



The Grapevine

# SAN GABRIEL HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

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## GENERAL MEETING & DINNER



### PROGRAM

## 50th Anniversary of La Laguna "Dinosaur Park"

Speakers Dr. Senya Lubisich & Eloy Zarate

**When:** Monday, March 16, 2015  
Dinner Starts at 6pm  
Program Starts at 7:15pm

**Where:** Grapevine Room - San Gabriel Senior Center  
324 S. Mission Drive San Gabriel, CA

**Open to the Public**  
For transportation, call  
626-284-6685

### Enchilada Dinner

(Catered by Lunas Mexican Restaurant)

Cost: \$15.00

Menu: Chicken & Cheese Enchiladas in green and red sauce. Includes Rice & Beans - Salad - Chips - Drinks - Flan Dessert

PLEASE R.S.V.P. Cristina Alvarado by Sat. March 14th by calling: 626-284-9694 or email: mcal3@charter.net.

Senya and Eloy are long-time members of the SG Historical Association, both serving on the Board of Directors and giving countless volunteer time to San Gabriel.

As History professors who are very passionate about their community, they will share the process of preservation as it pertained to La Laguna playground. Come hear how historians approach "spaces and places" that matter to the local community as we approach the 50th anniversary of La Laguna Playground in May.

Do join us for an informative and fun evening!

## P R E S I D E N T ' S M E S S A G E

Dear Friends,

We at SGHA are looking forward to a wonderful year, La Laguna is turning 50! And we all get to celebrate and bring out the child in each of us. Our March program will introduce some to the Lagoon and update many of us on the upcoming events planned.

Please join us for great food and an interesting talk. Don't forget to put in your reservation. We hope to see you there!!

Also, our Museum needs volunteers, please contact Mary Ann Baldonado so you can offer your time to help. As always we appreciate your loyalty and support for SGHA.

With Appreciation,

Mary Cammarano, President



**FROM THE HAYES HOUSE****“Mr. Cokeley’s Valentine’s Day Visit”**

Just as teachers evaluate their students, so do principals evaluate their teachers. On Valentine’s Day in 1933 Mary Ruth – “Miss Hayes” – was observed by her principal, Mr. Cokeley, at Lincoln School. She was presumably very relieved to have the “Principal’s Visit to Teacher” over by the time of the class Valentine’s party! Her performance review is as follows:

**PRINCIPAL’S VISIT TO TEACHER  
LINCOLN SCHOOL  
SAN GABRIEL, CALIFORNIA.**

Miss M. R. Hayes  
4A-5B Grade

February 14, 1933  
2:10pm - 2:40pm

Found the room quiet and orderly as I entered, with the children working on their spelling and reading. After the children had completed their reading and spelling they began working on the arithmetic problems the teacher had placed on the blackboard. After completing these problems the children were permitted to go to the library shelves in the rear of the room and get books.

The room was well ventilated, doors and windows being open with a normal temperature and a good atmosphere existing.

A Valentine box rested on the table in the center rear of the room, and from casual glances from several children I presumed there was to be a Valentine party at the close of the school day.

Ships in Crayola work were on display at the front of the room, while a twelve inch globe sat in the southwest corner. A tray piled with potatoes and onions was on the table in the rear of the room and I learned that these were for plants for their garden which they have worked up ready to plant. The black boards were well used. Spelling words on the front boards, language sentences on page 33 in the text were on the right board, history and geography assignments were listed and a set of questions on a reading lesson were on the left front of the board. The teacher was putting arithmetic problems on the board as I entered.

The situation was a normal one of learning but did not definitely exemplify its connection with any big unit that might be under way. However, I presume there were connections which I did not observe.

John Wesley Cokeley, Jr.  
Principal

Helen Sánchez, Hayes House Curator

**Ancient water distribution system found under Union Pacific Railroad tracks.**

Photo by Walt Mancini/Pasadena Star-News

Both pictures show a portion of a water canal, which is thought to be the precursor to the Chapman Millrace that was located under the old rail line which was relocated for the construction of the San Gabriel Trench.

For more information & pictures about the last find, visit the Pasadena Star News at:

[Ancient water distribution system found under Union Pacific Railroad tracks.](http://www.pasadenastar.com/news/ancient-water-distribution-system-found-under-union-pacific-railroad-tracks)

(<http://goo.gl/WWd8PZ>)



Photo by SWCA/Alameda Corrida East Construction Authority

**MUSEUM NEWS**

The Museum may only be open the 1st Saturday of each month from 1-4pm during the winter and spring months. The time may change to morning hours 10am-1pm due to the summer heat in August, Sept & October. We are in need of more docents in order to open more often. If you are interested in volunteering 3 hours a month, once or twice a year, please contact our docent chairman, Mary Ann Baldonado at 626-289-3104. Tours can be arranged for week-days.

If you are interested, please call Camila Lopez at 626-287-8482.

Camila Lopez, Museum Chairperson

**Docents Needed!!** This notice is an appeal for you to volunteer as a docent. The Museum and the Hayes House requires two docent's for each building The buildings are opened on the first and third Saturday's of the month from 1-4pm. If we are unable fill these dates we cannot open. Please check your calendars and contact Mary Ann Baldonado at maryann3455@att.net or 626-289-3104. The table below shows the days when the Museum & Hayes House are open and the number of docents signed up for each day:

Dates		Museum	Hayes House
March	21	1	
April	4	1	
	18	2	1
May	2	1	1
	16	2	1
June	6	1	
	20	2	1

**Upcoming SGHA Meetings**

Board Meeting - Monday, March 9, 2015  
 General Membership Meeting - Monday, March 16, 2015  
 Board Meeting - Monday, April 13, 2015  
 Board Meeting - Monday, May 11, 2015  
 General Membership Meeting - Monday, May 18, 2015  
 Board Meeting - Monday, June 8, 2015  
 July - No Meetings  
 Board Meeting - Monday, August 10, 2015  
 Board Meeting - Monday, September 14, 2015  
 General Membership Meeting - Monday, September 21, 2015  
 Board Meeting - Monday, October 12, 2015  
 Board Meeting - Monday, November 9, 2015  
 General Membership Meeting - Monday, November 16, 2015  
 December - No Meetings

Board meetings will be at Church of Our Saviour @ 7:30pm.

General Dinner & Program meetings will be at the Grapevine Room, 324 So. Mission Drive San Gabriel.  
 Dinner at 6:00 pm - Program at 7:00pm.



**SGVMT**  
 San Gabriel Valley Music Theatre  
 presents

**"The Fabulous 50's!"**  
 Do you remember when. . . ?  
**Saturday - May 16, 2015 at 6pm**  
**Dinner and Concert**  
 at  
**Autunno**  
 409 South Mission Dr. San Gabriel, CA 91776  
**\$75.00 per person**  
 For Reservations Call - (626) 272-2460  
 Email: sgvmtboxoffice@earthlink.net

Join us for an evening in the "Golden Era" as we take you back through the nostalgic musical decade of the 1950's when bobby socks were in, hair grease was cool and life was much simpler. This fun event includes a wonderful gourmet buffet-style dinner prepared by the chefs of Autunno and your live entertainment will be performed by SGVMT's most talented vocalists. So, dust off those poodle skirts, letterman jackets and get ready for a fabulous night of great food, trivia, and prizes while you reminisce with some of the music industry's most memorable tunes!

\*\*\*1950s Dress Attire is highly encouraged as there will be special prize for "best dressed"\*\*\*\*

**Renewed Your Membership Yet??**

*We still haven't heard from many of you. Send in your renewal form today!!*



**Residence of Judge Clinton Gibbs**  
**San Gabriel, CA - 1885**  
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**SGHA MISSION STATEMENT**

*The mission of the San Gabriel Historical Association is to promote interest in the history of San Gabriel and the San Gabriel Valley. We foster, preserve and protect the historical landmarks, buildings, monuments, customs and ceremonies of early California and San Gabriel. To advocate an awareness of our historical background and priceless heritage through the memory and deeds of those persons who contributed substantially to the making of the history of this area.*