

San Gabriel Historical Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I'm looking forward to a new year and accomplishing some of the goals that we have set for the Association. Our new members of the Board of Trustees are Mary Cammarano, Vice President, Beatrice Mojarro, Recording Secretary and Isela Bowles, Trustee. Current Trustee Scott Bowles will be our Treasurer and Betsy Tucker will take over as Corresponding Secretary. Camila Lopez, serving ably as Recording Secretary in 2006 will continue on the Board as a Trustee.

Our current display of the San Gabriel Fire Department will be in place through the first weekend in February (Feb. 3, 2007). We expect to install another special display later in February.

We now have the proper equipment to conduct oral histories. First, we are asking any of the members who are interested in working on oral history to contact us.

Second, we would like to get the names of San Gabriel residents who were born in the area and are 75 years of age or older, and would be willing to be interviewed for an oral history. Please contact me at (626) 282-0749.

We are interested in learning more about early San Gabriel businesses. Some that come to mind are the local orange industry, the chicken ranches, and local vineyards. Any of our members who are interested in researching one of these and putting together a display for the museum -- we will welcome you with open arms. These are just some suggestions to consider. We know there are others -- so let us hear from you.

Bill Williams

GENERAL MEETING AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

SPECIAL LASAGNA DINNER

MONDAY, January 22, 2007 6:00 p.m.

Grapevine Room, San Gabriel Senior Center, 324 So. Mission Drive

Program: 7:00 p.m. Steve Preston, Assistant City Manager

Topic: Update on the Ratkovich Project Civic Auditorium Parking Lot

** Open to the Public **

Dinner - \$10.00 per person

NOTE: There will be extra frozen Lasagnas to purchase and take home to enjoy later! Regular Size - \$10.00, Large - \$20.00

For RESERVATIONS or Transportation please call 626 282-0749 or 626 284-6685

The speaker at our January General Meeting will be Mr. Steve Preston, Assistant City Manager, City of San Gabriel.

He will be discussing the progress of the Ratkovich project for the Auditorium parking lot. There will be time to answer any questions you may have concerning the proposal.

CALENDAR

Board Meeting Feb. 12 -Board Meeting March 12 General Meeting March 19

Feb. 12 - 7:30 p.m. March 12 - 7:30p.m

HELP! HELP! HELP! ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

We are in dire need of docents in order to keep the Museum and the Hayes House open for the public. All it takes is 2-1/2 hours once a month. We are open the first Saturday of each month, in two shifts -- II:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and I:30 to 4:00 p.m. or earlier. Do you have any youngsters who need to complete community service? This is a good place to do it. Our next scheduled opening is Saturday, February 3, 2007.

Thank you for your prompt response to this call for help!!!

Camila Lopez Docent Chairman 626 287-8482

Le Grande Tour

We were pleased to have members of the local Rotary Club visit our Museum and Hayes House recently. Over 20 members had a pleasant visit and learned a little more of our local history and that of the Hayes family.

We are always happy to arrange tours for groups, formal or informal. Please call the Museum - 626 308-3223 - if you would like to arrange a tour.

HAYES HOUSE

The Hayes House is putting away its Christmas decorations and getting back to uncovering more treasures. A bit more order has been restored. We continue to uncover many oriental items, beautiful plates, bowls and other objects. If any of you have a background on these objects we would welcome your expertise. There is a wide variety of items, including bamboo shelves, most of them from the early 1900's. Please call if you could help us in any way with information on their background.

We hope to have many new items for display this new year, and welcome your help and visits.

Pam Izmirian, Chairman