



50th Anniversary 1972—2022



CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Stacy Hensle

Lakeside Historical Society held our general meeting in September, after a long summer break.

It was free pizza night and we had a great turnout with over 60 people in attendance. A big thank you to Janis Shackelford and Pennie McMahon for preparation and set up for this event. Many of our member volunteers also helped setup, from arranging tables, prepping and clean-up for our general meeting. Thank you to all the volunteers who made the wonderful salads, they were very tasty. Thanks to Penne Thacher for baking all the wonderful cookies for the meeting. Very delicious!

Mark Turvey, one of our life members, donated some historical glass bottles that were found recently when the Helix Water District was repairing a major water line break near Lindo Lake. They date back to the 1940s and will be a great addition to our Lakeside Museum. David Lewis from the Pioneer Museum in Julian was introduced. Rob Harding presented him with 1932 Julian Rodeo Program which had been donated to the Lakeside Historical Society.

After the presentations, the guest speaker for the night was Fred Wills from the Mountain Empire Historical Society. Fred's presentation was on covered wagons and the early trails they would take from San Diego into Mexico and Jacumba and then up the grade to Imperial County border. We learned a lot and it was quite interesting.

Christmas is just around the corner and the elves will soon be busy setting up for the Christmas Resale Shoppe. We are now accepting donations for our Christmas shop.



Mrs. Claus' 2022
CHRISTMAS RESALE SHOPPE
 Lakeside Historical Society
 9906 Maine Avenue in Downtown Lakeside
Come and see our cornucopia of color and Christmas fun!

Lights
 Baskets
 Glassware
 Ornaments
 Knick Knacks
 Children's Items
 Wall Decorations
 Floral Arrangements

Grand Opening: Thursday, December 1
 Open December 1st through December 22nd
 Tuesdays-Thursdays & Saturdays* from 10 am to 1 pm
 Fridays from 11:30 am to 3 pm
 (619)561-1886
***OPEN ALL DAY:**
Saturday, December 3, 2022 from 10am to 8pm
In conjunction with the Spirit of Christmas on Maine Avenue!

****Volunteers needed for Christmas Shoppe unpacking & setup! Tuesday, November 22 at 9 a.m. ****

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING LHS EVENTS

MUSEUM MEETING: Thu, Nov 3 @ 10am

BOARD MEETING: Thu, Nov 10 @ 10am

CHRISTMAS SHOPPE SETUP: Tue, Nov 22 @ 9am

Volunteers needed!

GENERAL MEETING: Mon, Nov 28 @ 6pm

Elections & Dessert

Early Christmas Shoppe open for members who attend!

COMING IN DECEMBER

Spirit of Christmas: Sat, Dec 3

Mrs. Claus' Christmas Resale Shoppe: Dec 1—22

MUSEUM, GIFT SHOP & ARCHIVES

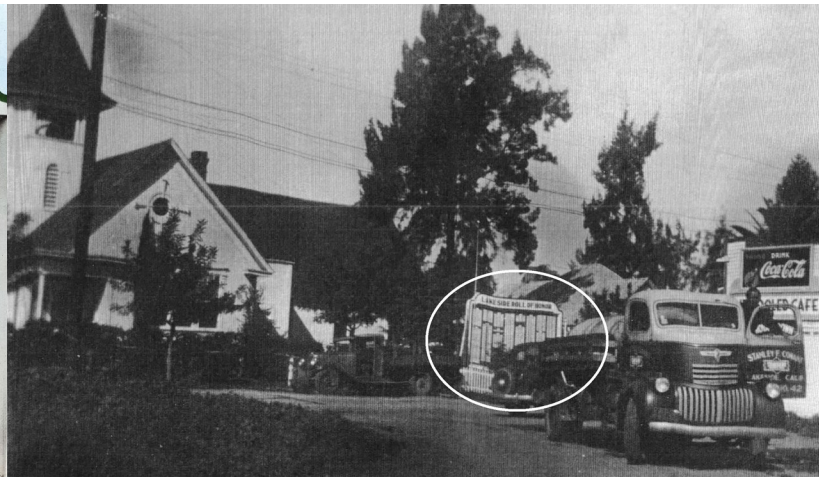
OPEN: Tues, Wed, Thu & Sat from 10am - 1pm

CLOSED: Sun, Mon & Fri

ARCHIVES WILL BE CLOSED IN DECEMBER

Meetings & events are held at LHS History Center unless noted

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE LAKESIDE ROLL OF HONOR?



The Lakeside Roll of Honor once stood proudly in the front yard of the old community church on Maine Avenue. This memorial was dedicated on November 11, 1944, with only 173 names initially on it (per a San Diego Union photo and story), so these photos came later than that. The final resting place of this local WWII monument are one of our history's mysteries. (LHS Archives)

When people ask about Lakeside history, the same questions often come up: Were there any cemeteries here? (No.) Why did they tear down the Lakeside Inn? (Long story.) Why do they call it Lakeside? (uh ... the lake.) But another common question has yet to be answered and continues to be one of Lakeside history's biggest mysteries: Whatever happen to the WWII Honor Roll?

In case you aren't familiar with it, the Honor Roll was displayed in front of the then-Lakeside Community Presbyterian Church on Maine Avenue, to pay respect to the local boys fighting across the seas during World War II.

The names of our Lakesiders were originally displayed on the El Cajon Honor Roll board, but a War Memorial Fund Committee was formed to create an independent group to honor Lakeside soldiers. The first meeting was held in October 1944 and the group wanted to set the dedication for Armistice (now Veterans) Day on the following November 11th. They authorized the board to "serve" until one year after victory in WWII (they were confident). The yard in front of the community church was selected for the monument.

Considerable money was spent by Lakeside merchants for the construction. Materials were donated by L.F. Lake, Herman Schiller built and installed it, and flood lights were donated by T.B. Smiley. An anonymous donor supplied the materials and paint. As the committee had wished, the Honor Roll Board was formally dedicated on November 11, 1944.

The names of 173 were initially displayed on the board, which eventually grew by about 100 more, including at least five "Gold Star" to commemorate our boys who had given their lives in the war effort.

The plan was always for a larger, more permanent memorial. Though exactly how long it stood in front of the old church is not known (maybe as late as 1948), the Honor Roll was eventually to be moved to the new War Memorial Building, then under construction, and erected at the entrance of the auditorium. But did it ever get there? No one seems to know.

An undated newspaper story indicated the Honor Roll "reportedly" moved to the front of the War Memorial Building when construction started there. Alas, this report cannot be substantiated – anyway, it took years to complete that building (a story in itself). So the original Honor Roll seems to have vanished from history.

For many years, people have been asking just where that memorial could possibly have gone. There are those who believe it's wasting away in someone's old barn but, unfortunately, the Cedar Fire destroyed most of those in 2003. The sad truth is the monument is probably buried in some old landfill.

LHS has a few good photos of the original Honor Roll, with the names very legible, so a reproduction is not out of the question. Where to put it and who might fund it is a valid question that will need to be answered if such a project is undertaken. In the meantime, you can check some of our veterans engraved in the granite block below the flag pole at the Lakeside VFW.



LHS MEMBERSHIP FEES REMINDER

It's now time for your 2023 dues. Please help us continue to preserve and share the history of Lakeside. Call us at (619)561-1886 if you have any questions. We appreciate your support!

**California Statewide
General Election**
November 8, 2022



50th Anniversary

A little more than 50 years ago (below): a description of our town from the San Diego Evening Tribune on June 20, 1935.

Lakeside

Situated 22 miles from San Diego is Lakeside with a population of 600.

A large proportion of the milk supply for San Diego comes from the Lakeside district and tributary territory. This is also an important producer of deciduous and citrus fruits as well as vegetables.

Within the heart of Lakeside is a 70-acre park, owned and maintained by the county.

ANNUAL BOARD ELECTIONS

The annual Board of Directors elections are upon us once again. Here are the current nominations:

PRESIDENT: Stacy Hensle & Gary Mitrovich (as co-presidents)

VICE PRESIDENT: Rob Harding

SECRETARY: Catherine Wolpers

TREASURER: Gordon Shackelford

Further nominations will be accepted up to and at the November General Meeting, scheduled for Monday, November 28 at 6pm, when the annual election will be held. This is a short but important meeting. We will serve coffee and dessert and – as a special bonus – those attending will get a sneak peek at the upcoming Christmas Resale Shoppe, opening to the public on December 1. Bring some cash – early purchases are welcome, but only for meeting attendees.

In Remembrance

Carolyn Bass

January 3, 1941—September 14, 2022

Ron Badgerow (Grace Parrott's partner)

July 18, 1943—May 19, 2022

HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS

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OCTOBER MILESTONES

NEW MEMBERS

Andrew Hayes (LIFETIME)

C. Dex Dexheimer

Alex Mitrovich

BIRTHDAYS

02 Melinda Bowman Brown

04 Laurel Robbins Nielsen

04 Allan Niebrugge

04 Jeanne Taylor

04 Daniel Seybert

07 Michele Ditomaso Silva

07 Dan Moody

08 Barbara Moyer

08 Caprice Sander

10 Winnie Wilkinson

10 Dorothy Combs

11 Grace Parrott

13 Anita Moody

13 John Linden

14 Alex Mitrovich

14 Normand Croteau

14 Rick Markle

16 Mitch Mitchell

16 C. Dex Dexheimer

17 Jo Ann Dutton

17 Bob Clark

20 Barney Smiley

20 Christopher Whitmore

22 John Digenan

22 Greg Johnson

22 Araceli Orona

23 Nancy Bradbury

24 Donna Swennes

24 Stacy Hensle

24 Rhonda Taylor

25 Joan Tilley

27 Paula Armstrong

28 Walter Kephart

ANNIVERSARIES

Thomas & Mary Klippel – 59 yrs

Charles Wesley & Lona Brown, Jr. – 53 yrs

Michael & Lynette Doherty – 53 yrs

Christopher & Jean Whitmore – 42 yrs

Jay & Les Quarles – 37 yrs

George & Anna Robeson – 34 yrs

Vince & Araceli Orona – 20 yrs

Daniel & Ashley Seybert – 6 yrs

Ron & Debi Norton



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FROM THE ARCHIVES: LAKESIDE FEED STORE

The original Lakeside Feed Store was located at Laurel Street and Maine Avenue (the current site of Eastbound Bar & Grill). The feed store was destroyed by fire in 1938. Manager Ernie Nelson moved to a new location, mid-block between Laurel and Lakeshore, on the east side. In 1947, Harold Bacon erected a new building at Maine and Parkside and Nelson moved his business there (*photo above*). The Railway Express was also located in this building. The building still stands and is the home of the Garage Door and Gate Store. (*From the "Legends of Lakeside," 1986.*)



***Lakeside Historical Society* ANNUAL BOARD ELECTIONS**

Monday, November 28, 2022 @ 6 P.M.
Olde Community Church
9906 Maine Avenue - Lakeside

General Meeting & Elections

A brief meeting to elect our 2023 Board
Coffee & Dessert will be served!
PLUS: A SNEAK PEAK AT OUR
CHRISTMAS SHOPPE!

For questions or information, please call (619) 561-1886