

### A Message from Our President Julie Stern

Dear Members:

My name is Julie Stern and I'm very excited to be the new acting president of CHPS. I've lived in the Historic District in a landmarked home for the past 6 years and have been a member of CHPS for most of those years.

Our Vice President this year is Christine Gary, another historic home owner from within the "circle". Our Secretary this year will be Kathleen Dever, who also lives in a relocated historic home. Richard Winn will return as our Treasurer.

The City of Corona has a rich and vibrant history and has been prominent in the development of Southern California citrus culture and history. We are a town of people from virtually every walk of life that works together to preserve a community that is beautiful, safe and honors its heritage. The City has many public resources and events that promote Corona's unique history and community involvement. CHPS partners with the city in many roles to act as a resource and advocate of our local historical resources and to protect these resources. I am very honored to have been chosen to be a part of this.

This year is our 24th anniversary and it is a very exciting year for us. CHPS has a full calendar of events planned for 2007. We hope to see as many of our members as possible at these events and I hope to get to know as many of you as possible. To lead off the year we co-hosted the Chamber of Commerce MegaMixer in February and Mary Winn provided a beautiful PowerPoint presentation of historic images related to the 24-year history of our organization and its participation in historic events and activities in the City of Corona. For our first Quarterly Meeting in March, we will have a slide show presentation of the historic Mission Inn, at the Historic Civic Center. On May 12 the CHPS will be hosting the 2007 Vintage Home Tour featuring tours of 5 interesting historic homes, of varying architectural styles, located on Grand Boulevard and Palm Ave. In June we will be at



**Some CHPS Board members (L-R): Richard Winn, Kathleen Dever, Julie Stern, Aaron Hake & Christine Gary**

the Old Tyme Community Picnic and the Antiques and Collectibles Faire. In October we will be at the Lemon Festival and present the famed Annual Cemetery Walk honoring Corona's prominent historical figures on October 28. In December, we have scheduled our general meeting and annual holiday party.

Other big news, this year CHPS will be awarding 4 Heritage Home awards to historic home owners for their efforts towards restoring and beautifying their historic homes. Two of these are for 2006 that we were unable to present at the annual holiday party and two for this year. In addition to the Heritage Home plaque, suitable for placing on the structure, a cash award will be presented to help defray, in some small way, the significant cost of restoration efforts. In this newsletter you will find a detailed article about the awards and how they will be distributed.

Some of our special events this year are a dedication ceremony to honor the placement of the Historic Civic Center (2<sup>nd</sup> Corona High School and 2<sup>nd</sup> City Hall) on The National Register of Historic Places, placing historic markers, assisting the City in drafting an historic or heritage tree ordinance, assisting historic district residents with the Landmark / Mills Act process, promoting the use of sympathetic architecture for commercial structures in Historic Districts within the "circle", and updating the City's Heritage Inventory of meritorious historic homes from the 1940s and 1950s.

As you can see, we have a very busy year ahead of us and we welcome all volunteers. You may contact me at [oliverrose40@msn.com](mailto:oliverrose40@msn.com), if you are interested in volunteering for any events or would like to be recognized as a sponsor of the home tour. I would also like to hear from anyone that has questions about CHPS or its work.

Thank you so much for your support of preservation.

*Julie Stern*



## Home Renovation Resources

Air conditioning/heating  
Appliance suppliers  
Appliance repair/parts for new/antique  
Architect/house design  
Architectural salvage and parts  
Artist rendering  
Auctions/open air markets/swapmeets  
Awnings  
Bathroom supplies and repair  
Cabinet makers/suppliers  
Carpenter  
Chimney sweep/repairs  
Clock repair/restoration  
Concrete contractor  
Drywall contractor/repairs/supplies  
Electrical contractor  
Epoxies  
Fencing supplies  
Flooring refinishing and suppliers  
Foundation ~ seismic retrofit  
Furniture maker/repairs for wood/wicker  
General contractor  
Glass and mirror  
Grading and excavation  
Gutters  
Hardware ~ new/restoration/antique  
Hazardous waste  
House mover  
Insulation contractor  
Interior design ~ wallpaper/blinds  
Landscape design/installation/repair  
Lighting fixtures/parts ~ new & antique  
Locksmith  
Masonry and stone supplies  
Metal plating/fabrication/polishing  
Metal and tin supplies  
Millwork ~ doors/windows/molding/stairs  
screen doors/shutters  
Painting contractor  
Painting supplies  
Paint/varnish stripping  
Plastering contractor/supplies  
Plumbing contractor/repair/parts  
Roofing contractor  
Rugs ~ new/antique  
Sandblasting contractor  
Screen supplies  
Stain and leaded glass  
Tile and marble contractor/supplies  
Tree trimming  
Wallpaper supplies  
Wrought iron fabrication/supplies

**Call 951.898.2044 for a referral  
& please leave a message**

## Architectural Salvage



As a service to our members, CHPS has architectural salvage items or materials available to those of you who are restoring your vintage homes.

Included in the inventory are windows, shutters, doors, cabinets, molding and hardware.

If you are in need of such items, please call CHPS at 951.898.2044 and leave a detailed message along with your telephone number.

## MegaMixer Success



This photo shows Mary & Richard Winn with our table display at the beginning of the evening. The Power-Point screen was to the far right of the table and is unable to be seen here.

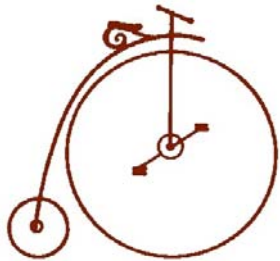
“Spring Fling” was the theme of the recent Chamber of Commerce MegaMixer held at Victor Buick’s showroom on February 15<sup>th</sup> and attended by around 300. This is the first time CHPS participated as one of 15 businesses or organizations that co-hosted the event.

A PowerPoint presentation (consisting of 34 slides) played continuously and showed photographs of the Society’s involvement in the community, i.e. Historic Marker sites, the Cemetery Walk, Heritage Home Awards, the Lemon Festival, Antiques & Collectibles Faire, Olde Tyme Community Faire, etc. It was a great opportunity for us to meet, network and discuss CHPS efforts with others.

CHPS Board members seen here toward the end of a very successful evening are (L-R) Mary Winn, Aaron Hake, Christine Gary, Richard Winn & John Kane.



# Vintage Home Tour



Corona  
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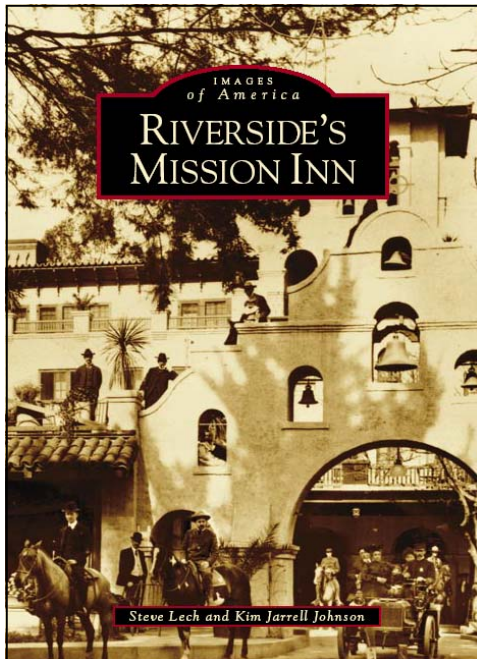
## Save The Date: May 12, 2007

Several lovingly restored homes on Grand Boulevard and Palm Avenue will be showcased from 1:00 - 4:00 pm

For tickets call Christine at 951.734.0977 or e-mail [vintagehometour@aol.com](mailto:vintagehometour@aol.com)

\*\* If you would like to serve as a docent at the Vintage Home Tour, contact Joan at 951.737.7337 \*\*

## Quarterly Meeting: Mission Inn Presentation



Coauthors of *Riverside's Mission Inn*, Steve Lech and Kim Jarrell Johnson will join us on **Saturday, March 10 at 10 am in the Community Room of the Historic Civic Center** for our first Quarterly Meeting.

To quote the book's cover: "Together they have combed the archives of the Mission Inn Foundation/Museum and the Riverside Metropolitan Museum to superbly illustrate the storied past of this National Historic Landmark and international resort."

Both Kim and Steve are longtime docents at the Mission Inn. First, they will present projected photographic images highlighting the Mission Inn and answer your questions. Copies of the books will be available for purchase, personalizing and signing.

# Heritage Home Awards by Julie Stern

CHPS is proud to announce that a monetary award will accompany the presentation of Heritage Home award plaques and certificates for 2006 and 2007. The awards will be presented to four homeowners. Two of these are for 2006 that were unable to be presented at the annual holiday party and two for this year. In addition to the Heritage Home plaque, suitable for permanent installation on the structure, and a certificate honoring the homeowner, a token cash award will accompany the awards to help defray, in some small way, the significant cost of restoration efforts that have met the criteria listed below.

The Society would like to encourage and foster more loving restoration or preservation of vintage homes. This award will recognize a structure as one of Corona's valuable historic homes. CHPS will award such recognition annually with the awards to be presented at the Old Tyme Picnic, so that the general public will be able to participate in this auspicious event. The award is a monetary gift of \$250.00.

## Criteria:

- 1) The homeowner's efforts will have resulted in the preservation of a home that might have been otherwise lost to blight, dilapidation and/or demolition.
- 2) Such efforts may also result in restoring a structure to original or near original condition and/or historical correctness.
- 3) Property must be listed on the city's Heritage Inventory List .
- 4) Restoration must be historically accurate.
- 5) Must involve substantial renovation resulting in restoration of structural integrity, architectural designs, construction materials (doors, windows, flooring, etc.) and fixtures.

If you are interested in being considered for this award and believe that you have met the criteria listed above, please contact CHPS at 951.898.2044 and leave a message.

## 2003, 2004 & 2005 Heritage Home Award recipients



## Mayor's Heritage Ball April 21, 2007



*Hotel Del Rey*  
CORONA, CALIFORNIA

**At South Plaza of Corona City Hall  
400 South Vicentia at 7:00 P.M.  
"Crown Jewels"**

This elegant formal affair is sponsored by the Corona Heritage Foundation with proceeds to benefit the Hotel Del Rey renovation project.

For information or sponsorship opportunities, please call Rachel Rola at 951.264.0800.



1887 - 1937



1937 - Present

*The Corona Historic Preservation Society  
Invites You to Join Us for the  
Dedication of Historic Marker #13  
Commemorating the  
Corona Santa Fe Depots*

*Monday, March 5, 2007*

*2:00 p.m.*

*Corona Depot at 150 Depot Drive*



*Call Mary Winn at 371.5291 for further information*

## Corona Paper Route by Gilbert Belcher

I think it was in 1941 and 1942, I had a paper route. The paper was the *Evening Herald Express*, printed in Los Angeles, California.

I'd ride my bike to school one and a half miles. I could almost coast down town after school to get my papers. They sold for five cents of which I got one and a half cents if it was a delivery paper; if the paper was sold on the street, the seller got one cent per paper.

My route, which I developed myself, had at times twenty to thirty-five customers, some a half mile apart. We lived at 1203 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street, one and a half miles from the center of town.

There was a vacant lot between the theater and the Studebaker agency and three boys had a Model A Ford roadster. They got out of school early and raced into L.A., fifty-five miles, to get the papers. They folded papers and met paper boys at the lot.

All rubber went to the war effort so there were no rubber bands to put around papers. A good job of folding allowed one to throw a paper to the house.

I had several customers close together on 6th Street which helped to lessen the weight as the last of the route was long. If there was big war



news, the paper had "Extra" in big red letters and I would get ten extra copies in hopes of selling them.

The last place on the west side of Corona was the Tri-Angle Café and beer joint. That is where I would sell the extra papers from my last delivery paper on Smith Street; it was half a mile to the Tri-Angle Café. My mind, at this point, was torn between a big candy bar or to listen to "The Bob Wills Band" play "The Steel Guitar Rag" on the jukebox. I most always spent a nickel there.

It was one quarter mile home and dark (already). Mom saved a meal for me. She always kept my paper records and she'd say, "Gilbert, you're losing five cents a day." I never told her of my Indulgence..

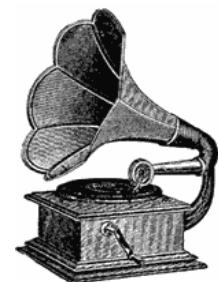
*Note: Mr. Belcher wrote a booklet sharing lifetime experiences, especially during World War II, and sent a copy to CHPS. He graduated from Corona High with the class of "45" and continues to attend class reunions. This photo was scanned from his booklet and was taken in 2002. This story was sent to CHPS in addition to his booklet.*



## The Society's Ongoing Activities



- Monthly Board Meetings
- Bimonthly Newsletter
- Historic Marker Program
- Annual Cemetery Walk at Sunnyslope Cemetery
- Annual Heritage Home Awards
- Oral History Program
- Annual Holiday Party
- Educational Seminars and Field Trips
- Community Preservation Projects
- Vintage Home Relocation Assistance
- Historic Preservation Information and Assistance



Speakers and Slide Presentations are Available to Service Clubs and Social Organizations for Meeting Programs

Architectural Salvage Items and Materials Available to Members

## Membership Information

**When joining or renewing your membership, please make out your tax deductible check to CHPS.**

Individual Member	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>I'd like to volunteer for:</b>
Family	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Programs <input type="checkbox"/>
Student	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Membership Activities <input type="checkbox"/>
Business	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Relations <input type="checkbox"/>
Patron	\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Board of Directors <input type="checkbox"/>
Life	\$500.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/>

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Gift from \_\_\_\_\_



Membership Status: Renewal  New

**Please complete and mail to:**

**CHPS**

**P.O. Box 2904**

**Corona, CA 92878**



## We Welcome Our New & Continuing Members

**Tony & Carol Ackerman**  
**Corona-Norco Teachers Association**  
**Glenn & Christine Gary**  
**Hazel & Barbara Lohman**  
**Robert & Ruth Kremer**

**Rachel Rola & Phyllis Russell (Patron)**  
**Stan & Michell Skipworth**  
**Bill & Karen Stein**  
**Clyde R. Tracy**  
**Michelle Watts**

## Old Riverside Foundation's May 19<sup>th</sup> Event

**Vintage Home Tour, Restoration Faire and Vintage Mercantile**  
**Saturday, May 19, 2007 10 am - 5 pm**

Tickets are \$15 pre-sale and \$18 day of tour. Tickets may be purchased at [www.olderiverside.org](http://www.olderiverside.org) and are also available at these Riverside locations: Mrs. Tiggy-winkles, Mission Galleria, Center Lumber and A to Z Printing. Tour includes self-guided visit to seven historic structures, Restoration Faire, including suppliers, artists and craftspeople, and the Vintage Mercantile, featuring antiques and collectibles.



## Board of Directors

President - Julie Stern  
Vice President - Christine Gary  
Secretary - Kathleen Dever  
Treasurer Richard Winn

### Directors:

Aaron Hake  
John Kane  
John Land  
Mary Winn

### Directors Emeritus

Marla Benson  
Janette Neumann  
Ted Taylor



To contact us call  
**951.898.2044**  
And leave a message



## 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.**

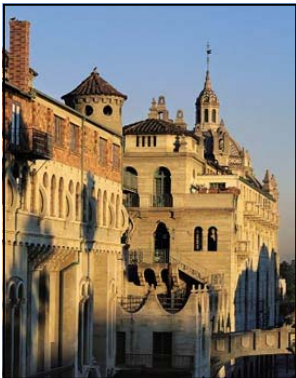
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**Thursday, March 15, 6:30 at 824 Sheridan**

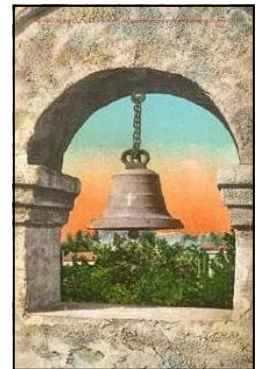
**Thursday, April 19, 6:30 at CHPS office**



P.O. Box 2904  
Corona, California 92878-2904



**Mission Inn**



**Mission Inn Bell**

**Join us on March 10 at 10 am to learn more  
about Riverside's Mission Inn See page 3**