We Polked you in '44, We Shall Pierce You in '52." Probably one of our least known presidents and one of the longest slogans.
10. "One World." The one I promised you from a losing campaign.

See if you can name the presidents who used these slogans in their campaigns. We'll have the answers at the meeting.
