



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members and Friends:

On November 4, the Society entertained 26 members of the Conference of Historical Societies who had been in attendance for the Workshop sponsored by the San Fernando Valley Historical Society. They came to the Museum for breakfast and toured Homestead Acre and the Pioneer Church. There were many favorable comments. Virginia Watson, Betty Summers and Marlys Stuckenbruck were there to welcome everyone. Other members helped ready the buildings for the tour.

I hope many of you will be in attendance for the November 20 meeting when Robert Pence, archaeologist, will address the Society. It promises to be an exciting evening.

Mark December 16 on your calendars. We will have a Christmas tea and invited guests will be members of the Cultural Heritage Board, members of the Department of Recreation and Parks, and--who is the most important guest of all? Why, Minnie Palmer, of course. We should have a good representation of members for this special event.

Jane Matthews

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* When Judge Paul Roest was living in Chatsworth, he founded an
* organization to provide a community center building for youth
* and adults of the area. Funds were raised for this purpose.
* Before plans were under way for such a building, the Los Angeles
* City Department of Recreation and Parks built a recreation
* complex in Mason Park. The Executive Board of this organiza-
* tion, Bruce and Juanita Magill and Leonard Chenard, gave a
* portion of the funds to be used at that facility. Such a
* community complex is now being completed in Chatsworth Park
* South. It was deemed by the Executive Board that the remaining
* funds should go to the Chatsworth Historical Society to be
* used in the interpretation of the community's past for the
* benefit of youth.

* The Society is pleased to accept this contribution of \$976.71.
* It will be earmarked for a special project bearing the name
* of Judge Paul Roest. This project will be announced as plans
* proceed for the completion of Homestead Acre.

CLARIFICATION. There was a discussion about the Wall of Remembrance in the October Smoke Signal. However, the Wall of Remembrance which the Board voted to initiate for the Homestead Acre is to include the name of anyone who contributes \$100 or more, which is not specifically designated for the Frank Schepler Memorial Library Fund. There will be a scroll in the Museum listing the contributors to that Fund. The Wall of Remembrance is for those who are interested in developing the grounds, house, or giving for furniture and accessories.



Ramon Avila, Leonard Chenard, Everett and Iolene Cleveland, Bill and Lila Schepler, Virginia Watson, Betty Summers, Ruth Heumann, Larry McCoy, Tom Woodard, Jane Matthews.

Mel-O-Dee Nursery on Devonshire in Chatsworth donated 9 flats of gazanias. The Highlander 4-H Club worked very hard one Sunday cleaning windows, weeding, clearing the grounds, sanding, etc. They plan to give a day a month.

THERE IS STILL A NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS. We have a House Committee, a Museum Committee, but we need the following: (1) a Docent Committee and Chairman; (2) someone to head a Grounds Committee; (3) a librarian; (4) someone to head the Gift Shop. Please come forward!

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A Letter from your Editor:

Isn't it exciting to know that we have a museum in our town - Chatsworth? Now what can you do to make it an even greater landmark - a place to bring your friends; the place that teachers may want to bring their students to learn more of the History of our town and surrounding area; a historic site for travelers to see.

Our President has given you some suggestions for volunteers above; you know about the \$100 for the Wall of Remembrance and the Frank Schepler Memorial Library Fund; you know that you can have a Life Membership for \$50 and the Annual dues are only \$5 for a single person and \$7 for a couple (next year they will be more), but you may know of someone or some place of business who would like to donate a larger amount as a memorial or tax write-off. Please make it your designated task or undertaking, as this project belongs to you and me and all of us.

We need your suggestions in another area -- since the cost of first class stamps has gone up, and the price of printing is greater, as well as the envelopes, it is now costing us more to send the Smoke-Signal than the membership dues that we receive. We have already used the money that had been received from Life Memberships for our projects, therefore, we have been using some of the money from our Fund-raising events. Here is a break-down of the cost of sending each news-letter: (We only send 100 per mail, we are now having 200 printed. The remainder are delivered, personally, by several of us.)

Stamps - \$15.00
Printing - 2 pages, both sides.(makes 400 pages) \$30.53
Envelopes - 5¢ each
The printing, done by Copy Quick, costs about 20¢ each, which includes the 10% discount they give to me, and the tax. Cost of each one sent 40¢.

We have come a long way since Chatsworth was incorporated March 10, 1888. Two years later, in 1900 there were only 23 people living here. There was a Post Office, a General Store and a Railroad Station with a telegraph office in the station. In November 1978 there were 64,700 residents and over 500 businesses. The first school house was built in 1889 and we now have a High School, a Junior, three elementary schools and several private schools. The Methodist Conference established the first church in Chatsworth in 1888. This is now our first historical monument - The Pioneer Church in Oakwood Memorial Park. There is more, much, much more when you become active and interested in our Chatsworth Historical Society. Get a friend to join:

AN INVITATION FOR "YOU"

To Join The
Chatsworth Historical Society

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday—7:30 P.M.
Glendale Federal Savings & Loan
21821 Devonshire St.
Chatsworth, Calif. (Corner Vassar)

Annual Dues:
Single \$ 5.00
Couple 7.00
Life Membership (each) 50.00

Application form—Tear off here

Print Please:

Name
Address
Phone

Bring with you or mail to—

Chatsworth Historical Society
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Chatsworth, California 91311

November 1979

- Nov. 1 - All Saints Day
- Nov. 6 - Election Day
- Nov. 11 - Veterans Day
- Nov. 11-17 American Education Week
- Nov. 12-18 - Youth Appreciation Week
- Nov. 20 - Chatsworth Historical Soc.
- Nov. 18-25 - Bible Week
- Nov. 22 - Thanksgiving

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:

Life Member: Mrs. Irene Nalbandian, Past President of Chatsworth Women's Club.

Regular Member: Dr. Hirsh, new principal of Chatsworth Park Elem. School. Dr. Hirsh says that it is with a very nostalgic feeling that he was able to return to Chatsworth Park Elem. He was the acting V.P. in 1957-58 when Mrs. Laverne Lee was principal. He has a daughter, Karen and a son, Jeff. He was enthusiastically welcomed by the staff at the school and the parents.

This beautiful letter and a \$100 memorial was sent by Dr. Harold Hayward after he received our last Smoke Signal;

11/12/79

News:

Jim and Celia Woodman have another new great-grand son. Jesse Beau was born to Ernie and Shelly (Woodman) Archuleta - Nov. 9th, only one day after his grand father, Jimmy's, birthday

Bill and Lila Lillian and Eleanor Schepler are now cruising on The Delta Queen. More details upon their return

Happy Birthday to Fred Clark, Violet Wilson, Maureen Cates, Betty Summers, Lewis Holliday and Minnie Palmer.

Kimberly Spangler, granddaughter of the Woodmans, was in the Musical Theater Ensemble at the Horizon Players Theater in Moor-Park Nov. 10 and 11. Kim danced with her group "L.A.Legs". Their picture and a big write-up was in the Centerfold of the Simi Enterprise.....

Mrs. Celia,
 Thank a million for your Bulletin from Federal Realty (Johnson) and enclosing a check for \$100.00 as a memorial for Harold - I had known about the "Old Church" Memorial Wall & certainly would like to have been a member. Chatsworth was one of my great passions. I have written an auto biography and it is now being prepared for printing. I hope to have about 500 printed as my expense chiefly for my grand and great grand children many of them I have not even seen - if it is ever printed I'll send you a auto-graphed copy. Things are fine here, happy, active and busy to help others but my love to Miss Scaiper & the Janes' - Give Tom Jack in steel around. Remembers me to anyone who know me. And love you & so do I.
 Christy Love
 Harold Hayward

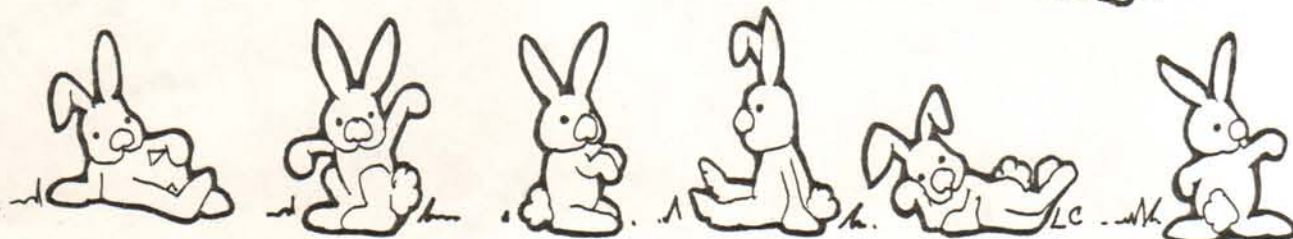
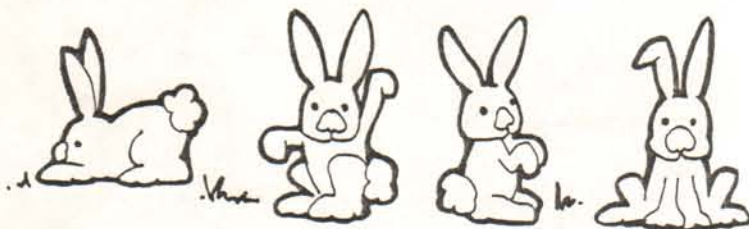
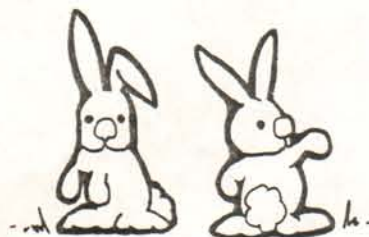
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Thanksgiving-Then and Now

They offered thanks—those Pilgrims strong!
 The winter had been cruel and long
 But then came spring and summertime
 And autumn brought a harvest fine.
 And so they knelt, heart-deep in praise
 In gratitude for better days.

We offer thanks—we space-age sons—
 For blessings shared by everyone,
 For freedoms which we still enjoy,
 For faith no power can destroy.
 Today, we kneel in praise to Thee
 For keeping our great nation free!

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USE OUR "MINI" - MONEY - MULTIPLIER METHOD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
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Use a \$5 investment.....SEE IT GROW!

Send your proceeds to Chatsworth Historical Society to use on our PIONEER ACRE.

LET YOUR IMAGINATION GO! ? @ # \$ % & * + + \$\$\$ 100, 50, 10 1/2 1/4

Cook?
Bake?
Lecture?
Ceramics?
Card Party?
Baby sit?
Luncheon?
Share a ride?
Host a Party?

Any questions call: Ioline Cleveland or Celia Woodman 347-8569

We urgently request the cooperation of each member and friend in attending a party, a slide presentation, the purchase of a book or baked goods, or?for those participating in the above "Mini" - Money - Multiplier.

YOU are invited to attend one for Betty Summers and Tricia Plucknett----- Tues. 11/13/79 at 10414 Jordon - Chatsworth. If you are unable to go but want to do your part in their project, please call; Tricia - 341-2008 (eve) Betty - 341-2714 (eve).

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Correction of address requested: