

Carson City Historical Society



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Newsletter for January 2023

by Sue Ballew, President

(with editing contributions from Noni Hayes)

This past Holiday Season started in the best possible way – our annual Christmas party, held at the Carriage House. There was a little something for everyone in Santa’s bag.

For our Basque aficionados, we were honored to host Dr. Michael Fischer, a renowned and highly respected historian in Nevada, who provided a presentation about Dominique Laxalt, the prototypical Basque whose life was a journey from the French Pyrenees to Minnesota Street in Carson City.



Foodies in our Society (and that may be an all-inclusive category) were delighted with appetizers from “A Catered Affaire,” and, as usual, the quality and variety were an early holiday gift. Those bestowed with luck enjoyed a 50-50 drawing with multiple prizes.

And then, maybe the nicest gift for all of us – presenting the slate of officers, our dedicated members who will give time, effort and talent to making the coming year the best possible success

story for all members of the Carson City Historical Society.

I will continue serving as the president with the immense help and support of the following:



Figure 1: (l to r) Kiyoshi Nishikawa, Treasurer; Pam Abercrombie, Membership; Liz Cain, 1st Vice President; Sue Ballew, President; David Bugli, Secretary. Not pictured are Donna McLaren, Facilities; and Travis Legatske, 2nd Vice President.

- Liz Cain, first vice president
- Travis Legatske, second vice president
- Kiyoshi Nishikawa, treasurer
- David Bugli, secretary
- Donna McLaren, facilities
- Kim Harris, events
- Pam Abercrombie, membership

The two new board-sters are Kim and Pam. Kim works at Dangberg Ranch and is a skilled Chautauquan. Pam is a grant writer for Washoe County and volunteers at the Sutro Tunnel project. Leaving the Board with our warmest thanks are Kat Long and Chris Pattison.

DUES DUE

If you have not done so, please send in your 2023 dues NOW. We have such a fabulous year planned, and we don't want you missing out on anything, including discounts for your membership during the year. *Payment for those who paid late in 2022, your dues are not due again until 2024.* A membership form is available in this newsletter.



VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS TOUR SETS NEW RECORD!

Figure 1: Donna McLaren and Sam stopped at the Bank Saloon, the last location on tour.



Figure 2: Kim Harris portraying Annie Roberts, matriarch of the James D. Roberts family, giving a "tour of her home."



Figure 2: Christmas Tour at Foreman-Roberts House, featuring the Adele's dollhouse reproduction donated by Diane Bertrum and painted by Woodworking Specialties. This dollhouse was made from the original home blueprints.



Figure 4: Interior of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, one of the Victorian tour locations



Figure 5: "Joyful Noise, Carson Children's Choir" part of the Carson City Symphony with Director Michelle Powers and accompanied by Charles Ferrell on piano, sang in the Carriage House during the Victorian Christmas Tour.

In a year that was packed with special events, the Victorian Christmas tour of houses and buildings was one of the best and well-attended programs of 2022. Decorating was done at the Foreman-Roberts House and Carriage House.

Victorian Tea for Historical Society Ladies

Figure 1: The entrance to the Sandstone Inn (Rinckel Mansion)



On December 17, 2022, Paula Cannon made arrangements for our ladies to attend a Victorian Tea at the Sandstone Inn, a bed and breakfast newly established in Carson City. It was previously called the historic Rinckel Mansion. Our hostess was Sarah Martin, the gracious owner and hostess. Paula was sick and not able to attend the tea (that she put together). After a stay in the hospital, she is doing well now and recuperating at home. Please send her a card or note if you would like to wish her well: *Paula Cannon, 138 Rice Street, Carson City, Nevada 89706-3062*. She's not quite ready for visitors yet.



Figure 2: A lovely first floor reading nook.



Figure 3: An angel watches over all. She has been placed in the end of the hallway and is a breathtaking statue.



Figure 4: Liz Cain, our 1st Vice President, was sitting next to me at the tea.



Figure 3: Sarah Martin, owner, takes a tour group through the upstairs, showing the frescos.

New events 2023—

Please mark your calendars

- The Foreman-Roberts and Carriage House:
- We will be open again on Sunday, February 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. and continue to be open on Sundays depending on the weather. In the Carriage House are paintings, scenes and stories on “Notable Women of Eagle Valley,” the “Northern Nevada Children’s Home” display, and “Hats of the ‘30s and ‘40s”—on loan from Jo Saulisberry.
- The Vintage Market will be open the Summer of 2023. Come and meet Carson City Historical Society members and share some history. Call (775) 400-1166 for more information.

Foreman-Roberts and Carriage House:

- Monthly Historic Lectures at the Carriage House, free and open to the public. Dates and speakers TBA.
- Classes—painting, genealogy, line dance, etc. Carriage House. Cost and time TBA.
- April 2023--Mark Twain Days Festival, Carson City Historical Society sponsoring “Adventures of Huckleberry Finn” games: jumping frogs, fence painting, corn hole and croquet games in conjunction with Earth Day, Saturday, April 22, at the Foreman-Roberts Park and Carriage House. Times TBA.
- May 2023--Part 2 of “If Gowns Could Talk”--Time and date TBA.
- August 2023—Ice Cream Social and Victorian Garden Tour.
- December 2023—Christmas Party and Victorian Christmas Tour.

VINTAGE ITEMS FOR SALE

We are offering vintage items for sale, some of which remained after the recent Silent Auction. If you are interested, you can see them first-hand at the Foreman-Roberts House on Sunday afternoons from 1-3 p.m. Payment by check or cash, please.

- Crystal Punchbowl Lamp. One of a kind. Fashioned from Victorian-inspired punch bowls. \$55.00.
- Walnut bookcase. 5-tier with decorative borders. \$75.00.
- Oak rocking chair. \$75.00.
- Black iron bird cages and seed cups, dating from the thirties. Small cage is \$50.00. Larger is \$70.00. Both stand over five feet tall.
- Haviland Fine China set. 20 pieces made in Bavaria, Germany, in the “Forever Spring” floral pattern. \$75.00.
- Brown faux-fur length coat. Label is by White Bear of St. Paul, MN. \$35.00.



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Individual \$25	Household \$35	Patron \$50
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- Please mail your payment and this application form to:
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- Payment can also be made on line on our website:
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Upon receipt of your application and membership fees, you will begin receiving our electronic newsletter announcing society meetings and events. The Carson City Historical Society is a Nevada nonprofit organization. It is recognized as a nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation (EIN 94-2565777) under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations are tax deductible pursuant to section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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