

SAN JACINTO VALLEY MUSEUM ASSOCIATION



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San Jacinto Museum General Meeting



In May 2009, we were entertained by the San Jacinto High School Mariachi Music group under the direction of Jan Nichols. The response was so favorable that we have invited the group back for our program on May 21st. The mariachi group are all San Jacinto High school students. Please pass the word to your friends so we can have a good audience attendance at their performance.

Jack turns 81! Last July Nancy and I planned a river trip from Moscow to St. Petersburg in Russia for this May. This is also the 75th anniversary of the record setting Russian transpolar flight from Moscow to San Jacinto in 1937. They flew 10,000 kilometers (6,300 miles) in 62 hours non stop. The pilot, Mikhail Gromov, died in 1985, but his widow still lives in Moscow. The San Jacinto city officials want us to be ambassadors from our city and present Nina Gromov with a resolution commemorating her husband's accomplishment. We hope to meet Mrs. Gromov on Grand Circle travel's boat the M.S. Russia for dinner and present the resolution on May 5th to her. We met Nina when she was in San Jacinto in 1987 and again in 1994 when we escorted her around the San Jacinto Valley for one day. Our tour of Moscow will take us to the Novadevichy Cemetery where many famous Russians are buried. There is a large monument to Mikhail Gromov where we plan to take photos. We will tell you how it all works out at the May 21st meeting. The pot-luck will begin at 6 pm on the lawn in front of the Estudillo Mansion followed by the mariachis at 7 pm on the porch.

Jack Warneke, President

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The Mansion grounds were blessed recently with two big white ducks. They were a little anxious at first, running whenever anyone came close but became more friendly as food appeared. They made a terrible mess, especially after the Heritage event of April 14th. Now they have a permanent home at a place where there are other ducks and a lovely lake.

At the Heritage event 180 people signed in to the "sign-in book." There were lots of families so we estimated approximately 250 persons came through the house. At the Cinco de Mayo event, we used a "people counter" clicker and registered 368 people. Many commented on

the beauty of the Mansion.

As always, we are seeking new volunteers as docents, Call Becky 927-7367 or Marge 487-2467. Thank you.

Sharon



HELLO FROM BETTY JO AT THE MUSEUM



Betty Jo Dunham

April 14th was a busy day at the Museum and the Mansion grounds. First Peoples Day and Heritage Day and the Ramona Play Parade ended here. I counted 220 people who visited the museum. I stayed until 4:00 pm and Jack stayed until 7:00 pm.

The Ramona Play started April 20th with a dress rehearsal for valley fourth graders. Sharon, Mary and I were at the bowl helping in their museum store. It was a very hot day for the 4000 kids. It was very nice to see Phil Brigandi, the Ramona Historian, and talk with him.

We had a visit from a couple from Glendale visit before they saw the play but also to take in as much of our local history as they could.

Ann Jennings from the Hemet Museum came over and gave us the Journals of Earl Howland Ingalls years of 1930-1938. The Journals are about life on the ranch and day to day living. I worked for E.H. Ingalls and his father E.O. Ingalls, They were on the Board of Directors of the First National Bank of San Jacinto.

Membership dues are due in May,. Please send to P.O. Box 922, San Jacinto, CA 92581.

PS: Just had two ladies stop in to visit on their way to the play.,

See you at the potluck and bring a friend.

Betty Jo

There comes a time in life, when you walk away from all the drama and people who create it. You surround yourself with people who make you laugh, forget the bad, and focus on the good. So, love the people who treat you right. Think good thoughts for the ones who don't. Life is too short to be anything but happy. Falling down is part of LIFE... Getting back up is LIVING...Have a great life. (:

Correction to March 2012 Newsletter

The Soviet Trans-Polar flight in 1937 did not land in Hemet. It landed in a cow pasture outside San Jacinto. There is a commemorative plaque outside the fire station on Cottonwood Street.

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

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We thank the Saturday make-up day students from San Jacinto High School for spending a full day cleaning and repairing. Many of our member adults were also working and supervising. We thank you all.