



President's Message

by Betty McMillen



Nearly two hundred people gathered at our twenty-second annual Hometown Reunion in October. They enjoyed catching up on each others lives and reminiscing about the "good old days". Several members were honored during the occasion. Jo McClain Dupris, Evelyn Vance and Pat Neilson received flowers because they were past ninety years of age. Shirley and Ralph Anderson received flowers for being married the longest...65 years to their credit! The Conleys and the Fosters had the largest number of family members present. Leland and Eloise Barker from Arizona and Bonnie and Jack Ross from Oregon traveled the farthest to attend. Cloyce and Ruth Burkhart made the trip to coincide with their 57th wedding anniversary.

Winner of the handmade quilt titled "Virginia's Village" was Audrey Hibson from Borrego. It was hand quilted by Women's Club members Barbara Boggess and Barbara Whitlock. Helen Jensen won the lovely Afghan knitted by Olga Puhn, and Barbara De Young won a floral arrangement. Thanks to everyone who supported the quilt raffle. It made over \$300 for the society's continued preservation efforts. Door prizes were won by David Hibdon and Althea Anderson.

Terry Callen's artistic talents were evident with her lovely display of historic photos, memorabilia and costumes. The Lakeside Garden Club members pitched in to help with the table decorations.

Many thanks to all the workers who helped make the event a success. Under Dolores Meyer's expert guidance everything ran smoothly, and as usual, Ranch Catering did a great job of providing good food. I am always amazed at the great group of worker bees we have. Among them this year were : Marguerite Sherman, Chris Herzog, Pat Ellwood, Marcella Williams, Olga Puhn, Peg Stewart, Lee Bost, Edna Kouns, Florence Horst, Donna Swink, Gertruded Davis, Elaine Brack, Shirley Anderson, Mary Neal, Eileen Carender, Estella Sommerville, Dixie Lansdowne and Roberta Calloway. Thanks everyone, we couldn't do it without you!

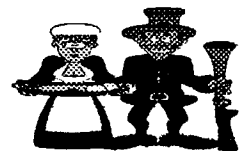


Friends since childhood, Leland Barker and Leonard Philbrook play harmonica together at the Lakeside Hometown Reunion.

Calendar of Events

November

- 19 Board Meeting
9:30 a.m.
Everyone Welcome!
- 20 Congress of History
at LHS
10:00 a.m.
Guest Speakers
Everyone Welcome!
- 22 Regular Meeting
7:00 p.m.
ELECTIONS!
Guest Speaker
- 25 *Happy Thanksgiving!*



December

- 4 Lakeside Historical Society's annual
"Holiday Home Tour"
- 4 *"Christmas on Maine"*
- 10 Theater Party
8:00 p.m.
- 15 *LSH Annual*
Christmas Dinner Meeting
6:00 p.m.
- 18 *"Christmas on Maine"*
- 25 *Merry Christmas!*



Elections to be Held at November Meeting

At the November meeting we will be electing new officers for the coming year.

The Nominating Committee, composed of Marcella Williams, Barbara De Young and Chris Herzog, presents the slate of officers for 2000, Lakeside Historical Society:

President: Jean Angus

President-Elect: _____

Vice President, Programs: Olga Puhn

Recording Secretary: Wanda Walker

Treasurer: Elaine Brack

Additional nominations will be taken from the floor and then the membership will vote.

The guest speaker at the November meeting will be John Owen, who filmed the restoration of the Irving Gill Christian Science Church in San Diego. He also writes for the Union Tribune. Lakeside is lucky to have two homes built by Irving Gill, the famous architect.

From the Mail Bag.....

We kept the mailman busy in October delivering words of good will and ticket stubs for the golf tournament. What a wonderful way for our far away people to show their support. Wish we could name them all (and we're not forgetting our close-to-home people)!!

Frieda Sutton, from Hemet, says: "Hi, Since I'm no golfer I hope its fun for all. I always look forward to the newsletter. I pass it on to Edna Mack who lived in Eucalyptus hills. We knew a few of the same people."

From G. Ernestine Paine (recently rebaptized GeoE, due to my breaking out of taking life too seriously). "Though Lakeside is not my "Home Town", having lived there thirty-five years and having my four children graduate from El Capitan, and having been active in the community, I think of it as Home Town, and miss you and your activities. I am so delighted with your preservation program - it is truly important. I am living now in Pacific Grove, where my parents died. It too is a very old town, surrounded by new and modern developments, but they are doing a yeoman job of preserving the buildings and the history. The house I live in is almost as old as I am (81), and many of the surrounding ones are much older. That which they preserve is also that which they USE and it makes for a beautiful community.

I send you a copy of a poem I wrote during the time I was president of the Bicentennial Committee and we were all involved in trying to not only preserve, but improve our beautiful Lindo Lake. I appreciate receiving the newsletter each month, and the mention of those of you whom I remember with affection."

EVOLUTION

(Poem written about Lindo Lake by G. Ernestine Paine)

A hundred years ago - or so - A lovely lake lay
glist'ning in the lazy mid-day sun
And sweetly green, the banks, scented summer's hot
with bee-tempting flowered spots
And even then the elm, the oak and sycamore cast
cool allure amidst their shadowed deep.
Raucous ducks shared ripples with dainty finger-trails
of ladies in wide-brimmed hats and parasols, canoed
by young, adoring swains.
And standing yet today, I see those stately trees their
cooling deep against the still hot sun
The grass has grown to cover all the bare where once
lake-water flowed, and now...
The scent of grass lies heavy in the air: Grass...Mary
Jane...weed of care-less-ness
Duck cries are drowned in Raucous noise from
string-haired cut-off jeans clad girls and their
matching, smoking swains
A hundred years from now...or more...will some new
I stand on the barren shore of some remembered,
once-was lake
And reminisce nostalgic dreams for those jeans-clad
ladies, pot-mad swains whose history remains the
ideal good old days.
I cannot see-like Janus- in two directions: Lovely
past....or was it? Fearful future...will it?
But here, in this today, and now, I see with my heart,
the green, the cool, the summer sun and find my
peaceful place;
And with the shade across my cheek, my eyes
immersed in deep-green branch, the sounds are
lovely songs, and this today is mine.

Hometown Reunion Quilt

By Marguerite Sherman

This was the twenty-second reunion and the fifteenth year of having a quilt as the main ways-and-means for this event. These quilts are all made by volunteers from the membership. The average profit from these drawings has been \$350. The main volunteer quilters have been Barbara Boggess and Barbara Whitlock. It takes almost a year to put together a quilt, from concept, design and through construction. Donations of fabric and other supplies are from our membership and the community. The winner of the 1999 quilt was Audrey Hibdon. It was fashioned from a quilt top donated by past member Virginia McGuinnis, and was very special. We called it "Virginia's Town", made of quilt blocks depicting houses. Barbara Whitlock put it together and did all the quilting.

This may be the last quilt we will offer. Our volunteer force in this area is wearing thin. For those of you who have been lucky enough to win a quilt at the Hometown Reunion, we hope you enjoy it and also that it serves as a remembrance of our town. Many thanks to this year's ticket sellers and workers: Charlotte Robinson, Pat Ellwood, Chris Herzog You are great.

Lakeside Historical Society is holding it's 10th annual

"HOLIDAY HOME TOUR"

Saturday, December 4, 1999

*Self-guided tour of six Lakeside area homes
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

*Entertainment and refreshments at the Olde Community Church
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.*

For information call 561-1886

\$10.00 donation

(One more home is needed for the Holiday Home Tour. Please call Donna Swtnk at 443-4176 if you or someone you know can offer their home for this event.)

"Christmas on Maine"

This year the Lakeside Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a community holiday event...an old fashioned "Christmas on Maine". Others helping with the plans will be the Soroptimist Club, Maine Avenue Revitalization Association and the Historical Society. This event will make the holiday season very special. Try to attend in order to make it a big success. Hopefully it will be the beginning of a new tradition for Lakeside.

December 4

Tree lighting ceremony
Food and Craft Vendors
Car Show
Storefront decoration contest
Caroling

December 18

Santa's Village (Chamber office)
Spaghetti dinner (Olde Church)
Food and Crafts
Car Show
Caroling

Theater Party

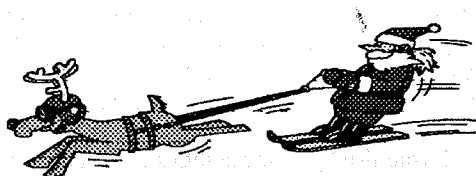
by Pat Ellwood

A Theater Party is planned at Octad One (Lakeside Theater) on Friday, December 10, at 8:00 p.m. Admission is \$9.00. The play that night will be "**Servants Ring**". If you would like to join the party call Pat Ellwood, before December 7, at 443-0931.

There will also be a free children's recital, "**Pauper's Production**" at the theater at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, November 21.

Christmas Light Tour

Discovery Tours & Travel will be touring the Holiday Lights of San Diego on Tuesday, December 14th. Bus leaves the Lakeside Community Center at 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person. If you're interested in going call Terry Callen at 220-0100 or 443-2001.



Welcome New Members

Leland Swennes-Lakeside

Ruth Wolin-El Cajon

Lilyn Tracey-Lakeside

**Carol Cobaugh Dew-El
Cajon**

Charles Brack-Lakeside

June Scott-Rotan, TX

NOTE.....

Our news editor, Trish Hottell, is back from her summer in Colorado and busy at her keyboard again. (We missed you!). Many thanks to Dorie McMillen Dale for publishing the newsletter the last few months.

In The Store

By Peg Stewart

Remember Bing Crosby, Ernie Ford or Lawrence Welk and their LPs of Christmas songs? We have some in. We also have some new items that would make nice Christmas gifts.

What is a Grandmother?

Grandmothers come in all shapes and sizes; Not easily recognized in today's society. Gramma's are endowed with a certain propriety...some wearing aprons or various hats; maintaining strong ties via letters and long distant chats. Though their image may not always be as it seems...some are fast-paced and others of a lesser degree. Employed, retired, not-related or such...whatever their calling, grandmothers can never be loved too much!

Anna Stephenson, LHS Member

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

1 Jerry Fair	8 Lavora Ray	20 4th-Sherry♥Don Reece
1 23rd-Brights 24Hr Fuel	8 30th-Lona♥Charles Brown, Jr.	20 Carl Cooper
1 7th-Debi♥Tony Schurenko	9 Donna Allred	20 Barney Smiley
2 Clara Kerns Foster	10 Dorothy Combs	20 Virginia Cate Mason
2 Patsy Hanibal	12 Lex Boswell	21 Betty Bole Hartung
3 Charles Cray	12 George R. Bowden	22 Luke Walls
3 Barbara Silva Pinkard	13 Bernadine Cooper	23 52nd-Mary Lou♥Roy Cooper
3 Beverly Smith	14 Rick Markle	25 Michael Brandon
3 26th-Linda♥Ron Baines	14 Marlene Williams Wilson	25 Regis Rosner
4 Raymond Foster	16 Leona Philbrook Anderson	26 Richard Fkalstrom
4 Allan Niebrugge	16 52nd-Evelyn♥Beryl Cooper	27 Helen Willoughby
4 Jeanne Taylor	17 Les Johnson	28 Walter Kephart
5 Doris Lengson	17 Jim Nelson	28 Adolph Recla
6 Bert Stephenson	17 Michael Joseph Nelson	28 Robert Bellante
6 36th-Mary♥Thomas Klippel	18 Janean Young	29 Florence Horst
7 Bob Clark	19 Edd Hanibal	30 Edie Lou Cates Slunka
7 47th-Maryann♥BruceBarlow	20 Jean Taylor Bailey	

DID YOU KNOW...

By Chris Herzog

Lakeside's first fire "bell" stood for many years on the vacant corner lot of Maine and Sycamore, the present site of Leo's Pharmacy.

Bill Miller obtained a wheel rim from the railroad company, made a cut so it would ring, and built a frame support for it. Bill's incentive for using the locomotive rim was because of his own disastrous fire early one Sunday in June 1908. The hay barn on his dairy caught fire--he phoned his father-in-law, Mr. Ross, at the Lakeside Store. Mr. Ross made a few house-to-house calls and roused some of the townsmen who rushed, by buggies and wagons, to the dairy in lakeside Heights. The long delay resulted in the total loss of the barn and all the hay. A short time later, Bill presented the town with the "fire bell" for the alarm.

This was an innovative idea, but it still needed perfecting: From Mrs. Fay Clevenger's memoirs, she stated that when the fire bell was sounded, all the townspeople ran to the scene of the fire, and watched the buildings burn--she could never remember one being saved.

Other additions for fire fighting in Lakeside was the first fire hose cart, made by Tom LaMadrid in 1923, out of an old Model-T frame. That cart was made with four wheels. A few years later a two-wheeled cart was made and used until the first fire truck was purchased. With the increase in population and a dry climate, there was a real concern for the danger of fire. On their own, with volunteers, the community did the best they could to accommodate the need for fire protection.

As time went on, a few men in the community, Lyle Isom, Doug Biggs, Ralph Anderson, seeing the need for an organized and trained group, decided to create a fire and rescue unit, which would serve lakeside and the surrounding area. From this group of men came the first trained organization to serve the Lakeside area, known as the Lakeside Fire Company. This small group of people, together with the volunteer firemen, served for several years with little or no pay, depending on donations from the residents of Lakeside area.

In 1956, the County Board of Supervisors wrote to Lyle Isom with a resolution to establish the Lakeside Fire Protection District. After many discouraging months of operation, the board serving the Lakeside Fire Company decided to request the formation of a Fire District. Without too much difficulty, the Lakeside Area Local Fire District was formed in 1959.

The public continued to oppose taxing for fire service. The district was plagued by lack of funds for operational expenses, and there were organizational difficulties. During the first years the fire district depended heavily on the generosity of the Lakeside residents and many community service organizations for such things as radio equipment. Mutual aid agreements were signed with the Santee Fire Department and the Department of Forestry, call men were hired, and the department began to grow.

In 1963 the Department reorganized and became a Fire Protection District. In October of 1963, Station no. 1 was built on Riverview Road on property donated by the Lakeside School District. Two full-time firemen were hired and several new directors were on the board. Some of those early-day board members were John Jarvis, Harry Buckel, Virgil Sherrill, William Ward, Claude Weston, Clifford Thompson, and Carroll Ray. Since that time 3 more stations, the administration offices have been added, and more than 50 full-time firemen have joined the force providing excellent fire protection and paramedic service for the residents. Thanks guys.

Today, Mrs. Clevenger's memoirs would read "Another building saved from fire by heroic abilities of the Lakeside Fire Department". Read the rest of the story in the Legends of lakeside.

Annual Golf Tournament was Successful



The committee for the annual golf tournament and the Historical Society want to say "thank you" to everyone for their continuous support of this event. The monies raised from the annual tournament, which was held on November 5, 1999 at Willowbrook Golf Club, will provide a very nice scholarship to someone and continue with the preservation of Lakeside history. There were many who helped make this tournament a huge success. Among them were : Christine Herzog, Joan McGuinness (from New Jersey), Bill Markle, Bob and Angie Gore, Roxane Smith, Harry Stansberry, Barbara DeYoung, Ray and Barbara Whitlock, Pat Ellwood, Dolores Meyer (the cook), Charlie McGuinness, Walt McGuinness, Rod and Betty McMillen, Debbie Clap, Gertrude Davies, Florence Kula, Estella Sommerville, Jessie Rae Lynch, Jack and Bonnie Ross (from San Marcos), Chuck Brack and the staff at Willowbrook Golf Club.

Listed below are the names of the financial supporters of the event this year. Please, when you see these supporters, tell them that you say their names in the Lakeside Historical Society Newsletter.

Subway	Hungry Howie's Pizza	Town and Ranch Realty
RCP Block and Brick	Leo's Pharmacy	Edna Kouns
California Precast	Jean Angus	Eileen Carender
Newton Printing and Graphics	Paragon Graphics, Coleen Owen	Pat Ellwood
Russell Plumbing	Cuyamaca Bank, Lakeside	Famie Till
A Flower Hut	Don Graham, D.D.S.	Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Philbrook
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Lakeside Land Company	Walt and Joan McGuinness	Ed Hale
Bob Baker Chevy	Charlie McGuinness	Alvord Crane
Carter Feed and Grain	Rod and Betty McMillen	Florence Smith
Lakeside Optimists	Chuck and Elaine Brack	Walmart
John Fleming, O.D.	El Monte Tire	Barona Casino
Video Country	Hilliker Poultry Ranch	Fire and Ice
Maine Ave. 7-11 (Bob & Joann Elkins)	Washington Mutual, Lakeside	Markle Family
John E. Cramer, D.D.S.	Stadium Golf	Lakeside Firefighters
Lakeside/Santee Funeral Chapel	Mila's Signs	Hertz Insurance Agency
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Shackelford	Lakeside Chamber of Commerce	La Palapa Restaurant
	Dean's Photo, Lakeside	

Lucky Raffle winners this year were: Doug Isbell, Lisa Daniels, Miriam Keating, Curtis Clubb, Mary Allison, Lex Boswell, Don Clevenger, Margaret Helt, Vernilee Bost, T.J. Foreman, Jr., Irene LaMadrid, Vi Walker, Leona Wilcox, Paul Caccamise, and Suzanne Michel.

MEMORIAL PROGRAM

By Edna Kouns

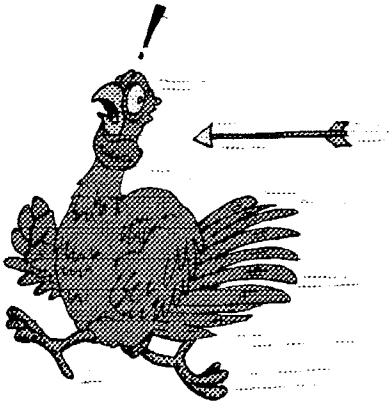
Loving gifts have been made in the names of **Farrie Lorene Paul, Robert Nowka and Nadine Webb Allison.**

In memory of **Frank Claycomb**, his family and friends have donated several sets of beautiful silverware. Now we can set our tables with matching silver instead of "odds & ends". Many thanks!

OBITUARY

Nadine Webb Allinson

Nadine was born in San Diego on November 29, 1929 and passed away on September 10, 1999 in Merced, California. She came to Lakeside with her parents in 1931. She attended local schools, graduating from Grossmont High in 1949. She married Eldon Allinson and they moved to Merced, raising three children there. Eldon died in 1997 and their son, Don, had preceded his father in death. Survivors are two daughters, Carol Dove, Colfax, California and Gloria Thompson, Atwater, California; a brother, Bob, of Alaska, and a sister, Alice Webb Johnson, of LeGrand, California. Both Nadine and Alice were long time members of LHS and often attended the Hometown Reunion.



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