



**Sierra Madre
Historical
Preservation
Society Newsletter**

Spring 2003

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SOS: Save Our Stories

Dr. Paul Neiby has diligently been working to revitalize the Sierra Madre Oral History Project begun in 1989. Dr. Neiby has dubbed duplicate tapes so that we may have them transcribed, labeled master and duplicate tapes, collected release forms from interviewers and narrators, and created indexes for several interviews. Sandee Ulbrich, a local business woman and close friend of Jayne Kistner, is using the transcriber purchased in September 2002 to develop transcripts for many interviews. Funding for transcription is provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Service Technology Enhancement Grant. If you are interested in the Save Our Stories project would like to volunteer as a Life History Preserver, contact Debbie Henderson at 626.355.7186.

Art Fair

Look for our booth both at Art Fair, May 17th & May 18th and at the Mt. Wilson Trail Race, May 24th. Art Fair will once again be your chance to get a glass of our infamous Historical Society Lemonade! Our hand-squeezed lemonade is legendary, made of course with Sierra Madre lemons and Rangpur limes. We will also have our books, etc. on sale at Art Fair and all of our literature and maps are very popular at the Trail Race as well.

Mark your calendars - Sunday, June 29, 2003 1-5 p.m. our annual Ice Cream Social on the grounds of Richardson House and Lizzie's Trail Inn. Pack an old-fashioned picnic, enjoy the company of good friends, relax to the music of the 1930's and top it off with a delicious chocolate sundae, vanilla cone or root-beer float! Or just enjoy a cold glass of our lemonade! Both Lizzie's and Richardson House will be open for tours. What a great way to start your 4th of July week!

Membership Information

Membership renewals are still coming in, ninety-nine so far. Thank you to all of you who have renewed your membership. Thank you to all of our contributing members patrons, supporters, Archival Preservation Partners and to all who checked the volunteer boxes.

Your combined support helps the Historical Preservation Society keep Lizzie's Trail Inn and The Richardson House in excellent repair and your donations to the Archives help to secure new documents and photos relating to Sierra Madre.



Portrait of Flora March Stanberry Farman with daughter Bae Pack Farman, ca. 1902. Judi Oergel Collection. Sierra Madre Historical Archives.

Guy's Granddaughters

Sue Oergel Mongillo and Judi Oergel, granddaughters of Guy and Bae Steinberger, donated some wonderful historical items to the Archives in February. Their donations included a family history, photographs, letters, books, news clippings, postcards, and memorial records relating to the Steinberger, Ross, and Farman families of Sierra Madre. We are honored to have these important collections as part of our local history holdings in the Archives. Special thanks to Guy's granddaughters for their generosity.

President's Message

Proposed new Board members will be presented for approval at our June Board meeting. This is our Annual Meeting for election of officers for 2003-2004. If you have suggestions for a new Board member or a suggestion for the slate of officers leave a message for Marilyn Mc Kernan, head of the nominating committee, at (626) 355-8129.

All current SMHPS members are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting.

Dane Lenton

If you have lost your renewal notice, you may use the renewal application on the back of this newsletter.

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April 24 Regular SMHPS meeting, Sr. Ctr. Office
7:00 p.m. Open to all members.
May 15 Regular SMHPS meeting, Sr. Ctr. Office
7:00 p.m. Open to all members.
May 17 & 18 Art Fair SMHPS Booth & Famous Lemonade Sale
Memorial Park, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
May 24 Mt. Wilson Trail Race-SMHPS Booth
Kersting CT. 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
June 19 Annual Meeting & Election of Officers,
Sr. Ctr. Office, 7:00 p.m.
Open to all members
June 29 Ice Cream Social at Lizzie's
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Calendar of Events

Post Office Box 202, Sierra Madre, CA 91025
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MEMBERSHIP		SPECIFIC DONATION	
_____ \$10.00	Individual	_____	Archival Preservation Partner
_____ 15.00	Family	_____	Matching Grant
_____ 1.00	Student, Junior	_____	Richardson House
_____ 25.00	Contributing Member	_____	Lizzie's Trail Inn
_____ 50.00	Patron		
_____ 100.00	Supporter	\$ _____	Total

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VOLUNTEER PROJECTS

_____ Wistaria Day (booth 2 hours.)	_____ Home Tour Chairman
_____ Art Fair (booth 2 hours)	_____ Chair One House
_____ Richardson House Docent (1 Day 4 Times a year)	_____ Docent for one room
_____ Lizzie's Trail Inn Docent (1 Day 4 Times a year)	_____ Work Crew
	_____ Lizzie's
	_____ Richardson House

Thank You

Thank You

A big "THANK YOU" to all the members both volunteer and patrons at our Wistaria Festival Booth. Marie Callenders pies were again on sale, along with our books, maps, posters and cards. Thank you Marie Callenders for your generosity. It's always a wonderful treat to listen to all the stories of "I remember when..." from people just browsing through our pictures, and being taken back in time for a brief moment. A good (and yummy!) time was had by all.

**WANTED:
BOOTH
VOLUNTEERS
FOR ART FAIR**

**Also Wanted
Lemons & Rangpur Limes ASAP**

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,
MAY 17 & 18, 2003
TO SIGN UP
CALL 626.355.8129**

An Intern for the Archives

Sheila Afnan-Manns, a candidate for the UCLA Master of Library and Information Studies, has been working as an intern for the Sierra Madre Historical Archives. Sheila is interested in public library service and has had coursework in archives and special collections. She is lending her expertise to processing the Wandalee Thompson Collection. Sheila is organizing the collection and creating a collection guide to facilitate access. Our intern has done an outstanding job and the collection is now in terrific shape for research use.