



## CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Coleen Owens

I love that Lakeside Historical Society is so involved in the community!

For the first time ever, on April 18, (along with Maine Avenue Revitalization Association) we held a Chamber of Commerce Mixer in our lovely old building. We were proud to show off our years of hard work in maintaining it and the museum.

We served pulled pork sandwiches with all the trimmings to about 60 people. MARA supplied yummy desserts.

We could not pull off our events without our time giving volunteers. Besides the MARA helpers, we had about 20 people setting up tables & chairs, including tablecloths, placemats & centerpieces. When the event was over, the same volunteers put it all away and did clean up, including washing dishes, trash and vacuuming.

After dinner, door prizes and mingling, our museum was open with docents, so chamber members could visit our lovely, historic displays. All in all, it was a perfect evening with wonderful, grateful guests who were happy to meet our facility and each other.

Only days after the mixer, LHS volunteers cooked breakfast of scrambled eggs, ham, biscuits, gravy, juice, and coffee to 210 people, all for a donation of \$5 a person. This is an annual event and a perfect way to start the morning of the Western Days Parade - in our courtyard with a great breakfast and a country western band (The Tradesmen!). A BIG thank you again to our volunteers and the generous sponsors who made this a successful fundraiser.

The "piece de resistance" of the day was that our very own Pennie McMahon was an honored dignitary in the parade. She was the 2023 recipient of the Chamber's Rick Smith "Commitment to Community" Memorial Award. It is an annual recognition for dedication and selfless commitment to the community of Lakeside. Pennie is always involved and relentlessly giving of her time and energy for the benefit of Lakeside. She is soooo deserving of this award. Our member, Gary Mitrovich, rang our church bell when she was in view.

Other upcoming events include a visitation to Lakeside and LHS on June 17th of 60-80 cars from the Model T Ford Club of San Diego. They are coming in from across America and Canada.

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## Lakeside Historical Society

## LIVING HISTORY DAYS 2024

Monday, June 3

9:00 am SETUP DAY

Tuesday, June 4

9:30 am Montesorri School

10:30 am Lakeview School

Wednesday, June 5

8:30 am Lindo Park School

Thursday, June 6

8:30 am Lemon Crest School

10:30 am Lakeside Farms School

*A Special Event for our  
Lakeside Students!*



## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING LHS EVENTS

## LIVING HISTORY DAYS: June 4-6

(See schedule above)

Setup Day: Mon, Jun 3 @ 9 am

**\*\*Gift Shop & Archives will be closed this week\*\*****MUSEUM MEETING:** Thu, Jun 6 @ 10 am (?)**BOARD MEETING:** Thu, Jun 13 @ 10 am

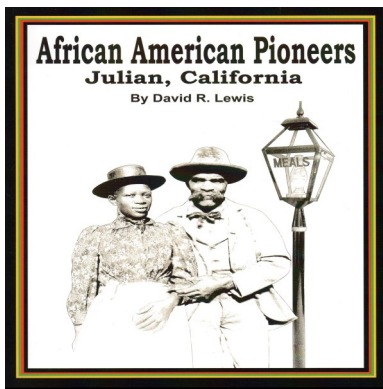
Model T Ford Club Visit: Mon, Jun 17 @ 1 pm (ish)

**\*\* NO GENERAL MEETING IN JUNE \*\***Coming in JULY**MUSEUM MEETING:** Thu, Jul 4 @ 10 am (?)**BOARD MEETING:** Thu, Jul 11 @ 10 am**\*\* NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY \*\***Meetings & events held at LHS History Center unless notedGIFT SHOP HOURS:

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

CLOSED: Sunday, Monday &amp; Friday

**ARCHIVES OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY**



## NEW BOOK AVAILABLE AT LHS BOOKSTORE

If you attended the wonderful General Meeting History Presentation in February, you heard David Lewis of the Julian Historical Society speak about the African American pioneers of Julian. His book, upon which his presentation was based, is now available at the LHS Gift shop for \$15. Quantities are limited (the first run sold out), so don't delay. It's a great piece of local history!


## LHS AND MARA HOST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS MIXER



*April 18, 2024 at the Olde Community Church*

(Above left): Vito Moreno, Pennie McMahon, Joan Tilley, and Denise Meile—who all volunteer for both LHS and MARA. (Center) Gary Mitrovich presents Raj Zalavidiya with a special plaque honoring the 100th anniversary of the Leo's Pharmacy building. (At right) A little “trash talk” between competing local sanitation businessmen Byron Maxwell and Marshall Dick. Listening in to the friendly conversation is Nina Drammissi and Raj Zalavidiya. Byron kindly sponsored the food served at the Mixer. MARA and LHS really appreciated all the support from the Chamber and the community on this!

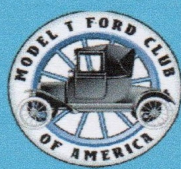
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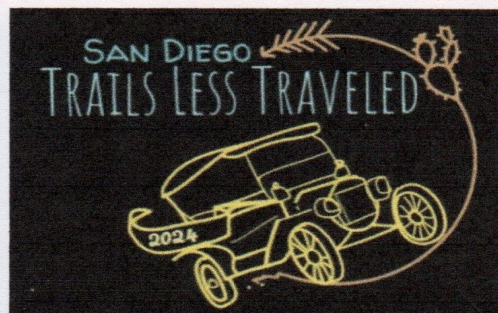


## 2024 National Tour

### San Diego, CA

### June 16-20, 2024





Journey the back roads of San Diego to enjoy ocean, desert, and mountain views. Follow the trails of early peoples, explorers, California Gold Rush, exciting trains, and ocean life. Enjoy leisurely Model T drives on quiet, lightly-traveled backcountry highways.

The Model T Ford Club is coming to Lakeside! Since 1984, they have conducted a National Tour every 10 years. This year it's called *Trails Less Traveled* and highlights San Diego's beautiful east and back county roads. They will be in Lakeside on the afternoon of June 17, parking where they can and visiting historic sites, such as Lindo Lake (site of the famous Lakeside Auto Speedway where Barney Oldfield set a land speed record) and our Olde Community Church (where we will have docents showing off our grounds). Between 60 and 80 classic cars will descend upon our town. It will surely be a rare site and a throwback to years past, when these old beauties regularly drove our streets. So come on downtown and take a looksee and maybe a photo or two. You can also visit the LHS History Center and interact with the Club members.



## JUNE MILESTONES

### NEW MEMBERS

Kevin Roche  
Jeff McGreevy  
Tana Cullum

### BIRTHDAYS

5 Yolanda Leyvas  
7 Ed Galusha  
7 Jean Evans Mitchell  
8 Robert Dart  
9 Gene Anderson  
9 Joy Farris Wray  
12 Stanley "Sandy" Anderson  
15 Vivian Nelson  
15 Marilyn Owens  
15 Florence Woods  
16 Henry Herms, Jr.  
17 George Krisnowich  
17 Tom Johnson  
17 Terence Sanford  
17 David Seiber  
18 Claudia Denure  
18 Mary Ruffin  
21 Doris Griffith  
21 Margaret Helt  
22 Lisa Anderson Smith  
23 Jill Fleming  
24 Patricia Hegyi  
24 William "Bill" Markle  
25 Ruth Miller  
26 Kate Lauren  
29 Anne Dreher Van Atta  
30 Cherry Diefenbach

### ANNIVERSARIES

Hilliker's Egg Ranch—69  
Russell & Nancy Kanady—67  
Dick & Dee Besancon—66  
Ida & Mike Cook—59  
Virginia Owens & Alfred Adams—54  
Sandy & John Fisher—52  
Patricia & Richard Hegyi—37  
Cathy & Joe Patino—36  
Shawn & Denise Wettig—36  
Mark Anderson & Richelle Wauson—31  
Rob & Betsy Harding—28  
Shay & Antoinette Smith—23  
Ronald & Wendy Conley—22  
Margaret Ann Head & Chuck Berg—20

## WESTERN DAYS BREAKFAST SPONSORS 2024

In the April LHS newsletter, we asked members to help support the fundraising efforts of our volunteers by sponsoring the cost of food for the Annual Western Days Breakfast. The response was beyond generous. We send our heart felt thanks to:

### **Sponsorship Item**

•1/2 of Ham	In Memory of Barbara Conley
•1/2 of Ham	Irene Morales
•Eggs	Hilliker's Ranch Fresh Eggs
•Biscuits	In Memory of Bob Conley
•Gravy	Donna Swennes
•Orange Juice & 1/2 of Potato Patties	Harry & Joan Buckel
•1/2 of Potato Patties	Joan Tilley
•1/2 of Potato Patties	William Kern
•1/2 of Potato Patties, Small Water Bottles, Hot Chocolate, Milk & Condiments	Sally Nelson

### **Sponsor**

### **Event Sponsors**

Michael & Tina Rakowski \* Terry Burke-Eiserling \* Vivian & Bill Nelson  
Rod McMillen \* Candy Cowell \* Mark Turvey \* Sharon Rudin \* Leighton Claussen  
Maryanne Vancio \* Janis Shackelford  
Anonymous & Anonymous

Note: It is true, your treasurer, with some help, managed to sell four halves of the potato patties.

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It will be fun to welcome all of them to our town (*more info on Page 2*).

Last, but certainly not least, is our annual "Living History" event in June. All the third graders in Lakeside are invited to attend our 10 booths, over 3 days, where they get "hands on" to see what life was like in Lakeside and the world at the turn of the 19th century. To many of them, it's the first time they've ever sewn a button, or milked a "cow," or braided, or seen how steam engines work, or washed clothes on a washboard, and so much more. It's fun seeing them love something other than electronics. We look forward to them every year. It takes about 50 volunteers to pull this event off and we still need help. So, if you've been wanting to help, please call **(619) 561-1886** and volunteer to help at Living History Days.

We look forward to all our events and hope YOU are able to participate in some of them. Thank you for being a member of Lakeside Historical Society.

### **From the SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE, May 9, 2024**

**FOR SALE:** The town of Campo, California. Includes 28 buildings (a mix of former Army barracks turned into apartments and single-family homes), as well as commercial properties. \$6.6 million. Contact Top Gun CRE.

Also being offered: the town of Bankhead Springs. Asking price: \$2 million.



### **HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS**

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(Above left) 2023 Rick Smith Award recipient Pennie McMahon passes down Maine Avenue near the beginning of the 2024 Western Days Parade, celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Lakeside Rodeo.

(Above right) Next time you're on Maine Avenue, take a look at the new street banners on the old lamp posts, courtesy of the Maine Avenue Revitalization Association. They were a long time coming and they look great!



**BONUS PHOTO**

*Tom Isom's beautifully colorized photo of the Lakeside Inn.*