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LEISURE WORLD HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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1. SUMMER IS PAST! ...



or soon will be by the time you receive this. Things were a bit quiet for a couple of months, but there were a few happenings. Contributions kept coming in from our "Sponsors", "Associates", "Friends", and "Donors" to a total of over \$4,000 - all of which goes to our Building and Archives Fund. Incidentally, Anaheim Savings and Loan is the most recent addition to our "Sponsor" category, they having given us \$500.00. in the past three years. More can be forthcoming from them if you will remember to mention our name when you open an account there, or make a deposit, because we are a participant in Anaheim's - "Community Recognition Awards Program."

2. MEMBERSHIP MEETING. The most immediate thing for this fall is the program for our membership. It is a most interesting one, and the details are as follows:

DATE: Thursday, Sept. 23

TIME: 9:30 A.M. Refreshments

10:00 A.M. Program

PLACE: Clubhouse #3

DINING ROOM #2

Some history of Orange County is in store for you...things outside LEISURE WORLD walls. Dr. Richard Reichman of Fullerton College is a "History buff". He and his wife Peggy, will entertain and enlighten us with sights and sounds of Orange County historic and scenic sites. The Reichmans conduct tours of this area that some of us may be interested in.

3. JOURNAL PUBLICATION. Also on the Fall menu will be Volume III of the Leisure World History. It will be twice its former size (160 pages). In store for you are some good stories and historic anecdotes. Watch for it, and help us to distribute it. Joe Brady and Vern McGuire will be our new Circulation Managers.

4. ORAL HISTORY PROJECT. Now we are pleased to report that this long-talked of project is about to get off the ground under the Chairmanship of Dr. Tracy Strevey. Five interested and experienced interviewers are organized and ready to record the memories of Leisure World residents on tape. They are ready to tap the memories of events and of anecdotes pertinent to the development of Leisure World that are locked in the minds of our early residents.

Anyone who moved here prior to 1969, and who would like to contribute their thoughts, should call the office of the Society (951-2330). They will be contacted by an interviewer to arrange for an appointment in the home or at the office.

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5. HISTORICAL SOCIETIES IN ORANGE COUNTY. There are some 20 local historical societies in our area, and there is also an Orange County Historical Commission whose members are appointed by the County Board of Supervisors. Rob Cromwell of TV-6 is one of them as is Nancy Thatcher, President of Saddleback Historical Society. Recently the presidents of all the Societies were invited to a dinner meeting and interesting program as guests of the Orange County Historical Society at Sherman Gardens. Included were representatives from Saddleback Area, Irvine, San Clemente, Laguna Beach, and Newport Beach.
6. ARCHIVES COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES. Cliff Johnson lent our cooperation to the Leisure World "Academians" in preparing an exhibit of pictures, antique documents and memorabilia in the Saddleback College Library. This interesting exhibit will be on display throughout September.
7. ANNIVERSARY - "LEISURE WORLDERS OF THE MONTH"

September marks the end of the first full year of this Society's cooperation with Home Federal Savings and Loan's "Leisure Worlder of the Month" Program. We have been acting as consultants to Home Federal by providing an anonymous committee of our members to advise on choice of honorees and by participating in the award ceremonies. We do this in recognition of the fact that people make history, and we are proud of the contemporaries who have been honored, and of their contributions to their communities - wherever they may have been. The last twelve whose portraits have been hung at the Home Federal Office, and then presented to the honorees under their program are as follows:

Joe H. Brock, Mary Drane, Leon A. Bosch, George A. Rowley, Dorothy Novatney, Wm. E. Grundke, Violet Royer, John W. Luhring, Irma Franklin, Robert L. Price, Park B. Dowd, and Howard Moore.

You should be proud of them too!

8. MISCELLANEOUS. We have not yet made any significant progress on finding more room, and better work space for our people and our archives. But we are still working on it, and inviting your ideas! Mrs. Blanch Miller is our new Office Secretary; she is on duty five days per week from 10 to 12 in the morning. Occasionally she needs volunteer help. May she call on you? If so, call her at 931-2330 during those hours.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING
Remember Sept. 23

9:30 A.M.
Clubhouse 3, D.R. #2

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"IN DARKNESS DWELLS THE PEOPLE WHICH KNOWS ITS ANNALS NOT."



*Thanks to Helen Broadway
and George Rowley!*