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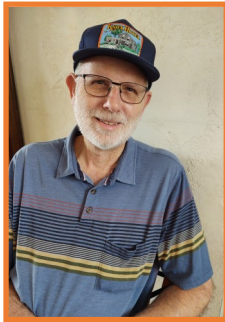


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The Board has decided that it is time to try an in person Annual Meeting, so in cooperation with the Olaf Wieghorst Museum we will be meeting in person at their Museum which provides plenty of room for distancing.

We are planning an Ice Cream Social which should give us all a chance to renew old acquaintances. The Ice Cream will be provided by Danny's Ice Cream Truck which has a bit of historical flavor to it.

I also understand that there will be tours of their Museum available. So many organizations are struggling to come back right now and meeting at the Wieghorst seems like a win for both organizations. We have a great place to hold our meeting and they get some much needed exposure.

It may come as no surprise after the events of the past year, that it is with regret for the first time in our 48 year history we are presenting a proposed Deficit Budget.

Income has declined while Expenses have increased.

Your Board takes very seriously the trust you place in us with the funds you entrust to us and one of our driving principles is to be good stewards of those funds.

We will be working diligently next year to try to find ways to close this deficit. One of the quickest ways businesses close a deficit is to lay off paid staff but since we are all volunteers that option is not available to us. A few options we may be looking at is crowd funding and/or looking to our members to underwrite some of our expenditures, with the hope that we might raise the funds to reduce or erase the deficit.

Please remember also that we are a 501(c)(3) corporation and any funds donated to the Historical Society are tax deductible.

As I'm sure you have noticed, we operate on a very austere budget which leaves very little room to make changes that could make any impact on the deficit.

It has been suggested that we might consider raising our dues, however the Board has intentionally left our dues low to allow more people to participate in our mission to preserve the History of our Community, and try to make up any shortfall with Special Events.

I hope that as we look forward to next year we will be looking at a much brighter future and that it will find you all Happy and Healthy.

Rick Hall
President

ECHS News

In Memoriam

We are sorry to report the loss of one of our members, Dorothy Baber. Dorothy was born on May 10, 1920 and passed on July 15, 2021. She was a life member of the Historical Society and actively involved for many years.

We sadly lost another member, Marna Baker. Marna, and her husband Bill have been longtime El Cajon residents and ECHS members. Bill graduated El Cajon Valley High School Class of 1958 and Marna was well known to the class of 1958 as well, though she actually graduated High School in Bremerton WA. Sadly, on June 24, 2021 Marna passed away from Alzheimer's.

ECHS History's History

Below are a couple of tidbits from the February 1986 ECHS Newsletter, where they highlighted some El Cajon news items from 1956 such as "Operation Rose Petal" (which may bring forth a chuckle) and a mention of the first graduating class of El Cajon Valley High School. Just a glimpse at a few things from that particular time in El Cajon history-you may even remember a few of them if you were here in 1956!

FEB. 2, 1956 (Thursday)

Extension of Douglas Street from Prescott to El Cajon Blvd. is proposed to the City Council. Cost estimated is \$135,717. The proposal calls for widening of Douglas to 46 feet. Douglas now ends 445 feet west of Van Houten.

Kitchen of Lee Ellis home on Walnut Road damaged by smoke. He had been roasting a pan of pecans, thought he'd turned off the oven and went outside to work.

"Operation Rose Petal" in operation at the Fletcher Hills Sanitation Plant. A special formula being tested to try to cover the smell.

A dog leash law being proposed to the city council--too many dogs running loose.

Recent storm brings rain total for season to 3.97 inches.

Industrialist Joseph B. Bourne, 54, here 10 years, dies of heart attack.

Rodney Franklin, Cajon Valley school district psychologist, is newly elected chairman of Cajon Valley Social Workers Council. Retiring chairman is Edythe Acord.

Seven students are recent graduates of El Cajon Valley High School, being the first graduates of the new school. They will receive their diplomas in June.



FEB. 5, 1956 (Sunday)

The city will have 699 new homes, worth more than \$10,250,000, occupied by the end of 1956. The largest new subdivision is 167 units (Joey Manor) on Ballantyne lane south of proposed freeway.

Air Explorer Squadron 346 is starting a tree planting project at Gillespie Field.



Welcome New Member

✦ Julie Carlin

Proposed 2022 Budget & Officers

Proposed Budget 2022:

Income

Book Sales	\$200.00
Donations	\$500.00
Dues	\$2,000.00
Investment Income	\$50.00
Opportunity Drawings	\$450.00
Quarterly Meetings	\$1,000.00
<u>Special Events</u>	<u>\$2,880.00</u>
	\$7,080.00

Expenses

Building Maintenance	\$50.00
Insurance	\$3,000.00
Memberships	\$25.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$100.00
Newsletter/Publications	\$300.00
Office Expense	\$250.00
PO Box Rental	\$100.00
Postage	\$250.00
Quarterly Meetings	\$1,000.00
Safe Deposit Box Rent	\$135.00
Sales Tax	\$40.00
Security	\$500.00
Storage	\$820.00
Special Events	\$50.00
<u>Telephone/Internet</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	\$8,120.00

The following Officers are proposed for one-year terms starting January 1, 2022:

President: Rick Hall

Vice President: Linda Garity

Recording Secretary: Rebecca Taylor

Corresponding Secretary: Yvonne Paris

Treasurer: George Dall, C.P.A. / Carla Nowak

The following persons are nominated for election to the Board of Directors for 3-year terms ending December 31, 2024:

George Dall

Jack Dickens

Mike Kaszuba

Rebecca Taylor

The following Directors will continue to serve with terms ending December 31, 2022:

Andrew Alegria

Rick Hall

Joe Klock

Colleen White

The following Directors will continue to serve with terms ending December 31, 2023:

Linda Garity

Christy Klock

Carla Nowak

Yvonne Paris

The following persons are recommended to serve on the Nominating Committee for the year 2022:

Linda Garity

Rick Hall

Carla Nowak

Respectfully Submitted by the 2021 Nominating Committee: Linda Garity, Rick Hall, Carla Nowak

From: El Cajon Historical Society
P. O. Box 1973
El Cajon, CA 92022

To:

Quarterly Meeting In October

Please join us for our annual meeting at

Olaf Wieghorst
Museum & Western Heritage Center
131 Rea Avenue in El Cajon

Thursday, October 21st at 2pm

Cost \$10



Ice Cream Social
Featuring
Danny's Ice Cream
Truck

A tour of the museum,
home of
Olaf Wieghorst

Special Opportunity
Drawing

Looking forward to seeing you there!

October Annual Meeting Reservation Form

Number attending _____ @ \$10 per person

Name _____

Address _____

City, Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

RESERVATION DEADLINE: October 14, 2021

Mail reservations/checks to:

ECHS, P. O. Box 1973, El Cajon, CA 92022-1973

Reservations not kept become a donation.