

Chatsworth Historical Society

SEPTEMBER MINI-PUFF 1987.....A Mini Smoke Signal.....

From your president, Virginia Watson
The Smoke Signal Editor Sheila Watts,
and her husband Keith, are on vacation so this
Mini-Puff is just to keep you informed of what is happening.
The regular Smoke Signal will return next month.

Summer vacation is almost over and it is time once again to
think of the coming year and the Chatsworth Centennial.
I hope all of you had a restful vacation and are ready to
come back to regular meetings and our full fall schedule.

Our first event is:

A FAMILY SALAD/DESSERT POTLUCK
BEGINNING AT 1 P.M.
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20,
AT THE HOMESTEAD ACRE
10385 SHADOW OAK DRIVE
IN CHATSWORTH PARK SOUTH
AT THE WEST END OF DEVONSHIRE
BRING ENOUGH TO SERVE 10 PEOPLE
THERE WILL BE ENTERTAINMENT
AND WE HAVE INVITED GUESTS

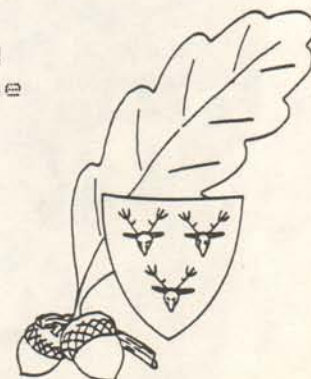


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WE WILL HAVE TABLE SERVICE, BEVERAGES ETC.

Set-up committee and entertainment - Jane and Virginia.
We will spray the area around the big black walnut tree
before the party so the bees and flies will stay away.

Silverware will be wrapped in napkins ahead of time and
the beverage will be prepared by Lila and Bill Schepler.
Chuck and Eileen Janess are bringing the rolls. Millie
will call all the board members to remind them of the party.
Betty Summers, Lillian Schepler and Virginia are the cleanup
committee. When you are ready to go home, after all the food
and entertainment are over, please take your chair over to the
outside storage where we store them.

You all come and have a good time!!





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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

It has been a busy summer Acre-wise. First I met with James Hadaway and then later with George Stigle of the Los Angeles City Department of Recreation and Parks.

The Chatsworth Historical Society Planning Committee met with the park officials to decide upon plans for the future of The Homestead Acre. Committee members are Betty Summers, Lila and Bill Schepler, Ramon Avila and Virginia Watson. Included in the committee are George Stigle and Ray Ramirez.

We will have lots to report at the potluck and in future Smoke Signals for there are many ideas being considered to be brought before the executive board.

The BIG NEWS is that after a special trip to Orcutt Ranch Park to see how they accomplish it, the executive board voted unanimously to have weddings at The Homestead Acre as a fundraising project to maintain The Acre.

More good news. Ruth Heumann is keeping track of volunteer hours. Please stop by her house when you are working at The Acre and let her know so she can record your time. More about this later.

Nanci Oliva represented the Chatsworth Historical Society at the Mayor's reception for th Cultural Heritage Commission on the occasion of its 25th anniversary. There was champagne and jazz in the City Hall Courtyard. We were especially delighted to have been invited and to have Nanci represent us because the Pioneer Church (our first project) was the 14th monument to be named after the commission was formed. Dr. Carl Dentzel and the other board members came out to Chatsworth promptly after that first communication was received by them.

Ruth Grant and her committee are working hard on the Centennial Quilt project. The backing will be brought to the potluck to be signed and a report given on its progress. The quilt was mentioned in the Conference of California Historical Societies' newsletter!

IN MEMORIAM

SAD NEWS TO REPORT. KATE FROST SHERIDAN has passed away. Lila and Bill Schepler represented the Chatsworth Historical Society at her wake in June. Mrs. Sheridan was a Life Member and supported our CHS projects, most often by mail in the later years. A long-time community leader who was well-known for her volunteer work throughout the Valley, she will be missed. We offer our condolences to her family.

A letter received.....

'Dear Friends from the Chatsworth Historical Society:
Bill and I are so grateful to you wonderful folk for your participation in the 'Fire Shower' for us.
It was a great day and we will remember it always with joy.
Thank you indeed!
Lila and Bill''

Here endeth the September Mini Puff.....

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