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CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Stacy Hensle

Welcome to my new Co-President Coleen Owens! I want to thank Gary Mitrovich for being my Co-President these past two years and showing me how everything works. Also, thank you to Gary for serving four years as President. I know he is not going anywhere and will continue to do a great job as editor of our newsletter.

We had a very successful Christmas Shoppe this year! Thanks to Pennie McMahon and all the elves that made this event the best season ever. Thanks to Gordon for giving us daily updates - we appreciate your dedication to our Historical Society. We had some new volunteers this year and it was great working with them and seeing everyone at the Shoppe. I enjoyed the time that I volunteered and I have missed seeing everyone after the event was done.

Our January General Meeting will have already been held by the time you read this, but I hope you were able to join us for our general meeting and white elephant gift exchange. This meeting is always a fun event. You never know what you will receive for your white elephant gift.

Please join us on February 26, 2024, for our general meeting. Our guest speaker will be David Lewis of the Julian Historical Society and the talk will be on "Black Women of Julian".

Keep checking our newsletter for future events. We are trying to add a couple of field trips in the upcoming year.

Happy New Year and have a great 2024!



LAKESIDE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, February 26, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

**Olde Community Church
9906 Maine Avenue - Downtown Lakeside**

JANIS SHACKELFORD'S SPAGHETTI DINNER
(\$10 DONATION PER PERSON)

****PLEASE RSVP BY 2/20!****

PRESENTATION: "BLACK WOMEN OF JULIAN"
BY DAVID LEWIS, JULIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**PLEASE CALL
619-561-1886
TO R.S.V.P.
BY FEBRUARY 20**



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING LHS EVENTS

MUSEUM MEETING: Thu, Feb 1 @ 10 am

BOARD MEETING: Thu, Feb 8 @ 10 am

GENERAL MEETING: Mon, Feb 26 @ 6 pm

Spaghetti Dinner—Donation \$10 per person (**RSVP!**)

"Black Women of Julian" by David Lewis,
Julian Historical Society

Coming in March

MUSEUM MEETING: Thu, Mar 7 @ 10 am

BOARD MEETING: Thu, Mar 14 @ 10 am

GENERAL MEETING: Mon, Mar 25 @ 6 pm

"Campo Gravesites" by Cherry Diefenbach

LHS FIELD TRIP: Sat, Mar 30 @ 10 am

San Diego Police Museum @4710 College Av—SD
(Lunch following visit TBA)

Meetings & events held at LHS History Center unless noted

GIFT SHOP HOURS:

OPEN: Tuesday - Thursday & Saturday: 10 am - 1 pm

CLOSED: Sunday, Monday & Friday

ARCHIVES OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CHRISTMAS SHOPPE SALE

By Pennie McMahon

Mrs. Claus' Resale Shoppe was once again a huge success! This was our most successful sale yet. We surpassed our goal. We have such a great community. They donate Christmas items all year and then they come and support our sale. Thank you, Lakeside, we could not do this without all of your support.

I would like to thank Marrokal Construction for their generous contribution. We delivered gift certificates to Lindo Park School and families were able to come and shop. Thank you Marrokal!

The Holidays are such a busy time for everyone, yet all these people took time to come and help. Volunteers were busy with many tasks besides the unloading, pricing and working the store, they were vacuuming, decorating, baking, hanging banners, breaking down boxes, and handling all the new donations as they came in. I don't think there was a day we did not get donations for our sale.

The amazing volunteers that made this all possible were: The Lakeside Princesses and their parents, Pennie's grandson, Jason Earnest, our youngest member and Diane Angus' granddaughter, Penelope Parks (it is so great to have the youth of Lakeside involved!). Other volunteers who worked so hard throughout the sale were: Coleen Owens, Rich and Trish Hegyi, Michele Silva, Bill and Vivian Nelson, Mikki Balicki & Roland Rhodes, Lee Bost, Gary and Lynette Mitrovich, Stacy Hensle, Paula Armstrong, Cathy Wolpers, Gordon and Janis Shackelford, Diane Angus, Lynette Doherty, Patricia Barnes, Karen Standford, Linda Cowle, Ann Gilbert, Barbara Hogue, Joan Tilley, Doris Griffith, Janice McMillan, Cathy Diamasto, Kate Lauren, John and Donna Swink, Barbara DeYoung, Judy Trussell, Ruth Miller, Cheryl Celius, Yrene Woods, Pat Salzarulo, Denise Meile, Denise Kane and Beth Pollard. We had four new volunteers who came and worked hard during the sale—and they also joined LHS. They are George Krisnowich, Cathy Patino, Kim Tilton, and Barbara O'Neill. Welcome!

It was a busy few weeks but it was fun and I think we all enjoyed working together, I know I did. Thank you everyone for all the hours you volunteered and please remember because of each of you our sale was a success!

Happy New Year to all of you and your families.



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LAKE SIDE HISTORY

100 YEARS AGO: LAKESIDE'S BANK ROBBERY

(From "Legends of Lakeside")

Lakeside's first official bank was built on the northwest corner of Maine Avenue and Sycamore Street (now Lakeshore). The Lakeside Commercial and Savings Bank was organized by F.R. Bickell, a general accountant and auditor for a chain of 27 banks. He maintained his HQ in Chicago until 1921, when he sold his stock and came to California. He opened the Lakeside Bank on April 15, 1922. The original board was comprised of Bickell, C.A. Hopkins, M.L. Ward, H.S. Kibbey, George Gibson, Harold Bacon, and Emil Klicka. Byron Conrad was a cashier there until 1930.

Early in 1924, one Raymond B. Yard committed the first robbery of the bank at the point of a semiautomatic pistol and a "quantity of dynamite," threatening to "blow up" the bank if he didn't get his way. Tellers coughed up \$540. Sheriff's deputies caught up with Yard at his Bostonia ranch and took him into custody "after a pistol duel." (See the *Evening Tribune* article from May 16, 1924 below for more.)

LONG PRISON TERM, IS GIVEN ROBBER

From five years to life in San Quentin prison, was the sentence given Raymond B. Yard, Lakeside bank robber, late yesterday afternoon, when superior court emphatically refused to consider an application for probation. Not only did Yard hold up the Lakeside bank at the point of an automatic pistol, but he carried a quantity of dynamite with which he threatened to blow up the bank if his demands were not satisfied. He obtained about \$540, and then fled to a small ranch near Bostonia, where he was captured by Deputy Sheriffs W. H. Buck and H. S. Jopling, after a pistol duel.

Evidence showed Yard was a narcotic addict, but he declared he was in the advanced stages of tuberculosis and was reckless of consequences because he had only a few months to live.

FEBRUARY MILESTONES

NEW MEMBERS

George Krisnowich
Cathy Patino
Kim Tilton
Barbara O'Neill
Melinda & Keith Becker

NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS!

Joan Tilley
Barbara Meyer

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Edwin Cate
- 1 Betty Frizzell
- 1 Bob Robeson
- 5 Curtis Clubb
- 7 Paul McMillan
- 9 Carol Clemens Ben-Judah
- 10 Ronald Conley
- 10 Beverly Miller
- 12 Audra Parnell
- 12 Jay Quarles
- 14 Faye McFarland Anderson
- 15 Lynette Mitrovich
- 15 Paul Sprecco
- 20 Denise Washburn Banegas
- 20 Vincent Sullivan
- 22 Dick Denure
- 24 Robert Hewitt
- 26 John Manion
- 26 Kym Tilton
- 28 Jennifer Shaffer Roczey
- 29 **Patricia White**

ANNIVERSARIES

Patricia & Robert Heger – 66 yrs
Donna & John Swink – 66 yrs
Kathryn Angus & Larry Paddock –
52 yrs
Louise Savage & Charles Seiber –
51 yrs
Larry & Jeanne Taylor – 46 yrs
John & Denise Meile – 42 yrs
George & Patsy Shaeffer – 42 yrs
Candy & Nick Cowell – 26 yrs
James & Connie Morgan – 15 yrs
Nancy & Teri Kulinski
Melinda & Keith Becker

Proposed 2024 LAKESIDE HISTORICAL SOCIETY Budget 1-6-2024

INCOME: Operating	<u>Budget '23</u>	<u>'23 Act.</u>	<u>2024</u>
Annual Memberships	\$3,000	\$2,160	\$3,000
Interest Income	\$2,000	\$5,706 est.	\$4,000
Building Use (Weddings & Other Building Rentals.)	\$7,000	\$5,240	\$7,000
Cash Donations	\$4,000	\$52,145 ^{1A}	\$5,000
Memorials (Net after expenditures for Plaques & Memorial Events.)	\$2,000	\$1,294	\$1,500
Ways and Means (Net after all event, project & store expenditures.)	\$18,000	\$20,282	\$20,500
Vintage Sale	\$0	\$1,931	W & M
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$36,000	\$88,758	\$41,000
EXPENDITURES: Operating	<u>Budget '23</u>	<u>'23 Act.</u>	<u>2024</u>
President's Budget (Includes Meeting Programs)	\$2,000	\$1,709	\$2,000 ²
Memberships & Outreach (includes LHS web site) & '24 Living History	\$3,000	\$2,093	\$4,000
Archives (Unexpended funds from 2023 to be rolled forward.)	\$1,000	\$236	\$1,000
Museum (Unexpended funds from previous years to be rolled forward.)	\$1,000	\$1,105	\$1,000
Publicity & Advertising,	\$1,000	\$140	\$500
Newsletter (Includes printing & postage for 12 newsletters.)	\$4,000	\$1,914	\$3,000
Utilities (Elect, Gas, Water, Phone, Trash & Internet)	\$8,000	\$6,784	\$8,000
Property Taxes (School Bonds & Parcel Fees) & Other Fees	\$1,000	\$962	\$1,000
Insurance (Fire & Liability)	\$4,000	\$3,465	\$4,500
Office (Equipment, Repairs and Supplies)	\$1,000	\$486	\$1,000
Property Repairs, Preservation & Enhancement ^{1B}	\$7,000	\$15,697 ^{1C}	\$10,000
Yard Maintenance and Interior Cleaning	\$1,500	\$1,936	\$2,000
Miscellaneous	\$1,500	\$1,173	\$1,500
Expenditure Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$1,500
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	\$36,000	\$37,700.	\$41,000

Notes:

^{1A} Includes \$50,000 Smith Trust Donation for Chimney Restorations & Roof Replacement

^{1B} \$3,152 from Memorials Fund paid for 100 new chairs, not included in "'23 Act."

^{1C} Over budget expenditures funding: \$5,100 Smith Trust (Chimney Restorations), with remainder from previously approved up to \$10K draw from Building Preservation Reserve. Major items: painting all court yard metal work and replacement of Manse patio cover.

² \$2,408 in Prez. Fund carried over into 2024

Special Notes:

1. Approval of \$10,000 draw from reserves for Building Preservation, if needed in 2024.

Submitted by Gordon L. Shackelford, LHS Treasurer

The proposed budget is posted for review per Bylaws. The membership will be called for a vote at the March General Meeting.

HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS

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THAT OLD VACANT LOT ON MAINE AVENUE

Ever wonder what was on the vacant lot between Leo's Pharmacy and Barker's Store on Maine Avenue? Here it is! Johnson's Lakeside Variety store was operated by Willard Johnson from 1950 to 1962. The first photo (above left) indicates the business was earlier called the "Trading Post," with "Honest John" as the proprietor. "Johnson's 5 to 1.00 Store" is printed on the front awning. The building can clearly be seen abutting Leo's Pharmacy. The second photo (above right) is from February 1957 and displays new signage, as well as an added sign indicating there was now a nursery onsite. The building disappeared in the 1960s and the lot has been vacant since then. The latest information on the lot is that it has been purchased and will be fenced and used for parking. *(Photo from an unknown contributor)*



Longtime LHS Life Members (l. to r.) Rob Harding, Pennie McMahon, and Coleen Owens show off their "gold cards" at a little celebration for Rob for his 25th anniversary since joining, held at the Lakeside VFW in January. *(Photo by Betsy Harding)*