



NOVEMBER 1981

YOU C-A-N-'T MISS THIS ONE!

Next meeting of the Chatsworth Historical Society-
Tuesday November 17th - 7:30 P.M. @ Glendale Fed.

Our program Chairman, Lillian Schepler, has arranged for a delightful program "History Kept Alive Through Our Hobbies."

Candy Craig, one of our newest members and "keeper of our Homestead Gardens", will show and speak on her Victorian glass collection.

Fern Jack will have her treasured antique colored glass collection.

And Lillian will talk about unusual cast iron and other antique cookware. (If you have any of these articles to share with Lillian please call her 341-2010).

This is Thanksgiving and "pumpkin" month! Lillian is on the refreshment committee so plan on coming to taste her pumpkin bread or cookies or? And plan to bring a new friend - he or she will especially enjoy Thanksgiving program - thanks to our ancestors and thanks to those who are caring now!

Just because we "planted a few of our Smoke Signals here and there we now have two new members that joined in October. Irene Haag an old friend whose daughter was a classmate of some of our children and a new friend Mildred S Goff. "We welcome you!"

Irene Haag is a new Life Member - she lives at 9801 Shoup Ave. Chatsworth Tel. 341-1872 -- Mildred Goff also resides in Chatsworth - 10520 Alabama, Tel. 882-0381, general membership..

- Nov. 1 Calendar for November
- SUN. 1 Tour of Homestead Acre 2-4PM
(Cottage, museum, gardens)
- Nov. 3 Regular Board Meeting 7:30PM
- Tues. of Chats. Historical Soc.
Lila Schepler took Girl Scouts on tour of the Acre.
- Nov. 8 Two Eagle Scouts awarded --
- SUN. Awards presented by
Sheelagh Watts, president
- Nov. 10 Committee Meeting 7:30PM
- TUES. To reevaluate Smoke Signal
Chairman, Ioline Cleveland -
Virginia Watson, Celia Woodman
- Nov. 17 Regular Meeting of CHATSWORTH
- TUES. HISTORICAL SOCIETY 7:30PM
- Nov. 24
- TUES. WEST VALLEY HISTORIANS 7:30PM
At the Homestead Acre MUSEUM

* FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT *

I had the pleasure of presenting awards to two outstanding young men, Jeff Weinstein and Bill Bray. The two were named Eagle Scouts in ceremonies at the pioneer acre last Sunday. Both of their Eagle projects took place at the acre, so it was most fitting to hold the Court there. Jeff led a group of scouts in giving the cottage kitchen a thorough cleaning, removing several layers of old wax off the floor and he refinished the desk allowing us to now use that end of the kitchen as an office. Bill identified all the trees on the acre with 4 x 4's showing metal plaques with the common name and Latin name of each tree. What great cooperation we receive from the community.

Circle the calendar, December 6, Open House at Nature's Flower Garden, 21000 Devonshire from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Refreshments, door prizes, Christmas ideas. The same day at 1 p.m., members will be in the Chatsworth Chamber Parade, 1 p.m. from Topanga to Mason on Devonshire.

All news is due on date of Board Meeting, please contact Celia Woodman 347-8569.... Y'all come -

Sheelagh

Your Annual Dues are now past due if you haven't renewed. (\$10.00 for individual - \$15.00 for dual membership) We can no longer send the Smoke Signal to non-paying members who are inactive, because of the high cost of mailing and postage. We would, however, encourage those of you who are inactive to send \$5.00 a year if you wish to have the Smoke Signal. It would also be a nice gesture, if you have friends or new neighbors, to send them a copy.

Bring a friend to the meeting -they will enjoy the program and we will enjoy meeting them.

KEEP THIS DATE! Sunday December 13 - 2:00 P.M. for our Christmas Bash.

We would encourage members to do historical research by using our Frank Schepler Jr. Memorial Library for researching the subject. Write it up for the Smoke Signal and give to Editor by the first Tuesday of the month. This could be a write-up following an Oral History of one of our Pioneers or other important happenings (perhaps our involvement in Space?) We would like some such article each month. Bill Schepler may have another of his Windows in the Past ready for next month.....

We wish to honor those having had a HAPPY BIRTHDAY in November:

Fred Clark, Dennis Moran, Milo Johnson Jr., Olga Bay, Betty Selvidge, Lewis Holliday, Violet Wilson, Maureen Cates (and we remember that Nov. 30th was our Minnie Hill Palmer's Birthday).



The flames in the fireplace are dancing in time
To the hearts of our children at play,
And fragrance of turkey is drifting about
Like the tunes they are singing today.

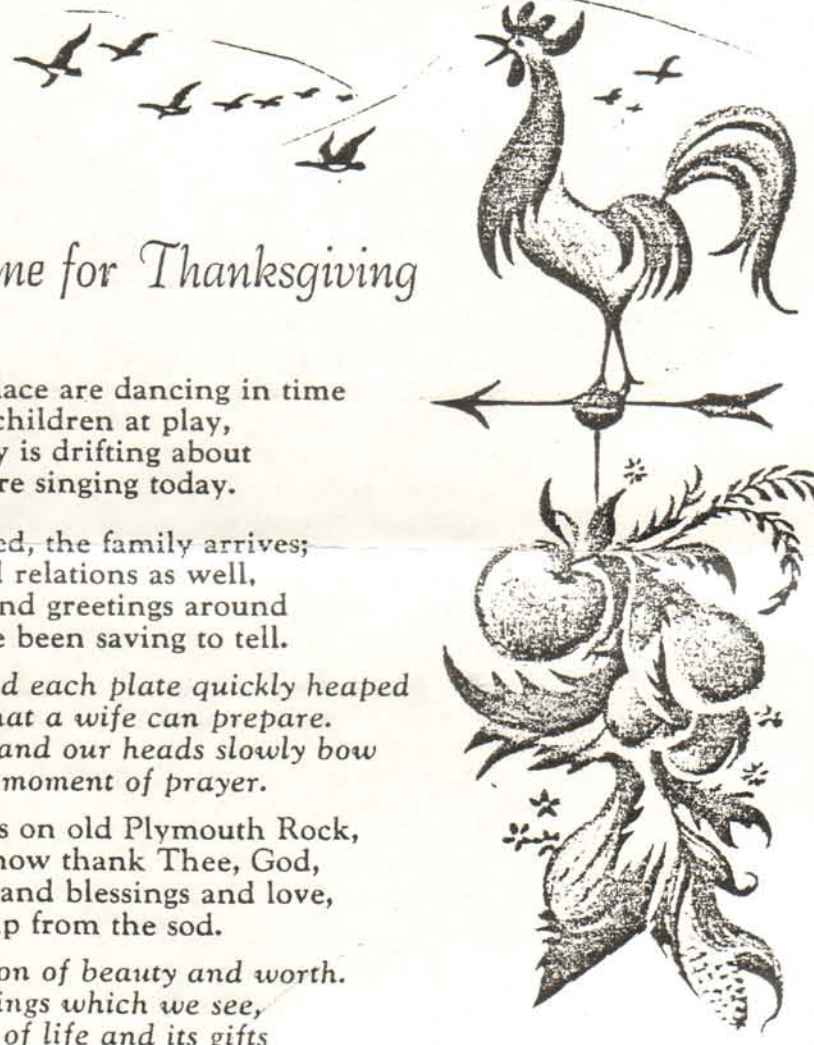
The chores are completed, the family arrives;
Now good friends and relations as well,
And the walls reecho fond greetings around
And nice things we've been saving to tell.

Our dinner is served, and each plate quickly heaped
With the best things that a wife can prepare.
Now voices are hushed and our heads slowly bow
While we pause for a moment of prayer.

As once did the Pilgrims on old Plymouth Rock,
We pilgrims of earth now thank Thee, God,
For all of Thy goodness and blessings and love,
For abundance we reap from the sod.

Please grant us perception of beauty and worth.
Help us look at the things which we see,
That learning the value of life and its gifts
We'll be evermore grateful to Thee.

Home for Thanksgiving



TRAVELERS:

Gerald and Fern Jack have recently returned from a month's trip to the northern country.

They traveled east on the Columbia river from Oregon to Idaho. They stopped on the way to visit old friends Sam and Betty Downing, former Chatsworthians, who send greetings to all old friends still here. They had good fishing on the river and caught several land lock salmon.

They spent two weeks in Sand Point and Clark Fork in northern Idaho. Then to Hamilton, Montana where they visited Paul Ruff and his recent bride, Jackie. Paul was an active member at the time we moved our Pioneer Church... Paul, also, sends his best wishes to all of us in our projects. The ones of us in the Chatsworth Historical Society who knew Paul and Alberta and their children are happy for Paul and Jackie. Anyone wishing to correspond with Paul may write to Hamilton, Mont..

How many of you were fortunate enough to watch the historical launching of the space shuttle Columbia this morning Thursday, November 12th? The editor would like an editorial by someone who is knowledgeable about any thing on this subject. Send to "Smoke Signal" Celia Woodman, editor -- 8867 Farralone Ave., Canoga Park 91304.

Also, please let me know of severe illnesses, surgery, births and deaths of any of our members. Please call Celia Woodman 347-8569.....

WILL ANY OF YOUR LOVED ONES BE?