Newsletter of the Rancho Bernardo Historical Society

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SECOND ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST and CONCERT

Please join us for a Memorial Day Celebration Honoring John W. Curtis Oaks North Resident, Tuskegee Airman and Congressional Gold Medal Recipient

$7 per person FREE to U.S. Military & Veterans in uniform or photo in uniform FREE to Children under 3 years of age

Photos of military will be scanned for placement on the Wall of Honor

"Tribute to the Fallen" performed by the San Pasqual Battlefield Volunteers dressed in period attire with cannon firing

Tile Painting and Commemorative Bricks for Purchase

Fabulous Kiwanis Club Chefs cooking pancakes and sausage, served with fruit, yogurt, granola, coffee and juice

Live Musical Entertainment

Door Prizes and Raffle

Saturday May 26, 2007 8 am - Noon
Bernardo Winery 13330 Paseo Del Verano Norte

Join the Fun and Help Us Build a New Home for the Rancho Bernardo History Museum We're Moving History Forward!


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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

ON-CALL HELPERS......WHO ME??

By Tom Cook, President

Speaking for the Society and its progress; “these are the best of times...and the worst of times.” This quote from Charles Dickens is a little extreme but it’s a good launching pad. Yes, these are the best of times. We are moving along on a broad front. Your Board of 14 are producing far beyond normal expectations. The Capital Fund Drive under Nancy Canfield is delivering about $4,500 per month. RB Rotary donated $3,000 last Wednesday. Your Museum Staff under Susan Floyd is becoming more effective each week. Requests for help from the community are increasing. Four Tile Painting Events have been held with four more in planning. Construction design, contractor selection and Poway permitting is progressing. Planning and gathering for the May 26th Pancake Concert is in ‘overdrive’.

So what’s with this “the worst of times”? I am concerned with this self imposed workload putting too much strain on your team. It’s the ‘small stuff’, the simple one time or short duration tasks that I worry about. We need your help!! For this reason I ask that you Volunteer to be ON-Call Helpers. Here are some current examples:

Call Karen Rott (248-3766) to deliver Pancake Flyers to Stores, set-up chairs, bus tables, sell tickets, etc. Call me (487-5088) to set up street signs on May 26, booth and table duty at events (2 hr. shift), pull weeds, rotate displays (once per mo.), July 4th Float, etc. For Museum Duty call Susan Floyd (487-4599). It’s fun. I close with this anonymous thought, “A snowflake is one of God’s most fragile creations, but look what they can do when they stick together.”

Memories: We All Have Them

The Rancho Bernardo Historical Society is looking for a few good memories. We are putting together a book that will be ready for distribution in November of this year. We would like to hear from you. If you would like to write your own piece—great! If not, we have interviewers available. If you have photos or other information, let us know. Contact Mona Fucci @ 858 675 8077 or mofucci@sbcglobal.net.

GOLF PUTS RB ON THE MAP

By Peggy Rossi

Rancho Bernardo was just a fledgling community on the chilly morning of January 9, 1964. It was also the morning when golf helped put RB on the map as the San Diego Open was held at the new Rancho Bernardo Country Club. Harry Summers had managed to lure the event from the Stardust Country Club in Mission Valley. While the Open eventually found a permanent home at Torrey Pines, Rancho Bernardo hosted the likes of Arnold Palmer, Tony Lema and Art Wall, the latter being the winner. It was a young course and perhaps not quite ready for such a big event but RB entered golf history that day.

If you’d like to read more about this event, the RBHS archives has an article by Logan Jenkins on his memories of the tournament. If you were there or have memorabilia from RB’s early golf days, we’d love to talk to you.
THANK YOU-THANK YOU-THANK YOU

To all new members and members who have renewed since March.


WE'RE MOVING HISTORY FORWARD!

By Nancy Canfield

The Historical Society has so many wonderful activities coming up, I hardly know where to begin. First, Valerie Schmitt of Coldwell Banker is planning to host a tile painting program at Seven Oaks recreation center. Visitors are invited to paint a ceramic tile which will become a permanent part of the new museum, to be built in 2007, and get a local history lesson in the bargain. Len and Bev Reed of Coldwell Banker did the same at Oaks North recently. It was such a success, residents are clamoring for a repeat! On May 26, our second annual Pancake Breakfast/Concert will have you tapping your toes and your tummy at the Bernardo Winery. Co-chairs Karen Rott and Jane Harmon have harnessed a legion of volunteers to help make this a spectacular experience. Beverly Merrill assures us the talent she is supplying will match last year's for sure. And, we're preparing a BIG SURPRISE ANNOUNCEMENT that day, so be sure to see Susan at the museum for tickets.

On June 3, the RB Historical Society will be displaying at RB Alive's first Cultural Center, chaired by yours truly, alongside San Dieguito River Park, the Kumeyaay Ipai Interpretive Center of Poway, and more. Be sure to visit us and see beautiful painted gourds and native plants for sale, paint a tile with us, and hear Indian flute player, Mac Lopez. Be sure to look for our float in the Spirit of the 4th Parade, depicting a model of our new museum. If you would like to help us build your Rancho Bernardo museum, and can volunteer in any capacity, please contact Tom Cook at 487-5088. Whether hosting a tile painting program, helping us learn Quickbooks, sitting in the museum for an hour or two, or doing research for inquiring residents, whatever you would like to contribute, we could use your help.

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Order a 4 x 8 brick, 3 lines maximum, 15 characters including spaces per line $250; or order an 8 x 8 brick, 6 lines maximum, 15 characters including spaces per line $500. Order a replica brick for an additional $100. Send check/cash to RB Historical Society, PO Box 27314, San Diego, CA 92198-7314. Program contact: Don Sheffler, (858)602-6518 or e-mail don@promotionworks.com.

YOUR MESSAGE OR FAMILY NAME -HERE-
MARK YOUR CALENDAR
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AND CONCERT
Saturday, May 26, 2007
8:00 AM - Noon

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Help us make this event a success and get to know other friends of the Rancho Bernardo Historical Society. For more information, call Karen at (858)613-1933.

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