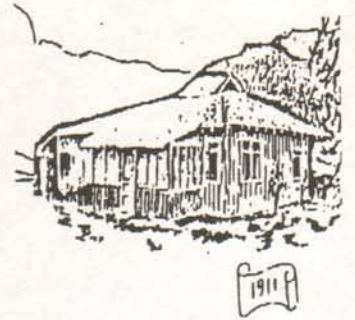


# Smoke Signal



CHATSWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
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## 108th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR CHATSWORTH

Join us on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m., at the Museum as we celebrate Chatsworth's 108th birthday with entertainment and refreshments. The cake will be supplied by Hughes Market and ice-cream courtesy Valeta Kohler. The program is titled, Quilts - Now and Then, presented by Zena Thorpe, international quilting champion. We look forward to seeing you then - and please bring a friend.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Thanks to the nominating committee for the hard work that resulted in an excellent slate of officers for 1996-67. I'm happy also to report that Virginia Watson is recuperating at home following triple by-pass heart surgery - we all wish her continued good health and will be happy to have her working with us again soon. I'm sorry to report that Mary Avila has suffered a fall but she is also recuperating at home - hope you're feeling better soon, Mary.

We welcome a new volunteer, Tim Oden, owner of Cal-Green Enterprises, a land-scaping and maintenance company of Northridge. Tim took one of our tours recently and then volunteered to help Candy and Dean in the gardens whenever

he has the time. Welcome indeed! Thanks also to those who have already responded to the call for new roses for the gardens. They are listed elsewhere in the newsletter.

Sheila Watts

## SPRING GARDEN FESTIVAL

The committee planning the annual Garden Festival for April 28th has been busy indeed. Bea Berman is chairman and if you would like to help in anyway she'll love to hear from you. The event will last from 11 a.m., to 4 p.m. The set-up will take place starting at 9.a.m., and we always need help with that and also with the take-down at 4. The refreshments will be served in the Tea Shoppe similar to last year's and we'll be appreciative of donations of small cookies and kitchen helpers. There will be demonstrations of garden provisions, a plant booth manned by Betty Summers, demonstrations by vendors, arts and crafts, garden tours, dancers will entertain, there will be a white elephant booth, jams and jellies and displays of floral arrangements ....everything to help with spring gardens. Call a committee member if you can help by donating time or goods, plants or goodies for the white elephant booth:

Bea Berman, 341-5449; Betty Summers, 341-2714; Donna Afflerbach, 882-0485;

Zena Thorpe, 882-3572 and Sheila Watts, 341-4489. We're counting on you!

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT 1996-97

### Elective Officers

President	Virginia Watson
1st V.P-Programs	BeaBerman
2nd V.P- Fund Raising	--
3rd V.P-Membership	KeithWatts
4th V-P-Hospitality	John Thorpe
Rec/Corr. Secretary	Zena Thorpe
Treasurer	Lillian Schepler
Editor- Smoke Signal	Sheila Watts
1- Dir.at Large	Linda Van der Valk
2- Dir.at Large	Lila Schepler (Museum Council)
3- Dir at Large	Betty Summers (Cottage & Effects)

### Appointive Board Members

Curator	---
Dir.of Docents	Donna Afflerbach
Parliamentarian	---
Dir.Photographic Materials	Bill Schepler
Co-Directors of Gardens	Dean and Candy Craig

Nominating Committee: Keith Watts, Betty Summers, Bill Schepler and John Thorpe

### IN MEMORIAM

With the death this week of Nick Montano, Sr., our group has lost a long-time Life Member and early supporter of the Society and its objectives. Nick was the owner of the ever-popular Los Toros Restaurant on Devonshire Street. He died of a heart attack in Las Vegas and funeral services will be held this week. CHS will donate a rose in his memory, to be placed in the garden at the Homestead Acre. We send our sympathy

to Nick's family at this sad time.

### DONATIONS:

Sincere thanks to Ruth Grant for a generous donation of \$150 to enable us to purchase the photo slide of the Centennial Quilt, then to purchase the postcards to be made from the slide. The post cards of course will be on sale in the museum. In addition, Ruth included \$25 for a rose for the garden in memory of her late husband, Neal.

### MORE ROSES:

Dean & Candy Craig donated 7 roses that are already planted and from Lois Solomon we received \$30 to purchase certain red roses in memory of her parents, Mabelle and Leslie Hadley who lived in Chatsworth and who are remembered by several board members. I will quickly add that following the recent group pruning effort, Dean and Candy soldiered on and have completed pruning 90% of the 300 roses. To all of the above bove thanks for helping. If anyone else would like purchase a rose, simply send the Society a check for \$15 to:  
10385 Shadow Oak Drive, Chatsworth,  
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### SOMETHING ELSE FOR THE GARDEN:

Candy also supplied information for a perfect birthday, Mother's Day or birth gift that readers can order direct from the flower catalogue if they wish. THIS IS NOT A FUND RAISER FOR THE SOCIETY. The catalogue publisher will engrave a weatherproof bronze plaque with your three line message (up to 16 characters per line), then attach it to a brick. The bricks can be placed at the foot of a favorite rose, tree, or flowerbed for a

personalized touch for years to come .  
Catalogue item 8998A,  
\$34.95; to order call 1-800-292-4769.

SAMPLE ONLY:

Savannah D. Green  
born  
October 16, 1995

CONGRATULATIONS to proud  
grandparents, Laurie and Bob Dager, on  
the birth of Noel Henion on December 24,  
1995. Tahani and Hunt Henion are the  
happy parents and Noel's siblings are  
Dale, 12, and Veda, 16 months.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Sunday, April 9th is  
Easter. Consequently, the Homestead  
Acre will be closed and no tours will be  
offered.