April 2018 Newsy Letter (Regular Edition) April 14, 2018 Carson City Historical Society

Greetings, CCHS members and friends,

We are in the final busy days of getting the Foreman-Roberts House, Carriage House, yard, signs, and other things ready for our BIG event next Sunday, April 22, from 10 to 4. I know most of you have received the beautiful colored flyer about the Earth Day Garden Festival already but I wanted to share with you a few items that may further encourage your attendance:

First, there is a "new look" to the front two rooms in the house. We have added narrative signage and additional photos of the Roberts family and of Solomon Foreman, plus several new items have been added to our displays.

The antique topographical map of the Lake Tahoe region purchased by CCHS several years ago has been framed and hung in the middle room and is quite interesting!

The framed "Resolutions" to Abraham Curry's family upon his death from the "Improved Order of Redmen" is described and reprinted. Did you know this fraternal order was originally formed by the Boston Tea Party participants?

An original Carson City street map from 1940, donated by John and Bonnie Bullis, is now on display. How tiny we were in 1940!

Docents will be on hand to tell you the story of the Roberts family and more about our "new" items. There is lots of interesting information about the family, and Solomon Foreman, that you may not know.

The new exhibit in the Carriage House outlining the history of the Leisure Hour Club, a literary and social club founded in 1896 in Carson City, is ready for viewing. The sign from the original LHC building has been donated to CCHS and the story of the club shared in their exhibit. The group is still thriving with over 100 members proving that many people never want to stop learning, no matter their age.

Below is the press release that is going to the newspaper this week. Please plan to attend and bring family and friends. And, pray for good weather!

Hope to see you on April 22!

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Press Release:

Earth Day Garden Festival, Sunday, April 22

The Carson City Historical Society along with the Mark Twain Garden Club, the Desert Gardeners and the Sierra Desert Garden Club is holding a Garden Festival on Sunday, April 22, Earth Day, from 10 am to 4 pm. The festivities will be in the Foreman-Roberts House Park, 1207 North Carson Street. In addition to displays by the garden clubs, there will be a video presentation of the four seasons of Carson City gardens in the Carriage House. The Bee Club will give a presentation and answer questions concerning bee keeping, and the Green House Garden Center will be available for questions and information. The Green House Project at Carson High will also be represented. The Foreman-Roberts House Museum will be open for free tours for the first time since it was damaged by fire in 2016.

There will be a raffle of more than 25 lovely gift baskets with the intriguing titles of "Never Promised You a Rose Garden So, Grow Succulents!!," "Gnome is Gardening," and "Tote of Knowledge." Tickets for the raffle are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Included in the raffle are gift certificates from Red's Old 395 Grill, Due Sorella, The Green House Garden Center, Touched by Angels, and others.

Vendors will also be selling antiques, collectibles and crafts at a flea market on Rice Street adjacent to the Foreman-Roberts House Park. Food and drinks will be available from John Hurzel's Nevada Nosh Food Truck. For more information contact Paula Cannon at 775-887-8865.