



Chatsworth Historical Society

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P.O. Box 3102 Chatsworth, California 91313

Smoke Signal December 1986

ABNER'S
SINCE 1932

OPEN 10 AM - 6 PM
TUESDAY - SUNDAY
CLOSED MONDAYS

785-4303

YELLOW BARN
FURNITURE EMPORIUM
ANTIQUE MALL

American and European Furniture
Many Shops Featuring Quality Antiques
And Collectibles

What... Holiday Party
 When... Saturday, Dec. 6 (7 - 9 pm)
 Where... ABNER'S Yellow Barn
 16710 Sherman way
 Bring... \$3. exchange gift

PLEASE BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

BUT YOU BRING (our members) finger food - not just cookies.....
 SUGGESTIONS: MEATBALLS, FINGER SANDWICHES, COCKTAILS SAUSAGES, CANAPES, HORS d' OEUVRES,
 OR ANYTHING ELSE YOU MAY THINK OF TO MAKE IT A REAL FUN PARTY.....
 Call Millie Goff, Chairman 882-0381, if you have any questions
 PHIL AND STEVE ARE SUCH GRACIOUS HOSTS AND WE DO THANK THEM FOR THIS INVITATION AGAIN!

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A LINE FROM LILA.....

LILA SCHEPLER - President	341-3447
IOLINE CLEVELAND - 1st V.P.	341-1529
LILLIAN SCHEPLER - 2nd V.P.	341-2010
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RAMON AVILA - Member at Large	341-2346
DEAN CRAIG - Member at Large	341-4461
and co-chairman of Grounds	
CELIA WOODMAN - Editor	347-8569
MARIAN HYLAND - is also	
DIRECTOR of DOCENTS this year	882-1852

We are delighted to welcome Celia Woodman back as our Editor, and to know she has improved just enough to get "back to work " in this way.

We extend our gratitude again to our Editor "pro tem", Sheelagh Watts for serving as Editor for several months. The issues have been really GREAT!

On behalf of the Executive Board of your Chatsworth Historical Society, I wish every member of the Society a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and a new year of peace , good health and prosperity, and for our friends and members who will be celebrating Hanukkah - Peace and Happiness. What a blessed season it is!

President Lila

Lila

IN MEMORY OF:

DONALD FERRIS M.D. (husband of Ruth Boak M.D,)

Both were Life members of the Chatsworth Historical society. Don and Ruth were married 44 years. They were classmates in medical school.

Military services for Dr. Ferris, 79, Camarillo, were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, October 16th, at Griffin Brothers Funeral Chapel, Camarillo. Burial was at Conejo Mountain Memorial Park, Camarillo.

Dr. Ferris died Sunday in a Camarillo hospital after a long illness. He was born Oct. 2 1907, in Greenwich, Conn.. He was a 6-year county resident.

Dr Ferris lived in Chatsworth for 28 years, and retired to San Antonio, Texas, before moving to Ventura County. He was an Air Force physician for 25 years, having retired as a colonel in 1962.

He was a veteran of World War II and Korea. He was a graduate of Yale University and received his medical degree from the University School of Med. He was a member of the Retired Officers Association and was a charter member of the Chatsworth Historical Society

Full military honors were provided by the Pacific Missile Test Center, Point Mugu.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, sons Boak J. of Lakewood and Don R. of Arcata, and a daughter Kari J of Lakewood. Dr. Boak is sending us \$100.00 for his name to be placed on our Memorial plaque in the museum.

On a sad note:

Bill and Lila's home caught on fire while they were shopping and the kitchen will all have to redone, but there is smoke damage everywhere. Is there anything that we can do?

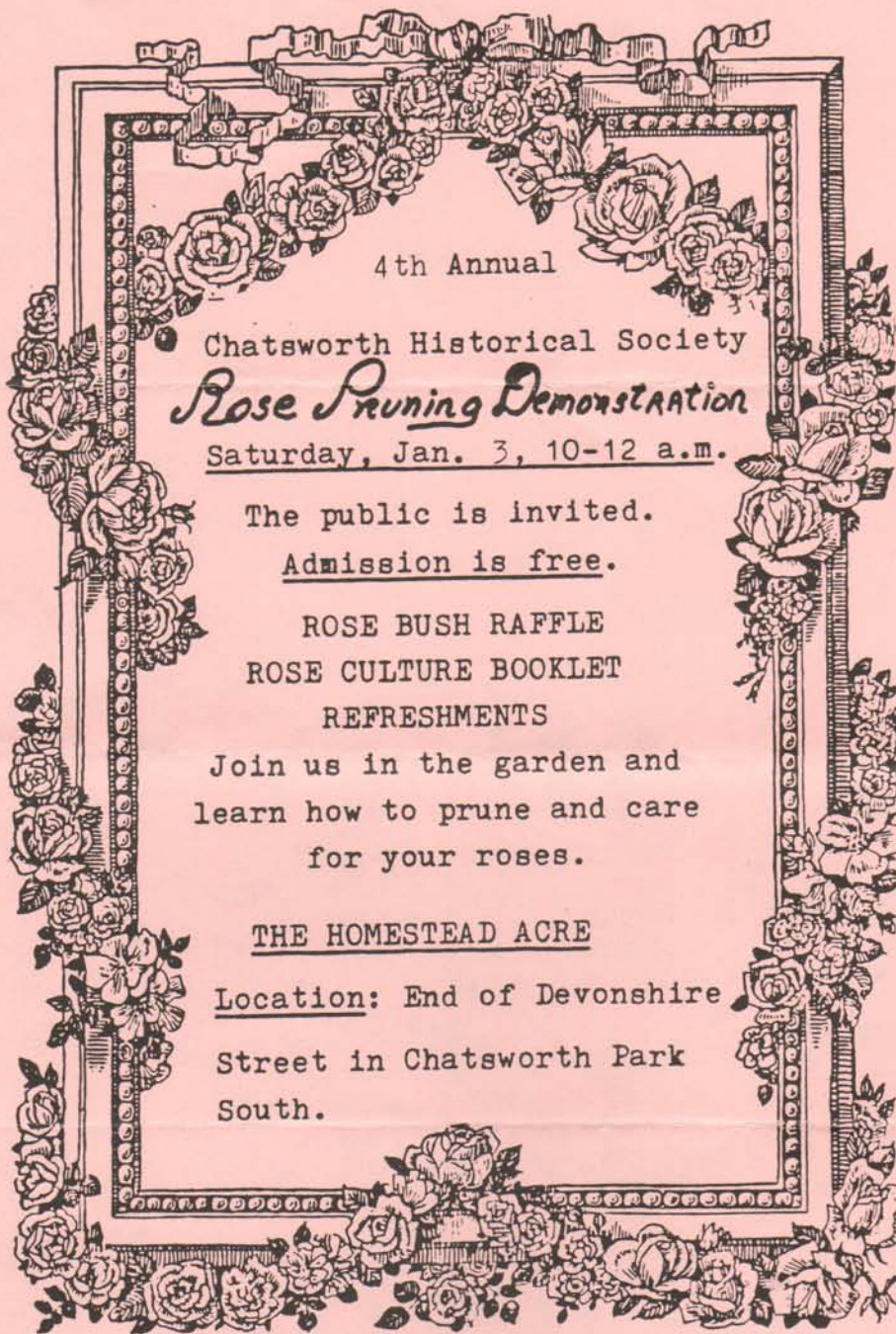
IN MEMORY OF:

JOE IVERSON



He always came when we needed him..... No longer will he be here to cut our Birth-day cake...no longer can we see him always with his floppy hat.

His grand nephew, Bob Sherman and wife, Debbie, took care of him, took to Dr's office, took him wherever he wanted to go, even the first two days of his last 10-day illness when they realized he needed hospital care. He died of pneumonia November 8, 1986. Joe was born June 4, 1896. He was born on the ranch in the old farm house. He was married twice. His first wife was Louise and he was married to Iva for 10 years. there were no children with either marriage. He also had a twin sister, Sena, who had been badly burned when her house caught on fire. Ironically she died only about a week from the date that, Iva, his second wife died (cont.p4)



4th Annual

Chatsworth Historical Society

Rose Pruning Demonstration

Saturday, Jan. 3, 10-12 a.m.

The public is invited.

Admission is free.

ROSE BUSH RAFFLE

ROSE CULTURE BOOKLET

REFRESHMENTS

Join us in the garden and
learn how to prune and care
for your roses.

THE HOMESTEAD ACRE

Location: End of Devonshire
Street in Chatsworth Park
South.

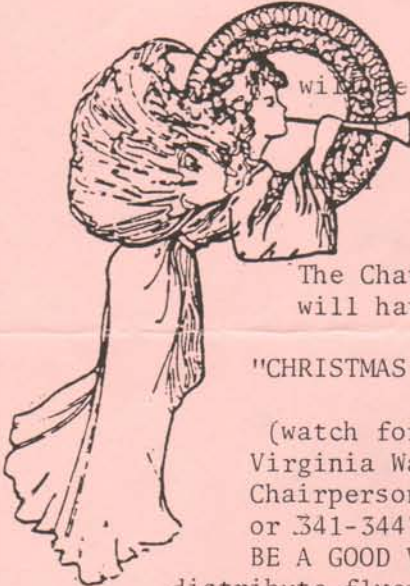
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He had asked for a private graveside service, which was held at Oakwood Memorial Park. He had a Military Service which was conducted by the All Veterans Burial Squad, with Captain Jim Tukesbrey in charge. Joe was a World War I Veteran. His father was Aaron Iverson. His brother's son, Edwin Iverson lives in Simi. Peggy Beltramo is one of our Life Members and was the daughter of Carl Iverson. They had two children, Ruth and Willard, both deceased. Sena, Joe's twin has a son, Adolph Baker, who is now living in Avalon, Catalina.

Bob Sherman has been generous with the Chatsworth Historical Society in allowing us to have some profits on the book, "Quiet on the Set" with pictures and stories from movies that were made on the Iverson Ranch and he, also is sending us \$100.00 to have Joe's name engraved on our Memorial Plaque in the museum. All the Historical Society and his friends from the film industry and Mil Steeves (also one of our members) will miss seeing him & listening to some of the tales he told when the movies were made there. Bob is now busily writing screen plays.

The November Board Meeting was conducted by Marian Hyland Vice President. She opened it with a moment of silence to honor the memory of Warren Graves, Virgil Heumann, and Donald Ferris M.D..



THE 6th ANNUAL
HOLIDAY PARADE
will be on Sunday-Dec 14th
at 1pm

The THEME is

HOLIDAY TRADITIONS.

The Chatsworth Historical Soc.
will have an entry:

"CHRISTMAS AT THE HOMESTEAD"

(watch for us)

Virginia Watson is serving as
Chairperson. Call her at 341-3053
or 341-3447 to help decorate..

BE A GOOD VOLUNTEER! Or help

distribute flyers about the Homestead.

There is something for everyone to do, just
please be there.

If I have forgotten anything, because of
my long illness - please call me 347-8569
Celia Woodman

OPEN HOUSE FOR THE HOMESTEAD ACRE will be

Sunday January 4, 1987 - 1 to 4 pm

Docents will be: Virginia Watson, Zena Thorpe
Pauline Aue and Nancy Razanski.

Don't forget!

Save books and magazines (and your help) at
January Book Sale in Topanga Plaza
Call Lillian Schepler - 341-2010

MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR!

Rose pruning demonstration with Candy Craig--
See pink page for more information. All who
raise roses will be the envy of their neighbors -
then bring your guests or neighbors, we have
received several new members from these events.

GOOD NEWS!

Ruth Grant has accepted the Chairmanship of a
Committee to design and create a CENTENNIAL QUILT
for our 100th year in Chatsworth. Ruth's phone
number is 882-3990. Won't you call her and vol-
unteer for work on such a fun project? We want to
make it a quilt made by members of our Society.

Ruth was one who worked on the famous Quilt in
Los Angeles for the Bi-Centennial, That quilt rec-
eived a great deal of acclaim and was beautiful,
so much so , it was purchased by a museum in
Mexico (after the Los Angeles festivities were
over) for the sum of \$10,000.00.

Also place on your calendar:

Our January meeting, Jan, 20th - 7:30 pm
Glendale Federal. The program will be honoring
the month of the Chinese New Year. Our speaker
will be ANNIE WONG on THE CHINESE HERITAGE. Ms
Wong is a teacher at Chatsworth Park El. School
and brings personal experience as a young Chinese
woman to her fascinating story. This will be the
first meeting of the 99th year of our town.

Happy Birthday to all our December members:
Luella Clark, Ginny Dill, Marci Johnson, Joyce Owe
Evelyn Meltzer, Jeanne Marks, Irene Haag, Carol Mc
Cafferty, Dorothy Wilson, Ruby Swan, Larry Mitchell
Mary Hanson, Gene Cleveland, Jimmy Studnicka.
(if I have forgotten anyone, please let me know)