



The Echo

News from the Pleasant Valley Historical Society

“Inside the Museum”

COVID taught us that closed doors do not mean the museum isn't working. We kept working, masked and social distancing. We now have closed doors for another reason...renovation and building expansion. Everything has been removed from the museum and carefully stored with knowledge of where it is!

Your accession team is still meeting every week to catalog and preserve our collections. The process of moving revealed some more treasures that we did not know that we had. We found four 1918 posters featuring women working and volunteering during WWI. The posters had been knocked about a bit, but our team has restored them and they had their first public presentation at a meeting of the ladies of Leisure Village. Their color is amazing. One of the posters features the service of French women during the war. One is a portrait of an American woman and the airplanes she helped build. The last is the “Donut Lassie” who cheered the soldiers when they came home. Also, there were 2 posters from an early Ventura County Fair, there was no year listed, but A. Camarillo was president. It features horses running in a sulky race, again, beautiful color. Does anyone have an idea of the date?

We are using this time to do some additional restoration and to audit our manuscript (paper) collections. We recently found 1927 newspaper clippings that have revealed more of the history of the community.

We are working on restoration and preservation of some of our pieces of furniture and farm tools. Anyone who wants to help, we would love to have you. Email or call PVHS.

We are answering requests for speakers on a variety of topics. Our goal is to take the collection to the public as they cannot come to it. It also gives us an appreciation of those who went before us and from whom we continue to benefit in so many ways. PVHS is alive!

Views inside the Museum after moving the contents into onsite & offsite storage.



Front entrance viewed from back wall. Entrance will be moved to middle of front wall & face Las Posas Road.



Rear office & bathrooms viewed from entrance. Office and bathrooms will be on the east wall.

A Special Ottavio's Event

An Ottavio's Family Restaurant Sponsored Fundraiser Event with 100% of All Receipts from All Dinners (4-8pm) being Generously Donated to the PVHS Museum Expansion Project!

Mark your Calendar for **April 13th** (Wednesday) and **Make Reservations** for this *Special Ottavio's Event*!

All are invited! Spread the word and tell your Family, Friends and Neighbors they will be making a 100% contribution to the PVHS Museum Expansion Fund by simply purchasing a Delicious Dinner at the Event!

A Really SPECIAL Event!!

OTTAVIO'S RESTAURANT

**IS GENEROUSLY SPONSORING AN AMAZING
FUND-RAISER FOR OUR NEW MUSEUM**

Wednesday, April 13th

4:00-8:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE !

MAKE RESERVATIONS !

SPREAD THE WORD!



100% !!!
of RECEIPTS from all
diners coming to the
restaurant, or ordering
pick-up, will be donated to
PVHS Building Fund !

Choose any items from their menu.

Advance reservations will be most helpful to the staff.

1620 VENTURA BLVD. 805-482-3810

Expansion Plans Update

You have probably noticed that many changes currently are under way at the PVHS Museum. First of all, the museum remains temporarily closed as a result of the recent removal of the carpeting from the building. All of the contents were removed from the museum and are being stored in the storage buildings on the site. We had a storage POD delivered to the site thanks to UNITS Storage of Camarillo. Volunteers cleared the building and the City contracted to have the old hazardous materials removed. This checks off one of the requirements we needed to be able to get the building permit for the expansion project.

Further progress continues on the plan-check front with the structural plans approved, the parcel map recorded, the grading plans in final plan check and a couple of final items currently being addressed. Thanks to Bob Fierro, bids are being solicited for the construction work so that we can take the next step leading to our goal. In the meantime, plans continue for the next phase of fundraising and a groundbreaking this spring.

We have reopened the botanical garden to visitors each Saturday, as long as construction activity allows. We have scheduled a number of alternate events to continue our presence in the community.

The recent publicity we have received fully shows the great work that our volunteers do on a daily basis. Our mission remains the same, we are just pursuing it in a variety of new ways. Stay tuned, and we look forward to your continued support. Many thanks!

Pleasant Valley Historical Society's 2022 Don and Doña Nomination and Selection

Since the Pleasant Valley Historical Society's inception, Don and Doña honors have been awarded individuals who have shown dedication to the community. The PVHS Museum displays six scrapbooks filled with information about previous honorees beginning with the year 1965. We are once again looking for the names of local citizens to receive the recognition of Don or Doña for this year.

We invite you to submit nominations for the 2022 Dons and Doñas. Nominations are accepted until May 23, 2022. Following that date the Don and Doña Selection Committee will meet to consider all nominations. As stated in the Nomination Form included in this ECHO, all nominations are confidential and only known by this committee. The Committee will review the nominations for selection in the 2022 group.

The PVHS Board hosts a get acquainted reception for the honorees and the Board in July. The Annual Don and Doña BBQ to honor the recipients will be held on September 17, 2022 at the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Parks District Community Center. We look forward to receiving your nominations. Make your plans now for the BBQ and submit those applications for this year's class of Don and Doñas. For further information please send an email to bburrow1@msn.com or pvhs@pvhsonline.org.

The 2022 Dons & Doñas Nomination Form is on the reverse side of the page.

Pleasant Valley Historical Society & Museum

Serving Camarillo, Somis and Santa Rosa Valley since 1964

720 N. Las Posas Road, P. O. Box 570, Camarillo CA 93011

Phone 805 482-3660 Website: www.pvhsonline.org

NOMINATION FORM

Selection of 2022 DONS & DOÑAS

Persons being nominated for a Don or Doña shall be:

An individual who has lived in the Camarillo, Somis or Santa Rosa Valley area for at least twenty years, and has provided outstanding community service for a minimum of ten years within these areas, and/or to the Pleasant Valley Historical Society during that time.

Nominee's Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____

The names submitted consideration shall be kept CONFIDENTIAL and shall only be made known to the Dons and Doña Selection Committee.

History of Nominee's Service:

Please attach additional page(s) if more space is required.

Submitted by: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____

Completed Nomination Form must be mailed with a post mark date no later than **May 23, 2022**.

Send to: PVHS Dons and Doñas Selection Committee, P. O. Box 570, Camarillo, CA 93011

STAN DAILY ESSAY SCHOLARSHIP

from Pleasant Valley Historical Society



The scholarship is offered to students living in the Pleasant Valley area including Camarillo, Somis, and the Santa Rosa Valley, who write an original research paper on local history.

An award of \$1,000 may be made to a graduating senior, who produces the best qualifying piece.

The subject must be related to the history of the Pleasant Valley area.

Interested students may consult with society members on subject selections.

Deadline for submission is **April 30, 2022.**

Three (3) copies of the completed work should be mailed to:

PVHS
Attn: Stan Daily Essay Scholarship
P.O. Box 570
Camarillo, CA 93011

For further information, please visit pvhsonline.org/scholarship/,
or phone 805-482-3660 to leave a message.

PVHS Museum Fundraising Event

May 3rd (Tuesday) for the Return of *Bruce's BBQ* Pick-Up Event (The wait is over)

Support PV HISTORICAL SOCIETY with a great meal!

Bruce's BBQ Pick-up



\$15



Tri-tip & Chicken, salad, vegetarian beans, bread

May 3rd, 2022 (Tuesday)

RESERVE by the previous FRIDAY (April 29th)
Leave message with NAME and NUMBER of meals at 805-482-3660
or email: pvhs@pvhsnline.org

PICK-UP 5 pm to 6 pm at Camarillo Christian Church,
1777 ARNEILL ROAD (corner of Las Posas)

PAY at pick-up time with CASH, or CHECK made to PVHS,
or PayPal at www.pvhsnline.org. Click BBQ

Rockin': 100 Years Ago

A porch rocking chair from the early 1900's made
by the Lewis family recently restored



The Scholle House patiently awaits the completion of its new foundation. NW corner of 101 & Springville Dr.

MEMORIALS

*Fred Phipps & Cathy Trainer donated in memory of:
Joan Adams, Darlene Chinery, Penny Diamond, Ken Haugrud, Milton R. Johnson, Carol Lambert,
Christine May Neary, Jacqui Pease-Waters, Shirley Perry, Donald Russell Jr., David Schumacher*

*Donations in memory of Ron McCown, Sr. were made by:
Bob & Olivia Fulkerson and Joy & Bill Todd*

Donation in memory of Doña Rose Wisuri was made by Bob & Olivia Fulkerson

TRIBUTES

Fred Phipps & Cathy Trainer donated in honor of Yzie Green's 104th Birthday

Fred Phipps & Cathy Trainer donated in honor of Tess Lewis' 100th Birthday

BUILDING and other DONATIONS

Donations received SINCE the January 2022 ECHO

<i>Kent & Karen Allen</i>	<i>Phyllis Anderson</i>	<i>Mary Lou Ash</i>	<i>Kathy Asolas</i>
<i>Gail Brockett</i>	<i>Karen Bulger</i>	<i>Wayne Callaway</i>	<i>Bill & Kathleen Cunningham</i>
<i>Robert De La Torre</i>	<i>Terry & Gail DeWolfe</i>	<i>Mike & Diane Ellias</i>	
<i>Cris & Bill Garlington</i>	<i>Janice Garner</i>	<i>Douglas Gillert</i>	<i>Gladys Goertzen</i>
<i>Alan & Mary Goldberg</i>	<i>Ira & Lois Grooms</i>	<i>Ann Gross</i>	<i>Carol Haverty</i>
<i>Paul & Loretta Hawblitzel</i>	<i>J & H Engineering</i>	<i>David & Jackie.Kaiser</i>	
<i>Joanne & Larry Kennedy</i>	<i>John Krotcher</i>	<i>Donald Latham</i>	<i>Lynn Lewis</i>
<i>Kathy Long</i>	<i>Al & Petra Lowe</i>	<i>Donna Lutz</i>	<i>Jim Maddux</i>
<i>Karen Marks</i>	<i>Laura McAvoy</i>	<i>Neale McNutt</i>	<i>Susan Measures</i>
<i>Mrs. Gloria Miele</i>	<i>Sherwood Milleman</i>	<i>Arthur Miller</i>	<i>Beth Miller</i>
<i>Brittney Newberry</i>	<i>Jerrie Newman</i>	<i>Lou Oliver</i>	<i>David & Karen Oliver</i>
<i>Ottavio's</i>	<i>Roberta Pittman</i>	<i>Anthony Pizza</i>	<i>Ted & Val Rains</i>
<i>Susana Reeder</i>	<i>Kristin Snow Reynolds</i>	<i>Paul Rockenstein</i>	<i>Ed Russell</i>
<i>Sharkey's</i>	<i>Phillip Smith</i>	<i>Katherine Taylor</i>	<i>M. Thackoorie</i>
<i>Debra Thiessen</i>	<i>Bill & Joy Todd</i>	<i>Mattie E. Vanbuskirk</i>	

MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT

We are so pleased with many supporters who raised their support level this year, or joined for the first time. Thank you! If you have not yet, now is the time to show your support with your 2022 calendar year membership, starting at only the cost of a lunch, \$25! You can go online to our website, www.pvhsonline.org, push the MEMBERSHIP button, and make your choice.

PVHS Board Members 2021-2022

David Bratz
Michael Ellias
David Hibbits
Beverly Pearson
Betty Sullivan

Max Copenhagen
Karin Farrin
Bill Manzer
John Person
Valerie Tackett

Terry DeWolfe
Bob Fierro
Raelene Manzer
Paul Rockenstein
Bill Todd

Gail DeWolfe
Ira Grooms
Betty Jo McDonald
Patricia Roth
Dr. Renee Whitlock

PVHS Executive Board 2021-2022

Bob Burrow, *President*
Greg Farrin, *Vice President*
Bob Rust, *Treasurer*
Debbie Thiessen, *Recording Secretary*

Liz Daily, *Corresponding Secretary*
Joy Todd, *Immediate Past President*
TBA, *Member at Large*
Gerry Olsen, *Parliamentarian*

PVHS Standing Committees for 2021-2022

Finance: Bob Rust
Communications: Max Copenhagen
Garden: Betty Jo McDonald

Museum Operations: Greg Farrin
Events and Accessions: Joy Todd
Facilities: Bob Burrow

Finance Recorder: Bill Todd

Museum Expansion Fundraising: Sponsoring a Personalized Brick

The Personalized Brick Fundraising Campaign is doing its part in the Museum Expansion Fundraising program. Since the Personalized Brick Campaign launch in July of 2021, and running through March of 2022, a total of 81 Bricks have already been ordered. The popularity of the Personalized Bricks will continue to escalate with the Expansion Building Groundbreaking Event in 2022, and popularity will continue through the construction project. Sponsoring a Personalized Brick today will ensure delivery with the first batch of bricks to be delivered, and secure an early prime location for the displaying of your brick.

Sponsoring a personalized brick, a 4" x 8" brick which will be located and displayed at the PVHS Museum outdoor location, is more than a \$200 donation to the PVHS Museum Expansion fund:

1) A brick can be personalized with your name, and/or your family's name, allowing you to be part of the PVHS Museum history.

2) Or, a brick can be personalized to honor anyone, or anything, you want to be remembered.

The form to reserve and sponsor a personalized brick is displayed on the following page (page 9).



PLEASANT VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MUSEUM EXPANSION



"Be a Part of History"

Reserve a place in PVHS Museum history by sponsoring a personalized brick.

You may sponsor a brick in your name, or to honor anyone/anything you want to be remembered.

PLEASE PRINT, maximum 16 spaces per line, including blank spaces and punctuation. All inscriptions will be centered and capitalized. Filler in the engraved area will provide a permanent contrast and protect the quality of the engraving.

Enclosed is my \$200.00 contribution for a 4" x 8" paver with up to three lines of text.

Make checks payable to *Pleasant Valley Historical Society*; or to use PayPal, please visit our website at pvhsonline.org and use the DONATE button at the top of the webpage.

Your Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Please mail this completed form to: PVHS
PO Box 570
Camarillo, CA 93011-0570

NEWS FROM THE
PLEASANT
VALLEY
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY

April 2022

The mission of the Pleasant Valley Historical Society and Garden is to acquire, identify, restore and preserve artifacts, documents and photographs related to the Pleasant Valley community; to make the museum and garden a focal point for the dissemination of local history and education of the general public, and to recognize local residents who have provided outstanding service to the Pleasant Valley community.

Location: 720 Las Posas Road, Camarillo

Mailing Address: PVHS,

PO Box 570, Camarillo, CA 93011-0570

Telephone: (805) 482-3660

Email: pvhs@pvhsonline.org

Website: pvhsonline.org

Newsletter Editor:

Greg Farrin, gfarrin@gmail.com



Find us on
Facebook



Thank you to Ivy Lawn for providing a very generous grant for printing costs of the Echoes and other materials.



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Permit No. 128

Oxnard, CA

PAID

U.S. Postage

Non-Profit Org.

12 noon to 4 p.m.

Museum Open: Saturday and Sunday

Camarillo, CA 93011-0570

P.O. Box 570

Pleasant Valley Historical Society