

SHARPSTEEN MUSEUM



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June-July 2015 Newsletter

Save the Date!

27th Annual

Instant Wine Cellar

Saturday, August 29, 2015

Some Changes Made This Year

THE EVENT. This year the Instant Wine Cellar will be held on Sat., Aug. 29, from 3-6 pm. Note new day (Saturday) and time (3-6 pm). Complimentary wine and appetizers will be served. *We hope to see you there!*

THE PRIZES. This year there are even more chances to win with four (4!) grand prizes: *36 bottles each of premium Napa Valley wines (including wine and a special wine tasting for four or more persons from our Grand Prize Sponsors (Castello di Amorosa, Far Niente, Laura Michael Winery and Nickel & Nickel).* You need not be present to win the Grand Prizes.

Take advantage of the opportunity to win BIG at this event! Bid on Silent Auction packages, or purchase raffle tickets for chances to win hundreds of prizes donated by local (and some not so local) businesses. Must be present to win these additional prizes. If you have attended this event before you know how fantastic and generous the prize packages are!

THE TICKETS. We are unable to mail raffle tickets to you this year due to USPS requirements. Members will receive a form in the mail to purchase tickets. As always we ask for a donation of \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Please complete all blanks (including contact information,

payment method, credit card info, etc.). Include the form with your payment info in the enclosed return envelope and drop off or mail to the Museum, 1311 Washington St., Calistoga, CA 94515. Museum hours are 11-4 every day. Your tickets will be deposited directly into the raffle drum.

Buy all the tickets you desire, and invite family, friends, co-workers and neighbors to try their luck. All proceeds benefit Sharpsteen Museum programs and projects. Grand Prize tickets will be available at the Museum beginning June 1 through August 29. Buy tickets early (before June 15) and your name will be entered in a separate drawing for a prize valued at approximately \$300.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES. We need your help in making this another successful event! Here is a sample of “volunteer opportunities”: making and bringing food and/or helping in the kitchen; picking up wine and merchant donations; pouring wine at the event; helping with set up or breakdown, raffle sales, crowd control, etc. We also really need a team of creative and crafty volunteers to design and package this year’s Merchant Raffle Prize Packages in the days leading up to the event. It will be hard to beat last year’s amazing presentations but we’re confident it can be done. Anyone interested in volunteering in any capacity, please contact IWC Chair Doug Cook at 707-321-8337, dacook1447@gmail.com or leave a note for him at the Museum. Thanks in advance for your help.

IWC Team: Doug Cook (Chair), DeAnn Wylie, Sue Mauro, Kathy Bazzoli, and Shirley Blomquist

Summer Reading Program

**“READ TO THE
RHYTHM!”**

Children ages 3 and up, are invited to clap, sing, and dance their way into Summer at the Sharpsteen Museum. This year’s Summer Reading theme is “Read to the Rhythm!” and children are invited to attend a variety of fun presentations. This program is a collaborative effort between the Napa County Library system, the Calistoga Branch and the Sharpsteen Museum Association.

The free weekly programs will be on Thursday mornings at 10 am at the Museum (except the August 6 Celebration) and last about an hour. Seating is available on a first-come basis. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult at all times. More information can be found on the Napa County Library’s web site: napalibrary.org/kids/summer, scroll down the page; click on “Calistoga Branch” under “Schedule of Events”; then select English or Español. A full schedule appears on page 3 of this newsletter.

Volunteers are needed for assisting the new Education Chair Jackie Lang in these programs. Mark your date of choice on the sign-up sheet located in the Museum gift shop.

Jackie Lang, *Education Chair*

Message from the President

Dear Sharpsteen Members,

Celebration (selə'brāSHən), *noun*: The action of marking one's pleasure at an important event or occasion by engaging in enjoyable, typically social, activity. *The opening of "Growing Up in San Francisco" was a celebration.*

On May 15, 2015, the Sharpsteen Museum celebrated the opening of our new exhibit which will be on display until November 2015. This was a well-attended event. Irwin Herlihy celebrated the night by sharing stories about his San Francisco memorabilia in the exhibit. Patsy Hahn celebrated the night because it was such a tremendous success. Glenn Pope celebrated the night because he won the Grand Raffle Prize. I celebrated the night because we had over 30 volunteers who provided and served food and wine, sold raffle tickets and cleaned up. Thank you *Hot Fritattas* for providing the music.

June 1st marks the beginning of a new fiscal year at the museum and a newly elected Board of Directors. This year you have elected the following: President- Alan Rogers; 1st Vice-President- Bill Hahn; 2nd Vice- President- Shirley Blomquist; Treasurer- Kent Domogalla; Recording Secretary- Pat Haynes; Docent Chair- Kathy Bazzoli; Collections Chair- Bev Barnes; Education Chair- Jackie Lang; Ways and Means Chair- Doug Cook. This is a strong and dedicated team of officers that will continue to serve the museum well and make my job comfortable. This board works well together.

In my *Message from the President* last June, I said, "Let's make the year 2014-2015 a history-making year for the Sharpsteen Museum." Wow, we did a great job. Just look at some of last year's accomplishments:

- Installed comfortable carpet tiles in the museum
- Installed LED lighting to save energy and better preserve our collection
- Installed a senior friendly low flush toilet in the museum
- Super attendance at the children's summer program "Paws to Read!"
- Developed and launched a new museum website: sharpsteenmuseum.org
- Purchased the *Handbook of Calistoga Spring or Little Geysers* for our collection
- Ran a very successful Instant Wine Cellar
- Developed a new Sharpsteen Museum brochure
- Displayed two colorful exhibits: *2000 Years of Glass* by Dan Brown; *Growing Up in San Francisco* by Irwin Herlihy
- Attendance to the museum is up by 10%
- Sales are up in the museum store (books and gift items)
- Ran another successful membership drive
- Another successful Christmas Bazaar
- Acquired Susan Reid Boyce quilt
- Coffee Hour
- Two *Meet the Authors and Book Signing* events
- Decided not to sell the Museum House at this time

Thank you to all the members who volunteered to serve the Museum this last year. We should all celebrate our success at the June Luncheon.

Alan Rogers, *President*

Special Exhibit Party Well-Attended

Thank you to Irwin Herlihy and his lovely wife Sandy for our new exhibit, "Growing Up In San Francisco." It's been such a treat working with Irwin and I'm amazed at his fabulous collection.

Opening night was a huge success due to the hard work of so many members. Just to name a few: Kathy Bazzoli, my co-host, Shirley Blomquist, Bev Barnes, Jackie Lang, Sue Mauro, Jim Barnes, Bruce Dill, Pat Haynes, Gisela Huesmann, Gail Sharpsteen & the Hot Fritattas. Not to leave out the members who contributed to the food table. And, Lastly, a big thank-you to my husband Bill, for whose help I am so very grateful.

I send a big thank you to all who have helped make this a successful evening.

Patsy Hahn, Exhibit Chairman



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Museum Hours: 11 am to 4 pm daily,
except Thanksgiving and Christmas

BOARD MEMBERS

Alan Rogers – President

Bill Hahn - first VP

Shirley Blomquist - second VP

Pat Haynes - Recording Secretary

Kent Domogalla - Treasurer

Kathy Bazzoli - Docent Chair

Jackie Lang - Education Chair

Bev Barnes - Collections Chair

Doug Cook - Ways & Means Chair

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MISSION STATEMENT

*The Museum's mission is to preserve and
to provide for public exhibitions and
study of the history of the community of
Calistoga and the upper Napa Valley.*

Welcome New Members

FAMILY

Glen & Christine Bettencourt

Felicia Woytak & Steven

Rasmussen

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Note: The June 1, 2015 to
May 31, 2016 due are now due!

In Memoriam

Von Gallion

Ingeborg Alexeeff

Docents: We Couldn't Have Done It Without You!

Comments have been coming in lately wondering why we still stay open every day. Granted, any particular weekday may only have eight visitors, but the very next day may bring 75. We still average 800+ visitors each month, often more. During March and April, including Special Tours, our visitor count was 2,033.

If one of your shifts seems slow, not to worry. A few days ago two tours were scheduled, one in the am & the other in the pm. John Clark innocently opened that day. The early tour was on time at 10:15; Pat Haynes opened early and stayed for the group of almost 20 adults. The PM tour came in 2 hours early (56 school children + teachers), and a third unscheduled tour of 12 adults came in, all of this on John's shift. And it just so happened that many members of these tour groups were shoppers. By the time the PM docent (Bev Barnes) got there shortly after 1:00, she was met by an exhausted, but exhilarated, John, standing proudly at a pile of sales slips. Be thankful for those slower days, sometimes we need them. Please know we will remain open every single day.

The Docent Prize program winner for March was DeAnn Wylie, who won a \$50 gift certificate to Sam's Social Club. The April prize of a \$50 gift certificate to Ace Hardware was awarded to Josepha Walpen.

Special thanks go out to the following for working 331 hours during March & April:

Everett Ball	Barbara LaFranchi
Bev Barnes	Jackie Lang
Joe Birleffi	Pat Larsen- Welcome!
Shirley Blomquist	Sylvia Marciano
Ray Branstetter	Barbara Maxfield
Kelley Brogan	Emma Mazzola
John Clark	Kathy McCloskey
Doug Cook	Jo Ellen Noble
Judy Cornils	Biserka Potrebic
Al Derrick	Ellie Robinson
Donna Dill	Jenele Saunders
Arnold Enderlin- Welcome!	Anne Scott
Bill Hahn	Sonya Spencer
Patsy Hahn	Ruth Tondini
Linda Hanson	Rita Tucker
Pat Haynes	Sierra Turner
Sandy Herlihy	Josepha Walpen
Gisela Huesmann	DeAnn Wylie
Joan Kranich	Ingrid Zehntner

Gold Star awards to those docents working the most shifts this period: **9 shifts-** Josepha Walpen; **6 shifts-** Kelley Brogan, Joan Kranich and Pat Larsen; **5 shifts-** Bill & Patsy Hahn, Barbara La Franchi and Jo Ellen Noble.

Always with gratitude, Kathy Bazzoli, *Docent Chair*

Meet Our Docents

In each newsletter we will highlight one or more members that have donated their precious time to the museum.

Meet Shirley Blomquist, member since 1998, and Pat Haynes, member since 1995. Both have served as Board President for 4 terms each in past years, and they continue to serve on the Board to



this day, Shirley as Second VP and Pat as Recording Sec'y. Other Board positions have been held over time, and both still volunteer as Docents. Mainly responsible for Membership, Shirley is, and has been, involved in all fundraisers since 1998, has served on enumerable committees, and has long held a position on our Foundation Board. Pat has also served on many committees and held positions as Hospitality Chair, IWC Chair, and Chair for the Annual Christmas Bazaar since 1997. Whatever their titles have been, it is their hard work and dedication to the museum that puts them apart from the norm. They are true examples of the spirit of the Sharpsteen.

✂ *Clip and Save*

Summer Reading Program Schedule

"READ TO THE RHYTHM!"

All programs begin at 10 am at the Museum, except for August 6 (see below)

June 11: Napa Librarians present stories about music, dance and songs with children singing and clapping the rhythm and encourage signups for the library reading program.

June 18: "Abracadabra"- Magic Show with amazing tricks by Shuffle's of Santa Rosa.

June 25: "The Three Billy Goats Gruff", an exciting puppet show and demonstration by Puppet Art Theater.

July 2: No program. Enjoy your Fourth of July week!

July 9: "Dance Around the World". Interactive show includes dance, movement and rhythm with Nikola Clay.

July 16: "Rhythm of the Rocks". Music around the world with talented singer MaryLee Sunseri.

July 23: "Ventriloquist and Puppet Show". Tony Borders blends ventriloquism and puppetry to create a delightful show.

August 6: "Celebration!" Party starts at 10:30 am at *Calistoga Branch (1108 Myrtle St.)*, with stories, rewards and treats!

Gifts, Gifts,
Gifts!!!



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Chair*, Barbara La
Franchi, *Co-Chair*



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- ❖ Instant Wine Cellar- the IWC Committee needs volunteers for various positions. Here's your chance to participate in one of Calistoga's most popular fundraisers. Please see article on the front page for more info.
- ❖ Summer Reading Program- Can you spare one or two hours to help new Education Chair Jackie Lang with one of the programs? Please see article on the front page for more info.

CALENDAR

JUNE

Tues., June 2, Noon. Installation Luncheon-Calistoga Inn Garden. Meet & Greet at 11:30

Wed., June 10, 10 AM. SMA Board Meeting, Museum House

Thurs., June 11, 10 AM. Summer Reading Program. Please see full schedule on page 3.

JULY

Wed., July. 8, 10 AM. SMA Board Meeting, Museum House

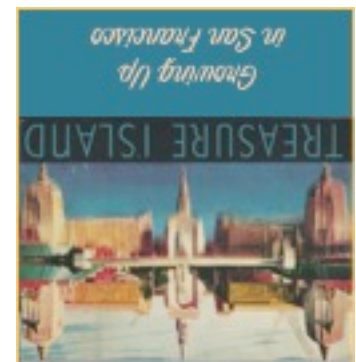
AUGUST

Wed., Aug. 12, 10 AM. SMA Board Meeting, Museum House

Sat., Aug. 29, 3-6 PM. Instant Wine Cellar. Please see article on the front page. Volunteers needed.

SEPTEMBER

Wed., Sept. 9, 10 AM. SMA Board Meeting, Museum House



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