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Placentia Founders Society

The Green Shingle

News from the Bradford House

Winter 2008

Chamber Music Concert Schedule Set for 2009

Outstanding musicians are preparing for the eighteenth annual Bradford House Chamber Music Concert Series.

On January 18, the California Quartet will play works by Puccini and Dvorak. The program on February 1 will feature Synergy Piano Quartet. The popular Santiago String Quartet will play pieces by Haydn and Schumann on March 29. The Color Spectrum flute and harp duo ends the series on April 26.

Fire department regulations now limit seating. Doors will open at 2:30 for the 3:00 show; there will be no reserved seats. Donations to support these free performances are appreciated.

Docents Visit OC Performing Arts Center

Pointers to help PFS docents and members generate excitement for the Bradford House were presented at the Fall meeting of the Orange County Docents League held at the new Samueli Theater of the OC Performing Arts Center.

Storyteller Jim Cogan used his art to teach attendees how to use stories to tell our story, encourage dialog with visitors, find the stories in each room that interest and excite visitors and encourage guests to "become part of the story."

"These are techniques that all members can use to create enthusiasm in our community, as we work toward our goal of adding 35 new members to our rolls this year," said Kay Pfaffle, Education VP.

PFSers attending the meeting were Kay Pfaffle, Treasurer Judie Dee, Docents Lynda Baker, Pat Graham and Jackie Shumway, and guest Rosalie Pritchett.



PFS members enjoying the OCDL meeting were, l-r, Jackie Shumway, Pat Graham, Judie Dee, Lynda Baker, Kay Pfaffle and guest Rosalie Pritchett.

The meetings are open to all PFS members. The next county-wide meeting will be Monday, March 17, at Centennial Heritage Museum in Santa Ana.

On The Calendar



✍ *Sundays,
 Dec. 14, Jan. 11—Public
 tours of House, 2-4 p.m.*

✍ *Sunday, Dec. 7—Holiday
 Party for members and
 guests, 4-7 p.m.*

✍ *Sunday, March 22, 2009—
 3rd Annual Wine Tasting
 and light dinner, 4-7 p.m.*

✍ *Chamber Concerts—
 Jan. 18, Feb. 1, March 29,
 April 26*



Placentia Founders Society Celebrates 35 Years



Don't miss out on the fun when the PFS celebrates the 35th anniversary of its incorporation.

Members are invited to join the board in planning and hosting activities—or suggesting events that highlight the organization and the Bradford House, which has been welcoming community members since 1902.

By the time the magical date of December 5, 2009 arrives, the Board hopes to have increased

the organization's roster by, at least, 35 new memberships. Groups, businesses, and individuals are encouraged to join PFS and help maintain this community treasure.

Twenty-four new memberships have been added to date:

Robin Alexander, David J. Alley, DDS, Linda R. Andersen, Sandy Davis, Carole Dovala, Kenneth and Tina England, Paul Evans, Erwin and Joyce Fano, Barbara Frantz, Janet Genow, Mary Ellen Goldsmith, Arlene Grace,

Eugenia Hathaway, Ginny Haussmann, Marjorie Langer, Harold Chi-Chiang Lee, Jackie McPheeters, Bevann Moise, Andrea Murray, Bob and Jeanne Olson, Maureen Plegel, Robin and Roberta Rusmiselle, Charlene Riggins, and Nancy Schmoltdt.

Get your friends and family involved! Give a membership as a gift. Send names and addresses to Membership Chair Nancy Murray, nancymmurray@sbcglobal.net.

Heritage Days Celebration



Parade Participants— PFS president Ellie Rankin (l) is happy to show her Heritage Day parade participant's ribbon. She and Stephanie Weimer (r) rode in style in the 1966 red Corvair provided by Fullerton resident Andy Ersek.



Fun in the Park— PFS members Jill Botha, Geri Bennett, and Judie Dee (r) encouraged passing visitors to "Toss a Ball - Hit the Can" at the festival in the park after the parade.

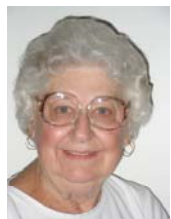
Among the many who took up their challenge were Jonathen, 6, (below, left) and his brother Andrew Leatherman, 4, from Corona.

Several players got two balls in the can, a few got three, but Amanda Mrozek, 11, of Placentia (below, right) was the first to toss four balls into the can. Her name was posted on the award board for all to see. As the day moved on, three others were able to do the same feat: Martin Villarreal, Amelia Payne, and Carrie Thibault.



From the President's Desk

By Ellie Rankin



To our Members:

All of the invitations to our Holiday Party have

been mailed and we hope to have some new members joining us at the Bradford House.

Directing our party plans is Nancy Murray, our membership chair, who tells us that we'll have some new faces at the party. These are members who have recently joined us as our special "35" new members. They will celebrate a year-long observance in 2009 as we count our 35th year of incorporation as Placentia Founders Society.

The house will be aglow with Christmas decorations and the entertainment will put you into the holiday spirit. The buffet table will be open during the hours of the party. And of course, I'll make plenty of Wassail for you to enjoy.

For those of you who have asked about the availability of parking near the house, there's plenty of it at the Wells Fargo Bank parking lot on the corner of Yorba Linda Blvd. and Bradford Street. It's a very short walk to the house.

Here's the date again-- Sunday, December 7 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. If you haven't already made reservations, please call 993-2470. See you there!

New Silverware Gift Added to Display for House Visitors

Recent visitors to Bradford House admired the sparkle of silverware in the Paul Revere pattern that was generously donated by Dr. Zail Berry. With service for 16, there was much to polish before the items went on display.

The 103 pieces were wrapped in a pink flannel holder to retard tarnishing and stored in a round tin container. They originally came from Marshall Fields and Company.

Dr. Berry lives in Vermont, but her mother, Zoe Berry, lives in Placentia and is a PFS member. The set was originally owned by Zoe's mother-in-law, Ruth Berry, who retired to Placentia from Chicago.



Above: Six-piece place setting of new silverware.

Below: guests check out the monogrammed suitcase owned by Hartwell Bradford that's tucked in the upstairs closet.



OC Register Reports Sale of Placentia National Bank Note



total known notes left from the bank.

The bank distributed \$317,650 worth of currency in its

existence from October 1911 to March 1926. The bill is dated Aug. 17, 1911.

A total of 6,030 \$5 sheets — with four bills to a sheet — were printed by the national treasury for the bank. That was in addition to 3,941 sheets that had three \$10 bills and one \$20 bill on each sheet.

The Placentia National Bank note, a \$5 bill from 1911, fetched \$3,600. First National Bank of Fullerton was the winner, with a \$20 note from 1882 going for \$6,000.

The original building for the Placentia National Bank still stands at 191 W. Santa Fe Ave. in Old Town Placentia. The bank was run by A.S. Bradford, and his signature can be seen on the bill.

The bill is one of only five Placentia National Bank notes that have been sold since 1980. There are only seven



Laptop Needed to Help New Curator

The PFS Board of Directors hopes to make the job of cataloging museum artifacts much easier for the new Curator, Jan Henderson (left), by acquiring a laptop computer. If someone would like to donate such equipment with reasonably recent software, it would be most appreciated. Or if a donor is able to help defray the cost of purchasing a new laptop by means of a special discount or coupon, please contact PFS President Ellie Rankin at ellierankin42@roadrunner.com.

Serve as an Orange County Grand Juror



The Orange County Superior Court is recruiting potential members of the Grand Jury that will serve July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

A widespread recruitment process is necessary to ensure excellence in the applicant pool. Those interested in this position may obtain an application at any Orange County Superior Court Justice Center, by calling the Grand Jury Hotline at (714) 834-6747, or by accessing the web page at www.ocgrandjury.org/. Completed applications must be received no later than Friday, January 9, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

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The Bradford House

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The Placentia Founders Society was established in 1974 to preserve and maintain the Bradford House, which was built in 1902. Now it is a living museum, providing a glimpse into the lives of a pioneering family who made their fortune in the citrus industry. The House is open to the public for docent-led tours from 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month.



Holiday Party

*You and your family are invited
to the
Placentia Founders Society's
Annual Holiday Party for
members
and their guests*

*on
Sunday, December 7, 2008
from
4:30 - 7:00 PM*

*The Bradford House
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*Please RSVP by November 30th
The Bradford House 993-2470*

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