



Culver City Historical Society

Post Office Box 3428

Culver City, Ca.

90230

HISTORY
HERITAGE

NEWSLETTER-HIGHLIGHTS

RESTORATION
PRESERVATION

Vol 4 No. 2

May 1984

MAY MEETING: CHANGE OF NIGHT, THIS MEETING ONLY!

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 7:30 p.m., CULVER CITY LIBRARY

For newcomers, the Library is located at 4975 Overland Blvd., and it is ok to park in the lot next door. This meeting will be a combined meeting with members of the Friends of the Library who are also eager to hear Gladys Muller speak on "Genealogy".

Mrs. Muller is the founding and current president of the Whittier Area Genealogical Society, is former director of the Southern California Genealogical Society and serves on the board of the California State Genealogical Alliance.

She has been involved in Genealogical Research since 1967, has maintained a Genealogical Research firm since 1977 and is an instructor of Genealogy for Rio Hondo College. A native of New Jersey, Mrs. Muller has lived in California since 1958 is married and has four children.

This meeting promises to be most informative...don't miss it just because you forgot the change of date...Tuesday, May 22!

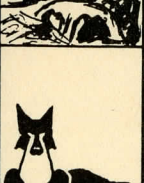
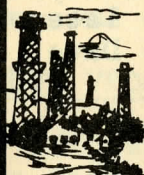
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

I want to thank the membership for their support and faith in me. I can hardly believe two years have passed since I took the presidency, and it looks like the next two are already starting to "move right along". I see a lot of accomplishments in our near future: Marking historic sites, setting up an "archives" in our office, our first "Museum Fundraiser" and much more. I am delighted with our board and I hope to see more participation from other members. Our docent program is being expanded and we have some other things up our sleeves which should be very beneficial to our community. Please join us for the May meeting. It should be an excellent program. See you then.

Julie

DIAL-A-RIDE:

For those members needing a ride to our meeting--Please call 397-7430, and we will arrange a ride for you to our meetings.



HISTORIC SITES COMMITTEE:

DAVE WILLIAMS, CHAIR

Dave has some exciting work to do with his committee. Amongst the latest nominations for designation as Historic Sites: The Citizen Building, the American Legion Building on Hughes. The Legion Building is being restored by Brotman Medical Center as a recreational facility/meeting place for the medical staff. It was built in 1930. More later. We will tell you more about Dave in the next Newsletter...Welcome Dave!

LIBRARY COMMITTEE:

ANITA MACHADO MARLEY, CHAIR

Welcome, Anita! Anita is new to our organization, but not to the area. She was born on the Machado Rancho at 5454 Centinela to parents Fred and Della Machado. She is married and has 5 grown children. Anita makes her home in Torrance where she is a substitute teacher for the Torrance Unified School District. Her hobbies are bowling and reading, and now, the Historical Society!

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL LANDMARKS:

*LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Have you been to any of these landmarks?

#127 - Casa de Governor Pio Pico. 6003 Pioneer Blvd. (jct Hwy 72 and I-605), Whittier. Following the Mexican War, Pio Pico, last Mexican governor, acquired 9,000-acre Rancho Paso de Bartolo and built here an adobe home that was destroyed by the floods of 1883-1884. His second adobe casa, now known as Pio Pico Mansion, represents a compromise between Mexican and American cultures. While living here the ex-Governor was active in the development of American California.

#150 - Brand Park (Memory Garden). San Fernando Blvd., Los Angeles Brand Park, was given to the city for a park November 4, 1920. It is part of the original land grant of Mission San Fernando de Re de España, and the colorful and picturesque atmosphere of the early California missions is preserved in Memory Garden.

#151 - Campo de Cahuenga. "Here was made the Treaty of Cahuenga by General Andres Pico, commanding forces for Mexico, and Lt. Col. J.C. Fremont, U.S. Army, for the United States. By this treaty, agreed upon January 13, 1847, the United States acquired California; finally secured to us by the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, made February 2, 1848." This legend was written February 9, 1898, by Mrs. Jessie Benton Fremont.

*From, California Historical Landmarks, Department of Parks & Recreation, State of California-the Resources Agency, P.O. Box 2390, Sacramento, 95811. (Thank you Cathy).

SUMMER FUN:

Plans are underway for a "Museum Fundraiser"....Keep the "Summer" open. Cathy Zermeno will be telling us more about the event, date, time and place....soon. Knowing Cathy's track record it will be a super event, with lots of good food, fun and surprises, give Cathy a call if you have some time and can help her out.

MUSEUM UPDATE:

The office in the E.V.Roberts Bldg at the City Yard is now OPEN! If you have items to donate please call Cathy (839-7688) or Julie. Special thanks to the Chamber of Commerce...they have donated many items, including a safe, to the Historical Society. Extra special thanks to Mr. Burt Freeman, who allowed Cathy to come and go in the Chamber offices after the lease was up so that she could supervise the moving of the Chamber furniture.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Fiesta La Ballona, Saturday, May 19, 1984. The Historical Society is planning a high degree of involvement in the Fiesta this year:

- o FREE HISTORICAL TOURS OF THE CITY. The City is providing the Bus at no charge. They will run on the hour from 11:00 a.m. from Barman Ave., within sight of our Information Booth.
- o INFORMATION BOOTH. Call Jo Ellen Weaver if you can spend some time in the booth, please call her at 397-7430.
- o KIDDIE PARADE. Marti Diviak will handle this event. It begins at 10:00 (If you would like to help line-them-up, give her a call). Entry blanks went out to the schools and can also be found at the City Clerks Office at City Hall, the CC Library or the Human Services Dept. Prizes will be given to Best Costume for a Girl, and for a Boy, as well as the Best Float. Pre-school thru 5th graders are eligible, the theme is "EARLY CULVER CITY".

Other events to plan on for the Fiesta is dress-up day, Friday, May 18 also a dinner/dance that same night at the Vets. Tickets available thru Dept. of Human Services 202-5855, only \$7.50 per person. Live Band and other fun entertainment.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL:

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE CULVER CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NAME _____ TEL _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

Annual dues:

(check one)

- _____ Patron Member (\$100 or more)
- _____ Sustaining Member (\$50)
- _____ Contributing Member (\$25)
- _____ Service Organization (\$10)
- _____ Member (\$7.50)

I would like to serve on the following committee:

- _____ Library
- _____ Museum
- _____ Publications (Newsletter)
- _____ Historic Sites
- _____ Membership
- _____ Program

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK

Plans are underway to print a membership roster. Call Jo Ellen if you want your telephone number deleted. Thanks.

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Lu Herrera for the 1937, yes 1937, listing of businesses in the area.

Gary Audet and Larry Wiley and the City Employees who moved the office furniture for us.

And as always, to Dale Jones, our CAO, who arranged for the office and associated help. The office, or "Historical Society Closet" as we call it is located in the E.V. Roberts Bldg.

IN BRIEF:

Reba Yudess will again act as our representative to the PAC - Project Area 3 Committee (Redevelopment Agency). She will keep us posted on their projects.

The Historical Society has joined the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber's new offices are located at 5901 Green Valley Circle, Culver City.

FOR THE REFRIGERATOR, OR BY THE PHONE: Culver City Historical Society VIPs

Julie Cerra, President (838-0215)
Marti Diviak, Vice-Pres. (398-8165)
Bessie Freiden, Secretary (870-3235)
Pat Clapp, Treasurer (559-4100)

Dates to Remember:

June 27	Board Meeting/Julie's 7:30 p.m.
July 25	"
AUGUST 22	GENERAL MEETING GARDEN ROOM/VET'S BLDG. 7:30 p.m.
September 26	Board Meeting/Julie's 7:30 p.m.
October 24	"
NOVEMBER 28	GENERAL MEETING GARDEN ROOM/VET'S BLDG. 7:30 p.m.

Lupa Smith
11460 Culver Pk. Dr.
Culver City, Ca. 90230

NON-PROFIT
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT NO. 146
CULVER CITY, CA

CULVER CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 3428
CULVER CITY, CA 90231