



San Gabriel Historical Association

Museum: 546 W. Broadway, San Gabriel, CA 91776 ~ Tel: (626)308-3223

GENERAL MEETING

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS & LASAGNA DINNER

When: Tues, January 22, 2008 ~ 6:00PM (Dinner Starts at 6:00PM – Program Starts at 7:00PM)
Where: Grapevine Room - San Gabriel Senior Center ~ 324 So. Mission Drive San Gabriel, CA

Program: Henry Huntington's visionary role in the development of Greater Los Angeles
Speaker: Keith McDonald, Research Historian at the Huntington Library

Mr. McDonald is a Southern California native, born in Huntington Park. He studied business at USC which led to a career in management and merchandising first at Sears, Roebuck and Co. and later at Safeway stores. After retirement he joined the Huntington Library as a docent and became interested in history. This led him to becoming a research historian where he is presently researching a book about Henry Huntington and the role he played throughout the western hemisphere, especially in Southern California and Hawaii. He will also give updates of three major developments at the Huntington to be completed starting in early 2008.

Open to the Public

Please call in your dinner **RESERVATIONS**, as well as your frozen lasagna orders to:
 (626)286-0565 or (626)284-6685.
 For transportation, call (626) 282-0749

SARAH DUNCAN GARDEN DEDICATION

On Saturday, Nov. 3, 2007 the SGHA dedicated the museum gardens to long time member and curator of the museum, Sarah Duncan. Many friends of Sarah were in attendance. The city manager as well as members of the San Gabriel City Council joined in honoring Sarah. Carl Bonenberger, past president of SGHA

reminded Sarah of their many trips to the local nurseries to purchase the easy plants scrubs and trees that went into the making of the garden. Following the dedication many people stayed to visit the museum and Hayes House. Refreshments were served. Pictures of the event can be found on the SGHA website.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The general membership meeting of the San Gabriel Historical Association will be held Tuesday, January 22, 2008. 6:00PM in the Grapevine Room of the Senior Center; 324 So. Mission Drive, San Gabriel. Reservations for the dinner should be made by telephoning (626)286-0565 or (626) 284-6685. There will be frozen lasagna for sale at \$10.00 each for the small and \$14.00 each for the large. Please call in your reservation for dinner as well as frozen lasagna to take home.

The meeting will be the installation of officers and members of the board of trustees for the year 2008. Elsewhere in the newsletter you will find an article about our speaker for the evening.

Happy New Year!

Bill Williams, SGHA President

SAN GABRIEL HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

2008 OFFICERS

President	Bill Williams
Vice President	Mary Cammarano
Recording Secretary	Beatriz Mojarro
Corresponding Secretary	Isela Bowles
Treasurer	Scott Bowles

Trustee Class of 2008

Isela Bowles
 Mary Cammarano
 Camilla Lopez
 Beatriz Mojarro

Trustee Class of 2009

Bill A'Hearn
 Sally Baldwin
 Scott Bowles
 Senja Lubisich
 Bill Williams

2008 CALENDAR

All meetings will be held at the Grapevine Room of the San Gabriel Senior Center: 324 So. Mission Drive in San Gabriel. Meeting time will be 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted.

Board Meeting	Monday, Jan.14, 2008
General Membership Mtg.	Tues, January 22, 2008; 6:00PM
Board Meeting	Monday, Feb.11,2008
Board Meeting	Monday, March 10, 2008
General Membership Mtg.	Thurs, March 13,2008; 6:00PM
<i>(This meeting is a combined meeting with the Ramona Parlor of the Native Sons and Alhambra Historical Society. A dinner will be served. More information to come)</i>	
Board Meeting	Monday, April 14, 2008
Board Meeting	Monday, May 12, 2008
General Membership Mtg.	Monday, May 19, 2008
Board Meeting	Monday, June 9, 2008
Board Meeting	Monday, August 11, 2008
Board Meeting	Monday, September 8, 2008
General Membership Mtg.	Monday, Sept. 15, 2008
Board Meeting	Tuesday, October 14, 2008
Board Meeting	Monday, November 10, 2008
General Membership Mtg.	Monday, November 17, 2008
Board Meeting	Monday, December 8, 2008

All Meetings are listed in the calendar on the SGHA webpage.

HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

It's hard to realize how far the Historical Association has traveled since its inception back in the late 1970's. Following the celebration of the national centennial in 1976 it was decided that San Gabriel needed a "city museum". So, the centennial committee became the historical committee and they were off and running. It was known that there were many artifacts and historical memorabilia scattered throughout the city in people's garages, attics and closets. Next we needed a location for museum. Thru the "good offices" of the San Gabriel School District and Mike Frost, principal of Coolidge School, the museum was allowed the use of a room not currently being used for classes. When it became obvious that we needed more space the E2 city came to the rescue and allowed that museum could take over the McGroarty

apartments on the second floor of the Civic Auditorium. After a number of years in the auditorium the City moved us to our present location in the former building of the San Gabriel Radio Club. In the early 1990's the San Gabriel Historical Association received the Bovard-Wilson-Hayes house from the estate of Mary Ruth Hayes. The city allowed us to move the Hayes House to its present location on city land next to the museum.

As part of our agreement with the city it is agreed that the Association will follow the guidelines from the U.S Secretary of the Interior for the preservation of historical homes. This we continue to do to the best of our ability. We have the ongoing assistance of Mr. Martin Weil who is a preservation architect. Following our move into the "radio club" we needed more space so the back

half of the building was added on to give us more display space. At this time we are looking for ways to expand for a larger work area and storage.

The hand-me-down display cases from Liebergs Dept. Store have stood us in good form all of this time. However, we need to think in terms of securing display cases more appropriate to museum work.

The accessioning of the artifacts of the Hayes House continues thru the fine work of Helen Sanchez and her daughters, Julie and Elizabeth. Helen and her girls write it up and Camila Lopez and Karen Cranston are getting it into the computer. Those of you that are interested in this work and would like to help please give me a call (626) 282-0749 or Camila Lopez (626) 287-8482.

Bill Williams



Hayes House

The Association has received generous donations in memory of Pam Izmirian. Pam's special passion was the Hayes House which she always strived to display as historically accurate as possible. The donations will be used to preserve the Hayes House in that tradition.

The San Gabriel Historical Association wishes everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

I hope you like the new look of our newsletter. Right now, it is a work in progress. Send us an email thru the SGHA website and let us know what you think. Thanks!

MEMBERSHIP

Annual dues for 2008 are now due. If you have not already sent in your dues please plan to do so soon. Your dues is one of the ways that helps to pay our on going monthly bills. Also, it helps to provide funds to produce and mail the SGHA Newsletter. So, please plan to send in your dues as soon as possible

Bill Williams

SGHA WEBPAGE

The San Gabriel Historical Association can be found on the web at:

<http://webpages.charter.net/wahearn/sgha>

If you have any questions about SGHA, there is an email link located at the upper right of the page. We are hoping to have a permanent host for the website in the near future. Stay tuned!

Bill A'Hearn