

THE CORNERSTONE

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

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The September opening general meeting was a great success with more than 50 members in attendance, thanks to the calling committee (chaired by Yvonne Holt), which will continue to remind us all about each general meeting. Now that we have started with a good turnout we can build from that - this month and in the months to come.

As can be seen under the program section Jeannie Ryder, Vice President, has arranged three exciting programs already for October, November, and January. I'm sure we will fill the Quinlan Community Room in future.

In addition to the appreciation shown to all of our volunteers last month, Don Mc Lean was further honored by the City of Cupertino on October 10 for his past service as Treasurer. Again, a well-deserved honor for all his years of service.

Please come on out to the General Meeting on October 22.

Bob Meyers, President

GENEALOGY TOPIC FOR OCTOBER PROGRAM

Evelyn Baer, of the Santa Clara Family History Center, will be guest speaker for the October general meeting, October 22. Ms. Baer will speak about how one goes about a genealogical search and some tips to make that search an easier one.

The **FAMILIES of Cupertino** exhibition, currently in the Museum, is more than an exhibition. It is the beginning of the ongoing process of researching, writing, and preserving the family histories of Cupertino families. The tips Ms. Baer will provide will assist in this process. Be sure to come out for this interesting and important meeting!

FUTURE PROGRAMS PLANNED

Jeannie Ryder has worked quickly and surely to provide exciting programs for the upcoming year. Things to put on your calendar include:

- **November** - Ten Hours to Maywood.
Writer Willys Peck will present excerpts from his play of this title, a saga of the U.S. Mail to 1921.
- **January** - Mary Lester, contemporary historian, will speak about area wineries and their owners.
- **February** - One or two of our own Cupertino family histories will be spotlighted in a presentation.
- **March** - The De Anza Trek and The De Anza National Trail will be presented.

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

Have that special decorators' touch? Call Jeannie Ryder to help decorate the tables for the general meetings, 257-9363

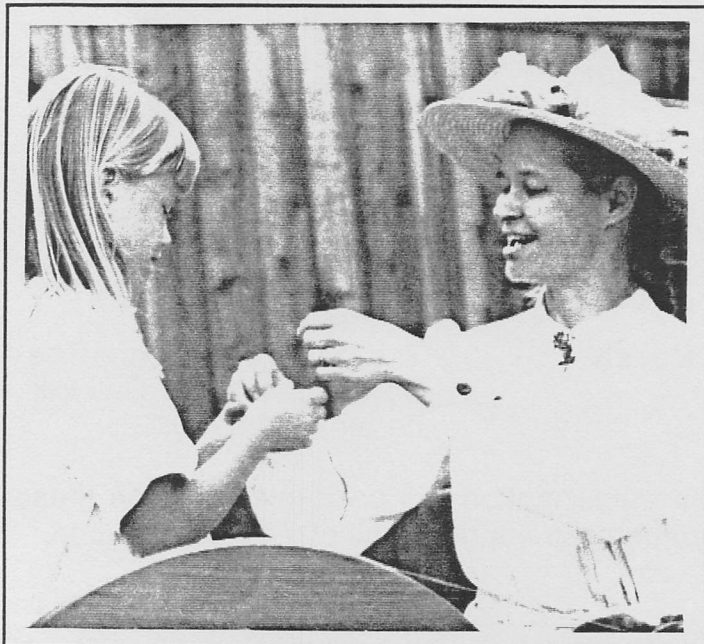
HARVEST DAY AT HISTORIC MCCLELLAN RANCH FUN FOR ALL AGES

Close to seventy adults and children enjoyed the day at the ranch last Sunday, October 6. Activities included making cornhusk dolls, pitching horseshoes, watching and listening to the spinners from The Serendipity Spinners spin yarn from rabbits and the blacksmiths from The Professional Farriers and Blacksmiths Association forge a fork. The day was a mix of history, nature, and fun. Children delighted in the cakewalk and the old fashioned games of hoop and stick and bubblemaking.

The Cupertino Historical Society baked homemade cakes, cookies, breads, and the sale of these items brought in close to \$200 to benefit the Museum.

Next year this event, co-sponsored by the City of Cupertino and The Cupertino Historical Society, can add activities to enliven this historic site and further fulfill the mission of the Museum to preserve and share Cupertino history with the community.

Many thanks to those of you who contributed the baked goods for the sale!



Lotus Baker of The Serendipity Spinners explains spinning skill to young Harvest Day visitor

FAMILY HISTORY SEMINAR 1991

Saturday, October 19, brings a day of classes for those interested in tracing their family history. Classes include identifying genealogical resources available in the Santa Clara City Public Library, getting started in researching family history, use of computers in genealogical research, and organizing your personal paper files.

Classes will be held by the Santa Clara Family History Center, 875 Quince, Santa Clara. Cost is \$8.00 for adults (\$10.00 at the door) and \$4.00 for Youth (under 17 years of age).

'BEARS OF CUPERTINO' HOLIDAY EXHIBITION ADDS "CINNAMON BEAR" TO ITS ACTIVITIES

The "Cinnamon Bear" story, written in 1937 by Glanville Heisch for his daughter, and best known in the states of Oregon, Nebraska, and Illinois, will be part of the storytelling activities for children and adults during this holiday. The 26-segment taped story of Paddy O'Cinnamon, a tiny stuffed brown bear with shoe button eyes who helps Judy and Jimmy Barton to 'de-grow' and go on a Wizard of Oz-like journey in search of the missing silver star for their Christmas Tree will start on December 7 at the Parks and Recreation Department's Holiday Extravaganza in the Quinlan Community Center, and will continue for the succeeding three weeks up to December 24.

Watch this newsletter for for further information on the schedule for the "Cinnamon Bear" story.

FAREWELL RECEPTION PLANNED FOR SALLY BRENNAN OF CUPERTINO COMMUNITY SERVICES

Family, friends, and all of those who have been touched by the dedication and caring of outgoing director of Cupertino Community Services, Sally Brennan, are invited to stop by a reception to wish her well for her (temporary) retirement on Thursday, October 24, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

CLOSE TO FORTY MUSEUM VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED

September 24, 1991 now officially marks the first annual Volunteer Recognition Day for volunteers to The Cupertino Historical society Museum. At the general meeting, volunteers received certificates of appreciation and a City of Cupertino pin. A proclamation from the City was awarded the volunteer service by Councilwoman Barbara Rogers.

For those of you who were unable to attend the program ceremonies, your certificates and pins will be mailed shortly.

Many thanks to the museum volunteers!

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY(HABS) BUILDINGS FEATURED IN 1992 CALENDAR

The 1992 calendars, with pictures of many of the buildings included in the survey of historic American buildings conducted by Santa Clara County, are available in the Cupertino Historical Museum. These are limited edition calendars and won't last long, so buy your copies today!

Cost of the calendar is only \$4.00.

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.

WE STILL WANT YOUR UNDERWEAR!

Don't forget! If you have old-fashioned underwear that can be loaned for the February fashion show, call Linda Schultz at 415/964-5899 evenings for pickup or arrange to leave at the Museum.

WISH LIST FOR MUSEUM

- Shelving for books and magazines (very important!)

- VCR and Monitor
- Tape recorder with quality sound
- Macintosh software manuals for Excel, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Works, and Filemaker
- Video camera
- 35mm camera
- Slide Projector and screen

Cupertino Historical Society Board Members:

Sandra Basel	(92)
Don Frolich	(94) Treasurer
Fenton Hill	(93)
Bob Meyers	(93) President
Helen Moran	(92) Secretary
Jeannie Ryder	(94) Vice President
Linda Schultz	(93) Historian
Martin Sorenson	(94)
Don Steele	(92) Vice President

Cupertino Historical Society October - December 1991 Calendar

OCTOBER

- 22 The Genealogical Search, program for General Meeting of The Cupertino Historical Society.
- 24 Farewell reception for Sally Brennan, outgoing director of Cupertino Community Services, Quinlan Community Center, 5-10 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 5 Cupertino Historical Society Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Cupertino Historical Society Museum Donor Reception, Quinlan Community Center, 7-9 p.m.
- 26 "Ten Hours to Maywood", Willys Peck presents excerpts from his play. The Cupertino Historical Society General Meeting.

DECEMBER

- 6 Preview of Bears of Cupertino, special holiday exhibition in the Museum.
- 7 Holiday Extravaganza, sponsored by City of Cupertino, Quinlan Community Center. Check Department of Parks and Recreation for details.

GENERAL MEETING, TUESDAY, October 22
Quinlan Community Center
10185 N. Stelling Road
Potluck: 6:30 p.m.

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