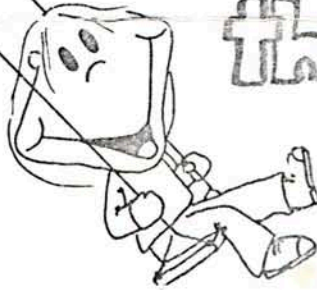


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Let's get back into the swing of things

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NEXT MEETING -- TUESDAY - OCTOBER 18, 1977 - 7:30 P.M.
At Glendale Federal Savings - 21821 Devonshire Street
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There will be a very interesting and colorful program: The Calabasas Town Militia, a group of six young men, led by Greg Howell, will model vintage uniforms and will give a short talk on the different eras. They may even perform The Color Guard in keeping with event.

Our exciting Hobby Corner will be shown by Jane Matthews: All about the Dead Sea Scrolls and the first man to photograph them. If you have anything to add to this interesting collection, bring it that night.

We need a Hobby Chairman and an Exhibit Chairman, as well as a Tour Chairman. Can you serve?
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Please bring a friend or two so they can learn how enticing and tempting our programs and our trips can really be. Don't you know someone who is lonely, or deserted or lacks companionship, that you can bring each time? If anyone needs a ride call Lillian 341-0603 or me (Celia Woodman) 347-8569.

Dues for this year were delinquent October 1st, but we will forgive you and "take you in" Dues are the same as last year: \$5.00 per person, \$7.00 dual membership, \$1.00 students, \$5.00 organizational and \$50.00 life membership.
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Memories:

We all wish to thank Jane Matthews for the Fabulous, Fantastic, Food and Fun at her Farmette on September 18th (her father included). We will be waiting to do that again sometime, Jane.
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NEWS:

Miss Sarita Goodwin, long time member, was given a "Good-by Going Away Party" by neighborhood friends on Saturday October 8th. This sad and happy event was hosted by Burrell and Tricia Plucknett. Sarita will be returning to her birthplace in Chili, but our guess is that she'll return to us sometime.

Flash! Milton and Colette Parsons are in the last stages of preparation of what they swear will be their last fling in the theatre. (The spirit is still willing, but the bodies are getting weaker!) With the Drama Guild of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, they are presenting the hilarious comedy, "The Solid Gold Cadillac," at the Parish Hall, 7136 Winnetka Ave., on

Friday, October 21, Saturday, October 22, at 8:30 P.M. and Sunday, October 23, at 7:30 P.M. Milton is directing and Colette again plays one of her favorite parts; Laura Partridge, the senior-citizen modern-day Cinderella who upsets the apple-cart of the biggest corporation in America and rocks Washington in its foundations. Tickets are available from Parson's 341-1448 or Jane Matthews 885-2901 or 346-6970.

ANNUAL COUNTRY FAIR - Chatsworth United Methodist Church - Saturday, October 22 - 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Chicken Dinner 5 P.M. to 7 P.M. with reservations only. Call the church 341-1270. Boutiques, Antiques, White Elephants, Plants, Foods, Games, Spook House, Movies and Pony Rides

HISTORY IS BEING MADE AT THE 8TH ANNUAL PUMPKIN FESTIVAL (THIRD ONE TO BE HELD IN CHATSWORTH) - Every week-end in October at the corner of Nordhoff and Canoga Ave. - 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. Exotic foods - Animal rides - Finest Craftspeople - Fabulous perfumes from Araby and the Belly Dancers Troupe - The Zany Rubber Band - many, many things to remember.

Chuck Janess has recently accepted a post as Monitor for the West Valley REACT for Channel 9. One has to be on trial for three months before being accepted on a permanent basis. They have a number of members - 50 or more. Chuck monitors every Thursday from 12 to 2 P.M. A great many services are rendered by these fine people - Helping people in distress, accidents, flat tires, car trouble, injuries, fires and anything that needs to be reported to the Police Department. Good work, Chuck!

Ioline Cleveland has been honored again: Everett and Ioline returned from Nebraska just in time for school to start. We learned that while there, Ioline visited the old country school which she attended and where she also taught for four years. It has been moved and made into a museum by the Rock County Historical Society. She had an opportunity to pump water from the old pump that had been recently installed in her honor. (Well we have heard of everything from faces carved on the mountains to footsteps in the side walks to honor someone, but this is the first time we have ever heard of a PUMP - so Water Marches ON!) I will stop being facetious and recall that they spent a whole month visiting friends and relatives. They were accompanied by son Gene, who returned earlier. Daughter, Cathe, again remained in Nebraska, where she is attending Chadron College. She also is planning a career as a teacher, like mother and brother

OTHERS TRAVELING: Gerald and Fern Jack left for Indiana the last week of April to attend Fern's High School Alumni Reunion. She was presented with a beautiful floral Centerpiece for coming from the farthest-away place. After visiting with the relatives, her sister and husband joined them in their camper and they all traveled to Washington D.C. There they toured the beautifully restored train station and the Capitol Buildings. They also visited the Smithsonian Institute - traveled on to Williamsburg, Virginia, where they toured the old city. When in So. Carolina, Fern's sister and husband left them and flew back to Indiana and the Jack's traveled on to Florida where they took another ride on a swamp boat, returning to California by the southern route.

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From all these Travels, it seems a good idea to set aside one program for a Travel-Slide presentation. IF WE HAVE TIME! Jane always has such interesting programs that there may not be time for this until it is Ancient History.

DID YOU EVER GO TRAVELING ON A BROOM-STICK,
OR ON THE WINGS OF A BAT?

Eddie, Louise and Christina Mitchell
vacationed to San Diego.
EVERYONE PLEASE SEND ME YOUR NEWS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



All about our artist: Leslie Clark from Boulder, Colorado. Leslie is Jim and Celia's niece. Her little people are called "pints". We hope that you will soon be seeing them on Christmas, Birthday and Special Occasion cards. ***** Speaking of cards; Our lovely post cards of Stony Point have arrived. They are 15¢ apiece. Call Lillian Schepler or Ioline Cleveland.

ABOUT OUR TRAVELING:

Bill Schepler was honored in having been chosen to accompany the second group of Travel Agents to tour Cuba since the ban was lifted. A company in Beverly Hills sent the first group and that group returned the day before the group that went with Bill. 35 Travel Agents went on this tour to familiarize themselves with Hotel facilities, restaurants, sight-seeing and social events. They stayed in Meride, Mexico one day and spent 4 nights in Cuba. He reports that the people seem to be happy. Everything appears clean - there is a lot of construction, but few things to buy. The food is good. The schools and colleges are free.

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Chuck and Eileen Janess had a beautiful vacation trip to Nevada and Oregon. Eileen thinks this is ancient history, since it happened last summer, but I'm going to have to fill up this space, since I started this news letter in August when I was vacationing in Colorado and Arizona. They had a funtime visiting son, Bill and family, who live in Fallon, Nevada. Bill has the Chevrolet Agency there.

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Jim and Celia Woodman have been traveling to and through Colorado, their home state for a month. The first week they spent with Damara Grim. Damara's parents lived in the house trailer at Woodman's Wee Rancho when Damara was a baby. They now live in Ohio. Damara was in Denver for the International Majorette Competition. The following week was spent visiting old friends and relatives and all the exciting events for Reunion at Mercy Hospital where Celia was a 1933 graduate. The only sad occasion of the same week was the death and funeral of one of the men from Celia's High school graduation. (Celia was the only girl in the class with 5 boys - yes, she really had a fun senior year!) The next 2 weeks will be spent with son, Jimmy, and family, who have moved to Sanford, Colo. on a ranch. ... (3 1/2 were spent - they all love it there and Jim was tempted to stay).....

DEATHS:

Ruth Deichman - Tuesday October 4, 1977
Father of Jean Peoples during the summer

Ernest Johnson - August 22, 1977

Ernest was the nephew of Kelly and Harold Johnson and Dorothy Pogue was his niece. He was the great grandson of Ann and Neils Johnson. Ann, as you remember, was the founder of our old church - now our Historical Monument. It is her biography that we have available - "Our Pioneer Mother." Dorothy sent a generous donation as a Memorial to our Society - from her and the family. This kind of a memorial is always appreciated and is more of a living memorial.

Accidents, Illnesses or Surgery:

Milton Parsons was hospitalized following minor surgery. He is apparently recovering very well and sends "thanks" for all the cards and concerns. He especially wishes to express his sincere thanks to C.H.S. for the beautiful potted Chrysanthemum he received. All those loving thoughts are truly an aid to recovery, and he wants you to know that he is in as good condition as an old re-tread can be.

Bill Schepler, also had minor surgery and was recovered and well enough to be at our October board meeting.

Phyllis Roller is remaining ill in West Hills Hospital. Cards would be appreciated.

Orville Mitchell also had minor surgery and is at home recuperating.