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## Santa Visits the Museum



The Holidays came early this year when Santa Claus visited the Mountain History Museum in Lake Arrowhead over Thanksgiving weekend. Visitors were surprised to see Santa taking center stage when they walked into the Main Gallery of the Museum. Sitting amongst the memorabilia on display from the original Santa's Village Amusement Park (now SkyPark located in Skyforest) sat Santa Claus, greeting visitors of all ages to the Museum. Long-time volunteer Gary Bancroft volunteered this year to don the red Santa suit and play Santa Claus. Gary has a knack for making folks feel at ease when visiting the Museum. He repeated his performance for a Holiday Open House at the Museum on December 11th and 12th, where Gary once again delighted the Historical Society's membership and visitors.



## A Message from the President

*Cindy Burnett*



I want to thank the Rim of the World Historical Society's Membership and the Community for their support during the time the History Museum in Lake Arrowhead was shut down due to the Pandemic. When the Museum did open this past Spring, it was most gratifying to see so many new and old friends come to visit the Museum. With expanded space and new exhibits, the Museum's visitor count has never better. Membership is at an all-time high and Historical Society events have been selling out quickly. As such we are looking forward to even more growth in 2022 with expanded opportunities for our Membership to participate in outings and fun events, along with Membership Meetings. With luck our Annual Antique Wooden Boat Show will return early summer after being on hold for 2 years.

It has been a privilege to be President of the Board of Directors of the Historical Society over the past three years. Although challenging at times as we dealt with Zoom Board Meetings, social distancing, face masks and Museum closures to name just a few, it has been most gratifying to work with our dedicated Board of Directors and all the volunteers who have kept the doors of the Museum open over the years.





# One Hundred Years Ago - Everything was Changing

*By Rhea-Frances Tetley*

The early 1920's was an era of change worldwide and those who were here on the mountain saw change around them, too. The area was ripe for development thought the developers who had bought much of the land that had been homesteaded and the other land already cut over from the loggers.

The roads had been upgraded from the turn of the century logging/wagon roads and, in 1915, the Rim of the World Drive had been improved so automobile traffic could use the dirt roads. The resorts, such as Pinecrest, were actively promoting the beauty of nature and the wonder of the forest and there was bus transit service to bring people up the mountain if they didn't yet own an automobile.

By 1921, some complaints were being heard on the way the state was maintaining the Rim of the World Drive, as it was distributing maintenance funds monthly when most of the grading work needed to be done in the spring to flatten out the ruts in the roadways after the snows melted. The complaints came from the drivers, and the bus companies.

The Snow Slide section of the road, from Green Valley to Fawnskin, had many private cars breaking down while using it and the discussion of a "Deep Creek Cut-off" was motivated when the Max Green Stage Line began to complain, stating the old route was unusable much of the year for the busses. It took some promotion by Congressman Phil Swing to get \$105,000 in matching funds to fund the building of the Deep Creek Cut-off, which would eliminate the Snow Slide Road problems. The bill that funded the new section of roadway cut into the southern face of the mountain which is now known as the "Arctic Circle" finally passed Congress on October 11, 1921.

The beginnings of the 1920s were a time after WWI and the flu epidemic and people wanted to get out and enjoy life. The economy was beginning to boom, and people wanted to recreate and found the nearby mountains, out of the hot valley, to be a good place to go and some decided to invest some money.

It was on April 1, 1920 that the court began releasing Arrowhead Reservoir and Power Company property from the estate of the James Mooney as it was being probated. Mooney was the major stockholder in the company and had died in December of 1919 in Cincinnati during the flu epidemic. The



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heirs wanted to dispose of as much of the California property as was marketable within two years. They saw the lake and property as a bottomless money pit as Mooney had constantly invested more and more money in it as the project had changed purposes over the years from 1891 to 1919.

In 1920 there are a total of 400 cabins for vacationers in the west end of the mountains. In Crestline, there were 15, in Skyland there were 10, Horse-shoe Bend had 18, Camp Seeley had 60, Thousand Pines only had 25, (some had been burned in the 1919 fire), the Squirrel Inn had 14, Pine Crest had 87 cabins plus two hotels, Strawberry Flat had 62 cabins, Fern Rock had 3, the Pacific Electric Camp had tent cabins that could house 150 and Blue Jay Canyon had 25 cabins, Little Bear Resort had 26 cabins, Cedar Glen had 4, plus there were privately owned homes and homesteads. By the summer of 1921, Big Bear was able to boast of 80 new cabins and 24 camps, including auto camps.

Mountain Transit Line decided to spend \$50,000 to advertise the Rim of the World Drive, intending to make the trip and views as famous as the Grand Canyon. They also had a display at the National Orange Show, trying to convince the San Bernardino merchants they should be selling to the mountain communities and delivering the items by way of the stages.

The blizzards of the winter of 1921 closed the roads for many weeks. The big story after the early, heavy snowstorms was that the Aurora Borealis was

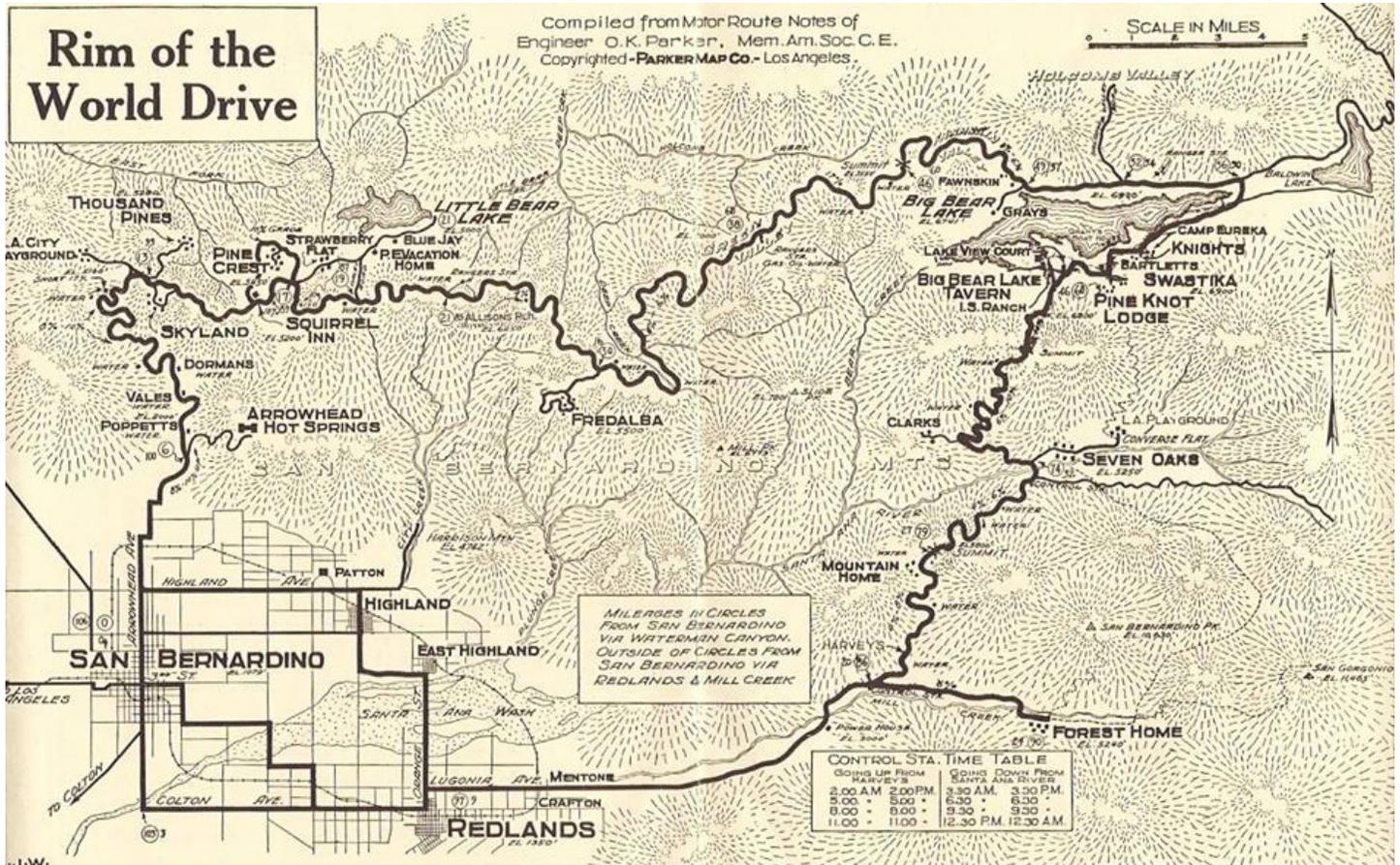
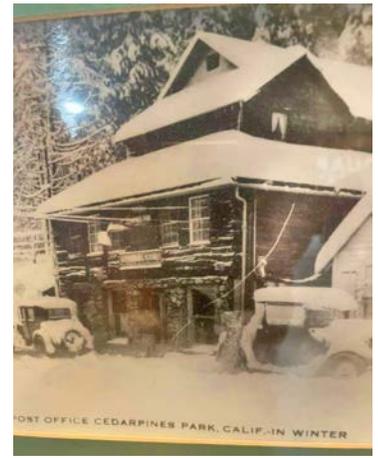
seen in the skies and said to be beautiful as it was reflecting off Big Bear Lake on May 15, 1921, by the few in the area.

Greg Dexter decided to build a house for his new family in Twin Peaks, not far from his brother John's sawmill and near Lyla and brother Lloyd Dexter, who had been injured in the war. Greg had previously worked and lived at the Squirrel Inn during the winters, living there with his new bride, Julia.

The burning of the historic Smithson Ranch House at Pinecrest did not discourage the movie companies from housing their crews with stars such as Gloria Swanson and Wallace Reid at Pinecrest. The movie companies were flocking up the mountain as the scenery could duplicate many parts of the world, including Canada, Europe, the deserts and, of course, forested mountains, and not far from Hollywood. In the summer of 1921, The Lasky Players were filming the movie, "Don't Tell Everything," with the cast and crew staying at Pinecrest.

The City of San Bernardino was seeking a forty-acre parcel for a campground for their city, with the idea they would create "Gate City Playground," similar to Camp Seeley. The City of Los Angeles had developed Camp Seeley a few years earlier, in 1914, just a couple miles away to the north in Seeley Flat. This area was described as a mile and a half west of Clifton Heights, just beyond the new Valley View tract. (This area has now known as Camp Paivika.)

On August 21, an announcement was made that a syndicate of Los Angeles area millionaire businessmen, including Morgan Adams, A.I. Warmington, A.J. Salisbury, Harry Lee Martin, R.F. Gross, O.F. Brant, William Allen, O.P. Clark, and J. Benton Van Nuys, had purchased the Arrowhead Reservoir and Power Company property around Little Bear Lake with assets of almost \$5 million and 47000-acre-feet of water. They said they planned to continue to carry out the Arrowhead Reservoir Company's plans, but with some changes, which included raising the dam 31 additional feet and changing the name of Little Bear Lake to Arrowhead Lake.





They revealed plans for construction of a north side of the lake road to the desert area of Hesperia and building dance pavilions, a grand hotel, lodges, a boat house and many roads. As the Arrowhead Lake Company, they would also build a golf course, a fish hatchery and an ice plant, as well as a power system of fifty-million kilowatts and other utilities, including a sanitation plant. Plus, the plans for a European style village for businesses was advertised. They intended to invest eight-million dollars.

The new Arrowhead Lake Company owners closed the lake to fishing so they could plant fry from their new fish hatchery and prohibited duck hunting to protect the 275 men who were building a reception area on the lake's north shore, only a mile and half from the gatehouse. They built living quarters for the workmen and a dining room, along with bungalows. They began adding to the height of the dam, adding 16 more feet of concrete on top of the core wall,

raising the height to 184 feet and surfaced the front of the dam with riprap and cleared a roadway around the lake, under which they placed cement sewer lines and iron water pipes. Those pipes were brought to the roadway by barge across the lake.

Within six weeks, the road to Hesperia had been mapped out and 100 horses and men with equipment were in place, grading the first five miles of the route. These plans were interrupted by two-day-long rains in both November and December, which raised the water level in the lake. This much additional water was not wanted yet, so they opened the outlet gates on the water tower, which delayed the planned opening of the Hesperia Road.

Then a hurricane force storm attacked the mountain in mid-December, bringing snow and rain, measured by Squirrel Inn's winter caretaker, John Dexter, at 30.64 inches for the December storms, raising the level of the lake even more. The deep snows interfered with the extensive plans of the new company.

There was a brief lull in the winter weather in January, so that crew went out to clear the transmission lines, from Skyland to the Arrowhead Depot. But the winter weather returned, disrupting the time schedules again. In February, the snow was so deep that the Arrowhead Lake Company officials, who were arriving to see the progress being made, were stuck in it on February 6th, 1922. They had been on their way to the club house and ended up using sleds they bought at Greg Dexter's Year-o-Round Store in Strawberry Flat to get there, leaving their cars stranded in the snow. The road wasn't cleared until the company brought in a four-wheel tractor around the middle of March. However, then, on March 23, three more feet of snow fell.

By the middle of April, the Arrowhead Lake Company was finally able to begin working on their plans. They built eight camps around the Arrowhead Valley to house 600 workers. One of the camps built was Camp Fleming, with 40 cabins and 60 tent cabins, near the former LaPraix-Fleming sawmill.

The transmission lines from Skyland were repaired and upgraded to power huge flood lights for working. One of the first projects was the removal of the former Little Bear Fishing Resort. Next, was the building of a one-thousand-foot-long retaining wall, protecting a level area they created for the construction of the future business village from the rising water level of the lake.

Orchard Bay was picked for a pay-auto camp to be built, which could hold 1,000 cars belonging to fishermen. The plan was, if they stayed at the camp, they could fish in the lake. They built sanitation facilities, camp stoves, tables, piped-in water and hung strings of electric lights.

On May 3, the Arrowhead Lake Company entertained the county supervisors and laid out their plans for spending eight-million dollars over the next ten years to develop the lake into a first-class resort.



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They were shown the location for the hotel on the peninsula, and a 60-room hostelry overlooking the future village, the newly named Lake Arrowhead Post Office, the twelve-sided dance pavilion, which would have a lantern on the top of its spire and the Normandy-style buildings they were going to be encouraged to be built in the new tracts near the village. The supervisors were invited to return in June for the opening of the first facilities. The supervisors were impressed to have such a quality resort and asset to the county.

The Arrowhead Lake Company had an \$8,000-a-day payroll and, since they were working simultaneously in numerous locations, the projects were moving right along. Property sales in the newly developed housing tracts were booming.

Other developers were also eyeing the mountains, which the people were discovering were a good retreat from the hot summers in the cities in the valley below.

The 760 acres of the Patterson and Dillon sawmill in the area between Devil's and Sawpit canyons were purchased in April of 1922 by Carson and Holmes. They cut-in streets along the contours of the mountainside, planned a clubhouse, dug a well, built a golf course and planned a small lake northwest of Job's Peak for fishing and boating, calling the area, Cedar Pines Park. By May, there were 17 property owners in the new development. Frank Nardi started a general store and opened a post office. But he was not allowed to use the three-word name Cedar Pines Park so the post office name was compressed into two words, Cedarpines Park.

A roadway was scraped between the trees from the top of the switchbacks to the Gate City Campground, a well was dug and camping began. Also, at the top of the Mormon Lumber Road, the members of the Native Sons of the Golden West erected a stone monument to the Pioneers, including all the names of those who worked on the 1852 road in a metal strong box encased in stone. They celebrated its dedication 70 years after the original road was built, on July 22, 1922.

The dust from the heavily-used road on Horse-shoe Bend encouraged an oiling of the roads, which was the beginning of doing something to the dirt roadways to keep down the dust from auto use and solidify the road surface to discourage road rutting from the narrow automobile tires.

Summer arrived at Pinecrest with a dozen more housekeeping cabins and the resort was being advertised as the "Bungalow Town in the Big Pine Woods," by a 12-page advertising brochure. They offered moonlit hayrides to Lake Arrowhead, day-time picnics to Heart Rock and horseback riding in Dark Canyon. They had dancing to an orchestra. Even Redlands citrus grower Arthur Gregory, who had a sawmill on the mountaintop, gave a barbecue dinner, nearby at Strawberry Flat.



The June 24th grand opening of Lake Arrowhead was celebrated by the Arrowhead Lake Company when they invited 250 newspaper men and women to Camp Fleming's cabins and tent cabins. They were brought up the mountain by stage and served dinner in "camp-style" and were entertained with fishing and boating on the lake, dancing, horseback riding and they were entertained in the 150 log-seat amphitheaters at Camp Fleming. Included in the festivities were Senator Lyman King and California's Treasurer Friend Richardson, who, as a child, had visited Blue Jay because his uncle had run the sawmill there. The next year, Richardson was elected Governor of California.

The advertising worked and, soon, the Motor Transit Line was offering two round-trip routes a day to Lake Arrowhead. The Lake Arrowhead Village Dance Pavilion was dedicated on July 4th weekend with 300 couples crowded onto dance floor.

It was in September that A.L. Richardson, the owner of the Arlington Hotel in Santa Barbara, considered to be one of the finest hotels in California, was brought to Lake Arrowhead and was persuaded by A.E. Warmington to undertake building a hotel at the lake. He and architect McNeal Swasey collaborated on the design. Within a month, 150 carpenters were working double shifts to begin the construction of the new Arlington Hotel.

It was on August 4th that fire swept through the Squirrel Inn, from the upstairs bedrooms, through the lounges and into the dining and kitchen wings. Despite heroic firefighting efforts, the building was a complete loss, but the surrounding forested area was saved.

In just a couple years, the mountaintop changed its entire nature after the Flu pandemic, as transportation improved, and people were more easily able to get to the mountains and new developments began as visitors discovered its many positive attributes. The resort developments of the various communities began to develop all over the mountaintop, beginning in 1923.





# Discover the “Legend of Black Annie”

*at the Mountain History Museum*

‘The Legend of Black Annie’ is the name of one of the new exhibits this season at the Mountain History Museum in Lake Arrowhead. It celebrates a small 0-4-2T narrow gauge steam locomotive nicknamed ‘Black Annie’ that was brought down from San Francisco in 1905 to help build the Little Bear Dam. This construction led to the eventual birth of Lake Arrowhead in 1921.

Annie was built in 1882 and named the Joe. Douglass., and was a one-off. She spent her first 20 years hauling ore out of mines in Nevada and then enjoyed a brief retirement. When more equipment was needed for building the dam Annie was purchased from the Geary Street Railway Company in San Francisco and then was hauled up Waterman Canyon using teams of 12 to 14 horses. She got her nickname for her ‘feminine temperament.’ She was said to be ‘ornery as a mule’ but she was the workhorse of the operation, sometimes hauling as many as 25 dump cars loaded with fill.



The new exhibit features a working scale model of the actual locomotive as she looked over 100 years ago (minus some dirt and wear and tear). She emerges from a large tunnel and chugs her way over to the dam, where she pauses to simulate dumping her load of fill. Then she backs up, on her way to pick up another batch of dirt and rocks. Little Bear Dam was a concrete core structure; fill was compacted against this center ‘wall’ to build the dam.

‘The Legend of Black Annie’ exhibit is the brainchild of Ken Brafman, who has served on the historical society’s board of directors for several years. “I became fascinated with the story after hearing a song my friend Rick Glynn wrote around 10 years ago,” he said. “Same title. The song was so much fun, and the lyrics told such a

vivid story about this little engine, that I just kind of fell in love with her.”

The exhibit measures four feet by eight feet and depicts the scene of the dam construction in 1905, with a shimmery water feature in the front. “I made an effort to represent all the historical elements as accurately as I could, starting with the locomotive itself,” Brafman explained. “The engine in the exhibit is an actual scale model of the 1882 Porter steam locomotive. The terrain matches fairly exactly the construction scene in a 1905 photograph on the wall above the exhibit. The buildings in the layout represent the cement mill; the quarters of the chief engineer, E.H. Kellogg; guest quarters; a village where some of the workers lived; and sheds, boilers, cranes and other equipment that were part of the project.”

Brafman goes on to tell how the exhibit was made. “I went into this project with 100% confidence, and 0% experience. I learned just about everything from experts along the way,” he said. “It was textbook ‘hands-on learn as you do it.’ I had no idea how much went into it. Getting the exhibit up and running by opening day was getting over a huge hurdle, and I’ve been fine-tuning and upgrading it since. And just like the real Annie, this one can be temperamental, too.”

A great thing about the exhibit is its broad appeal. “We had a couple events recently that had a lot of kids attend,” Brafman shared. “Some of the kids were just mesmerized by the train, and that gave me a lot of joy. I also enjoy it when

adults, as well as kids, ask a lot of questions.”

There are small cards that are placed by each historical feature on the layout. “We have large photos and descriptive text on the wall, which tell a lot of the story,” he explained. “I observed that people were so focused on the train that they weren’t paying a lot of attention to these. So I made up these small cards to place by all the important elements, with concise text, specific to each different part of the scene. Our goal is to educate, as well as to entertain.”

Brafman concluded, “We have such a rich history up here. This season we’ve added about 40% of new exhibit space, which has made it possible to build many new exhibits like Annie. We encourage everyone to visit.”



# COLLECTIONS

## New Item of Interest

Interesting, but what is it? Pictured is an item brought to us by our good friend and Board Member, Duane Banner. None of us had seen anything like this before, but Duane said it was butter churn. So, we placed it in an honored spot in the new General Store exhibit. Duane is known for bring the unusual items to the museum as well as share his wealth of knowledge on mountain history. We always love to see him walk through the door.



It turns out that this butter churn was manufactured by J. McDermaid in Rockford, IL. The churn was manufactured in the 1880s making it over 100 years old! J. McDermaid was granted his first barrel butter churn patent on October 24, 1876.

Oak was used to create a barrel that was housed inside a wood "U" frame. A crank handle on the side turned the churn. The barrel was half filled with cream. The speed of the rotation varied from 40 to 80 revolutions per minute depending on the size of the barrel: the smaller the barrel the faster the rotation. The cream fell as the barrel was rotated, creating churns. The barrel required a tight seal so it would not leak. The turning process had to be stopped on occasion to allow the lid to be opened to relieve pressure that built up inside. As many people migrated from the midwestern farms to California in the late 1800s and early 1900s, household items like this churn would have also been included in the move.



# Rim of the World Historical Society VOLUNTEERS

Want to get involved in the Community? Want to make new friends? Want to have some fun while learning about the history of our Mountains? Consider becoming a volunteer at the History Museum in Lake Arrowhead. Besides needing docents for the Museum, we need volunteers to help in other areas as well. We always need extra help for our special events which go on all year, such as Smokey Bear's Birthday Party, Annual Holiday Party, and a tour and lunch at Pinecrest to name just a few. We also need volunteers to work in our recently renovated Collections Room. Sorting and cataloging our Reference Library as well as working to identify and tag photos and artifacts. We also have volunteers who work on the Museum grounds doing projects to help keep the building tidy and the weeds under control. One job for which we hope to draft some volunteer help soon will be the restoration of the Goodwin's Bears. Goodwins Market in Crestline donated their hand carved mural of Mountain Grizzly Bears which use to be on the front of their store. The Bears are in need of a good power wash and a fresh coat of varnish before they are put on display on the side of the Museum. We also always need volunteers to help with special group visits to the Museum, such as when our area 3rd graders visit the Museum each year. These are just some of the Volunteer opportunities at the Museum and you do not need thorough knowledge of our mountain history to be a volunteer, just a desire to learn and get involved.

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# UPCOMING MEMBERS ONLY EVENTS FOR 2022



As the saying goes, “Membership has its privileges”, and belonging to the Rim of the World Historical Society is no exception. This May, our Membership will be invited to the exclusive Pre-Opening Party at the Mountain History Museum in Lake Arrowhead. Over wine and refreshments, our Members will be able to view the Museum and its new exhibits prior to the Museum opening to the general public over Memorial Day Weekend. Also for our Members this Summer, will be the return of the Lake Arrowhead Tunnel Tours. In conjunction with the Arrowhead Lake Association, Members of the Historical Society will have the opportunity to purchase tickets for the Tunnel Tours scheduled for July, August, September and October in 2022. Members also receive a 10% discount in the Museum’s Gift Store and on the purchase of books.



# Rim of the World Historical Society VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



At the Rim of the World Historical Society’s Annual Holiday Party, outgoing Board President Cindy Burnett was pleased to announce the Historical Society’s Volunteer of the Year for 2021, is Barbara Carey. Barbara, who is a long time resident of the mountains, has been volunteering at the History Museum in Lake Arrowhead for a number of years. Besides working as a docent in the Museum, Barbara has been involved with numerous events sponsored by the Historical Society over the years, as well as helping with the Museums Exhibits and in the Museum’s Collection Room. Always cheerful and ready to help wherever needed, Barbara has been a real asset to the Historical Society. We look forward to Barbara’s continuing help and support going into the new year.





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# UPCOMING PUBLIC INVITED EVENTS

We are still working on the lineup of events sponsored by the Historical Society for the coming year. But here is a tentative list of events being planned.

- The Mountain History Museum will open to the public over Memorial Day Weekend, 2022. There will be an unveiling and dedication of the Goodwin Bears and mural on May 28th.
- Fourth of July Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 3rd. Visitors are treated to ice cream sundaes on the Museum's patio. Event is open to the public. Please bring your friends and family.
- Smokey Bear's Birthday Party is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, August 7th. Come meet Smokey and have some birthday cake and ice cream on the Museum's patio. Visitors of all ages love meeting Smokey and having the opportunity to have their pictures taken with the iconic Bear. Smokey & Family photo.
- Arrowhead Queen Celebrity Cruises. Over Champagne and appetizers, come cruise Lake Arrowhead on the Arrowhead Queen. Guests will learn about the history of Lake Arrowhead and hear about the many movies filmed at the lake. Arrowhead Queen photo – date to be announced.
- Antique Wooden Boat Show & Woodie Car Show – date to be announced.
- Hike and picnic at Rock Camp – date to be announced.
- Visit to the Lilibeth Museum in Green Valley Lake – date to be announced.
- Visit and picnic at the Big Bear Museum in Big Bear – date to be announced.
- Mozumdar – we will be taking another informative hike and having lunch at Mozumdar in Cedar Pines Park. Date to be announced.



- Thanksgiving Weekend at the Museum – weather permitting.
- Historical Society's Annual Holiday Party 2022 – date to be announced
- Holiday Open House at the Museum – The Museum will have a Holiday Open house on December 10th and 11th, weather permitting.
- The Historical Society will also be scheduling lectures for 2022 as well.

## Rim of the World Unified School District Administrators Visit the Museum

On June 22, Michelle Murphy, Superintendent, Rim of the World Unified School District, Connie Santacruz, Executive Secretary and School Board Member, Cindy Gardner visited the museum for a private tour. They were very pleased to see the expansion of the exhibit space and that the focus was on a historical timeline. Michelle Murphy was especially impressed with the exhibit boards recently completed by Rob Wilson teacher of ROP/CTE Graphic Design and Advanced Graphic Design.

We are all looking forward to our Rim students returning to the museum for a school field trip next year. While at the museum the students and chaperones enjoy a hands-on experience of grinding acorns in a real rock "metate", a stone tool used for processing grain and seeds by our native people. They listen to historic talks from one of our docents and have lunch on our patio. They also are involved in a scavenger hunt where they identify items throughout the museum.

If you are interested in a Museum tour, please contact Marilyn Mays at [marilynmay@charter.net](mailto:marilynmay@charter.net)

*Tours are free! Donations welcome.*



*Michelle Murphy, Superintendent  
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# Enhanced Space at the Museum

*Cindy Burnett*

During the time the History Museum in Lake Arrowhead was closed due to Covid restrictions on Museums in California, we used the time for some much needed repairs and improvements. With the help of Roy's Painting, the old fire station which houses the History Museum, received a fresh coat of paint both inside and outside. Needless to say we are extremely grateful to Roy French of Roy's Painting for his generous contribution in sprucing up the building. Additionally, we were also able to expand our Exhibits Gallery into unused space in the back of the building allowing us to expand the Museum by nearly 40%, creating a lot more space to be able to present the history of our Mountain Communities. Not only has this expansion created more exhibit space, it also has allowed us to be able to provide space for lectures and gatherings of the Historical Societies' Membership, which has increased considerably this year. So if you haven't had a chance to drop by the History Museum this year, put us on your things to do list when the Museum opens Memorial Day weekend of 2022. We hope to be able to once again invite the Membership to our exclusive pre-opening party which has been on hold for the past two years as we worked to social distance. But with luck, we will be back to hosting events and gatherings for our members.



# Rim of the World Historical Society Holiday Party

On December 4th we stepped back to Dec. 1959 to “Relive the Legend” of the famed Club San Moritz on the shores of Lake Gregory

5:30 p.m. - Jingle & Mingle in the vintage Fireside Room Bar and Lounge. 6:30 p.m. - Buffet Dinner in the spacious Lakeview Room. 8:00 p.m. - Guests joined Gold medal winning Ballroom Dancer Steve Valentine on the dance floor to learn the Mambo Italiano or just do their own thing to the best music of the era!



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# NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*Cindy Burnett*

As outgoing President for the Rim of the World Historical Society, I would like to thank the Membership, Board of Directors and the Volunteers for their support over the past 3 years. I feel confident that incoming Board President Bill Pumford and the new Board of Directors will work together to make the Historical Society even stronger.

Officers and Directors of the Board of the Rim of the World Historical Society 2022; President - Bill Pumford, Vice-President - Marilyn Mays, Treasurer - Greg Naylor, Assistant Treasurer - John Stephens, Secretary - Ken Brafman. Directors: Duanne Banner, Cindy Burnett, Terry Ebert, Sandra Koos, Chandra Olivas, Castulo Olivas, and Al Sterns.



## Rim of the World Historical Society MEMBERSHIP

Memberships are the life and blood of the Rim of the World Historical Society. Your membership helps us to hold talks and events, maintain yearly costs related to the Museum and to provide visitors with first class displays among other things.

The best benefit to becoming a member is supporting our rich mountain heritage for generations to come. We have 121 new members this year which brings our total membership to 343

If you are not a member yet but are interested in becoming a member of the Rim of the World Historical Society, please visit our website at [www.mountainhistorymuseum.org](http://www.mountainhistorymuseum.org) for further information.

*We sincerely thank you for your membership!*

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