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President's Report —Gary L. Hoving

Summer is over and we can detect just a hint of Fall in the air.

While speaking with Jean Hubbard the other day, she enlightened me on our connection with the Conference of California Historical Societies. During the early years of our society, the Conference served as a tremendous resource for complying with many legal requirements as well as the established procedures for a newly born society.

Some thirty-four years later, we have the opportunity to re-pay our debt by co-hosting the 2010 Fall Symposium of the Conference of California Historical Societies. Members of the Conference will be descending upon the South County to enjoy our rich historical heritage. Highlighted during the symposium will be a tour of our museums and holdings around the Village of Arroyo Grande. We are looking forward to showing off our stuff to the numerous historical societies from throughout the State.

The re-release of *The Face of The Clam* during a presentation on September 18, 2010, was a great success. Special thanks to **Pete Kelley** and **Norm Hammond** for the wonderful clam chowder and the many supporters of the program. The popularity of the book was very encouraging garnering nearly \$3,000 in sales. While we have not yet reached a positive return on our investment, the next few months should allow us to reach that goal with ease. So be sure to pick up your own copy and enjoy this highly entertaining book. Also, a big thank you to the team who helped make the event special including **Joe Swigert, Bee Hodges, Paulette McCann, Gaebly Todesco, Jane Line, and Craig Rock.**

A presentation on law enforcement protecting Pismo Beach was under development and will be postponed until after the first of the year. That program will provide some inside into the vice raids conducted in Pismo Beach.

We are so fortunate to have an abundance of history to draw from and authors to preserve that information. A case in point is the newly released book *Oceano, Images of America* by **Linda Austin (Guiton)** and **Norm Hammond**. Many of the photos from their book have never before been published.

Please continue to support our authors by obtaining your own

copy to encourage this wave of historical releases about our beautiful communities.

Finally, election of the Board of Directors will be held in November and a meeting will be held at the Hiawatha Lodge. This annual election is a critical function of the Historical Society, and I hope to continue serving as your president.

**CONFERENCE OF CALIFORNIA
HISTORICAL SOCIETIES**
2010 FALL SYMPOSIUM
Pismo Beach ♦ South San Luis Obispo County
OCTOBER 8-10th, 2010
SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8th

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Executive Committee Meeting
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Santa Margarita, Mission de Asistencia
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch, Santa Margarita, Mission de Asistencia
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM	Dana Adobe
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Oceano Depot
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Hotel/RVP Meeting
6:00 PM	Dinner, Marie Callendars

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9th

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Board of Directors Meeting
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	So. County Historical Complex, Arroyo Grande
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch, So. County Historical Complex, Arroyo Grande
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Downtown San Luis Obispo & Railroad Festival
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Rest & Happy Hour
6:00 PM	Dinner, Mission Inn Banquet Room

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10th

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Lighthouse
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*Limited availability. Open to first 20 who register.

CALENDAR of ACTIVITIES

~Heritage Square Museums~

Open Saturday, 12-3 PM
Open Sunday, 1-4 PM

Historic IOOF Hall

128 Bridge Street

Open Friday, 1-5 PM
Open Saturday, 1-5 PM

Pat Loomis Library

134 S. Mason Street

Open M-F, 1-5 PM

Paulding History House

551 Crown Hill

(Closed for Renovation)

PLEASE HELP!

Weekly Heritage House

Yard Clean Up

Every Thursday

10:00AM - Noon

Info: Barbara LeSage @ 489-1735

October 1, 2010

“Savor the Central Coast”

Tourist Group Tour

Visiting AG Village & SCHS
Museums

October 8 -10th, 2010

Conference of California
Historical Societies
2010 Fall Symposium

Sat/Oct 9th: SCHS Historical Complex
9:30AM - 1:00 PM

Downtown SLO & RR Festival

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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October 23, 2010

Ash St. Planting, Grand Ave Clean Up
(Make a Difference Day)

November 13, 2010

Paulding House Planting

More Events on Page 3,4,6 & 8

Bee Hodges, Editor

Editorial Committee:

Berneda Cochran, Bee Hodges,
Gary Hoving, Jane Line, Craig Rock



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Event Highlights:

Special Events



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Sept. 1st - 5th
During Cambria's
Pinedorado Days

Rail Celebration at the SLO
Freight House - Saturday



Running models at the
Oceano Depot - Sunday



Garden
Railroad
Tours



Amtrak
California



Ongoing Activities

Festival Information and
Family Activity Center
Downtown SLO Library
Featuring programs, concerts, rail
photos, art and running models.



History Walks and Talks at
Historical Railroad locations



Railroad Movies and Videos



Plus tours of rail themed
wineries, Amtrak rides
and much more!

Complete Information at: www.ccrf.com

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(805) 773-4173

Book Signing: *Images of America - Oceano*

Authors Linda
Austin (Guiton)
and Norm
Hammond will be
present
on **Saturday,**
October 2, 1-5
PM at the Oceano
Depot.

All proceeds
from the sale of
the book go to the
Oceano Depot
Association.



Sunday October 10 - Arroyo Grande

- **12:00 Noon:** Brown Bag history lunch-eon. Presentation by noted area historians and authors Gordon Bennett and Loren Nicholson. Gordon will discuss Arroyo Grande's Pacific Coast Railway history and Loren will discuss the history of rail in California and Arroyo Grande as described in his book "Rails Across the Ranchos." Bring your own lunch. Drinks will be available for sale. At the South County Historical Society's Historic IOOF Hall (128 Bridge St.).

* **1:30pm:** Railroad themed genealogy program presented by the San Luis Obispo County Genealogical Society <<http://www.slocgs.org/>> Learn of the genealogical history of local railroad families and discover how to do your own research. At the South County Historical Society's Historic IOOF Hall (128 Bridge St.).

* **All afternoon:** Take a self-guided walking tour of the Arroyo Grande Village to visit various points of interest along the historic Pacific Coast Railway route.

Maps available at SCHS Historic IOOF Hall. A Guided Tour is being planned at press time, please check www.ccrf.com for updates.

1-4:00 PM "Concert of Railroad Music" - SLO County Band, **David Baumgarten, Sidney Willson Young** & folk & bluegrass musicians. **Steve Key** is M.C. Bandstand, Heritage Square Park.

Editor's Note:

We apologize for the error in Summer Concert Dates listed in our previous newsletter. The September 26, 2010 date was cancelled. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused.



Price Historical Park
13th Annual - Price Anniversary House Fundraiser
Ice Cream Social

Sunday, October 10, Noon – 3PM

Free scoop of Ice Cream - with school coupon, while supplies last.

Homemade pie Auctions. Maze - Bounce - Games

Vendors: Santa Fe Express Kid Train Rides, Indian Fry Bread Tacos, Beverages - Desserts.

Public is invited! Free admission to event - Docent-led tour.

Directions: Hwy 101 to N 4th St . Left on James Way. Right on Highland Drive. Left on Rancho Pismo Drive.

Information: www.pricepark.org or (805) 773-4854

A Venue of the 2010 Central Coast Railroad Festival

LETTERS FROM OUR MAIL BOX

August 23, 2010

South County Historical Society
P O Box 633
Arroyo Grande CA 903421-0633

Dear Director,

In the beginning of August, my husband and I traveled to Pismo Beach for a short vacation. On Tuesday, August 3, we drove to Arroyo Grande. We went to the historical buildings but, unfortunately, they were closed. So, we just walked around the outside of the buildings instead. We did come to one house and the door was open. We walked in and were greeted by a docent named Joe.

Joe offered to take us on a tour of three of the buildings which we enjoyed very much. The information Joe provided us was very interesting and entertaining. We truly appreciate the time and knowledge that Joe shared with us that day. Enclosed is a token of our appreciation for Joe's special tour for us. Joe is a keeper and an asset in your society!

Sincerely,

Catherine Hissen
Catherine Hissen
27201 Arena Ln
Mission Viejo CA 92691

c: Joe



Dear Joe,
June 9, 2009
We are so fortunate to have been able to meet you during our visit to Arroyo Grande. We did want you to know that your efforts in preserving the heritage of Arroyo Grande are exceptional. It is a very special place with a rich history being preserved because of your efforts. Thank you!
Catherine Hissen Bill Johnson



Docent Leader —Jane Line

Today I received a call from **Jean Hubbard** who told me **Anita Garcia** was moving to Nevada to be nearer her daughter, Sharon. And while we wish this daughter of the Central Coast well on her new adventure in another state, I must share some of her contributions to our Society with you.

As the great granddaughter of **Francis Z.** and **Manuela Branch**, she was a caring and informed first person connection for many of us back to her Branch roots. Like her father before her, she honored the accomplishments of her early California relatives and their place in history by sharing their family papers, photos and stories with us whenever asked.

Anita was a docent for SCHS well into her 90s and at 98 was instrumental in helping us relocate the only artifact left of the Branch family's homestead: one millstone which we have placed alongside the Creek in Heritage Square. It would not have happened without the encouragement and help Anita provided Jean Hubbard and the **Millstone Committee**.

Last year we were honored to have Anita's family celebrate her 100th birthday in the Heritage House Gardens near the Branch Millstone exhibit. What a fitting site for such a celebration.

For our newer members, I want to say that Anita was simply precious – cute as a button, sharp as a tack and very no-nonsense. Her childhood home remains today in the Arroyo Grande Village at **202 Whiteley Street** and is owned by SCHS members, **Dale and Sandy Arnold**.

The home is a treasure in many ways, but one of my fondest memories is Anita explaining to us that the bay window in the living room was built for her by her Branch grandmother so that she could sit there and read!

Through her long friendship with **Jean Hubbard**, she has donated to **SCHS** her family photos and papers, together with the original portraits of Francisco Ziba Branch and Manuela Branch (seen on the wall behind Anita on the right and center) plus many family letters, records, deeds and genealogies.

The Branch materials add gravitas to our burgeoning body of South County history. We thank her and assume this gift with a happy heart.

This material will be of great help to our docents, researchers and history students now and in the future.



*It's that time of year...
the goose is getting fat...
before the holiday rush begins...*

CLEAN UP, CLEAN OUT
& GET RID OF IT! (while helping us!)

SCHS YARD SALE

Saturday – November 13

8 – 2 (ish)

**at the
IOOF Hall
on Bridge Street in AG
across from McLintocks**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
&
LEND A HAND**

We will *gratefully* accept donations on:

**Saturday November 6 starting at 10AM
or Sunday, November 7 after 12 Noon
or (please, please) ***EARLY*** in the next week**

**It takes a FULL week to get everything
organized and marked.
We can't handle last minute donations.
Please come early.**

**If you need assistance or a special time or want to
help anytime all week,
call**

Norma Burton 489-4450 Jan Scott 710-1560

WHAT WE WANT

1. QUALITY GOODS & Décor pieces
2. VINTAGE ITEMS
3. COLLECTIBLES
4. BOOKS !! (no magazines or Encyclopedias)
5. FURNITURE in GOOD condition
6. Anything to do with KIDS & INFANTS, EXCEPT car seats
7. TOYS/GAMES/PUZZLES/ DVD's
8. HOUSEWARES/LINEN/CHINA/TABLEWEAR
9. JEWELRY
10. SPORTING GOODS
11. PET SUPPLIES
12. CAMPING GEAR
13. POTS/GARDEN SUPPLIES
14. UNIQUE ITEMS



-Google Images/Clip Art

**Please limit CLOTHING donations to pieces
that are CLEAN, without RIPS or STAINS
(hangers are appreciated)**

(Women's jackets are the best sellers in clothing)

COSTUME PIECES & FABRIC - this is a special need this year and we'll appreciate whatever you can find to give us. We'll be using it for the AG Centennial.

WHAT WE CAN'T USE

1. No UNDERWEAR, SHOES, PURSES, BOOTS, GLOVES.
2. No COFFEE MAKERS
3. No COMPUTERS, MONITORS, PRINTERS or any peripherals unless new.
4. No COMPUTER BOOKS
5. No SINKS, TOILETS, PLUMBING PARTS in general...
6. No CEILING FANS
7. No LIGHTING FIXTURES unless they look brand new or vintage.
8. No MINI-BLINDS, VENETIAN BLINDS
9. No Propane tanks, tires, old paint, mattresses, bed pillows
10. No VHS TAPES
11. NOTHING THAT IS BROKEN OR LOOKS LIKE IT IS.
12. NO HAZARDOUS WASTE (including anything controlled by a microchip)

The "iffy" category

1. Toaster Ovens – very iffy. Is it stained? Why are you tossing it?
2. Toasters – even *more* iffy.

Small appliances must be MARKED WITH A NOTE THAT SAYS THEY ARE IN WORKING CONDITION. We can't accept anything that isn't so marked.

LAST WHAT IS IT? ANSWERED.



Our unidentified picture from last month received a good explanation from **Mary Lou Wilhelm**. She writes: "The pictured container and handle look like a hand-crafted coffee maker from Greece, Turkey or other Middle Eastern country. The coffee used is finely pulverized, placed into boiling water in the pot and allowed to foam up for a few minutes, and then served in tiny cups. It is very good and very intense. The lid is placed on after the coffee is cooked to keep the coffee hot for drinking.

"This is my best guess from seeing similar pots in my travels."

It is such a "good guess" that we're sure she's right. This little pot belongs in the Paulding Collection at Paulding House up on Crown Hill. There are many exotic and exquisite Middle Eastern artifacts there because the father of **Dr. Paulding**, the first permanent doctor in Arroyo Grande, had been a missionary in the Middle East during the 18th Century and many of his belongings were sent from Damascus after he died.

Thank you, **Mary Lou** for your spot-on detective work.



Curator of Museum Collections

—Larry Turner

-Jan Scott, substituting for Larry Turner

NEW WHAT IS IT?



The main body is 46 and 1/2 inches long and solid wood. A leather strap attaches to a shorter piece which is 25" long. Looks dangerous when swinging.

Call Larry Turner, 489-8369 and give him your best guess.

Larry Turner is out of town this week and asked me to fill you in on what's happening. The most important new business is the making of plans for the Arroyo Grande Centennial in 2011. Larry is the Society's liaison with the City and everyone is getting up to speed on all the activities planned for the big events that will be happening.

We at SCHS will be having a **live program EVERY SATURDAY at 2PM** from the weekend after Strawberry Festival through Labor Day. There's lots to say about this, but we'll wait until the schedule of Readers Theatre programs and talks take shape.

We will need some folks who are comfortable working with a hammer or a saw when we begin construction of a collapsible stage for use in the IOOF Hall. Also **if anyone has lumber**, 3/4" plywood or 2x4's, unused in the garage, we'd like to offer our services in putting them to good use.

As part of next year's preparation for the Centennial festivities **we need people who know how to sew**, who would be willing to help in the construction of simple bonnets (we have patterns) for women and girls, or maybe even a few simple costume pieces. We will be selling the bonnets to tourists and locals to get them "in the mood," while at the same time raising funds for our work.

On this same theme, if anyone is sitting on **yards of old cotton fabric** that could be used for making this headgear, we'd love to receive it. You would of course get a form for your taxes for any material you donate.

The coming year is going to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. The City has fabulous plans afoot and we will be part of this special celebration. You'll want to be part of it too.

Remember that YOU will decide what and how much you want to do, but if you don't put in your name, you won't know what's going on.

Even if you're not sure right now how much time or energy you'll have available, call me at 710-1560 or send an e-mail at jans194@aol.com to be put on the "Possibles" list for next year. We'll keep you informed of what's happening and you can decide what sounds good to you.

But before we begin the new year, it's time to clean out for the holidays. We're having a Yard Sale on Saturday, November 13. (See the full announcement previous page). We rely on your help for a successful day, and you've never let us down. We look forward to saying "Thank you" again.



Patricia Loomis History Library and Resource Center
-Craig Rock, Librarian and Resource Center Director



Two Exhibits Continue until November 27

While at the IOOF Hall, take a look at the two ongoing exhibits on the walls: *Early Pismo, Vignettes and Photographs*, and *Routes and Roots, Cultivating Filipino American History on the Central Coast*.

Pismo Exhibit

For more than a hundred years, people from the inland valleys of California have been escaping the summer heat by visiting Pismo Beach. The Pismo exhibit explores some of the fascinating people, places and events that have created this small Central Coast haven. Early aviators, restaurant owners, real estate agents, bootleggers, prostitutes, soldiers, farmers and even Al Capone found work, rest or recreation in the area. These rarely seen photographs have been gathered from the archives of Gordon Bennett, Effie McDermott, the San Luis Obispo History Center, and the South County Historical Society.

Oral History Program

Both of these exhibits have added stories to the local history section of the Patricia Loomis Library. We are now set up to digitally record and transcribe oral history interviews. We need to hear your stories. Arroyo Grande residents will have the opportunity to tell their stories as we move into the centennial celebration of the town next year. More details next month. If you have a story to share, or if you can help conduct or transcribe interviews, please contact me (**Craig Rock**) at 805-801-0679.

The Face of the Clam Book Opening

Nearly seventy people enjoyed clam chowder, wine, prose and poetry at the launch party for SCHS's newest publication, *The Face of the Clam*. The Historic IOOF Hall was transformed into a museum cafe for the day, with people bustling in and out of lines purchasing not only *The Face of the Clam* but also buying up **Norm Hammond's** book, *The Dunites*, and *Images of America, Arroyo Grande*, written by **Jean Hubbard** and **Gary Hoving**.



(Face of the Clam Event Continued)



Jane Whiteman Garrod, daughter of Luther Whiteman, author of the new release, was the event's special guest. She capped off the day by recounting her memories of life among the Dunites in the early 1920s. The Dunite spirit was also captured by Norm Hammond, who read from Whiteman's book, and four poets who read their work honoring the spirit of these early dune dwellers. Special thanks to the poets Jane Elsdon, Karl Kempton, Marguerite Costigan, and Kevin Patrick Sullivan. Pete Kelley's clam chowder was gobbled up so fast that nobody bothered to check to see if indeed the clams had faces, a theme of this historical fiction piece.

Pete Kelley seated on Left & Jane Whiteman Garrod standing with microphone.

Nearly three thousand dollars was collected. Several people were buying three or four copies of the book for Christmas presents. So, if you're interested in doing the same, don't delay. Copies are going fast for the only printing this year (hardbacks \$38.06 and paperbacks \$19.58). For information on purchasing copies, call 489-8282.

—All photos by Craig Rock





Patterns of the Past
 Tidbits, Tribulations, and Tools for Survival
 Column contributed by Berneda Cochran



ARROYO ALMOST A ‘PUMPKIN CENTER’

Article excerpted from a column in the *South County Tribune* October 26, 1989 by Mark Hall-Patton. Article & Images from SCHS Archives.

“With Halloween occurring next week, the fields of ripening pumpkins are a colorful sight in our county. [There was] a time [when] Arroyo Grande almost became known as “Pumpkin Center.” In 1921, the Farmers’ and Soldiers’ Settlement Company of Arroyo Grande built a dehydrating plant on E. Branch Street. The plant was soon leased to the Caladero Product Company of Atascadero for the purpose of drying pumpkins to make pumpkin



Arroyo Grande gardener A.C. Rutherford with a load of pumpkins.

flour. The Caladero Products Company was founded in Atascadero by Edward Gardner Lewis in 1918. The company was to provide dried vegetable and fruit products to the U.S. government under wartime contracts. Lewis was the founder of Atascadero, and quite a visionary. The Caladero company was one of many ventures, and was one of the hardest hit with the end of World War I. The end of the war meant an end to the lucrative government contracts that Caladero had with the government. [They] were cancelled without settlement, which left the company with a surplus of their product. To sell the surplus, Caladero advertised in Lewis’ *Illustrated Review Magazine*. This proved successful at first, and by 1921 there was a need to expand. A five year lease was concluded with the Arroyo Grande Valley Holding Company, who had apparently assumed ownership of the plant. By October 13, 1921, the Herald newspaper was able to report that, “Work at the dehydrator is moving along quietly and smoothly, and it looks like the plant has struck its gait...” The article noted that the plant was drying an average of 13 tons of

pumpkins per day, reduced through drying to one ton of pumpkin flour, the limit of the plant at this time. The plant was not full, but it was expected that later in the month when the majority of the pumpkin ripened, “...it is likely all available space in the big building will be piled with the picturesque vegetable which may fasten upon us the euphonious title of “Pumpkin Center.” Seeds were saved to avoid seed shortage, and by November, the plant expanded to handle 20 tons daily. On November 17, 1921, the Herald Recorder reported that 30 tons of flour had been produced, and the first pumpkin flour shipment took place October 27, 1921, with a full railroad carload of flour shipped to New York...said to be worth \$18,000. The plant ran until January 1922. It was shut down for a short time at the beginning of January, which caused the Herald Recorder to note: “The wet, steamy weather we are having is playing hob with the piles of stored pumpkins for the dehydrator.” The plant reopened by January 12, and ran until February 14, 1922. Manager James B. Moran noted that the plant was not accepting any pumpkin contracts for the 1922 season, as the parent Caladero Products Company had a number contracts canceled and had about \$150,000 worth of product on hand.

The plant never reopened after this first year of existence, and by 1923 the Caladero Company canceled its lease with the Arroyo Grande Valley Holding Company, leaving behind some of the machinery in the plant for overdue rent payments. The building stood until [1988] and was always known as the dehydrator.

In the mid-1930s, two enterprising Arroyo Grande boys did put part of the leftover equipment to good use. **Gordon Bennett** and a friend, **John Loomis**, were able to build a speeder to run along the Pacific Coast Railway tracks from one of the carts left at the dehydrator.

I want to thank Gordon Bennett and the Bennett Loomis Archives for much of the information that made this story possible.” ■

The Society is structured as a non-profit organization and depends solely on donations to continue its work.

You can help!

Write a (tax-deductible) check to the South County Historical Society, and mail it to:

South County Historical Society
PO Box 633
Arroyo Grande, CA 93421-0633

YOUR PLANNED GIFT could be of great importance to the future of the South County Historical Society. Please contact the Society at (805) 489-8282 to discuss your gifts to support the Society in its dedication to research, preservation, restoration and dissemination of information to enhance and preserve our local historical heritage.

If you live in the area —become a member! One of the benefits of membership is receiving our colorful, informative monthly newsletter as well as invitations to “Members Only Preview” of our exhibits. Also, members receive discounts on various logo products. There are many volunteer and committee opportunities: working with our Curator, Librarian, Technology and Photography, Exhibits, Book Committee, and special Events— such as our Annual Antique Show and Festivals in the Village. It’s fun — and a way to make new friends and support our efforts.

We welcome our New Members!

David & Frances (Carlson) Askins
Tom Brown
Dr. Jared B. & Mrs. Maureen L.
Sharon

And Renewing Members

Karen & Will White

Membership Dues

Individual	\$20.00
Couple	\$35.00
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Sustaining (Individual)	\$100.00
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Please mail check or money order payable to **SOUTH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, PO Box 633, Arroyo Grande Ca 93421.**

If you wish to receive a copy of the Membership Directory by mail, please add \$2.00 donation to your check to cover the cost.

NOTE: (*Starred information will be printed in the annual Membership Directory distributed to members unless you indicate otherwise here.) Please print legibly. Our eyesight isn't what it used to be. Thank you for your continuing support of the Society! If you have any questions about your membership, please email us at schs76@sbcglobal.net with Attention: Bee Hodges in the “Subject Line”. Use this form as well if there has been an address, phone, email or name change during the year. Thank you!

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Regular Board Meetings are held at 6:00 pm on the third Wednesday of each month. Board Meetings are open to Society members and the public. **Next Board meeting is Wednesday, October 20, 2010 at the IOOF Hall.**

Next General Membership Potluck Meeting is Tuesday, October 12, 2010, at 6:00 PM at the Hiawatha Lodge, 3065 Temple Street, Halcyon. Bring a dish for 6 or 8 to share & your own eating utensils. Speakers will be **Linda Austin (Guiton)** & **Norm Hammond** on the history of Oceano and the release of their latest book through Arcadia Publishing, *Images of America - Oceano*.



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