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CHATSWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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MEMORIES OF WORLD WAR II.

The November quarterly meeting of CHS will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor and the start of World War II. Dean Craig, a retired executive of NBC, will be keynote speaker. Other friends and members of the Society will give brief talks on their own experiences and/or memories of the cataclysmic event.

The cases in the museum are decorated with memorabilia of those years including such items as uniforms, photographs and books on various pertinent aspects of the war.

We'll hear recordings from the archives of the BBC featuring Winston Churchill & Franklin Roosevelt as well as popular songs from that era.

TIME & PLACE:

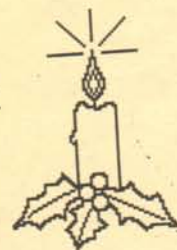
The program will be held in the Chatsworth Museum at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19, 1991. There is no admission charge.

If you would care to be involved by speaking or sharing mementoes, please call Zena Thorpe at 882-3572.

WEDDINGS DISCONTINUED.

The Society has held weddings and receptions at the Homestead Acre for two years as a fund raising project. Due to lack of volunteers to help with these events, the committee has decided to discontinue that use of the Acre.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
Saturday, December 14, 1991

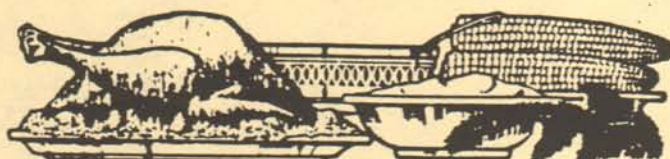


The Historical Society will attend the Mexican Christmas pageant, Las Posadas, at the Andres Pico Adobe presented by the San Fernando Valley Historical Society. The adobe is located at 10940 Sepulveda Blvd., Mission Hills.

The program starts at 7:30 p.m. and we will leave the Homestead Acre at 6:45.

Those interested in stopping first at Los Toros for a Mexican dinner prior to leaving for Mission Hills should meet at the restaurant, 21743 Devonshire St., at 5 pm. We shall order our meals individually.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING !



Las Posadas is a Spanish pageant depicting Joseph and Mary searching for a place to stay the night in Jerusalem. There is a charge of \$1 for each participant to buy a candle.

This year the Society has decided to support Chatsworth FISH by selecting names from the United Methodist Church's "Angel Tree" and to bring the gifts to this event.

Call Sheila, 341-4489 or Lillian, 341-2697 for reservation or information. Those interested in contributing a gift will be given the name, age and sex of the gift recipient. The unwrapped gifts will be distributed to the needy by Chatsworth FISH.

We Welcome new members:

John & Eliza Burton,
20718 Roscoe Blvd.,
Canoga Park, CA 91306

NEW FUND RAISING IDEAS!

With the demise of the wedding project we do need to look elsewhere for funds so if you have any fresh ideas that would raise money, don't be shy! Share your ideas with the members of the board of directors.

We shall definitely hold a Pioneer Day celebration again next year - date undecided at this printing. The one held in May was a very successful event so we shall improve some things and offer the community a unique look at pioneer days.

Please get involved with the Society - we need volunteers and fresh ideas!

NEW LIFE MEMBER WELCOMED.

Paul Dentzel became a Life Member of the Society in September and we are pleased for this support. Paul is the son of Elisabeth Waldo and the late Dr. Carl Dentzel, an early friend of the CHS, as a member of the City Cultural Affairs commission.

Paul is the owner of Fiesta Fantasies, 8516 Reseda Blvd., an ice cream and yogurt emporium.

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

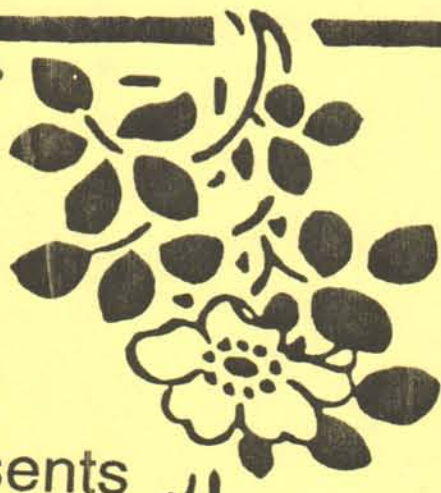
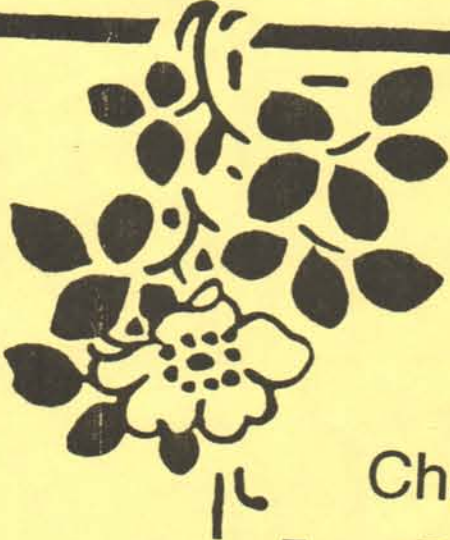
I hope that many of you will attend the November 19 meeting. I shall speak briefly about the start of World War II from the view point of a 10 year old child in England. World War II started September 3, 1939 with gas masks, evacuation and rationing.

Several other people will be sharing their memories. Of course, there will be refreshments and a great deal of reminiscing...and Lila is planning to lead us in a sing-a-long.

Brush off the memories and join us for a very interesting evening.

Meanwhile for those unable to attend because of distance, I wish everyone a very happy Thanksgiving.

Sheila.



Chatsworth Historical Society Presents

A GARDEN FESTIVAL

FEATURING

Expert Demonstrations:

- o Grow Native Plants from Seeds
- o Grow Prize-winning Iris
- o Produce Gorgeous Roses
- o Secrets of Growing & Using Herbs
- o Fancy Orchid Cultivation
- o Producing & Creatively Using Dried Flowers
- o Produce Delicious Fruits

ALSO

Vendors, Books, Supplies
Food & Refreshments
Entertainment

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 1992

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

THE HOMESTEAD ACRE

AT THE FIRST STOP SIGN IN

**CHATSWORTH PARK SOUTH
WEST END OF DEVONSHIRE**

