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of the CHATSWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WILL BE HELD AT THE GLENDALE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN

7:30 P.M. April 17, 1984

ALL THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE HISTORY OF CHATSWORTH as seen at the Iverson Movie Location Ranch, will surely not want to miss this momentous occasion when Robert Sherman, who is the nephew of Joe Iverson, will be there to show slides and pictures and tell the stories of movie-making at the Iverson Ranch.

Robert Sherman's book, "Quiet On The Set", will also be available.

Joe Iverson, wearing his legendary Western hat, cut the first piece of Birthday Cake at our last meeting when we celebrated Chatsworth's 96th birthday. At 88 years of age, he is believed to be the oldest native-born living in Chatsworth. If you know of others, please let the Editor know. Some of us purchased the book at the last meeting. It is so interesting that your Editor found herself standing in her bedroom for ½ hour, reading the book - then learned that Bill Schepler read completely the entire book the following day. 'Another facet of Hx.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS for 1984-1985

We were delighted to know that most of you had taken our suggestion to "bring a friend", because Glendale Fed. was filled with standing room only, until after those adorable Brownies led by Marilyn Hayes (and rehearsed by Ioline Cleveland) who sang, "Happy Birthday Chatsworth," "We're All Here Again" and "Flags, Red, White and Blue". The Girl Scouts from Troop 326 were the very efficient hostesses who passed the cake and punch. Our own Jr. member, Jim Studnicka, gave the Salute to the Flag. Virginia Ditto, another native of Chatsworth, cut the rest of the beautiful cake baked and decorated by students at Chatsworth High. The speaker of the eve. was William A Myers who, not only gave us a history of the Red Cars, but gave us and up-date on what we should be doing for future Rapid-Transit.

OPEN HOUSE at the MUSEUM and MINNIE PALMER HOUSE every 1st SUNDAY of month-between 1 & 4 PM. This month_April 1 & May 6th Location:10385 Shadow Oak Drive Chatsworth Park South, in Chatsworth....Docents this month will be:For May 6-Lillian Schepler, Sheelagh Watts, Lucille Clements
The Pioneer Church is located in Oakwood Memorial Park - 22601 Lassen Chats.

Reg. meeting is held the 3rd Tues.of the month at 7:30 PM at the Glendale Federal Savings & Loan-21821 Devonshire, Chatsworth

\$10.00 per person per year \$15.00 Dual membership \$ 1.00 Students \$100.00 Organizational \$100.00 Life Membership

WORK DAY at the Acre - Thursday, April 26 Cleaning - house & museum - Sat., April 28-please come! Continued from page 1......

In addition to the beautiful people who planned and put on the program for our 96th Birthday, there were representatives from many

other groups:

Margo Ahlstrom represented - Chats. Woman's Club Irene Nalbandian - Chats. Coordinating Council Doris Shettlerae - Rockpointe Homeowners Assoc. Nancy Herman- Girl Scout Troop #326 Nancy Razanski - Santa Susana Mt. Park Assoc. John Thorpe, President of "Friends of Library" Evelyn Logan, New President of Chatsworth Chamber of Commerce - accompanied by Trudi Schaff, Office Manager.

Doreen Rusen - Chatsworth Jr. Baseball League (Doreen was also chosen Chatsworth Woman of Year last month by the Chamber of Commerce) Nancy Oliva - from Councilman Bernson's office. Michelle Egan - Marian LaFollette

Hunt Braly - representing Senator Ed Davis and, of course, our own president...... President Ioline Cleveland-Chats. Historical Soc.

Regarding the beautiful Dedication Ceremony of the Historical Marker at the Pioneer Church on Feb. 22nd at Oakwood Memorial Park, I may have inadvertently misrepresented the Presentation of the two flags:

The American Flag was given by Mrs. Harry Fisher, Chapter Chairman of Don Jose de Ortega Chapter. Our California State Flag was given by the California Native Daughters of the Golden West Placerita Parlor #277. Georgia Cooper tells me that our Minnie Palmer was a member of the "Daughters of the Golden West".

We are still waiting for someone to allow us the use of a large room or garage until June when we have our Annual Yard Sale If you know of any such place or hear of a large storage unit that we could purchase to place behind the museum, please let us know.

Don't forget to come to the next meeting when we will have election of officers. You may not like the ones we have selected. If you are a member you may nominate someone else, but they must have been informed ahead of time. Tuesday April 17, 1984.....

Please read and reread the last page about our OPEN HOUSE on May 6th from 1 to 4 P.M., because you will receive no other further notice before that date. Again, bring friends!

Make a notation of our new box number: Chatsworth Historical Society PO Box 3102 and the persons into adult roles. Zip Code for all P.O. Boxes in Chatsworth is 91313at the American Diabetes As-

Does anyone know the whereabouts of Mrs.Driscol Treasure Hunt.
whose husband used to own the Alamo Garage in Chats Another might be at an She gave to Greg Marks and he has given to us, a elementary school, giving very complete ledger that he kept from about 1926 very complete ledger that he kept from about 1926 through 1933. We recognize a few names in the book, but we would like to have more information for our library.

We always like to hear more about what our children are doing. Please send me all your news. Jeff and Joyce are two young people that we can be very proud of - their parents are Betty and Jim Summers. Joyce is also one

of our Life Members: REHABILITATED BIRD

Dr. Jeff Burkhart, associate professor of biology at Saint Mary of the Plains College, speaks to Ray Small's ninth-grade biology students about birds of prey of this area, such as hawks, eagles and owls. Burkhart shows the students a Red Tailed Hawk which was brought to his Raptor Rehabilitation Center with a broken wing. The hawk's wing has mended but not enough to release it to the wild, so it has been donated to the new Dodge City zoo program. (Photo by Troy Robinson)

Anchorage Daily News

Saturday, March 3, 1984

East High students learn about getting involved

By GWEN BARCUS Daily News reporter

Some students at East High School are so eager to get involved in their community, they spend class timehelping others.

Students in the Community Involvement class receive credit for volunteering an hour each day working for a non-profit community organization.

The goal is to give students a feeling for citizen responsibility and to increase selfassuredness and self-awareness by putting the young

You might find one student sociation helping the staff and volunteers organize the

younger student who has fallen behind in studies.

One may be involved with peer-type counseling at the Family Connection, or help out in the nursery at the Crisis Intervention Center or

the Center for Children and Parents.

feel really good about themselves," says
Joyce Ower, coordinator for
the course. "They are giving something positive and they get positive results."

As a result of their involvement with certain programs, some students have "found" a career, and decided to pursue further education in that

"One student found that she enjoyed working with deaf children and is studying to be a special education teacher," says Ower.

Each student must keep a journal documenting his or her time for the week and giving an account of the week's experiences and what has been learned from them. The journal is handed in to Ower once a week.

Community Involvement is one of the elective classes offered in the Anchorage School District's School Within a School (SWS) program.

Library unit to present composer-lyricist



Chatsworth/

Virginia Watson

HEADLINES in Virginia's column in the Daily News Wed. April 11th. We hope you receive the Smoke Signal in time to go to this exciting program.

The Friends of the Chatsworth Library will present Flo Price, composer and lyricist, at 10 a.m Saturday in the community room of Glendale Federal Savings and Loan Association, 21821 Devonshire St., Chatsworth.

Price, who composes music for children, will play two of her most popular musicals on cassette tapes for the group. One is titled "I Like The Sound of America," the other "And That's The Truth."

She also will play excerpts from her soon-to-bereleased musical, which contains gospel-type music.

Price is a local resident and teachers, parents and grandparents are encouraged to attend and bring children between the ages of 5 and 11.

A candy and used book sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. the same day in front of the library. 21052 Devonshire St. All proceeds will go toward purchasing an electronic book-detection security system for the library, said Jackie O'Reilly, book sale chairwoman.

Donations of hardback or paperback books are sought and may be dropped off at the library. O'Reilly can make pickup arrangements at 341-8520

We were happy to learn that this talented composer has been a resident of Chatsworth for many years - we hope to have an oral interview about her for our next issue of the Smoke Signal.

(We have so many celebrities in Chatsworth, I hope each of you would write to give me the address of someone you know in Chatsworth who is a writer, composer, Radio, Television or Movie personality.)
Celia Woodman, Editor - Smoke Signal 8867 Farralone Av., Canoga Park, CA 91304

CONTEST WINNER — Mindy Mendelsohn, Chatsworth High School junior, took first place in the Chatsworth Optimist Club Speech Contest recently and will compete in the regional speakoff. She is the daughter of Shirley and Herb Mendelsohn of Northridge.

Welcome to new members: Leon and Janie (Smith) Fenwick 21500 Devonshire Chatsworth, CA 91311

Curley & Pat Alward Post Office Box 805 Chatsworth, CA 91313

Phillip Sherman Jr. 11525 Louise Ave. Granada Hills, CA 91344 Jeffrey Christopher, weighing in a 8# 9oz, arrived Saturday morning - March 24th, to bring great joy to his parents - Kurt and Carolyn Grimm, and, of course, to his grandmother, Lillian Schepler and his great-grandmother, Eleanor Schepler (Lillian hasn't left her role as no.1 baby sitter yet!) Two uncles

The Chatsworth Historical Society sends their Congratulations - May your darling new baby So precious and dear,
Bring you more joy and pleasure
With each passing year!

are also delighted to have a baby in the family

Two Had Surgery:

Eileen Janess had surgery on Thursday morning April 5th and came home Friday afternoon. She is doing fine, just doesn't dare cough! It's a miracle how well the patient can be now - can you remember when surgery patients stayed from 2 weeks to 2 months?

Leuise Mitchell had her surgery yesterday, April 11th, will walk today and go home in 5 to 7 days. Now we hope everyone will take good care of Leuise for awhile and that both of you will soon be able to the "RAT" race.

BEREAVEMENT:

We are sorry to hear of the passing away of Keene Baile, father of Marcia Johnson. He died suddenly of a heart attack Sunday night, April 8th. He had been under the Doctor's care for several years.

They were Chatsworth residents for many years, but have been living in a Northridge Retirement Park for the last few years.

In addition to Marcia, he is survived by his wife, Edna and another daughter, Eleanor Taylor from Ogden, Utah.

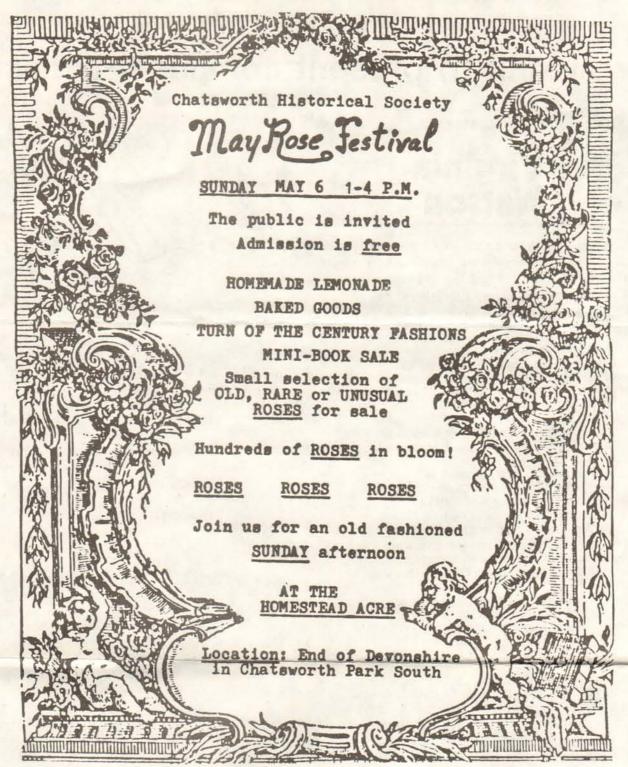
His internment will be at Oakwood Memorial Park Thursday, April 12th at 10:30 A.M.

APRIL BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS:

Ioline Cleveland, Larry McCoy, Fred Leiner, Bob Swartz, Dottie Hammond, Catherine Mulholland, Irene Lanzendorf, Mickey Sircus, Burrell Plucknett, Marian Hyland ← Fom Woodard.

Sorry that I missed Henrietta Washburn's B.D. in February - everyone please check with me to see if I have a record of yours!

Celia Woodman



ALL MEMBERS please bring cookies, pies, cakes and other baked foods for the FOOD SALE. Bring foods on Saturday or BEFORE the food sale starts on Sunday at OPEN HOUSE. All members are asked to wear costumes or old fashioned clothes. Bring books for Mini-sale...

NEW ENTRY GARDEN AT THE ACRE

After years of weeds and overgrown bamboo the entrance to the Acre will present a new and pretty picture for our visitors. Twelve brilliant red "OLYMPIAD" hybrid tea roses are bordered by fifteen white "SARATOGA" floribundas. On either side, planted as a tall ground cover, the evergreen perennial Tulbagia, "SOCIETY GARLIC", with lavender blue flowers clothes the ground. Two dwarf Bearss Lime trees are planted on the west side. Because of sentimental associations the existing cedar, Mexican fan palms and seedling apricot were retained and the garden designed around them. The garden was designed to give a feeling of an old-fashioned, turn of the century bedding plant scheme with patriotic colors. Our red, white and blue garden should begin blooming in April and by the time of the Olympic games in July should be in full flower.

Candy and Dean Craig have given hours and Hours And HOURS OF TIME TO OUR GARDENS in working, digging, transplanting, planting, watering, trimming, donating plants and materials and being Docents for the gardens during Open House and other times when interested people come to visit.

If you like to work near Mother Earth, as they do, would you give them some time each week to help Candy "Dead-Head" the roses or anything else you can do? If you are an office person, there is time for this exercise in the evening now that Day-light time is almost here. Please remember that this garden and house and museum belongs to you and to me and to all of us in our community. You ARE NEEDED. Celia



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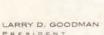
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