



Fallbrook Historian



Published by the Fallbrook Historical Society

P.O. Box 1375, Fallbrook, CA. 92028

DORIS ELAM, EDITOR

MARCH, 1988

DUES NOTICE! Our dues year runs from May 1 to April 30. A renewal envelope is enclosed for your convenience. [Please disregard, if you are a Patron or Life Member. Why not pass it along to a friend or new neighbor?]

The following is from Cecelia Njust, our Membership/Mailing Chairman:

Dear Members,

I cannot improve on the following "Statement" for reasons to encourage your early membership renewals and additional donations. Especially this year we will need extra funds for an additional building for storage and display at the Van Velzer property.

We are blessed with a hard-working, all-volunteer Board to head our membership of 553 including a growing number of Patron and Life Members. As our responsibilities and activities increase I think we can be proud of the recognized services we offer the community.

My special thanks go to John Lynn who has computerized the membership data and frequently prints an updated list for us; he also donates the printed mailing stickers for our newsletter. This is such a help and also a financial saving for the Society.

This "Statement" was adopted at the January 5, 1988 Board Meeting and is based on suggestions from C. M. Silvestro's "Organizing a Local Historical Society".

Regards, Cecelia Njust, Membership/Mailing
728-3271

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF THE FALLBROOK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"The purpose of the Fallbrook Historical Society is to bring together those people interested in history, especially in the history of today's Fallbrook and its historical area (sometimes called 'Fallbrook District' and 'Greater Fallbrook; it should certainly include the territory from which Fallbrook High School draws its students).

The Society's major function will be to discover and collect material which may help to establish or illustrate the history of Greater Fallbrook: its exploration, settlement, development, and activities in peace and war; its progress in population, wealth, education, arts, science, agriculture, manufactures, trade, and transportation.

The Society will collect printed materials (histories, genealogies, biographies, descriptions, gazetteers, directories, newspapers, pamphlets, catalogs, circulars, handbills, programs, posters); manuscript materials (letters, diaries, journals, memoranda, reminiscences, rosters, service records, account books, charts, surveys, field books); museum materials (pictures, photographs, paintings, portraits, scenes,

We are blessed with a hard-working, all-volunteer Board to head our membership of 553 including a growing number of Patron and Life Members. As our responsibilities and activities increase I think we can be proud of the recognized services we offer the community.

My special thanks go to John Lynn who has computerized the membership data and frequently prints an updated list for us; he also donates the printed mailing stickers for our newsletter. This is such a help and also a financial saving for the Society.

This "Statement" was adopted at the January 5, 1988 Board Meeting and is based on suggestions from C. M. Silvestro's "Organizing a Local Historical Society".

Regards, Cecelia Njust, Membership/Mailing
728-3271

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF THE FALLBROOK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"The purpose of the Fallbrook Historical Society is to bring together those people interested in history, especially in the history of today's Fallbrook and its historical area (sometimes called 'Fallbrook District' and 'Greater Fallbrook'; it should certainly include the territory from which Fallbrook High School draws its students).

The Society's major function will be to discover and collect material which may help to establish or illustrate the history of Greater Fallbrook: its exploration, settlement, development, and activities in peace and war; its progress in population, wealth, education, arts, science, agriculture, manufactures, trade, and transportation.

The Society will collect printed materials (histories, genealogies, biographies, descriptions, gazetteers, directories, newspapers, pamphlets, catalogs, circulars, handbills, programs, posters); manuscript materials (letters, diaries, journals, memoranda, reminiscences, rosters, service records, account books, charts, surveys, field books); museum materials (pictures, photographs, paintings, portraits, scenes, aboriginal relics, and material objects which illustrate life, conditions, events and activities of the past or the present).

The Society will provide for the preservation of the materials collected, and will make them available for study.

The Society will cooperate with local officials to insure the preservation and accessibility of the records and archives of the Greater Fallbrook area.

The Society will insure the preservation of historic buildings, monuments, and markers.

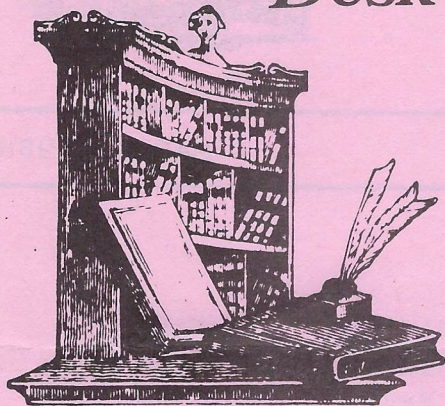
The Society will disseminate historical information and arouse interest in the past by publishing historical material.

The Society will hold meetings which include pageants, addresses, lectures, papers, and discussions.

The Society will mark historical buildings, sites, and trails.

The Society will use the media to awaken local interest."

From the Editor's Desk



An invitation to our Annual Meeting is enclosed. Please plan on attending, as we will have a very interesting program. Rosemary Pankey has spent years researching the area's Ranchos. Our "Pioneer of the Year" will be announced. [Sh! It's a "secret" until he or she is introduced.] Reservations must be paid in advance, as we guarantee the number attending.

DIRECTOR CHANGE: It is with deep regret that the Board accepted the resignation of Edward C. Sprotte at the last Board meeting. Ed has served as Recording Secretary the past two years, but was forced to resign due to ill health. Thank you for a job well done, Ed.

Dick Grisct has been appointed to fill Ed's unexpired term. Welcome, Dick, we look forward to your expertise.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETS: Chaired by John Lynn, Helen Sylvester and Liz Yamaguchi came up with the following slate to be presented for election at the Annual Meeting:

Ila Driver	Cecelia Njust [incumbent]
"Red" Hanson	Rosemary Pankey [incumbent]

WHO IS ON THE FHS BOARD? Sometimes it's hard to remember who the 11-members are. Particularly since terms are for 3-years on a rotation. Here's the current board [until the Annual Meeting, that is]:

To 4-30-88

Doris Elam
Floyd Markham
Cecelia Njust
Rosemary Pankey

To 4-30-89

Pauline Benson
Dick Grisct
Clyde Hunter
Marjorie Yackey

To 4-30-90

Russ Elam
Jack Story
Liz Yamaguchi

FAREWELL! My 3-year term is expiring, so this will be my last "newsletter". I wish the new editor, whoever he or she may be, much success. I have enjoyed working with the Board and, of course, will continue to support the Society whenever I can.

Dori

VAN VELZER HOUSE We now have a telephone! You can call 723-4125 and, if no one is at the house, the call will be forwarded to Marjorie Yackey automatically. The "mini-museum" is open on the first Tuesday of the month, from 10-4, or at other times by appointment. Groups welcome!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Everyone should come and see the Historical House after its Spring Cleanup. Eleven people made the dust, cobwebs, weeds and trash just "disappear". We filled two dumpsters - one of which was donated to us by Fallbrook Refuse. [We thank you.]

We also have a fine flag pole, courtesy of the V.F.W. It is all ready to fly our flag when we are open. A very fine addition to our property and a wonderful spirit of cooperation between two organizations. Thanks are in order.



are. Particularly since terms are for 3-years on a rotation. Here's the current board [until the Annual Meeting, that is]:

To 4-30-88

Doris Elam
Floyd Markham
Cecelia Njust
Rosemary Pankey

To 4-30-89

Pauline Benson
Dick Grisct
Clyde Hunter
Marjorie Yackey

To 4-30-90

Russ Elam
Jack Story
Liz Yamaguchi

FAREWELL! My 3-year term is expiring, so this will be my last "newsletter". I wish the new editor, whoever he or she may be, much success. I have enjoyed working with the Board and, of course, will continue to support the Society whenever I can. *Dori*

VAN VELZER HOUSE We now have a telephone! You can call 723-4125 and, if no one is at the house, the call will be forwarded to Marjorie Yackey automatically. The "mini-museum" is open on the first Tuesday of the month, from 10-4, or at other times by appointment. Groups welcome!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Everyone should come and see the Historical House after its Spring Cleanup. Eleven people made the dust, cobwebs, weeds and trash just "disappear". We filled two dumpsters - one of which was donated to us by Fallbrook Refuse. [We thank you.]

We also have a fine flag pole, courtesy of the V.F.W. It is all ready to fly our flag when we are open. A very fine addition to our property and a wonderful spirit of cooperation between two organizations. Thanks are in order.

Did you see our display in the Library during January? And the one in the Westerner during February? I am always very pleased when we receive a new donation, whether it is in mint condition, needs loving care or tender handling, and then another thrill when we can share this piece of history with the community. We have had several large items donated and lots of smaller ones. Come and see them. You will hear about them at the Annual Meeting.

See you on April 14th!

Marjorie Yackey, President