

# **POWAY ECHOES**

## **Poway Historical and Memorial Society**

### **September 2008**

## **DON'T MISS ANTIQUES APPRAISAL AT THE MUSEUM**

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Members: Where has the time gone!! Summer is coming to an end and we need to gear up for the fall activities in the Park. "Rendezvous in Poway" is just around the corner. If you have never attended, I am sure you will find it very interesting. This event presents living history with many groups coming into the park for a few days, each representing a specific time/way of life in the past. Not only is this event open to the public but the Park Office schedules school and private group tours. This event is followed by "Train Song Festival" and "Christmas in the Park". Needless to say our volunteers are going to be busier than usual. If you are

Interested in helping with any of these events, the Society would greatly appreciate your time and effort. As I stated in our last newsletter, the City is providing funds to perform a "Needs Assessment" for our artifact collection that should begin in October. An Archival Consultant, who will provide the Museum with a detailed plan to organize, preserve and maintain our collections, will do the Assessment. As always, I want to thank all for your support. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the Museum, Nelson House or Society, Please let me contact me.

Mary Whitten, President

**WELCOME**

Robert Williams of Poway

## **MEMBERSHIP**

July and August membership renewals are due. Dues notices have been sent out. September/October renewals will be sent this quarter. We welcome your membership and would love to encourage you to join our active volunteers.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Society's checking account is over \$10,000. Expenses have been low and we are improving our income from donations, dues and sale of gift shop items.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

The Society deeply regrets the recent loss of long time Poway residents and supporters of the Historical Society Zoi Rose and Dick Huber. Zoi was a war time bride from Australia moving to Poway with her late husband Bob in the 1950's. She was also active in the Poway Valley Rider's Association. A memorial service is planned for October 19<sup>th</sup> in Templar's Hall at 2 PM.

Dick also a long time resident owned Four Flags Realty with his wife Betty. Both were also active in PVRA and supporters of the Historical Society.

## **NELSON HOUSE**

The Nelson House continues to improve. Don't you wish that you could live there? I sure do. Especially with Jan Rubacky arranging for donations of furniture, decorative items and having repairs done. Latest donations include a cane bucket chair with carving and hand crocheted curtains. They will be on display in September. The Society has also documented that certain pieces were sold in the 1902 Sears catalogue. The parlor furniture was \$16.00 for three pieces. The secretary desk was \$12.00 and the baby buggy cost \$5.00. Come on in too visit. Relax in the atmosphere of the past.

## **MUSEUM DISPLAY**

The summer display honoring Joe Lynch and Glen Cecil, Poway WWII veterans will remain on display until the middle of September. If you haven't had a chance to come in check it out you have a few more weeks. The fall exhibit

will display varying artifacts from the Society's own collection. It's always exciting to see the things that were used by Powegians of the past and compare their lives to ours. It may have been a simpler life but no less busy. Lucille Dalbey, museum display artist, is already beginning to consider the annual Holiday display. There are many visitors during that time period especially for Christmas in the Park. If you have a collection pertaining to the December holiday season and would be willing to loan it to the Society from the end of November through December please call Lucille at 858-748-1383 or Mary Whitten at 858-486-3064. Many thanks.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

Although we have few active volunteers they are a very busy group. The library has been catalogued, family histories and Society owned photographs have been scanned into the computer, artifacts are being photographed and catalogued. The latest project to be started is a book of Poway street names and their origins. In a recent newsletter article some of those names were discussed. I am looking forward to learning more. If you

have ideas and time for projects for the Society please contact Mary Whitten. We are always looking for help to improve our services. Eagle Scouts and high schoolers needing community service credits are always welcome too.

## **OLD POWAY PARK**

**9/13 Community Days Celebration**

**9/20-21 Rendezvous in Poway**

**10/4 Train Song Festival**

**10/31 Halloween Haunt**

**12/13 Christmas in the Park**

**12/20 Candyland in the Park**

## **ANTIQUES APPRAISAL**

Are you a Monday night addict? Not to football but Antiques Roadshow? Do you look at the items in your home and wonder if they are the keys to your retirement in this changing environment? Now is your chance to find out without having to drive out of Poway. The Historical Society is having their first Antiques Appraisal event. Appointments will go quickly... Call NOW.