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**SOUTH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
PRESENTS THE 30TH ANNUAL**

ANTIQUUE

SHOW and SALE

FEBRUARY 12 2011 FEBRUARY 13
10am-5pm 10am-4pm

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Sunday at 4pm. Winner need not be present.**

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)

30th Antique Show & Sale

February 12, 2011 10am-5pm

February 13, 2011 10am-4pm

South County Regional Center
800 W Branch St Arroyo Grande

Gift Basket Raffle

Door Prize Drawings

Drawing on Sunday at 4pm.

Winner need not be present.

Antique Show Poster by **Garth Turner**,
Graphic Designer, son of **Larry and**
Judy Turner



Happy Valentine's Day

—frenchlaundryblog.blogspot.com.

Www.Google Images

Bee Hodges, Editor

Editorial Committee:

Berneda Cochran, Bee Hodges &

Gary Hoving



President's Report

—Gary L. Hoving

It is hard to believe that Antique Show season is upon us once again. The planning is complete, posters and discount slips distributed, food services coordinated, raffle tickets distributed and basket assembly complete. Not an easy job, and I thank the many volunteers needed to accomplish the variety of tasks involved in putting on the show. While it is a great deal of work, the Antique Show remains the largest single fundraiser during the year.

While most of the Antique Show assignments have been filled, we always need volunteers to staff the rear doors and help with the disassembly and clean up at the end of the show. Please contact **Norma Burton** at 489-4450 if you can help or the show Co-Chairman, **Doug LeSage** at 489-1735.

A key component of our Antique Show is the revenue generated by the raffle tickets — aside from being a fundraiser, it is a lot of fun. There are some great baskets filled with wonderful items of all types from bath salts, to wine, food products and a basket filled with a special collection of our local interest books — a \$100 value.

Additional raffle tickets are available at Ruby's House, or can be purchased at the Antique Show.

In a brief "State of the Historical Society Address", I am pleased to report that all is well. The Board of Directors is committed to maintaining a balanced budget and will continue to improve our programs. Not a particularly easy task but certainly attainable.

A new form of fundraising has been developed creating an opportunity for businesses or individuals to provide financial assistance. The Museum Sponsorship Program asks for \$100 per year to support our society and a pledge from participants to continue in the years to follow. Donors will receive a decal with our Society logo identifying them as a museum supporter. Please call or email us if you would like a brochure sent to you explaining the program.

One weakness that will be addressed this year is in the Patricia Loomis History Library and Resource Center. Donations for this project are definitely needed. While the collection is remarkable, many of our holdings are not accessioned making it difficult for researchers to locate the material. We will have a coordinator develop a library policy and train volunteers to accession material, de-accession unnecessary items and coordinate volunteer hours to keep the Library open each afternoon 1-5 PM, Monday through Friday.

Directly after the Antique Show, the society will begin work on the Arroyo Grande Centennial Celebration. That will be an exciting opportunity to showcase the IOOF Historic Hall as a museum concentrating on the incorporation of the City.

Finally, our congratulations to **Chet Thomas** and **John Stillwell** who won First and Second Place in the Grover Beach Christmas parade in our Model T and 1923 Firetruck. They even picked up an unexpected passenger, **Katcho Achadjian**, after his vehicle had broken down during the parade. Chet and John continue to do a great job of representing the Historical Society and maintaining these vehicles. ■



Docent Leader
--Linda Kime

Docent Days

You never know what's going to happen when you are a docent in one of our museums. The most interesting thing to ever happen to me as a docent was the time I had a visitor from Sweden. He was a tall distinguished-looking man. He told me he was a scientist and he had been at a scientific symposium in the Bay Area. He was traveling down the coast and came across our little town. He came into the Santa Manuela schoolhouse and asked if he could play the piano. He played the most beautiful classic piece. I asked who the composer was and he said he had composed it on the spot!

I have many visitors come into the schoolhouse with a real interest in hearing about the history of our area and the people who settled here. They are so appreciative of all our Historical Society has done to create museums that give them a feel for what things were like in the "old days". I have older people come in who say they were in a one-room schoolhouse or a parent was. They marvel at the old desks, inkwells and other artifacts in the schoolhouse. I enjoy seeing kids eyes light up when they get to ring the bell. I also enjoy helping college students who come in and need help writing a history paper. It really is fun being a docent! If you would like to join the fun, please call Linda Kime at 805-489-1837. ■

In the envelope members recently received with raffle tickets and Antique Show information, a discount ticket was inadvertently omitted in some.

If you did not receive your 50 cent discount coupon pictured at the right, just cut this one out, and bring it with you when you come to the Show.

This discount coupon is valid for one family admission .

We apologize for any omission.



An armful
of Floral Bouquets
&
Thinking of You
Wishes to:



Mary Lou Fink
Beulah Schultz
Jim Worsham

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**Publicity Director
—Vivian Krug**



Happy New Year! 2010 was an eventful year and as we begin

2011 we already working on lots of exciting events and activities as the City of Arroyo Grande gets ready to celebrate its Centennial! The Centennial Banners have been hung on the streets and the Centennial's first event was held on January 21st.

Planned events include a Century Bike Ride, Gala Ball, Parade and Fireworks. The Village Summer Concert Series leading up to the Centennial will each feature music from a different decade. We will also be holding a special birthday party for our nonagenarians. We are still looking for nonagenarians. If you know anyone who will be between 90 or older this year please send me their name and contact info. You can email me at Vivian@EmotionsCards.com or call me at 458.3321. Visit the Centennial web-site at www.arroyograndecentennial.org to learn about events and sponsorship opportunities. Also, make sure to visit and become a friend of the Centennial Facebook page where you'll find regular updates throughout the year! You'll find the link on the bottom of the Centennial website.

If you receive the Tribune, you may have seen that the David Middlecamp who writes the column, The Vault, has included two stories since the beginning of the year focusing on Arroyo Grande. He will be running a series on the history of Arroyo Grande as it moves towards its Centennial. He is using some Historical Society photos and has provided us credit and links. If you don't receive the Tribune, you can view the articles and photos on line. You can see his first article at: <http://sloblogs.tribunenews.com/slovault/2011/01/08/arroyo-grande-centennial-celebration/>.

Web Site

Our web site continues to grow with ongoing additions and new information. As our site grows, so does the amount of visitors to our site! Here are the statistics of visitation to our site over the past few years.

Total Visitors for 2011: (as of January 17) 1,978 Unique Visitors 1,562
Total Visitors for 2010: 33,924 Unique 25,519

Total Visitors 2009 - 33,125 Unique 22,636
Total Visitors 2008 - 30,761 Unique 22,169
Total Visitors 2007 - 29,374 Unique 24,906

Holiday Events

The Historical Society and members partook in many celebrations during December such as the Village Christmas Parade, the Grover Beach Holiday Parade and Elegant Christmas in the Village. As you'll see from the photographs, not only did we have a good time, but the Historical Society was well represented at all the events!

Despite the pouring rain, everyone came out for Elegant Christmas in the Village where the Historical Society held its annual Christmas Party and showcased the model train exhibit.



L to R: Margaret Haak, Kirk Scott, Lynn Titus, Jan Scott



L to R: Doug LeSage and Gary Hoving

The Village Christmas Parade was a beautiful site. If you missed it, these were the Historical Society's two entries.



The Grover Beach Holiday Parade went on despite the cold and drizzle and again both our Loomis Truck and Fire Engine participated in the parade.



Contact Me

If you want to participate in any of our upcoming events or have information I can use for publicity or to be included on our website, I'm easy to reach by phone 458-3321 or email: Vivian@EmotionsCards.com. I'll see you at the 30th Antique Show and Sale! Have a Happy Valentine's Day and until next time, Stay Connected! Viv ■



Docent Assistant Needed

Jan Potter, has been visiting the classrooms in San Luis Obispo County for **30** years, bringing slides and a projector and telling the story of local history. She is dressed in 1870's period dress and takes on the role of a teacher from the Santa Manuela School who is visiting their "modern" classroom.

She visits the 3rd grade on 3 successive weeks, and the 4th grade on 4 successive weeks. In her role, she might ask the teacher, "Who takes care of your varmints? I just had a skunk in my classroom the other day." And: the most shocking question, "Who keeps the classroom gun needed for protection against bears and mountain lions for the corralled horses?"

Jan is looking for an assistant to help her in bringing the story to the children. Someone who is outgoing, and enjoys playing a dramatic role would be wonderful, she says.

If this interests you and you can assist: please call Jan Potter directly at 549-9635 for information on details.



Curator of Museum Collections —Jan Scott

The New Year has begun with a shower of generosity for us. Member **Rick TerBorch** listened to me speak last year at his Kiwanis meeting. I talked about the Society and our plans for the New Year to celebrate Arroyo Grande's Centennial with weekly free theatre performances at the IOOF Hall on Saturdays. The free programs will last 45 minutes to an hour and will run throughout the summer, June 4th to Labor Day. (There will be "Members Only" Dress Rehearsals for all of you.)

The most costly expense in this new adventure will be setting up the IOOF Hall as a performance venue for what we hope will become an annual program of historical plays adapted from our own local history.

SCHS formed the Bonneteers (or Bonnet Brigade) at the beginning of January. We are still looking for good material for bonnets and seamstresses ready to sew. Call Jan Scott (710-1560) or e-mail (jans194@aol.com) if you're interested in joining in this ongoing fund-raising project.

Berneda Cochran did masterful and time-consuming work making copies of the patterns for all to use, including instructions and even pictures of the bonnets. She made the process easy for everyone and we are grateful.

This summer we will celebrate Arroyo Grande with readings adapted from *Gallant Lady*, *The Old Days* and *The Terrible Tragedy*. You'll hear more about them as we get closer, but Rick listened and decided he would help, and help he has. **TerBorch and Associates** has donated \$1000 toward the cost of lighting for the productions, thus becoming our first official sponsor, whose name will be on all advertising and programs. This has been a tremendous send-off for us.

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Before we get to the summer programs however, our first order of business is the Centennial Exhibit at the IOOF Hall which will open in March. Anyone interested in doing some building of platforms and installation of lighting (!) give me a call (710-1560) or send an e-mail and I'll keep you informed on scheduling.

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Orville Schultz (pictured at left) was born in Ruby's House and lived his life in Arroyo Grande. He was one of our treasured members until he passed away.

Beulah, his wife, and sons Bill, David & grandson Todd always remember Orville docenting at The Barn. They wanted to do something special in his memory. The whole family went to incredible lengths to make sure it was all done perfectly. They planned the placement of a bench near The Barn with us, ordered the kind of bench the city likes, paid for the necessary cement work and completed the installation on their own, including a plaque with Orville's name on it.



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On top of all that, we had been trying to find a way to install a hand pump from the old Records Ranch, a gift from the **Swigert** family in memory of **Billie Records Swigert**. We knew it had to be set in cement and wondered if we might take a corner for that installation. Not only did they agree, they paid to have the pump base repaired so that it could “look right” in its new setting. We are extremely grateful to them for their thoroughness, generosity and goodwill. ~

We recently lost another member, and while you might remember Orville from his docenting, there are probably only a few of you who knew **Carol Hizey**, one of our great, long-term benefactors. It was Mrs. Hizey who owned the space we call “The Meatlocker” on Branch Street, and she gave it to us to use as we liked because doing so gave her pleasure.

That gift occurred so many years ago that no one seems precisely sure what the date was, but everyone is sure it was before 1998 when Loren Nicholson was President. Doug LeSage acted as our intermediary with Mrs. Hizey and quotes her as saying that she wanted us to have it at no charge for as long as forever could be.

Indeed, when we prepared to re-open the IOOF Hall in 2006, Mrs. Hizey had one of her children bring her in to see me at the Meatlocker. She was frail by that time, and upset because we had announced we were moving our workroom to the IOOF Hall where it had been before the earthquake retrofit had required us to move out and into the Meatlocker. I assured her that her space was indispensable to us, and she went away relieved to know we would be staying on.

But life is made of change and eventually her children told us they needed the income from that space to help with their mother’s end-of-life care. So we began to pay the rent, still unable to find a way to do without that space, and even more grateful for the many years of generosity we received from **Carol Hizey**. ■

What is It? Solved!

The mystery of the octagonal blue cardboard box with line drawings of little boys with toys remains unsolved by our members. But our donor, **Dorothea Ribble**, was kind enough to explain it all for us when she gave it.

Dorothea says, “The little blue box formerly held an enameled, flared-edged pot of matching color...a small child’s travel potty. They were also available in pink.” She says the time frame was 70-75 years ago and that World War II “put an end to their availability.”



Total 2010 Volunteer Hours

Month	Total Vol. Hrs.	Docent Hrs.
Jan.	730	73
Feb.	1272	75
Mar.	733	94
April	677	106
May	819	149
June	599	85
July	1289	118
Aug.	709	111
Sept.	651	56
Oct.	614	73
Nov.	641	109
Dec.	270	33

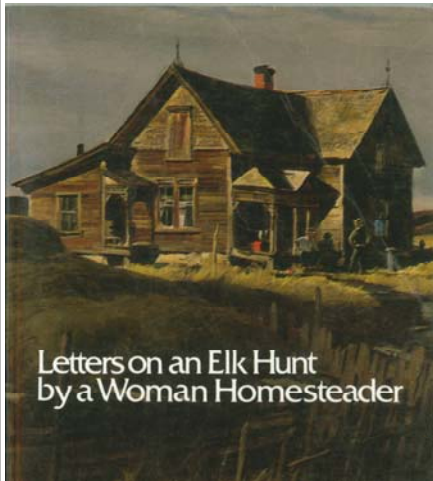
TOTALS 9004 1082

A longtime Arroyo Grande resident and businesswoman, Linda Osty, received the Chamber of Commerce’s 2010 Citizen of the Year Award at an installation dinner on Thursday, Jan. 27. She has owned Linda Osty Insurance in the Village of Arroyo Grande for about 17 years, but she’s been a member of the chamber for about 20 years and has served on its board of directors. Every Fourth of July concert in the Village, Osty sets up a table where people can fill out postcards which she sends to troops, and a couple of times a year, the Rotary Club has a cookie-baking contest, and following the judging, the Ostys send the cookies to troops also — sometimes packed in popcorn they get from the theater. Osty has served on many other organization boards, including the **South County Historical Society**, where she spent two years as president, as well as Leukemia Cure, City of Hope and Captive Hearts Ministry. Quick to credit others... “If it wasn’t for my family, my husband, the wonderful people I work with and the other people who support me, I wouldn’t be able to do any of these things,” she said. — Excerpted from larger article by Mike Hodgson, www.santamariatimes.com

Patricia Loomis History Library and Resource Center



Our Patricia Loomis History Library and Resource Center at 134 S Mason Street in the Village is informally known as “Ruby’s House”. Constructed at the same time as the Heritage House, it has been restored to its original beauty, and now includes a catering kitchen and a Bridal Room which can be rented for weddings or other venues utilizing the Heritage House gardens and gazebo.



Have you stopped in to the Library to see our wonderful historical book collection? There is a comfortable wicker chair to use while you browse. General themes cover Fiction, Folklore, Natural History, Old/New West and the West in General. There are books on Railroads & Mining and Oil. Others cover Santa Barbara, and still others San Luis Obispo County and South County.

Many books reflect our South County history, but donors have given us additional books on many other topics that are interesting to read. Consider “Letters on an Elk Hunt by a Woman Homesteader”, by Elinore Pruitt Stewart; or the esoteric “Shooter’s Bible, Taxidermy Guide” by Russell Tinsley. This latter book has explicit details and photographs — not for the squeamish reader.

Not every book is available as some are fragile, but there are many that are can be signed out — but only by members. There are some DVDs and VHS tapes as well, with topics of historical significance.

Ancestry.com

Thanks to **Mary Mueller** for an annual subscription to Ancestry.com, we have that genealogy resource available in our Loomis History Library at Ruby’s House. Members will be able to come in to use that site to research their family roots. Tuesday 1-5 PM appointments are preferred, and assistance can be available. Please call 489-8282 to make an appointment.

Researching our own historical database has always been available, and it is possible for those families who have ancestors here in South County that a stray document or article might be found in our accessions. **Joe Swigert** can help with that as well.

Oral History Program

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. If you have a story to share, or if you can help conduct or transcribe interviews, please call Joe Swigert at 489-8282, Ruby’s House, or leave a message at that phone number.

Right—A recent Ancestry.com posting with helpful information for users of their site.

Stories in Old Deeds

Sometimes old deeds contain more information than just property descriptions. In tracing our antique house back through the various deeds I came across one that was absolutely fascinating. The husband had lost the farm to the bank by mortgaging it to fund a business that apparently never got off the ground. The wife bought it back from the bank in the late 1800s “free of all influence of her husband” and the deed went on to outline an agreement between her and her son, who was farming the place, for joint ownership and shared responsibilities until her death upon which he would own the farm.

Virginia Laplante,

The Clevenger Clippings

In our Patricia Loomis History Library in Ruby's House, we house the *Clevenger Clippings*. This is a collection of newspaper articles taken from the *Arroyo Grande Herald* (published every Saturday) and the *Arroyo Grande Herald Recorder* by Mrs. George Wood. She was a relative of Stephen Clevenger who was the Owner-Editor of the *Arroyo Grande Herald*.

The Bennett-Loomis Archives* received permission from the Clevenger family to allow us to reprint these clippings for our research and for use by the South County Historical Society. We will from time to time republish in an issue of this newsletter, excerpts from this fascinating collection which tell the story of early life here in South County. Virgil Hodges, one of Arroyo Grande's pioneer photographers took most of the photos in the three volumes of clippings which span a period from 1889 to 1935, and were dedicated to **Jean Hubbard** and **Billie Swigert**. Steven Clevenger and his wife, May, founded the *Arroyo Grande Herald* in 1887 and located their newspaper plant on Branch Street near the Pacific Coast Railway Depot.

The first page (of clippings) is dated October 11, 1889, and lists Arroyo Grande school attendance figures with teachers, and a "Roll of Honor". We moved to the next page, and found these two interesting columns, reprinted here as published. ■

* **Bennett-Loomis Archives - Gordon L. and Manetta Bennett, John B. and Evelyn Loomis**

Bill Nye's Farmer

Bill Nye met a farmer on the train who told him of his struggle to get ahead under existing circumstances and conditions. He said: "I've always hollered for high tariff to hist the public debt, but now that we've got the public debt coopered I wish they'd take a hack at mine. I've put in fifty years farmin'. I never drank liquor in any form. I've worked from ten to eighteen hours a day, been economical in eloz and never went to a show more'n a dozen times in my life; raised a family and learned upwards of 200 calves to drink out of a tin pail without blowin' their vitals up my sleeve. My wife worked alongside o' me sewin' new seats on the boys' pants, skimmin' milk and even helpin' me load hay. For *forty* years and more we toiled along together and hardly got time to look into each other's faces, or dared to stop and get acquainted with each other. Then her health failed. Ketched cold in the spring house, prob'bly skimmin' milk and washin' pans and scaldin' pails and spankin' butter. Anyhow she took a long breath one day while the doctor was watchin' her, and she says to me, 'Henry,' says she, 'I've got a chance to rest,' and she put one tired wornout hand on top of the other wornout hand, and I knowed she'd gone where they don't work all day and do chores all night.

—Dec. 6, 1890

City of Grover. Dum Vivimus, Vivimus!

Grover celebrated Xmas away up. We did it on the 25th Dec. this year, not because we had to, but because we didn't want to put on any frills or hold ourselves aloof from our suburban neighbors, who seemed to prefer that day. Our celebration began with sunrise and a whisky-straight, cautioned with great "éclat" and other things; and wound up with clams to-day, and indigestion. The grand reception given to King Killacow of the Sand Ridge Uplands at this port, was really superb if not worse, and was a genuine surprise to the grass fed portion of our population, who were simply observers. The principal procession formed at 90 degrees in the shade, and marched to the beach, led by Col. Roy and the Grover Silver Bill Band and contained delegates from all the leading societies and organizations of this city, followed by Gen. Petty and his 1st corps of the Grand Army of the Resurrectionists, all mounted, and carrying their arms at half mast. Ex-private Dority, well primed and illuminated, was elected Commissary by a large plurality, and discharged his duties with an accuracy and an initial velocity only to be attained by a willing and well loaded veteran. He was ably assisted by Kaiser, a German of low degree, and Ginger, a throughbred, rather soon, bird canine, of ability and pedigree. The Christmas Cave was situated just under the meridian, and was composed of everything good, and a good deal that was bad, presenting a bewildering multiplicity of chronic opposites only to be found in the Irish Home-Rule party.

The different political parties were well represented by clubs. The Republican club was of redwood inlaid with strips of sugar pine, so arranged as to form railroads and cattle ranches and inscribed with the words (in English capitals) "We still have Mike Young, the Pacific Coast and the Chinese." The Democratic club was hickory and bore a butternut colored banner, on which was picture of a red and well inflated Indian dressed in a robe of Free Tariff bills, with a necklace of silver dollars and a bottle of something, clasping hands with a very small man with long hair and a shot gun, who was riding an angular mule ornamented with festoons of raw cotton and cockleburrs.

Just above this work of art were the words in italics:

"We'll get thar, Eli!"

The Farmers' Alliance contingent was small but enthusiastic, and flourished an apricot limb from which floated a bean sack and a white ensign with a device showing a Bronco "rampant" and a bear...
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PATTERNS OF THE PAST

Tidbits, Tribulations, and Tools for Survival
Column contributed by Berneda Cochran



Bonnets, Bonnets, Bonnets

Sunbonnets were a staple of the country woman's wardrobe becoming known about 1824. Even though the bonnets were rather warm the ladies wore them whenever they worked out of doors. After all no one wanted to lose their creamy complexion. (You really wonder what they would think of today's tanning booths etc.) By the end of WWII though it became stylish to have a tan and sunbonnets faded away.

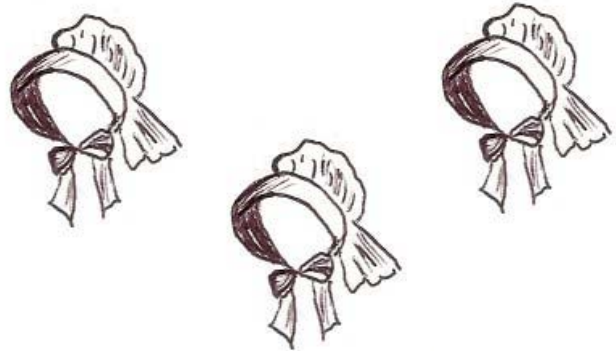
The bonnets were fairly easy to make and could be made of cloth or straw. Those intended for gardening and regular outside work were generally plain, but for church and special occasions there were fancier ones. These were made of flowered prints or checkered gingham for the younger ladies and girls. The older ladies usually preferred plainer dark colored bonnets, although they sometimes dressed them up with a bow or a bit of ruffle. The bonnets for little girls often sported bows and lace and were made of pastel colored material.

The pattern for the bonnets was pretty standard, the brim, the crown and the ruffle. The ladies would add their own touch, extra bows, a ruffle around the face or for the ones with very long hair worn in a knot a puffer crown to accommodate it.

Jan Scott mentioned in the last newsletter that the sewing of bonnets will be an ongoing project for this year. The Society will sell them during the Centennial Celebration as a fundraiser. So if you have a little time and would like to try your hand at making bonnets or you have some fabric you would like to donate call Jan at 710-1560 or e-mail at jans194@AOL.com or me at Bcoch64036@AOL.com.

There are patterns available and some material has been donated, now all we need are a few volunteers.

Sources: Merriam-Webster Dictionary
Springfield-Greene County Library



"The Bonneteers at their first organizational meeting, collecting patterns and fabric and willing to give it a try! L-R: **Berneda Cochran, Barbara Vasquez, Joan Coplin and Marya Kindig**



—**Shelly Cochran**
Rental Events Coordinator

Shelly Cochran, our intrepid Events Coordinator, reports that she has ten weddings booked for this year so far. Thank you Shelly!

Your hard work will bring the Society another successful year of event income.

(City of Grover - *Dum Vivimus, Vivimus!* Continued)

"coochant" and the truly national sentences:

"We are the People."
"Give us Room."

Then the band played selections from Annie Laurie and McGinty, and the wild waves wept with weird, woeful weeps, wondering why the great American citizen sees so much and knows so little.

—It is estimated that there are fifteen thousand sacks of beans stored in this valley waiting for higher prices before shipping.

The Society is structured as a non-profit organization (Federal Tax ID number is 95-3539454) 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:

Ben Bolles
Christopher Hagerty
Carolyn Johnson
Teresa McClish
Janet McWilliams

Membership Dues

Individual	\$20.00
Couple	\$35.00
Family w/children under 18	\$40.00
Sustaining (Individual)	\$100.00
Patron-Business, Organization, Individual	\$200
Life* (Individual or Couple)	\$500.+

***Can be paid in 12 monthly installments.**

Corporate Memberships

Platinum... \$3,000. Gold....\$2,000.
Silver.....\$1,000.



MEMBERSHIP — SOUTH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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☐ GIFT

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Type of Membership _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Check No. _____

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 will be February 16, 2011.**

General Membership Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. **Next General Membership Potluck Meeting in February will not be held due to the Antique Show.**

Next membership meeting will be scheduled in March. Information on program will be in the February Newsletter.

Our deepest sympathy to the families of

Beth Garner

Carol Hizey

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