

# Smoke Signal

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#### From the President:

This will be my last message to you as president of the Society and I can now truly appreciate all the hard work that past presidents have put into the Society since its inception 30 years ago. The board members, docents and all other helpers do a tremendous job of course. We really are a rather unique group. Whatever project is afoot, everyone just gets on with his or her task and, "Hey Presto!", the whole thing comes together.

The presidency is a big responsibility but I know that I am leaving it in very capable hands and I am looking forward to my new job of Ways and Means chairman. I ask all Society members to give Bea the same help and encouragement that you have shown me.

Zena.

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

Mark the calendar and plan to join us for the annual installation of officers and a wine, cheese and dessert tasting plus commemoration of the society's 30th anniversary. We'll be meeting at the Acre on Tuesday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m., and we

## From Bea Berman, Ways and Means chairman:

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Thanks to all the hard working society members we had a most successful first annual garden festivall Approximately 250 people attended and the weather was perfect....the acre has never looked prettier.

Those attending told us what an enjoyable day it was and all the booths prospered. My grateful thanks to all who helped.

Bea

#### Museum Council News:

Two new welcome additions to the council are:

Joyce Summers Ower of Alaska, and Ken Levy, long time life member.

#### Membership News:

General membership dues are payable on or around June 1st for current members and also for new and former members. Please see attached "Dues Reminder" tear-off sheet for details.

Our thanks to Robert Jones and Sandy and Felicia Robinson who have already submitted their dues.

#### COMING EVENTS

...Tuesday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m. Annual meeting at the Acre.

...Wednesday, June 2nd. Docent's meeting at the acre; 3 p.m., a talk by Elaine Kennon on how to best preserve your photographs, old and new.

...Saturday, June 12 at 1 p.m., the docent's baby shower for Kathy Reynolds!

...Sunday, September 12, quarterly program meeting.

...Sunday, October 3, Pioneer Day Celebration.

#### WATTS' WHAT .....

When Helen Treend of the Oak Tree Coalition learned that there is no oak growing at the acre she and the coalition donated a valley white oak that has been planted at the north east corner of the acre. Thanks Helen!

Congratulations to Beth Shirley of the Canoga-Owensmouth Historical Society

who was nominated by that group for consideration for a statewide award by the California Conference of Historical Societies. Winners will be named at the annual meeting of the Conference in Madera in late June.

We're happy to say that Marian Hyland has completely recovered from ear surgery performed April 27 and also the good news is that Bea Berman had cataract surgery on May 4 and is now feeling well and seeing well.

## News of the San Fernando Valley Historical Society:

...Monday, May 24,7 p.m. at the Balboa Mission Town Hall, 16916 S.F. Mission Blvd.

The program will be A History of Puppets in the Southwest presented by Betsy Brown. Betsy is currently an assistant teacher at CSUN specializing in the history of puppetry. She will trace the history from the time of Cortes through the 19th century, the influence of the Indian culture on the art of puppetry as well as Chinese and other influences.

Congratulations to Richard Bruce Hyland and Wei Gian Qui who were married at the Acre on April 10. It was a beautiful day for a wedding. The reception followed at Encino Glen. The bride's parents flew from Shangai for the event and will remain as visitors for six months. The groom is the son of Marian and Ralph Hyland and he is a project manager for Paramount Studios. Society members who attended included Jim and Betty Summers, Eileen Janess, Sandy and Felicia Robinson and Irene and Everett Cleveland who came from

Kingman, AZ, for the event. Everett added a novel touch by presenting the bride with a turn of the century rolling pin! The happy couple will make their home in Encino.

#### A poll.

The board has decided to ask readers to help decide whether to change the format of the September quarterly meeting. In the past it has been a potluck/barbecue in the late afternoon.

Choices:

- 1. A breakfast /brunch meeting at II:30 am.
- A barbecue/ potluck at 4:30 p.m.

Would you help with the preparations? yes\_\_\_\_

If you can help please indicate name & pnone:

Name\_\_\_\_Phone

Please detach and mail to Chatsworth Historical Society, 10385 Shadow Oak Drive, Chatsworth 91311

### **Dues Reminder**

Yes, I would like to (continue) (rejoin) membership in the Chatsworth Historical Society. in order to participate and enjoy the activities and programs planned for the coming year.

Here are my dues in the amount of \$ Name:	for 1993.	(Individual \$15, Family \$20).
Address:		

Please mail to: Chatsworth Historical Society, 10358 Shadow Oak Drive, Chatsworth, CA 91311. Thank You!

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