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I know you are expecting twin grand babies. We had our great grand babies on June 15th
Thought you might enjoy seeing the pictures of Arianna Marie and Xavier Ryan Hernandez. .
They are living in Ft. Leonard Wood, MO.

Brenda Hansen
505 Amaranth (see below left)



FLASH!!!!!! Our grandchildren were born on July 20. Their names are Abigail Frances and Joseph Claude Duty.



The “PIP”



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Watch out! Crazy Women on the Loose!

Tiny Sand and I were talking about doing something really “off the wall”...something that was completely out of our comfort zone. We decided to attend Roller Derby!

My friend, Betty Schulz, Pat McDonald, Margo Vest, Tiny Sand and me made up the group who drove downtown early to eat out and then attend the “event.”

Since we arrived so early, we were able to park about 5 spaces away from the corner of the Civic auditorium. We then meandered over to Erik’s Deli for our dinner and some chat time eventually walking back.

To our great surprise, there was a long...very long line to get into the Derby. I really do not like standing in line, so went to sit in the car and wait and ran into Ed Simas and his friend, Mary and Sharon Simas and Don Frosini.

We were told the auditorium holds about 2000 people and I would guess about 80% of the room was full. The skaters are seated in the center of the ring and there is a protective layer of “hoochie mamma” type ladies (you have to see them yourselves) who protect the skaters from the audience...or perhaps are there to keep the audience from walking onto the ring.

The printed program included instructions on how the game was played...i.e. points scored, what the different hand signals mean, penalty definitions as well as the names of the players. My favorite names were Polly Kneesya and Sharon D. Payne, although my favorite skater was Candie Hooligan. She scored most of the points. The Derby Girls beat the San Fernando Valley girls by over 100 points.

I’ve already figured out a name for me if I’m ever asked to skate....Shirley U. Gest!



Margo, Tiny, Bets, Shirley’s head, Pat and Sharon

Masonic Family Information



Youth Groups

DeMolay –	Aug 9 & 23	7 pm
Job's Daughters –	Aug 11 & 22	7 pm
Rainbow for Girls	Aug 2 & 16	7 pm

Masonic Lodges

Confidence	Aug 6	7:30 pm
Paideia	Aug 8	6 pm.
SCSLV dinner	Aug 7	6:30 pm

Eastern Star

SC Redwoods 7:30 meetings

- Aug 13 – Costume-dinner at 6:30
- Aug 19 – Nancy Olds dinner 4 p.m.
- Aug 24 - Electa Circle mtg 12:00
- Aug 27 - Honor Electa Circle

Wild Lily 7:30 meetings

- Aug 15 – Potluck 6:30 anteroom meeting

The Valley of San Jose Scottish Rite, Knights of St. Andrew Second Degree Ritual Team conferred two Second degrees in Keith

Lodge 187 on June 25, 2012. The two candidates were Brantley Sandretti, member of Keith #187 and Paul Morris, member of Santa Cruz 38. Visitors from San Benito 211, Texas 46, Morgan Hill 463 and Santa Cruz 38, including Brantley's Grandfather, Myron Coleman, witnessed the degrees. Also attending from Paradise Park was Ray Hoffman and George Turegano. Illustrious Dan Doornbaus and Hal Leister, KCCH also witnessed the conferrals.

The Ritual Team performed in exemplary form and the candidates were impressed. Any other interested Knights of St. Andrew interested in being a part of this unique ritual teams should contact Chief Knight Martin Maxey, Scribe Gerald Best or me.

My congratulations to the Candidates and Ritual team.

Slainte Maith! (Great Health)
B. J. McCuiston



Police Academy Graduation

By Mable Coleman

I spent a proud day Tuesday, June, 19th, along with friends and other family members, watching my grandson, Brantly Sandretti, graduate from the Police Academy in San Jose.

Brantly was among 30 other recruit officers to receive their diplomas. His diploma was presented by the Chief of Police of Capitola. He has worked for the Capitola Police Dept. as a part time employee for over a year and will become full time, hopefully soon.

The two hour award ceremony was impressive to watch as the young men and women in their blue uniforms marched in cadence with heads held high.



Myron, Mable and Brantly



Kurt Likens, Cara Feyes, Brantly

Think before you speak

Contributed by Cheryl Dangreau

Sometimes I say a mouthful
when I oughta' keep it shut!
It gets me into trouble an'
I know it's gonna, But.....

I just can't seem to learn
when to pause before I speak.
It seems I'm always havin'
to turn the other cheek!

I always seem to bite off
more than I can chew.
One day I'm gonna swallow
something more than I can spew!

Each day I pray an' ask the Lord
To help me think before I speak
Cause when it comes to mouthin' off
my mouth has got a leak!

God tells me I should listen
to what others have to say,
An' iffen I do not agree.....
I should quietly walk away!

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Ants keep slaves. Certain species, the so-called sanguinary ants for example, raid the nests of other ant tribes, kill the queen, and kidnap many of the workers. The workers are brought back to the captors' hive, where they are coerced into performing menial tasks

RED, WHITE & BLUE

By Myron Coleman

Today is the 4th of July! Paradise Park had the annual All Wheels Parade. The start of the Parade was at the entrance to Paradise Park and that was at 2 pm.

A group of people waited near the covered bridge where the parade would cross into section 4, make a loop around and then cross back to where we were waiting. This way we would get a second chance to see something that I might have missed the first time the parade passed.

Ray Hoffman was in the lead in his blue golf cart.



Both fire trucks, bicycle riders by the dozens, golf carts with flags and fringe of red white and blue.

Some smaller children tired before the end of the parade. Even one dog with colors flying, in the foreground shadows near the bicycle. Youth groups throwing candy to those on both sides of the street.



After the parade crossed back and made its way to the picnic grounds treats, ice cream and small hand cakes were served to all.



Annual Reports

, On April 23, I sent an e-mail to all board members asking if they would consider writing an end-of-the-year report to be published in the PIP. Within a couple of days, four directors responded they would be submitting a report. The fifth director did not respond.

Four requests later, I implored the fifth director to at least let me know if my e-mail message had been received. That message was acknowledged with the word "received."

After a total of eight requests, the last on May 22, I gave up and decided I would not be receiving a report from that Director. That is why there are only four director reports.

My Reflections Both Serving on the Board of Directors and as President 2011-12"

By Sam Cannon

I will recap what I said to the membership at the Annual Membership Meeting of PPMC. I was being very honest when I said that this last year was not without its challenges. Perhaps the single biggest challenge has been dealing with the competing sides in the Park. I truly do think that at the end of the day the two sides have much more in common than they might want to admit. I want to say a hearty thank you to all those of you who were helpful in trying to prevail upon a friend, neighbor, relative, etc. when it comes to looking at the MANY things we share in common. I talked about "Park Values," treating each other as that large family we are, respecting one another, Masonic and Eastern Star teachings, to name a few.

I was first approached to run for the Board of Directors several years ago and declined at the time—mostly due to

the amount of time I knew would be consumed by Board-related responsibilities. I adjusted my schedule and agreed to run subsequently in the next annual election. I have to honestly say how much time each of us who agrees to serve spends on these all-consuming activities—it is MANY hours per week—whether on the phone talking with members, colleagues, staff, and perhaps the biggest challenge of all is trying to keep up with the tremendous volume of emails that are bantered back and forth. It would serve the members well to remember each of us serving on the board is a volunteer and we all have families that we have to leave for our park-related responsibilities. The same is true of our various committee members who are also volunteers.

I would like to address our committees for a moment. I'd really like to see these committees get along and work harmoniously this next year. It has been some time and I will admit I had considered dismissing ALL COMMITTEES much earlier in the year than was done. But I did not do that. I watched how they operated for the year, and by the June meeting, it became clear to my board colleagues and me that we needed to dismiss all the committees at the conclusion of that board year. We started with dismissing the By-Laws Committee prior to dismissing the remaining committees because there was such conflict and discontent on that committee. I am hopeful that as we reconstitute the committees for 2012-13, those who want to volunteer will keep in mind this board and I are quite serious that we expect them to perform their duties professionally and to behave civilly. Having a difference of opinion is one thing, but when we become too focused on personalities we forget the charge the committee is attempting to perform, that is quite another thing altogether. It

is absolutely true that our Park Members are very observant about what goes on throughout the community—THAT INCLUDES THE COMMITTEES. If people want to be petty and fight with one another, I assure you it has a direct impact and correlation upon our volunteer base. Think about that long and hard the next time BEFORE you open your mouth and offer a critical comment that may offend another person.

I spoke of the decision of our former office administrator, Annie Levy, to move on to pursue other professional opportunities. Yes, it is true this is ultimately a great chance for Annie and her husband to expand their business; but it is also true that someone who had one who was so talented, with one of the greatest personalities and perspectives became jaded and disappointed with the negativity that has come to consume Paradise Park. I will underline for you right now that this new board nor I will tolerate inappropriate behavior in that park office. If you have a complaint that is one thing, but for heaven's sake exercise a modicum of common sense before marching over to the office and setting a terrible example for our membership. Remember what Annie used to routinely say: "It is a great day in PPMC when someone doesn't have anything negative to say."

Next, I talked about how I had received a letter from the Grand Master telling me as President and the rest of PPMC that he was essentially sick and tired of the negativity that continues to come from what I have likened as a boiling cauldron of acid. My board colleague, Gary Brandenburg, and I took the time and expense to go meet with the Most Worshipful Frank Loui. We spent an hour and fifteen minutes talking with both him and the Grand Secretary. I don't think any of the membership can really understand how

embarrassed Gary and I were to have to go to a meeting like that. We felt just like the bad children on the playground being called before the principal. So, what happens as Gary and I are working to get that meeting arranged with all of our mutual schedules, you might ask? Someone, presumably in PPMC, makes the ill-advised decision to send out yet another anonymous letter, but this time with a new caveat. This letter was designed to endorse and imply support for a different group of candidates than a similar letter originally sent to the Membership. That latest letter was a misrepresentation, for sure. But it also rose to several other crimes including federal offenses once it was stamped and mailed. Now, some criticized my immediate and harsh reaction to just this latest incident. But, I simply could not believe a person or persons could have the unmitigated gall and audacity to perform such an act as Gary and I were preparing to go before the Grand Master! This latest matter is currently under investigation. The Grand Master instructed me to provide him with a progress report by September 1, 2012 on this and other pertinent issues. Think about that for a minute folks, that has NEVER happened since PPMC's inception in 1924 and this is what we have to do to remain in good standing. He asked about "problem members"—so if people will not wake up and start behaving nicely with one another, I am inclined to share names on this subject with him in my progress report.

The other unlawful acts that have besieged our Members are also under investigations that have not yet been concluded—these include vandalism and harassing telephone calls. I assure you that any Members who are successfully prosecuted in our courts will not find that to be the end of the road for them. We will review any case and consider all possible punishments

available in PPMC under our by-laws and that includes suspension and termination of membership. I will conclude by reminding the membership, if for some reason you are unhappy living or maintaining your membership in PPMC, by all means please move out and do so without delay. The rest of us are not interested in continued problems and negativity having to do with disgruntled members, and all the many problems they cause.

The President and Officers of the Board of Directors can only do SO MUCH my board colleagues and I implore you to work together, treat each other with mutual respect and trust, and live harmoniously and in accordance with the Masonic values we were all taught.

Report of the Board Secretary

First off, my apologies for not being able to be with you all tonight, but I had a previous event that I committed to 3 years ago at the same time. The Notes from paradise pacts are a small token of how much I appreciate having been elected to this position.

While serving as Board Secretary for tow years, I did minutes for 23 open meetings and another 32 closed meetings as well as several official notes from conference calls and meetings with legal counsel. My correspondence log notes more than 150 pieces of correspondence.

The last two years have seen turmoil and upset but it is my hope that we are finally back on track to recapture the Paradise of many of our memories. I think it is the commitment that there will be equal ruoles, equal enforcement and equal rights for all that has made a big difference. Living by the golden rule and making the decision to let go of the past is vital if we are to survive, and survive well.

I have to say two specific things as I leave this office. One is that the new

Members have made a huge difference for me. As I sat in the board room interviewing our prospective members, it has been their words and their wisdom that has reinforced for me why Paradise Park is special. It is the Mark Treuges, the Janat Martins, the Julian Phillips and so many more who verbalized what I continue to feel – the heart of why Paradise Park is special. This is and should continue to be a magical place where the beauty of nature comes together with the spirit of fraternity.

My second comment is how much I have grown to respect and admire so many amazing people here in the Park. I wrote many of you notes that can only touch on how important and special you all area. High on my list, of course, is my son, my son – I am so proud of you and glad you are a Member. And Sharon Simas, what an honor to have served alongside you and been able to observe first hand your incredible leadership skills in action.

I thank you all for the honor of having served on the board and look forward to continued service as a Park volunteer.

Pat McDonald, PPMC Secty 2010-2012

Report of Corporation Treasurer

The following are a few of the more important contributions I have helped implement during the last year

1. Formed an Investment Advisory Team to maximize investment returns while keeping it under FDIC protection. Moved \$260,000 from checking accounts earning .03% to a tiered or laddered CD program earning from .30% up to 1.85% with a minimum withdrawal penalty. More changes are planned in the next several months.

2. Strengthened delinquency collection system. Dunning letters updated and strengthened, etc.

3. In conjunction with Kurt Deisner, resolved discrepancies in Dam Fund

accounting and developed an adjustment program.

4. As requested in last year's audit, reviewed overall Personnel Practices. Updated Personnel record keeping, performance reviews, salary approval process, legal postings etc. in order to comply with legal requirements and good business practices.

5. Reviewed Employee Handbook and made minor changes to reflect current policies.

6. Established an improved employment/recruiting process with new application and a PPMC job site (jobs@ppmc.sc.org.).

7. Heavily involved in recruiting, screening and hiring a new Park Manager and Bookkeeper with the intent of expanding office hours to provide better membership services to PPMC members (reviewed well over 200 resumes and talked with a whole lot of candidates).

8. In conjunction with President Sam Cannon, met with the Grand Master and Grand Secretary in an effort to develop a plan which will keep PPMC in the Grand Lodge's good graces.

9. Reviewed Water Project information/data with Tim Heer and Diana Cook. Could not find any significant discrepancies. Contacted a well respected 501c audit firm for a price estimate. A thorough outside audit could cost up to \$ 50,000.

Gary Brandenburg

Report of Director at Large

I would like to begin by saying that serving on the Board of PPMC has been unlike any other Board service I have given.

The two years have been challenging but also very rewarding. Many accomplishments have been made and it is easy to overlook the good things that have happened. Just to remind you of a few:

The bridge has been restored, including a new roof.

The Board implemented the Public Forum, a 3-minute opportunity for members to be heard **at the beginning of our Board meetings**, something that has been greatly received by our membership.

We were able to save the Park a great deal of money by getting the water loan restructured. Actually taking advantage of the knowledge and expertise of our member, Mark Zevanove, proved to be a tremendous savings and this positive experience has encouraged the Board to continue taking advantage of the knowledge we have.

We formulated the CEO group, thirteen men and one woman, all with experience in the various engineering fields, all PPMC members and ALL willing to volunteer their time and expertise to PPMC. We are very blessed to have the expertise of many knowledgeable members...yet, we have not always taken advantage of their knowledge. This group has agreed to extend ongoing services, as needed. Currently, they have undoubtedly saved us \$100,000's and thousands of hours in doing an in-depth study of our drainage issues, resolving some concerns on Washington Pathway, etc. Hopefully, we will be able to solve our drainage issues with Cal-Trans, etc. These members are willing to continue their services and this is a wonderful opportunity to allow us to benefit from the knowledge of our members.

Thanks to another great group of volunteers, our Picnic Grounds has undergone a complete renovation and believe it or not, these sorts of improvements resulted in a tremendous savings in our insurance premiums. For example, the renovation of the bridge resulted in a \$15,000 annual savings.

Although “staking” continues to be the biggest bone of contention that the Board deals with each month that process has been improved significantly. All stakings now require signatures of all involved parties, prior to approval of the Board and eventually, this should lead to the vast majority of allotments and their members feeling comfortable with the descriptions of their allotment.

Also of major significance this year, our Board adopted a specific process for collection of Accounts Receivables, overdue balances of TADS, etc. Unlike in the past, it does not matter who you are, EVERY member will be receiving the SAME letters, in regards to late payments and because the Board does have a fiduciary responsibility to the membership, the same will be expected from ALL.

Unfortunately, around Christmas time, PPMC experienced a rash of “break ins.” Obviously, this caught many of our members unaware and allowed us to recognize that although we would like to think we are different,, we also must recognize that we are living in different times. Consequently, we have recently installed surveillance cameras and once again, a great group of volunteers, many with law enforcement backgrounds, have stepped up to help patrol, encourage Neighborhood Watch, etc.

When Diana, Pat and I came on to the Board, we were fortunate to have been given a Transition Binder, prepared by Bob Morgan, who was leaving the Board. It was very helpful and Pat and I have taken it upon ourselves to update that binder. We will be giving a transition Binder to each new Board member, to assure that there is continuity in leadership and continuation of the goals established. Some of those items are continued work with the drainage, clarification of Fish &

Game Program for clearing the logjam in our streambed, the development of a Policy Manual and a Legal Binder to continue working on our Long Range Strategic Plan.

Without a doubt, lots of work remains to be done. I think we have been very blessed to have such a fine group of members willing to run for the Board, this year. Obviously there are some huge obstacles to overcome and I would like to believe that we are capable of meeting the challenge of each one.

As I have stated publicly before, the answers to our problems lie within each one of us. We can continue to point the finger to others but we truly need to ask ourselves what we are doing to make the Park a better place. What are you doing to work together for the united goal of a harmonious community? As “Pollyanna” as it may sound, we need to personally commit to **let it begin with ME.** We need to seriously mean it when we say,, that we plan to work together to find solutions for the differences. Better yet, let’s focus on our commonalities. I was walking with a friend this morning and we were talking about the fact that EVERY member has a heartfelt complaint about how they were mistreated and they can share with you the date and time when someone was treated differently. Can we set those hurts aside and dwell on the many fun times we have all had?

Although I have been reminded many times that serving on the Board only creates lots of grief and hard work, I would be lying to you to say that there have not been times of grief and many hours of hard work, BUT I have no regrets. I have had the privilege of meeting so many wonderful people and I have only experienced a few bad apples. However, now that I am off of the Board, it will be my intention to speak to those few and help us come to realization that we can certainly

disagree on an issue but we owe it to our community to disagree with respect and understanding.

Just as I promised two years ago, when I ran for the Board, I have maintained integrity, I have always been willing to listen and I have been as transparent as I could possibly be. Most of all, the love that has been demonstrated to me, from so many of you, is something that I will NEVER forget. I would like to remind each of you – Love is giving for the world's needs. Love is sharing as the Spirit leads. Love is declaring when the world cries and love is compassion with Lord like eyes. I encourage each of you to demonstrate the compassion needed to make Paradise Park the place that we each envision it to be. Most of all, I thank you for allowing me to serve you as a Board member.

Sharon Simas

Manager's Annual Report

I would like to thank Tim Heer, Sr. Interim Manager, for the great job as Manager of Paradise Park. A big thanks to our board for the job they have done for Paradise Park in this past year. Thank you to Board Members Diana Cook (vice president) Pat McDonald (Secretary), and Sharon Simas (Director at Large). I have truly enjoyed working with you and I thank you so much for being on the Board that allowed me to become part of this great Mawonic family here in Paradise Park. In August of last year, the Board made a decision to look for a permanent Park Manager, which was achieved.

Tim was met with a lot of the challenges of wanting every member to understand to follow the rules and procedures and our bylaws also, with emphasis on remodeling and new construction rules. These challenges still remain as we go into our new year.

We continue to do repairs around the Park as needed to our picnic grounds,

tennis courts, and common areas. A new shower and sink was installed outside of the bathrooms on St. Augustine in Section 4. Some work has been completed on the hillside of Royal Arch to redirect the water coming off of Highway 9. Caltrans came out and cleaned drains along Highway 9, also has patched the road on Ocean extension.

I would like to thank everyone who turned out for Memorial Day clean up. As this is always a big help for the staff here in the Park.

The Board approved money for new security system which cameras have been installed at our front gate and a building has been built for the back gate and installed for cameras to be installed shortly. I like to thank Dick Lovelace for all his expertise and help involving this project.

An electrical permit was cleared for electrical work being done on the Office by the County of Santa Cruz which allowed us to pull an electrical permit for the back gate electrical.

We continue to work on the building package to simplify it for our membership to go to the County of Santa Cruz. It has been revised and I hope it will be in place very soon.

Continue to work on painting the office building also asphalt work around the Park.

There were approximately 40 incident reports that came into the office for the year and we are also working on revising the incident report form.

We have a new bookkeeper, Lorraine.

And as we end the year, we are ending with the loss of our Office Manager, Annie, which is a great loss for the Park. The Board and I are presently conducting interviews for a new office person.

Terry Douglas.

**PARADISE PARK MASONIC CLUB
June 30, 2012 Annual Membership
Meeting – being recorded**

President Sam Cannon called the meeting to order at 7:45 with Directors Cook, Brandenburg, Simas present and Manager Douglas. Shirley Radder was asked to record the minutes in the absence of Director McDonald.

Invocation given by Sharon Simas with the flag salute and pledge of allegiance led by Diana Cook.

Necrology for those we have lost this last year was read by President Cannon. . See attachment A.

Attendance: Manager Terry Douglas reported that 95 is a quorum and there were 88 members present with 27 proxies making a total of 115. Therefore a quorum was established.

The minutes of last year's meeting of 2 July 2011 were approved.

President's report – President Cannon read the report of those members we lost over the last year and then reported on his meeting with the Grand Master on Thursday, June 28 – See Attachment A

Vice President's Report – thanked all for coming and all of the wonderful volunteers that have served the park so well this last year.

Secretary's report - Did minutes for 23 open and 32 closed meetings as well as 150-plus pieces of correspondence completed – see Attachment B.

Treasurer's report – Commented on meeting with the Grand Master. Club is almost at 14% under budget. Accomplishments – set up an investment advisory group making 1.5% interest on our investments.

Director at Large See Attachment C

Manager's report – See Attachment D

Committee reports

ERT – Ray Hoffman – reports emergency calls done -34 911 calls

respondents from 8-16 people- See Attachment E

Mediation Committee – Mark Zevanove – 4 mediations...were resolved to the satisfaction of the participants...thanked the committee members

Bylaws Committee Mark Z thanked those members who worked long and hard especially Dick Lovelace, Tim Heer, John Mancini, Helen Kukens, Joanne Nelson, Gayle Logan Silva, Pat Herzog and Judy Wahl.

President Cannon announced that all committees will be dismissed except for ERT, Building and Staking as they are critical committees. If a member has an interest in working on a committee, please volunteer

A listing of the new collective members was announced and those present were asked to stand and be recognized. See Attachment F.

Director Simas was delighted and proud to present the Golden Trowel award to two hard-working members who, though the year, has saved our Club thousands and thousands of dollars. Those two were Claude Lindquist and Malcolm Kirby for their outstanding work on the Washington Parkway project as members of the CEO committee.

Tim Heer was presented with a State of California Assembly resolution for his service.

Open Forum Diane Brown –those who are interested in working on the garden area around the gazebo will meet tomorrow just prior to the annual picnic. A sign-up sheet will be in the back of the hall after the annual meeting.

Fred Dunn-Ruiz –talked about the Labor Day auction and asked for donated items

Robert Wunce – talked about the loss of Annie who was railroaded out of

Paradise Park by a small group of individuals.

Shirley Moore – all Wheels Parade at 2 p.m. instead of at 1 p.m. as reported in the Bulletin.

Nick O'Donnell – also discussed the parade starting at 2 p.m.

<u>Election Results</u>	301 received 1 uncounted
Lois Keithley	199
Nick O'Donnell	175
Joanne Nelson	137
Michelle Green	123
Cyndy Weigelt	129
Wilma Vinson	105

Amendments 1,2,3,4,5,6, 10 and 11 failed and amendments 7 and 9 passed. See Attachment G.

The Past President's coin was presented by Diana Cook to Sam Cannon.

President Cannon invited new board members Lois, Nick and Joanne who were then seated at the table on the stage.

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

Shirley Radder

Necrology June 30, 2011 – June 30, 2012



Members & Associate Members

Millie Schaeffer	7-10-2011
Robert Aston	8-9-2011
Chuck Stiefelmaier	9-20-2011
Alan Avery	10-28-2011
Doris Berglund	11-10-2011
Thelma Coit	12-8-2011
Eva Lindquist	12-31-2011
Burt Prater	1-21-2012
Kevin Porter	3-28-2011
Dorothy Quick	3-29-201
Ed Butler	6-13-2012

Bye Ed

By Myron Coleman

Today was a beautiful day with a clear sky and modest breeze. I made arrangements for myself and Shirley Radder to ride with John and Arlene Mancini to the Celebration of the Life of Ed Butler. The Celebration was scheduled for 11 am at the Hollins House located at Pasatiempo Golf Club. It is actually located close, well above, and looking down upon Santa Cruz.

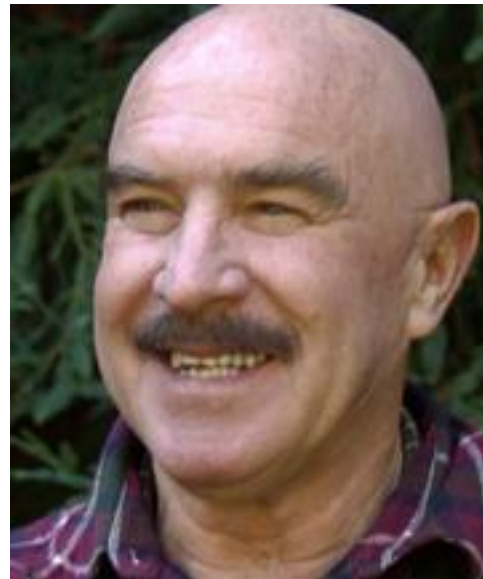
After parking we walked to the Hollins House and got into line signing the guest book. People were already mingling and trading stories and introductions. Some were from Dos Palos where Ed lived and worked before retirement. Some were from Paradise Park. Some were his children, grandchildren, nieces and others were teachers who had worked for Ed. There was a table displaying photographs of all descriptions along with a High School Annual with a date on the front of 1954. The Annual was opened to the Freshman Class and there near the bottom of the page was Ed's photograph, and he of course was smiling.

Some minutes passed and people began to move toward the chairs positioned for those gathered. We took our chosen seats and a welcome was given to the guests by Greg Butler, one of Ed's sons. Then various family members told about their father as they knew him from living with him through some adventurous times. Two young men, grandchildren, shared their view of grandpa as they gave large smiles and grins about what some people might call him and a time of arm wrestling with them a couple of their friends. A couple of teachers stood and shared their time

with Ed telling how he helped them and how he would ask for their help.

There were about 75 in attendance as some sat in the shade and others sat in the direct sunlight just outside the building. Our view was toward the bay at the height of the Redwood Tree tops all the way to the Boardwalk. At the conclusion of the sharing we were invited to a buffet of a wide selection of Mexican Food that was perfectly presented with the greatest flavors. There was a choice of sitting outside or inside while having lunch with either being a great choice.

It was an enjoyable time. Conversations all around with laughter and more sharing of Ed stories. After lunch we enjoyed a coffee or tea with a cookie and then singly or in small groups of 2, 3, or 4 casually found our way back outside and departed. It was a good day.



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 Coleman at myronwc@cruzio.com.

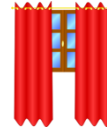
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Open BoD Meeting, July 21, 2012

The following are my impressions only. To see the actual minutes, read them in the Official Bulletin.

A regular meeting of the Board of directors was held on Saturday, July 21, 2012 in the social hall. Those board members present were President, Sam Cannon; Vice President, Joanne Nelson; Secretary Nick O'Donnell; Treasurer, Gary Brandenburg; and Director at Large, Lois Keithley.. . A prayer was offered by Joanne Nelson followed by the flag salute which was led by Nick O'Donnell. The meeting started at 10:21 a.m.

A moment of silence was observed in honor of Mohammed Alam who passed away yesterday.

Minutes were read from the Closed Board Meeting.

Director's spotlight award – Karen Eneboe

Manger report – Office has been painted inside and out and looks great Barry Brown will help decorate the office with historical things; will open up the bidding for asphalt again. Not happy with previous bidders. Start cleaning of drains around the park.

President's report

Worked with corporate legal counsel regarding recent election. Will extend an offer to a candidate for position of secretary. Will talk to capitol colleagues regarding funding for the bridge.

Treasurer –According to pie chart, we are under budget.

Building tome by Michael Bates which is 11 pages was approved by the Board in Closed Session. When questioned by Sharon Simas as to why in Closed Session, there was no reason given.

ERT – 4 responses. 2 in the park one yesterday evening.

Two times Terry has seen an individual who appears to be Latino, dressed in black, with a backpack, who has been taken out of the park. Be on the lookout as the Sheriff said the next time he comes onto the property, he will be arrested.

We have a new police liaison to paradise park..Sgt Mitch Medina.

Gazebo Landscaping – Memorial stone as a way to raise funds. Need to raise \$2,000 Genieve Davis will donate the landscape plants and the design. Linda Reynolds will donate horse manure to amend the soil. Would like to put the benches donated by W. Vinson around the magnolia tress. Would like to also put in a fountain. Donations gratefully accepted.

6.0 Unfinished business – looking to form committees so add your name and the committee you would like to work on onto the sign-up sheet.

9.0 – Staking Report - distributed to the Directors

Building Report – made some revisions to the Rules and Procedures All construction projects need to go through the building committee.

Open Forum –

Gayle Logan Silva – rules and procedures that were not on the election ballot...what will happen to them?

Bob Morgan – delivered money....from Bingo...\$117.50 by Bob Sand donated to Recreation Committee

Barry Brown – took legal passion of all California Powder Works artifacts as of next Wednesday. Therefore the model will be refurbished

Sharon Simas – ratify the election...17 ballots....trying to convince the grand master that we are doing everything above board. Encourage to invalidate the 17 ballots so we can have a ballot that was conducted properly

Diana Cook – Attorney Bosso said the ballot count was done correctly

John Mancini – Prefers the open forum in the beginning of the BoD meeting. Was the attorney was asked the correct question?

Gayle Logan Silva – every member is entitled to one vote

Carol Nelson – every member is entitled to one vote

Curt Diesner – had the same case in 1988...all ballots were counted

Pat McDonald – 2 members of the board were not consulted regarding the yellow ballot

Dick Lovelace – need to refocus on giving the election committee a good procedure on what is expected

John Mancini – Bylaws Committee should have a say in the ballot so it's done in the correct manner

Gary Brandenburg – everyone who pays their dues has the right to vote

Sharon Simas – who invalidated the ballot? I was at home and not contacted.

Shirley Radder – Why was the building procedure sent to closed..Why wasn't Michelle's document considered? Michelle's was many pages and Terry said hers was long. Her proposal changes the whole direction of what is to be done. Hers goes to the County first and then to the Building Committee.

John Mancini – don't believe Michael Bates is a licensed contractor.

Carol Nelson – no other place like Paradise Park...County and Paradise Park should work together

Shirley Radder – announced twins Joseph and Abigail

Bob Morgan – Building procedures when will they go in effect?

Gayle Logan Silva – Committee Manual should not be part of our rules and procedures

Greg Laskey – had his deck plans plans rejected from Park, but ok'd by the County. Policy was changed 3 times in the last three months.

Meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

PPMC Sweatshirts for Sale Hanes Pull-Over Sweatshirts

In Men's sizes Small, Medium, Large, XLarge, 2 XL and 3 XL with the Paradise Park logo. The cost is \$25.00. Name added below the words "Paradise Park" for an additional \$5.00. 10% of all proceeds will go to Paradise Park.

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Hoodies are \$30 and come in white, wine, navy, drk. green, red, gray, and black.

Quarter Zip Micro Fleece Sweatshirts come in Medium, Large, Xtra Large and 2 XL and in the colors of: gray, navy, redwood and black. They are \$35.00 each with the logo included.



Logo with roof and wording the same....can use different colors...i.e. tan for roof and lettering....



Shown are sweatshirts on hand. Purple is XL...gray, white and light gray are large, teal is 2X and black is XL hoodie.

(Note: donated White XL to Labor Day Fund Raiser)

See order blank on page 25

FRIDAY NIGHTS - June 15, 2012 through August 31, 2012

TWO FREE SHOWS EACH FRIDAY!

6:30pm and 8:30pm

Beach Bandstand!

July 27	A Flock of Seagulls	"I Ran"
Aug 3	Santana Lead Singer Greg Rolie	"Black Magic Woman"
Aug 10	John Waite	"Missing You"
Aug 17	The FIXX	"One Thing Leads to Another"
Aug 24	Eddie Money	"Take Me Home Tonight"
Aug 31	Poppa Doo Run Run	"Santa Cruz Beach Party"

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July 25	The Princess Bride
Aug 1	The Sandlot
Aug 8	Ferris Buehler's Day Off
Aug 15	Goonies



My friend, Bets, is taking a course on dinosaurs for her continuing education credential. She writes: One little fun fact I gleaned from the lecture was that the first dinosaur fossil found in California was discovered by a 17 year old guy from Gustine who rode his bike 35 miles (each way) to hunt for dinosaur bones. The discovery took place back in 1937 - His name was Allan Bennison and he died shortly before the lecture took place in (I believe) 2007.

Calendar of Events

JULY

Jul 24	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH
Jul 26	Wine & Cheese	4:00 – 6:00	Gayle Logan Silva
Jul 27	Quilts of Valor	10:30	Sue Lovelace 501 Amaranth
Jul 28	Hot Dog Potluck	5:30	Dan & Tami Maconald
Jul 31	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH

AUGUST

Aug 4	Hot Dog Potluck	5:00	Host needed
Aug 4	Last Dam Fund Raiser		Middle Beach
Aug 7	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 -11:00	SSH
Aug 9	Wine & Cheese	4:00 – 6:00	Gayle Logan Silva
Aug 10	Quilts of Valor	10:30	Sue Lovelace, 501 Ama5ranth
Aug 11	Hot Dog Potluck	5:30	Little/Wahl/Null
Aug 14	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 - 11:00	SSH
Aug 15	BINGO	6:30	Ray & Charlotte Hoffman
Aug 18	Board Meeting	10:00	SSH
Aug 18	Hot Dog Potluck	5:30	JZ Martin,/Crouch/Coker
Aug 21	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 - 11:00	SSH
Aug 23	Wine & Cheese	4:00 – 6:00	Gayle Logan Silva
Aug 24	Quilts of Valor	10:30	Sue Lovelace, 501 Amaranth
Aug 25	Section Parties		
Aug 28	Tuesday Coffee	9:00 – 11:00	SSH
Sep 8	Hot Dog Potluck	5:30	Stumpf family

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LABOR DAY WEEKEND
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2012
NOW IS THE TIME TO THINK ABOUT WHAT
YOU CAN DONATE



There will be an auction (both silent and live) on the Saturday of the Labor Day weekend. In order to make this auction a success, **your help is needed**. We would like you and your family to contribute items to be auctioned. Please contribute new and/or collectible items, not miscellaneous knick-knacks.

The Flea Market and Silent Auction will alternate years. This year is the Silent Auctionnext year is the Flea Market. Donation Ideas:



(1) Cook or Chef? donate "home made" cakes, cookies, candy, tarts, breads, jams, jelly, etc. or even a complete meal. These can be boxed for display and sale or you may promise to provide the article at an agreed upon date.

(2) Good host/hostess?, donate a banquet for 6-8 persons.



(3) Artisan or craftsperson?, please donate some of your work.



(4) Have access to commercial products or services, please donate.

(5) Have a condo, cabin or vacation house, please donate use for a week or weekend.

(6) Have friends or acquaintances with skills or products? You could ask them to donate.



(7) Have a special skill? Please donate some hours towards a project. Sample projects include giving hours of labor to repair, paint or clean a house, yard, roof, car, etc.

(8) Sign up to solicit local merchants for donations. Please sign up before soliciting, as we don't want to duplicate requests to merchants. Feel free to solicit from out of area merchants.



(9) Cash or check contributions gratefully accepted. Make checks payable to PPMC, write Auction on the Memo line. Send to AUCTION c/o Fred Dunn-Ruiz at 606 Paradise Park, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

Please notify Darlene Stumpf or Fred Dunn-Ruiz as to what you will be donating as soon as possible. We can accept goods up until the last minute, but would like to have as many as possible by August 29th.

Any questions? Please call Darlene at 425-1478 or Fred at 426-6472.

SATURDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2012

PICNIC GROUNDS

SILENT AUCTION: 4:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

SOCIAL HOUR: 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 P.M.

DINNER: 5:45p.m. – 6:45 p.m. — RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

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