

T H E C O R N E R S T O N E

Newsletter of The Cupertino Historical Society
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Cupertino Historical Museum
10185 N. Stelling Road
408/973-1495; Wednesday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

February 1992
Judith Carson-Croes,
Editor

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

One month of 1992 already past and to many of us there seems to be too little time to accomplish the tasks needed. However, your Board of Directors is moving forward. Last month operating goals for 1992 were established and this month a budget committee has been appointed and will begin work on the 1992-93 budget.

One of the goals is to examine alternative funding approaches for the museum operations. The Board recognizes that total funding cannot come solely from within the Historical Society. The members of the Board would appreciate any input you might have on this subject. Creative ideas are welcome!

The Museum continues to receive positive response from the community and it is important to thoughtfully consider its future. Its source of funding is a vital part of that consideration.

Bob Meyers, President

1992 GOALS FOR MUSEUM

1. Document collection, including creating a database with which to show storage locations and identification of critical care/conservation items
2. Establish major sources of funding; explore city participation, establishment of foundation, and corporate donations.
3. Improve visibility of museum in community.
4. Establish 3-year exhibit plan.
5. Expand volunteer program and identify a volunteer coordinator.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM "MEMORIES OF CUPERTINO CORNERS"

Assembled by Florence Dixon Lindsey, a panel of former residents of the "Corners" (now De Anza Blvd and Stevens Creek Blvd. intersection), including Mildred Burtner Martin, Ruth Montgomery Jackson, and from Rosarita Beach, Jack Montgomery, will recall some of the families, businesses, and other activities of this early hub of Cupertino. Guest Dwight Durkee III will also participate in the presentation. We expect this to be wonderful trip down memory lane as well as an interesting lesson in early Cupertino history.

This program will be the first of this kind. If you like the format, let Jeannie Ryder know, and we will plan another for the fall meeting.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FUTURE SOCIETY PROGRAMS

- **March** - Kathleen Calhan will present "Victorian Sewing Tools"
- **April** - The De Anza Trek and The De Anza National Trail will be presented.
- **May** - Educator Ina Cokely will talk about her book-in-progress on "One Room School Houses"

More information will be forthcoming on these programs in future issues of *The Cornerstone*.

FLEA MARKET EXPECTED TO BE A GREAT SALE FOR SPRING

Our 2nd annual Flea Market Sale is coming up on the first Saturday in April and we need your assistance in making this event a success in meeting the goal of \$3000.

Donations of items are now being accepted in an empty store space next to Long's Store on De Anza Blvd. (look for the Historical Society sign in the window). Help from every member is needed. Clean out your closet, go through some drawers, empty your garage--whatever it takes! We would love to get at least one boxful of items from each member. Everything in good condition, except adult clothing, food, and large furniture, will be accepted. Including:

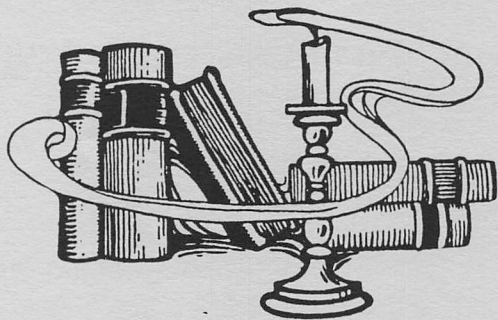
•Collectibles • office supplies • children's items (toys, bikes, clothing, etc.) • garage items • tools • books, records, tapes • kitchen items • linens • sewing items • small furniture • small appliances•

Call us and we will arrange to pick up your donated items.

ALSO NEEDED - VOLUNTEERS TO PRICE ITEMS A WEEK BEFORE THE SALE, AND SALES PEOPLE ON DAY OF SALE, APRIL 4.

We are counting on your 100% participation!

Call Mary Ann Herlihy or the Museum with your questions and offers for donations or help, 973-1495.



'A CENTURY OF EDUCATION IN CUPERTINO: 1860's - 1960's' THEME OF UPCOMING EXHIBITION

The Cupertino Historical Museum celebrates its second anniversary in March 1992 with the opening of its newest exhibition on schools and education in Cupertino. The exhibition opens with a members' preview on Friday, March 27. The exhibition opens to the public on Saturday, March 28.

Recognizing the important role schools played in the development of the community, the exhibition will look at the change in the schools,

the change in the curriculum, the social impact of schools, and will show the history of education in Cupertino. The exhibition will include artifacts, photographs, and a re-creation of a one-room school house interior.

Historical Society and community members who attended schools in Cupertino during those years are invited to provide class photos, written histories, and memorabilia, for the exhibition. Please call Judith in the Museum for further information, 973-1495.

"MY SCHOOL" THEME OF ART CONTEST FOR CUPERTINO SCHOOL CHILDREN

In association with the newest museum exhibition on schools, all Cupertino students in grades K-6 and Special Education classes are invited to participate in an art contest on Saturday, March 28 in The Quinlan Community Center. Cash awards will be given to winners in each grade category and Special Education. Entries will be judged by the general public between 12 noon and 2:00 p.m. on March 28. Winners and all participants will receive a certificate of participation and winners' entries will be on temporary display in the Cupertino Historical Museum.

FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL REUNION BOOK AVAILABLE

Mr. Ron Houseman, graduating class of 1956, has coordinated the publication of a 359 page reunion book. The book cumulates the memories of classmates and faculty, and is available for \$20. Inquiries about purchasing the book can be addressed to:

Mr. Ron Houseman
12705 S.E. 18th St.
Vancouver, WA

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE CALLING COMMITTEE. YOUR EFFORTS ARE HAVING GREAT RESULTS - ATTENDANCE AT THE JANUARY MEETING WAS A HIGH OF 72.

INSTRUCTORS OF CUPERTINO HISTORY WANTED

If you are interested in sharing your knowledge of Cupertino history with the Cupertino community--we want to talk to you. The Cupertino Department of Parks and Recreation is recruiting experienced instructors to teach a variety of adult classes and Cupertino History could be one of them.

Call Judith in the Museum, if interested. Classes will begin in the Summer Session 1992 (June). Or we can prepare for Fall Session. Class format (workshop, seminar, etc.) is up to the instructor.

GIFT MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Give your friends and family a gift of heritage in 1992 with a membership in The Cupertino Historical Society. New to the Society, this attractive certificate comes in an envelope ready for giving. The gift membership prices are:

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| Individual | \$10 |
| Contributor | \$25 |
| Organization/Business | \$50 |
| Patron | \$100 |
| Life Member | \$250 |
| Perpetual Group | \$1250 |
| Student or child (under 18) | \$5 |

HERITAGE COUNCIL OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY RESPONDS TO MEMBERSHIP

Members from many of the 44 member organizations of the Heritage Council of Santa Clara County met on January 25 to consider the future direction of the Council and to address the more active involvement of its members in Council activities. One result of the meeting was a decision to have each member organization appoint a representative to attend quarterly planning meetings and to represent the organization in voting on issues.

The Heritage Council was formed in 1989 to "...promote, between the historical agencies and the general public, an awareness of and an

appreciation for the rich historical contexts which permeate this County." Twice yearly it presents programs on issues of interest to historical organizations, including heritage preservation, fundraising, and publicity.

As an active member of the Council, The Cupertino Historical Society, needs a representative and an alternate. If you are interested in being involved in this group, please call Judith in the Museum. A vote will be taken at the General Membership Meeting of The Cupertino Historical Society, February 25.

Cupertino Historical Society Board Members:

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| Sandra Basel | (92) |
| Don Frolich | (94) Treasurer |
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| Linda Schultz | (93) Historian |
| Martin Sorensen | (94) |
| Don Steele | (92) |

Cupertino Historical Society February - March 1992 Calendar

FEBRUARY

- 14 "A Flavor of Florence" pasta dinner/dance Benefit for The Cupertino Historical Museum, St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish. Call for information, 408/973-1495
- 15 Museum-raising Benefit for Women's Heritage Museum, Cartoon Art Museum, San Francisco. Call (415)321-5260 for info.
- 25 Cupertino Historical Society General Meeting. Program: Families of Cupertino.
- 29 Art Exhibition and Art Auction, Quota Club of Cupertino, YMCA, Alves Ave, \$5.00

MARCH

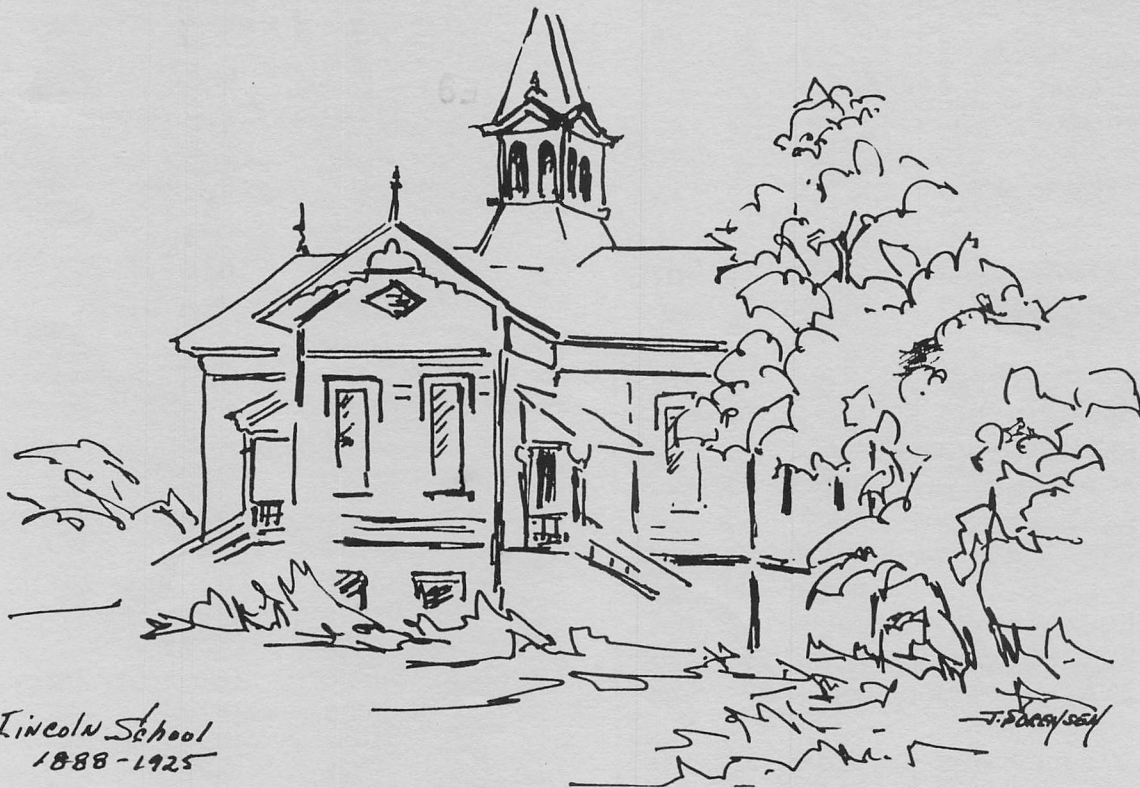
- 7 "Elegance of Yesteryear" Fashion Show, Sunnyvale Historical Society and Museum Guild. \$15. Call 739-5004 for info.
- 24 Cupertino Historical Society General Membership Meeting, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
- 27 "A Century of Education in Cupertino" exhibit members' preview, 7-9 p.m.
- 28 "My School" Art Contest for K-6 Grade Students, Quinlan Community Center. Call 973-1495 for info.

GENERAL MEETING, TUESDAY, February 25
Quinlan Community Center
10185 N. Stelling Road
Potluck: 6:30 p.m.

PROGRAM: "Memories of Cupertino Corners"

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Lincoln School
1888-1925

Sketch of Lincoln School, Circa 1880, an early one-room school in Cupertino. Artist, Jean Sorensen, Los Altos.