

Carson City Historical Society

& Foundation for the Betterment of Carson City Parks and Recreation

Foreman-Roberts House Museum & Wungnema House

June 2013 Newsletter - David Bugli, Interim Editor

"Down the Garden Path" Garden and Historic House Tour Sat., June 22

The Carson City Historical Society invites you to visit private gardens and historic homes, speak with their gardeners and hear the history of the homes on Sat., June 22, 2013, from noon to 4:30 p.m. One of the homes on the tour will be the Bliss Mansion.

At 4:30 p.m., there will be a reception for all attendees at 214 W. King St., in the garden. There you will have an opportunity to speak with several experts in the plant and gardening fields, including David and Julie Ruf from the Greenhouse Garden Center, JoAnne Skelly from the UNR Co-operative Extension, Tom Henderson from Healthy Trees and David Zhart, the "Bee Man." Wine and refreshments will be served.



The Mark Twain Garden Club will have unique bird feeders for sale at the reception. The Garden Club has been in Carson City since 1949, and in 2010 it was recognized as Organization of the Year by the Foundation for the Betterment of Carson City Parks and Recreation.

Tickets are only \$10 per person or \$8 for Historical Society members. For details call Paula Cannon at 775-887-8865. Tickets may be purchased starting June 1 at the Greenhouse Garden Center, 2450 S. Curry St. or at Due Sorella (Two Sisters, antiques and gifts), 202 N. Curry St.

On the day of the tour, tickets can be purchased at the Foreman-Roberts House, 1207 N. Carson St., from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. For more information call Paula Cannon, Mary DeFelice at 775-882-0916, or Jan Perry at 775-884-1448.

Upcoming Lectures

Plans are afoot for CCHS to present monthly lectures on the third Thursday of each month. These events are free and open to the public. They are presented by the Carson City Historical Society in cooperation with the Carson City Library. If you have suggestions for future lectures, please contact David Bugli at 775-883-4154. Here is some information on the first two lectures:

Author Sally Mooney to Lecture on Sunnyside Ranch, Thur., June 20

Sally Whipple Mosher Mooney will present a free lecture called "On the Sunnyside of Life," based on her book by the same name, at the Carson City Library on Thur., June 20, at

6:00 p.m. Her book is a fascinating collection of short stories about life on an isolated cattle ranch, Sunnyside Ranch, in eastern Nevada, where she grew up. She writes, "When I read stories of women on ranches, I wonder if I should consider myself a ranch woman at all. I lost that life when I was twenty years old. Then I realize in my heart I have never left the ranch. It is where I will always be. If you'd ever lived a cowboy life, it will forever define who you are. Those years defined who I am from my work ethic to my love of being outdoors and alone." Ms. Mooney is a retired schoolteacher who taught at Bordewich-Bray Elementary School and Eagle Valley Middle School.



Tom Henderson Presents "Walking Lecture" on the History of Trees in Carson City, Thur., July 18

In the peaceful, evening shade of the many trees that blanket the once-barren Capitol Grounds, join Tom Henderson, a Certified Tree Risk Assessor and an ISA Certified Arborist, as he presents a free "walking lecture" on the "History of Trees in Carson City" on Thur., July 18, at 6:00 p.m. Last year, as part of the CCHS's Garden Tour, Tom gave a similar "tree walk" in this serene, park-like setting. The Carson area



of the Eastern Sierra is home to many beautiful trees. Many of the Eastern ornamental trees planted by George Washington Gale Ferris, Sr. (father of the inventor of the Ferris wheel) in the late 1800s still adorn the Capitol grounds. Carson City is

home to 25 Nevada champion trees, some on the Capitol grounds. Tom will share insights into what the fossil record shows us of some of the earliest tree species in our area.

Thomas Henderson is the President and Owner of Healthy Trees, Inc. He is also known in Carson City as founder of the Fruit Barons, a group of volunteers who pick fruit and donate the harvest to several local charitable organizations. You can find him on stage with the Carson Chamber Singers and Consort Conzona (early music), where he sings bass. He "grew up" in Raleigh, North Carolina, and has lived in Carson City since 1980. His website is www.healthytreesonline.com.



The Carson City Historical Society (CCHS) is located at the Foreman-Roberts House Museum, 1207 North Carson St., Carson City, Nevada. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 1864, Carson City, NV 89702-1864.

The CCHS and the Foundation for the Betterment of Carson City Parks and Recreation (Park Foundation) are 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations and maintain the Foreman-Roberts House Museum and the Wungnema House.

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Loretta Williams

Flea Market/Yard Sales at Foreman-Roberts House July 6 and Aug. 17

We are planning to have two flea markets/yard sales at the Foreman-Roberts House, on July 6 and Aug. 17, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The vendor rent proceeds from these Saturday-only sales will be donated to the Carson City Historical Society. The vendors for these sales must have items for sale that are considered antique or collectible. The CCHS will also have a table to sell donated items.

If you have antiques or collectible items to be donated, or if you are interested in setting up at these sales, call Mary DeFelice at 775-882-0916.

Foreman-Roberts House 2012 Yard Sales A Success by Mary DeFelice

Two yard sales were held at Foreman-Roberts House Park this past summer. With the help of many of our members, these were a great success. More than 12 vendors and lots of customers were at each sale. Many of the people who came to buy remarked they were happy to see we were having the sales again.

Thank you to the members who so graciously helped out. Darlene Larkin and Nanci Adams sold donated items at both sales, and the proceeds went to the CCHS. Paula Cannon gave tours of the house and helped in many ways. Darlene Larkin, Nina Spradlin and Sharron Baldwin helped to distribute flyers before the sales. Gary and Jennifer Cain helped with set up and take down, and Sharron Baldwin helped with set up the day before the sale.



Long time CCHS member Craig Forster in vendor space at the yard sale, last year.

Loretta Williams, Nanci Adams, Darlene Larkin and Jim Capistrant donated many wonderful items to be sold to benefit the CCHS. Thank you!!

With the sales of donated items and vendor fees, over \$700 was given to the CCHS.

Carriage House Going Out to Bid

The Carriage House project has reached the final stage according to Scott Fahrenbruck, Director of Operations, CC Parks and Recreation. The request is going out to bid. We hope construction will begin this summer.

Carson City Historical Society Hosts Ice Cream Social Sat., Aug. 3, 2013

Come join the fun on a cool summer evening when the Carson City Historical Society hosts their annual Ice Cream Social. The Ice Cream Social will be held on Sat., Aug. 3, 2013, at Foreman-Roberts House Park, 1207 North Carson St.



The Millennium Bugs, with David Bugli, will perform from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Other details are pending.

This event will be on the first Saturday of the "Jazz & Beyond: Carson City Music Festival," which has been celebrated in Carson City in one form or another each August since 2004. For more information on the festival, go to JazzCarsonCity.com.

Report of Annual Meeting Last September

The annual meeting of CCHS & FBCCPR was held on Sun., Sept. 30, 2012, at Gold Canyon Steakhouse in Dayton. The following officers were elected: Gary Cain, Pres. of CCHS; David Bugli, Pres. of FBCCPR; Janet Perry and David Bugli, VPs of CCHS; Jo Saulisberry, VP of FBCCPR; Chuck Saulisberry, Treas. of CCHS & FBCCPR; and Loretta Williams, Sec. of CCHS & FBCCPR. It was reported that in the 12-1/2 months leading up to the annual meeting, CCHS-FBCCPR had presented or listed 20 activities. Following the meeting, many attendees took the opportunity to tour the Dayton Historical Society's museum.

Carson City Parks & Rec Awards Recognition Ceremony Held on Mon., Nov. 12, 2012

The Foundation for the Betterment of Carson City Parks and Recreation presented Special Recognition Awards to the 2012 recipients at a brief ceremony at 3:00 p.m. on Nov. 12, 2012. Several dozen people were in attendance. The awards were for the following:

- **Volunteer of the Years - Greg Davis** - True leader in youth sports in general and YSA and youth soccer specifically.
- **Volunteer of the Year - Jeff Potter** - Enthusiastic supporter and builder of trails on Carson City's west side.
- **Organization of the Year - GROW** (Gardeners Reclaiming Our Waysides) - No other organization has made such a one-time big year splash to improve the appearance of Carson City while at the same time providing thought provoking enhancements to our Carson City Freeway project.
- **Business of the Year - Finest Fence LLC** - They have had a long relationship with Carson City Parks and Recreation, and have a long history of excellent customer service.

Each recipient's name was placed on the monument in Mill Park at the entrance to the Pony Express Pavilion. The selection of award recipients is a cooperative effort of the Carson City Parks & Recreation Department, the Foundation for the Betterment of Carson City Parks and Recreation (FBCCPR), and the Carson City Historical Society. In addition, the names of Caden Tyler Huarte and Vickie C. Rybak were added to the wall of memory. Two new benches were added near the Memorial Wall.

Annual CCHS Christmas Party Sun., Dec. 16, 2012

The Carson City Historical Society's Christmas party was Sun., Dec. 16, 2012, at the Bliss Mansion from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. The Bliss served as a marvelous venue for this annual event, and CCHS is grateful to the mansion owners, Steve and Cyndy Brenneman, for opening their historic home to us.

Guests enjoyed the festive holiday afternoon with hors d'oeuvres, wine,

and two kinds of entertainment. Dr. Michael E. Fischer, well-known Chautauqua speaker, treated us to his impersonation of Governor John Sparks. This was a fun way to learn about one of Nevada's most colorful Governors, whose home, The Alamo, was re-sited on Old Hwy 395. Probably you have been curious about the yellow house sitting in the curve of the hill. That's it! Also, Consort Trio (a trio from the popular Consort Canzona including harpsichord, cello, and recorder) performed a variety of music at the party.

Death of Darlene Ricco

Darlene Ricco, a member of CCHS who was long active in the betterment of her community, died Feb. 10 at age 69. She was very proud of her work in the mental health field. She is missed by members of the Society and by others who knew her.

Fashion Show Cancelled

The Nevada State Museum's Victorian Fashion Show had been scheduled for March 17, but it had to be cancelled this year. Many of us remember the first Fashion Show, with light snow falling while we were sitting in the Museum concourse watching Victorian dancing and hearing Victorian music. Many of us hope that such a beautiful experience can be repeated sometime in the future.

Membership for 2013 Due

Membership fees were due Jan. 1, 2013. If you have already renewed, THANK YOU! If you have not renewed your membership for 2013, please send your check to Chuck Saulisberry, Carson City Historical Society, P.O. Box 1864, Carson City, NV 89702-1864. Single membership is still \$25 and family membership is \$35. Membership includes our newsletter plus an opportunity to attend many historical events.

If your name is not listed below, there is a chance that you did not renew your membership for this year.

Members, as of Mid-May include Eric H. Archer, Sandra M. Bell, David & Elinor Bugli, Margaret Joan Byerly, Gary Cain & Jennifer Verive, Paula D. Cannon, James G. Capistrant, Kathleen Davies, Stephen E. Drew, Dr. Michael

E. Fischer, Craig A. Forster, Geraldine Grzenia, Jean & Bud Hamilton, Marvin & Sharon Kientz, Joe Lushina, Gillian Mellor, Paula Morton, Kiyoshi & Bonnie Nishikawa, Jan Perry, Jeanelle Pevey, Robert & Thelma Roberts, Chuck & Jo Saulisberry, Peter Smith & Patricia Cooper, Rita Tessaro, and James R. & Mae R. Thorpe.

Financial Report for Period Ending Dec. 31, 2012

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - Carson City Historical Society & Foundation for the Betterment of Carson City Parks and Recreation. Combined Account

9/1/11-12/31/12		
	INCOME	EXPENSE
Yard sales	\$776.00	\$232.56
Museum sales	500.00	0.00
Garden Tour	820.00	60.00
RH Home tours	624.00	0.00
Member dues	910.00	20.00
Social Events	2,696.28	1,886.38
Fashion Show	1,209.88	302.24
Donations	445.00	0.00
Park Foundation rentals:		
Wungnema House	1,695.00	0.00
Foreman-Roberts House	0.00	0.00
Park Fnd - Savings Account	22.01	0.00
Park Fnd - Memorial Wall	320.00	704.30
Raffle income	30.00	0.00
Total Income, as of 12/31/12	\$10,048.17	

Sec. of State Office Lists	300.00
Advertising	206.05
Liability Insurance	848.00
Newsletter	95.49
Green House Project (Note - Donation)	150.00
P. O. Box rent	\$144.00
Clean Roberts House	75.00
Total expenses, as of 12/31/12	\$5024.02

YEAR END SUMMARY

Income - 9/1/11-12/31/12	\$10,048.17
Expense - 9/1/11-12/31/12	\$6,068.02
Income over Expense -	\$3,980.15

Check book (includes both the CCHS & Park Foundation Operations Funds - as of 12/31/12)	
Checkbook, business account -	\$16,242.85
Park Foundation, savings acct. -	58,750.12*
Park Foundation, interest -	5.00
Total funds	\$74,997.97

*These funds are in a separate savings account and are earmarked for future construction of The Carriage House addition to the Foreman-Roberts House Museum.

Editor's Apology

A former sister-in-law used to have an embroidered display in her kitchen, which said, "The faster I go, the behinder I get." Well, that's what seemed to have happened to me. Our last official newsletter was in August. My intention was to get out our newsletter quarterly, but it didn't happen. I want to thank Gary Cain and Jennifer Verive for stepping in and sending out a one-page "newsy" letter in March that covered some of my lapses. I hope to redeem myself and get back to producing four newsletters each year. So, plan on seeing newsletters each January, April, June, and September. The deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of the month before newsletter publication, so please get me your Sept. newsletter material by Aug. 15. *-David Bagli*

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Some Upcoming CCHS events:

Thur., June 20, 6 p.m. - Sally Mooney Lecture "On the Sunnyside of Life," at CC Library

Sat., June 22, noon to 4:30 p.m. - Garden & Historic House Tour

Sat., July 6, 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Yard Sale at Foreman-Roberts House

Thur., July 18, 6 p.m. - Tom Henderson "Walking Lecture" on "History of CC Trees," at Capitol Grounds

Sat., Aug. 3, 6 p.m. (possibly earlier) to 8 p.m. - Ice Cream Social at Foreman-Roberts House

**Application to join Carson City Historical Society
& Foundation for the Betterment of Carson City Parks & Recreation**

Membership for individual \$25, for Family \$35

Please fill out the attached application and send with check to:

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Name: _____

Address: _____

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