

THE CORNERSTONE

Newsletter of The Cupertino Historical Society
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May 1991
Judith Carson-Croes,
Editor

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Again, it is time to say "Thanks!" to all of you who worked on our very successful Flea Market in April. A very special "Thank You" goes to Allan and Betty Bidwell, and J.C. Penney Company for their contributions. Without their leadership, donations of objects and use of storage space for the collection and pricing of objects, we would have fallen short of our goal. Instead, we did reach our goal of \$2,500!

This month's General Meeting features the election of new members to the Board of Directors, who will replace three very able members who are leaving the Board. Thank you Faye Faulhaber, Judith Marchi, and Don McClean, your years of service to the Historical Society are greatly appreciated.

The nominating committee presented the following nominees for the three positions - Donald Frolich, Jean Ryder, and Martin Sorenson. Nominations also will be open from the floor at the meeting.

I hope to see a good turnout for our always delicious potluck, the election, and your chance to buy both tickets to the BBQ and the drawing to be held on June 22.

Bob Meyers, President

KELLY TRUCK TO BE UNVEILED AT MAY RECEPTION.

Finally! The wheels are on our 1912 truck and it's ready to roll into the Community Center lobby. In honor of the culmination of the

restoration project there will be an informal gathering for members and guests on Friday, May 31, 6 - 8 p.m. Come and see the truck and visit the newest museum exhibition, *FAMILIES of Cupertino*. Light refreshments will be served.

BBQ TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

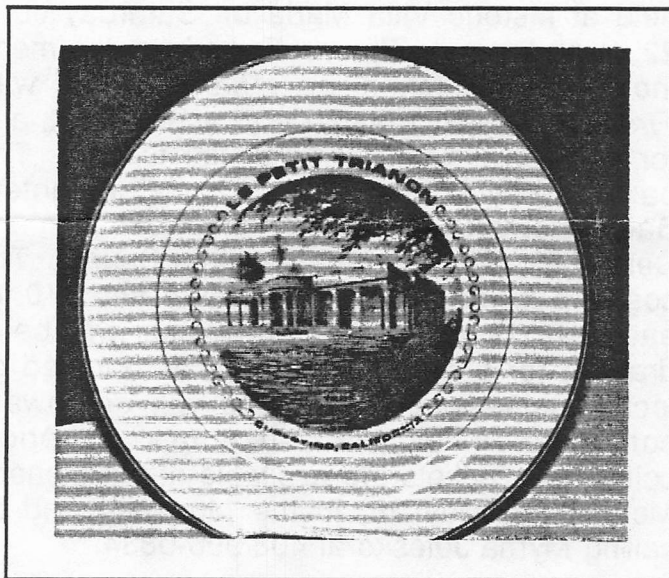
Don't miss out on this year's barbecue to be held at historic Villa Maria on Saturday June 22, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. For adults, the menu includes a chicken or steak dinner, with *Firefighters Chili*, bread, salad and dessert, and for children - franks with all the fixings. The barbecue will be prepared by FireFighters Barbecue, a group of fire fighters from the Central Fire District of Santa Clara County. The cost is \$25 for each adult's dinner and \$10 for each child's dinner. There also will be a drawing for products and services donated by local businesses. Proceeds will go toward conservation of the Museum's historical collection. Tickets are available at the General Meeting on May 28, in the Museum, and by calling Myrna Jelesko at 408/996-0834.

Note: Be sure to bring your ticket stub to the BBQ - it's your meal ticket!

Classifieds! Classifieds! Classifieds!
WANTED: Used 10" table saw, good condition. Used bricks. Call Linda Schultz 415/964-5899.

THE SOROPTIMIST CLUB DONATES COLLECTOR'S PLATES TO MUSEUM

As a result of the generosity of Catherine Gasich, Harriet Jackson, and Dorothy Buhle, members of the former Soroptimist Club of Sunnyvale-Cupertino, the Museum now has eighteen of the club's limited edition collector's plates designed by artist Carl E. Lewis and depicting Le Petit Trianon (now the home of the California History Center). Le Petit Trianon is a replica of the French Petit Trianon and was built circa 1890 by Charles A. Baldwin, a country gentleman whose Millefleurs Winery and Vineyards occupied the property now part of the De Anza College campus. These early 1970's plates made by Preston-Hopkinson Company, Appomattox, Virginia make wonderful gifts of Cupertino history. They are on sale in the Museum for \$75.00 each.



Collector's Plate Showing Historic Le Petit Trianon, Cupertino, CA. Circa 1890.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE!

Apply now for a highly rewarding career in museum fundraising! Only two positions remain to be filled on the Fundraising Committee for 1991-92. The Committee meets monthly to plan the year's activities that are most likely to bring in those needed funds to ensure that the Museum remains an asset to the Cupertino community. If you are creative, highly motivated, and believe in the Museum, don't wait! These positions won't stay open for long! Call Bob Meyers at 408/253-6340 for additional information.

CONFERENCE OF CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL SOCIETIES HOLDS 1991 ANNUAL MEETING

This year's conference will be June 13-16 at Memorial Hall in Bridgeport, California and is sponsored by the Mono County Historical Society. Tours of Bodie Mines, Bodie State Park, Mono Lake, and South Tufa, are included in the four-day event. Workshops on museum management, weaving baskets, preparing gravestone rubbings, and making Native American soup and tea, are also on the program. Registration is due NOW! Contact The Mono County Historical Society, P.O. Box 417, Bridgeport, CA 93517-0417, for information.

CELEBRATE YOUR HERITAGE WEEK IS MAY 12 - 18

Co-sponsored by The Preservation Action Council of San Jose and The Victorian Preservation Association of Santa Clara, the week's celebration is highlighted by a panel discussion on retrofitting homes and historic structures for earthquake safety. This educational program is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. in Le Petit Trianon, 72 N. 5th Street, San Jose. Call Tom King, at 408/286-715, for more information.

ANNUAL FUND DRIVE STARTED MAY 1

More than three hundred letters to current and potential donors to the Museum will be in the mail by May 10. The annual fund drive brought in more than \$30,000 last year. The goal this year is \$35,000. The donations will be used to assist the Museum in its exhibitions, conservation of the collection, and establishing an archive of its photographs.

If you have historical events or stories to include in *The Cornerstone*, please send by the 1st of the month to Editor, *The Cornerstone*, Cupertino Historical Society, 10185 N. Stelling Rd, Cupertino, CA 95014.

HISTORIC POSTCARDS AND FAMILIES OF CUPERTINO T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN THE MUSEUM

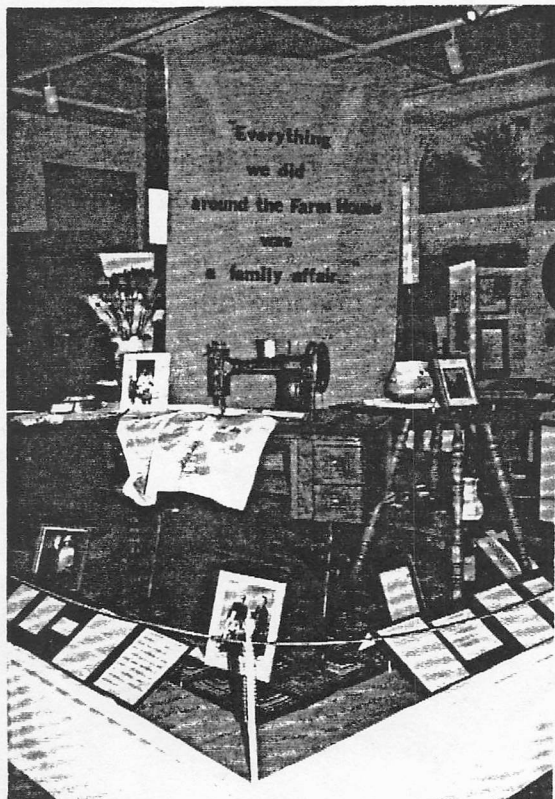
The Historical Society now has eight different postcards depicting various historical places or people of Cupertino. They include:

- 1923 street scene of Highway 9 showing the old wooden sign that used to hang across the street
- Portrait of Elisha P. Stephens
- The Parrish House, c. 1900
- Cupertino Market buggy, c. 1908
- Cupertino General Store, c.1915
- View of Santa Clara Valley from Garrod Ranch, c.1945
- Pavisio family on picnic at Blackberry Farm, c. 1909
- Wine label from Picchetti Bros. Winery, c.1920

All postcards are in black and white and sell for 35¢ each or 4 for \$1.00.

T-Shirts, with the letters in CUPERTINO formed by using many of the pioneer family names are available in green, yellow, and magenta and sell for \$8.00 each.

All proceeds from the sale of these items go toward supporting the Museum. Members of the Cupertino Historical Society receive a 10% discount on museum store items.



Part of the FAMILIES of Cupertino exhibition currently on display in the Museum

Cupertino Historical Society Board Members:

Faye Faulhaber	(91) Historian
Fenton Hill	(93)
Don McLean	(91) Treasurer
Judy Marchi	(91)
Bob Meyers	(93) President
Helen Moran	(92) Secretary
John Plungy	(92)
Linda Schultz	(93)
Don Steele	(92) Vice President

EVENTS CALENDAR MAY - JULY 1991

MAY

- 15 *Celebrate Your Heritage Week* presentation on retrofitting homes for earthquakes, Le Petit Trianon, San Jose.
- 28 Cupertino Historical Society General Meeting Potluck - 6:30 p.m.
- 30 Fundraising Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m. QCC
- 31 **Kelly Truck Unveiling**, Reception, Community Center Lobby, 6 - 8 p.m.

JUNE

- 13/16 Conference of Calif. Historical Societies, Bridgeport, CA
- 22 Historical Society Annual BBQ, Villa Maria
- 22/23 San Jose Historical Museum Living History Days. Kelly Park, San Jose

JULY

- 4 City Celebration in Memorial Park, Cot-Cutting Demo by Cupertino Historical Society members

GENERAL MEETING, TUESDAY, MAY 28
Quinlan Community Center
10185 N. Stelling Road
Potluck: 6:30 p.m.

PROGRAM: Election of New Board Members

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