

A Message From Our President Christine Gary

Dear Members,

June 5th was the hottest day of the year so far and we were all outside having a good time at the Antiques and Collectibles Faire held at Heritage Park. It is always a great beginning-of-summer event. Hundreds of lemons were squeezed to provide our traditional brew of ice cold lemonade to sell in our old-fashioned lemonade stand. Several of us donated collectibles to add to salvaged items sold at our booth.

We also were pleased to announce the recipients of four Heritage Home Awards for 2010. The homeowners received a certificate, suitable for framing, along with a very nice commemorative plaque to attach to the home's front porch wall, and a complimentary one year CHPS membership to those who are not yet members. A big thank you to all who participated and donated to the event.

After a tremendous amount of preparation and promotion, the 2010 Vintage Home Tour was a great success on May 1st. Over 350 attended, visiting the five homes on display, and all appeared to have a really great time.

We had lots of excellent feedback on every house on the tour and for all those antique automobiles in the vintage auto display. There were quite a few men attendees this time. It helped to have those beautiful autos on display. We are looking for five or six houses for next year's tour. Please call and let us know if you would like to have your home on the 2011 tour. Please call me at (951) 734-0977.

A private tour of the Mission Inn will serve as our next Quarterly Meeting on July 10th. Tickets are very reasonable and space limited to 20. There are only four reservations remaining so call now if you are interested. Contact Jackie at (951) 734-3166.

I hope you all are having a fun, peaceful summer. Come out and join us for the city's 4th of July Parade on Saturday, July 3rd. Several of us will be representing the Society as we "ride in style" down Main Street, from Ontario Avenue to Olive.

With warmest wishes,

Chris Gary



Our Next Quarterly Meeting is on July 10



Walking Tour of the Mission Inn

Saturday, July 10th at 9:45 AM

Led by author and CHPS member Steve Lech

Only 4 more reservations are available so call Jackie at 734-3166 right away if you'd like to attend



Approved CHPS Budget for 2010

The Budget approved for 2010 represents the Board of Directors best guess of anticipated expenses. Our 2009 expenses were \$7,593.43 on a budget of \$9,400.00 (no 2009 Vintage Home Tour took place.) The 2010 budget increase is largely due to expenses for a 2010 Vintage Home Tour, taxes and fees imposed by various entities, increased costs for historic marker plaques and professional fees for the nomination of the Grand Boulevard circular roadway to the National Register of Historic Places.

Item	Budgeted Amount
Telephone Charges	310.00
P. O. Box Rental	65.00
Corona Chamber of Commerce M'ship	225.00
Secretary of State filing (bi-ann)	70.00
Board of Equalization (sales tax filing)	50.00
Franchise Tax Board	50.00
Riverside County Tax Collector	400.00
History Day Awards	100.00
Newsletter Printing	700.00
Postage	500.00
Printing, Other	500.00
Stucco Flyer	0
Membership Flyer	0
Stationery	0
Home Tour Banner	75.00
Walking Tour Brochure reprint	155.00
Vintage Home Tour tickets & Booklet	700.00

Web site maintenance and development	700.00
Grand Blvd. nomination to National Register	3,500.00
Office maintenance Fee (City of Corona)	475.00
Office Equipment (Office set up)	100.00
Projector & Screen for presentations	1,600.00
Settlement House/511 Vicentia support	50.00
Recognition Awards (officers/other)	175.00
Liability Insurance Policy	1,000.00
Historic Markers (no. 15, 16)	1,800.00
Olde Tyme Picnic	50.00
July 4 Parade entry	25.00
Lemon Festival (cancelled since 2008)	
Antiques & Collectibles Faire	
Lemonade stand consumables	50.00
Quarterly Meeting Refreshments	100.00
Holiday Party	175.00
Arcadia Publishing (Images . . . Corona)	0.00
Supplies (office, etc.)	50.00
Preservation Grant Program distribution(s)	1,500.00
Total	15,400.00

Donations

Corona Public Library	35.00
Old-House Journal Magazine	
Corona High School Madrigals	250.00
3rd Grade Dictionaries Lincoln School	325.00
Community Improvement Project(s)	250.00
Total	16,260.00

Our Preservation Grant Program* by Bubba Bland

The CHPS Grant Committee along with the Board of Directors of the Corona Historic Preservation Society has amended the Grant Program to assist applicants in a more timely manner.

We realized the need for people to get started on projects without having to wait a whole year to get reimbursed for cost that would normally be associated with a CHPS Grant. So, we will now process any application within 60 days after submittal, starting on April 1 of any year. Once a grant has been approved and reimbursement limits established, funds will be made available upon completion, inspection and onsite final approval.

Take this opportunity to do some fixing up and have part of the material cost covered by CHPS. Remember we are interested in helping people beautify their homes for others to see, so applications are primarily



for curb appeal projects. If you have a place that you feel needs help, either your own or a neighbor's, please feel free to contact me, Bubba Bland at <oobubba@ca.rr.com> or by phone (951) 734-3166 or cell (951) 833-1756. I will help in any way possible to provide the information you need.

Grant applications are available at the Community Development Department at City Hall, 400 South Vicentia as well as the Heritage Room at the Corona

Public Library.

For more information, applications and additional details on the grant can be downloaded from our Web site: <<http://corona-history.org/grants.html>>

*** Please share this CHPS Grant information with others!**

I Remember When . . . Tom Moffett by Richard Winn

Tom Moffett was born at home, 81 years ago, in one of three Victorian homes in the South Corona groves located on Gilbert Street. His parents, Carl and Susie Moffett lived in the home for some 27 years, which was owned by Marion Featherstone. When modern development replaced the groves with single family dwellings, the home was purchased by Roy and Kathleen Dever, and preserved by relocating it to the vicinity of Lake Mathews, where it stands today, beautifully restored. Tom's maternal grandfather, Joe Emory was the janitor for the Carnegie Library and First National Bank. Tom was born and raised here in Corona, attending Lincoln Elementary School (the U-shaped structure located on Ninth Street and Victoria Avenue, of which one wing still remains), Corona Junior High School on Main Street (in wooden bungalows and the older structures that border Grand Boulevard) and Corona High School on Sixth Street. Tom joined the Navy in 1949 and as a Seabee, or construction worker, was away from home for most of the next ten years. His uncle bought the local ice business from the original owner and it has been operated as the family business for over 80 years, first as a refrigerated room at the rear of the Lord Building, and later behind City Hall near Seventh and Ramona Streets, and for the last 60 years on East Grand Boulevard, south of Quarry Street.



I Remember When ...

- It snowed about 3 inches of wet snow which hung on the citrus tree branches and caused many to break. Men with poles went out into the groves to knock the snow off the branches to save the trees from splitting. The Jamesons bought eye bolts, wire and turnbuckles and saved many trees by pulling tree trunks and branches back together by tightening the turnbuckles. I burned wood from some of those trees over the last few years with the eyebolts still buried in the wood.

- The school district had three bus routes for the elementary schools. Tom rode the route that came down Ontario that picked up kids from the Call and Jameson ranches, stopped at Lincoln School to drop off the anglos and proceeded to the old Washington School at 2nd and Grand to drop off the hispanic kids. Another route came down Chase Drive with the kids from Foothill Lemon and American Fruit Growers.

- His home had a very early version of solar water heating (three metal tanks on the roof which heated the water on sunny days and drained the hot water into a larger storage tank). On overcast days and when the

tanks finally corroded, hot water had to be heated on the stove.

- "The rains and flood of 1938 washed out every road in and out of Corona or left so much standing water on top of the roadways to Riverside and the Temescal Valley that we couldn't go anywhere."

- Tom's older sister was the first female lifeguard at the Corona Plunge beginning in 1943 or 44.

- Tom worked as a locker boy at the plunge and never questioned city policy that allowed hispanic citizens to use the plunge only on Mondays. Toward the end of WW II one of our hispanic servicemen showed up at the pool on

another day. The cashier decided that if he was good enough to fight and possibly die for the country, it was OK to use the pool. Nettie Whitcomb, who managed the plunge, was notified and she informed City Councilmembers and the City Manager of this and the policy was changed.

- Parades on Main Street, started at or near the American Legion Hall and ran north to Sixth or Fifth Street.

- For many years, soap box derby races took place on Main Street, starting at Burr Street and running to Sixth Street, with big high school athletes giving the boys some extra forceful pushes.

- Tom used to harness horses and mules for work in the groves in the stable/barn on Lester Street (now Hendrickson Brothers, located at 2931 Rimpau Avenue just north of Santiago High School) as well as incredulous looks on the faces of current occupants when told how their offices were previously used.

- When the fire horn/siren sounded and volunteer firefighters (or any other citizen) only had to lift the telephone handset to hear the central operator relate the location of the blaze.

- Getting fresh milk from the Kamplin's cow. Their home was located at Ontario and Fullerton and still stands today as the "Templo Nueva Vida" church.

- Ice trucks delivered block ice to residences and businesses, milk trucks delivered milk to homes, the Helms Bakery truck had a regular route in Corona and the Good Humor man brought ice cream treats to homes within the Grand Boulevard circle.

- At Christmas time, the intersection at Sixth and Main was blocked off and a semi-trailer was parked near the Rexall Drug Store. This was for Santa Claus who tossed candy to kids gathered around the trailer.

2010 Vintage Home Tour by Doris Osko

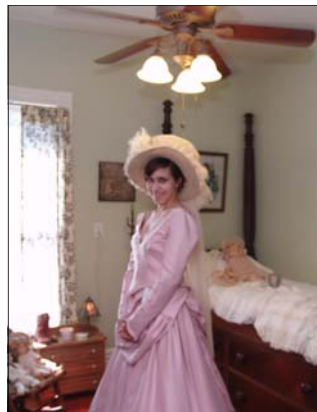
Mother Nature was particularly benevolent for this year's Vintage Home Tour held Saturday May 1st from 1:00-4:00 P.M. Not only was the weather perfect—bright sunshine and comfortable temperatures—but the flowers, lawns, and shrubbery surrounding the homes on display were an artist's palette of vivid color and beauty. Chairperson Mary Winn reported a turnout of from 350 to 400 guests who visited homes at 1052 East Grand, 1169 East Grand, 1420 South Main, 1140 Garretson, and 1058 East Grand.



Visitors were greeted by some forty volunteer docents at work at the various homes taking tickets, issuing booties to protect floors, dispensing water and treats as well as providing some history of the home to

which each was assigned.

A warm and friendly atmosphere prevailed. Tourists were treated to old-fashioned candy: root beer barrels, "red hots" (from the former volunteer firefighter's house), red licorice, jelly beans and salt water taffy. Seeing the docents in their clothing, which reflected the age of the home, helped tourists step back in time to the turn of the twentieth century.



Five antique automobiles were on display in President Christine Gary's front yard at 1052 E. Grand. There were four Fords and one Packard. Also present near the backyard coach house was the

Gary's classic 1956 Thunderbird.



Home owner Georgia Lambert remarked with regard to the Victorian Age, "Too much is never enough," and the various homes displayed an abundance of marvelous antiques and collectibles, and furniture to match former times.



CHPS member Scott Richardson again displayed his expertise in riding to and fro on his Penny Farthing with its 52 inch front wheel. Drivers along Grand Boulevard were surely surprised to encounter such a sight on a Saturday afternoon.

Member Akio Yoshikawa was on hand to take photos which will soon be displayed on the Society's Web site. CHPS Vice-President Mary Winn, who chaired the event, did an amazing job of organizing all the details of the tour: home owners' information, tickets, programs, sponsors, docent information, assignments, snacks, publicity, photography, balloons, trash receptacles, and countless other aspects of the tour which needed completion. But it took the entire Board and many volunteer docents to carry out our plans and to make the event run smoothly.



The general consensus among tourists was, "Please do this again next year."

To view additional photos of tour, visit corona-history.org under the Events tab

Photos from the Antiques & Collectibles Faire



Left: CHPS President Christine Gary presenting the deed to the Hotel Del Rey to Marla Benson, President of the Corona Heritage Foundation.



Right: David and Lynette Tougas receiving a Heritage Home Award for outstanding preservation efforts on their home at 220 W. Francis Street.



Left: Patty, representing homeowner Marsha Larson, is receiving the Heritage Home Award for the home located at 1124 South Ramona Street.



Right: During the afternoon on the day of the faire, Jean and Jerry Neumann served up ice cold lemonade at the Society's lemonade stand.



Left: Jackie Bland is seen assisting two customers at the CHPS architectural salvage and antiques booth.



Right: Wayne Hrabak, Richard and Mary Winn are waiting to fill the next customer's need for a cup of freshly squeezed lemonade "made in the shade and stirred with a rusty spade" at ye olde lemonade stand.

Curriculum Project Receives Award by Doris Osko

CHPS Vice-President Mary Winn was given a special honor by the CFWC/GFWC—The California Federation of Women's Clubs which is part of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Mary's third grade Social Studies curriculum entitled *The History of Corona* was given a Third Place Award in the state as a Community Improvement Project. Mary created the curriculum to meet the state standards for third grade regarding the history, geography, and economy of Corona. The curriculum



This photo of a 1930s 3rd grade class from Jefferson Elementary School was used throughout curriculum

is characterized by accurate and interesting facts, a user-friendly format for teachers, and a multi-media approach to learning. The curriculum is being used in over two hundred classrooms in the Corona-Norco Unified School District, and the Alvord School District. Congratulations to Mary and to the Woman's Improvement Club of Corona which submitted Mary's project to the state of California, in competition with dozens of other federated women's clubs.

Recipients of 2010 Heritage Home Awards



1124 South Ramona, Owner: Marsha Larson



1314 South Victoria, Owner: Julie Stern



220 W. Francis, Owners: David & Lynette Tougas



1518 South Main, Owners: John & Sherlynn Suitor

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Antiques & Collectibles FAIRE

CORONA HERITAGE PARK & MUSEUM

Antiques & Collectibles Faire

The annual Corona Antiques and Collectibles Faire was held at Corona Heritage Park on Saturday, June 5, featuring everything from tours of tenant workshops and numerous antiques, to original pieces of art and plants for sale. In its ninth year, the Faire is a popular venue for collectors as well as those seeking something unique.

The Faire was well attended with on-site artists, the Corona Garden Society, Art Association, Model Railroad Society and others providing opportunities for everyone to enjoy themselves. The "Corncob and Washtub" bluegrass band provided wonderful music and moments of levity for the occasion.

A variety of antique automobiles were present to whet the appetite of old car lovers. Freshly squeezed lemonade was available from the CHPS booth. Heritage Home Awards were announced recognizing owners of four homes located at 1124 South Ramona (Marsha Larson), 220 West Francis (David & Lynette Tougas), 1518 South Main Street (John "Buddy" & Sherlynn Suitor), and 1314 South Victoria (Julie Stern).

Membership Information

When joining or renewing your membership, please make your tax deductible check payable to "CHPS"

Individual Member	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	I'd like to volunteer!	
Family	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hospitality refreshments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Newsletter writing articles	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vintage Home Tour	
Patron	\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	docent / volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Life	\$500.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Board of Directors	<input type="checkbox"/>

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 David & Lynette Tougas
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 Don & Marina Williamson
 Bill & Vickie White

Status of the Elevator Installation in the Historic Civic Center

As part of the improvements and renovation of the Historic Civic Center, installation of an elevator has been in the works. This elevator will make access to the second floor compliant with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). The project has been ongoing since February and resulted in the CHPS being displaced from our office due to contractors' access needs through our office into the room on the west side of our office, most of which will constitute the elevator shaft and associated mechanical equipment

room. At present, the elevator shaft has been completed and delivery of the elevator is anticipated. Exterior windows in the room have been replaced with wooden multi-lite casement windows resembling those on the façade of the building. One benefit of the renovation allowed us to see the construction of the building floor joists (full dimension 2" x 8" clear redwood) and the original hardwood floor. We plan to restore the hardwood floor in our office to its former elegance.



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Our Mission Statement

The Corona Historic Preservation Society (CHPS) is a nonprofit tax-exempt organization dedicated to preservation and revitalization of Corona's historic buildings, neighborhoods and sites.

Through education, legislation and organization, CHPS acts as an advocate for the preservation of Corona's historic resources.

Monthly Meetings

CHPS Board meetings are held each month to transact Society business, discuss issues affecting the Society and preservation of local historic resources.

All members are invited to attend.
The next meetings will be:

Wed., July 21, 7:00 at 1052 E. Grand

Wed., Aug.18, 7:00 at 1052 E. Grand



Visit us at www.corona-history.org



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**Tour of Mission Inn
is July 10th**



Best wishes for a safe 4th of July celebration