



Fair Oaks Historical Society

NEWSLETTER

Preserving and Perpetuating the Heritage of Fair Oaks, California

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QUARTERLY POTLUCK/GENERAL MEETING--TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1993

GUEST SPEAKER : RUSSELL OLSON
TOPIC : HISTORY OF THE FLYING CLUB AND PHOENIX FIELD
LOCATION : FAIR OAKS COMMUNITY CLUBHOUSE
 7997 CALIFORNIA AVENUE, FAIR OAKS
 LOWER LEVEL DINING ROOM
TIME : 6:00PM - SOCIAL HOUR
 6:30PM - POTLUCK DINNER
 PLEASE BRING CASSEROLE, SALAD, OR DESSERT
QUESTIONS : CALL WARREN/JANET - 961-9012

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WARREN MCWILLIAMS (961-9012)

Happy New Year! As the new year begins, we mourn the loss of two fellow members since we last met. Richard Gilmore, Postmaster Retired and George Payne, Fire Chief Retired --both men definitely part of our history. They will be missed by all. Our sympathy goes out to their widows and families.

The Society is looking forward to new Goals for the future; we may be asking for help or input. Our latest project -- the 1993 Calendars -- have sold well; however, we would like to sell another 50 calendars by February 1. Membership is up by 10 members for the past year; let's double that number for 1993.

I'd also like to thank retiring Board Members, Charlie Hull, Treasurer, and Don Kenmonth, Secretary for their dedicated service. Don will continue with us as a liaison person to the Sacramento County History Commission.

Don't forget to leave your favorite potluck recipes at the meeting. If we get enough, we'll put them together to produce a book. It should be great since we know that **our potlucks** are the **best in the west!**

We are looking forward to our meeting on Tuesday, January 26. Russ Olson, an original member of the Fair Oaks Flying Club, will tell us of the formation of the Club and Phoenix Field. **SEE YOU THERE!**

INVITE A FRIEND.....

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ralph Carhart, (961-6301)

Tuesday, January 26, Russell Olson will take us back to early days of Phoenix Field and the Fair Oaks Flying Club, Inc. **HANG ON TO YOUR GOGGLES AND COWL HELMET** as we fly back to the Fair Oaks of yore.....

SECRETARY'S REPORT
Don Kenmonth (920-0531)

Executive Board Meeting - Dec. 10, 1992. Present: Carole Abbott, Ralph Carhart, Horace Crandall, Dorothy Dykeman, Lois Frazier, Charlie Hull, Don Kenmonth, Marilyn Kendrick, Bob Massey, Janet McWilliams, Warren McWilliams.

Treasurer Report shows balance of \$2441.00.

A first for our History Center -- by arrangement with the Women's Thursday Club, two sixth grade Fair Oaks Classes visited the Center.

Calendar sales going very well -- Horace Crandall reports sales of 177 units.

Discussion regarding the Society position regarding coming Centennial in 1995. Warren McWilliams looking for a volunteer to head committee. Our group could be the depository and clearing house for people who have pictures or other items of historical interest and want to loan/display them for the Centennial -- and other groups could contact us.

Bob Massey made a motion to support the Senior Citizens of Orangevale with their rejuvenation project of the clubhouse. Fair Oaks Historical Society to buy two tickets.

On motion of Don Kenmonth, the Society has made a gift to the new Library's California Room, which will open in April, 1993. We donated a copy of "Hearts of California", a video "Fair Oaks, the Way it Was", and a 1993 Calendar.

In closing, it was noted that 125 people receive our Newsletter, but many do not pay dues. Need volunteers to man phone bank and call these folks. Contact June Melvin and volunteer to help.

Speaker for January Meeting will be Russ Olson. Subject will be the Phoenix Air Field and Flying Club.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
Horace Crandell, Chairman (967-2102)

The October raffle went quite well, with \$126 donated -- a record! In the future, however, we will limit the number of raffle items to eight, in deference to the time allotted our speaker. As of December 31, six items have been donated for our January 26 potluck dinner meeting.

The committee ad hoc sales force has been busy. There are 203 calendars and 2 "Heart of California" books that are now proud possessions of people in their homes or businesses -- **THANKS to Lois Frazier, Gayle Anita, Warren McWilliams, and Iva Langness.** Just in case you can't make the January Meeting, **APPLAUD THEM RIGHT NOW!** But remember, we have over 200 calendars left. Any ideas???

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
June Melvin, Chairman (967-5605)

The **ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE THIS MONTH** and what a bargain they are! They support and sustain the workings of our society and its' History Center, the four quarterly meetings per year, the Newsletter, and pay the annual dues to the Sacramento County Historical Society and to the statewide Conference of California Historical Societies on campus of the University of Pacific. More activity news of these two Societies will be included in future Newsletters.

By your efforts and cooperation, our Society has grown to a strong, stable position in our community. This Historical Society is a catalyst preserving our history and heritage.

Please renew your membership for 1993 and tell your friends. If each member brought in one new member this year, we would be well above our goal for growth before March 1st.

Please refer and respond with the tear-away section at the bottom of this page and mail in today. Thank you.

NEEDED.....DOCENTS ... FOR THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH ----- PLEASE CONTACT LOIS FRAZIER, 967-2967

Our Historical Society Center continues to be open to the Public every second Sunday of the month from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. During the past year, we have enjoyed visits from "Old timers" and "new residents". We have a wonderful display of old photos of Fair Oaks and local artifacts from a Maidu porcupine tail comb to a gold rocker. Please invite your friends and neighbors to come have a look. Many thanks to **LARRY AND MEG SMART** for being our docents on January 10, 1993.

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NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIPCODE _____

Amount of check enclosed _____

Annual dues:
individual \$ 8.00
family 12.00
supporting 25.00
Life 100.00

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