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Placentia Founders Society

The Green Shingle

News from the Bradford House

Spring 2018

Officer Slate Presented for 2018-19

The nominating committee met in April and will submit the following names for 2018-19 officers at the June 15 annual meeting. All members are encouraged to attend. Additional candidates can be nominated from the floor at that time.

- President—*Judie Dee*
- Vice President, Activities—*Tina Maraj-Tovar*
- Vice President, Curator—*Beth Woodard*
- Vice President, Education—*Kay Pfaffle*
- Secretary—*Nancy Murray*
- Treasurer—*Michele Coddington*
- Parliamentarian—*Alice Husovsky*

Annual meeting to feature history updates

A look back at historical Placentia and how it has evolved to the present will be the program for the PFS annual meeting at 7 p.m. Friday, June 15, at the House.

Local photographer John Walcek will display a series of photos of “old Placentia” culled from his historical collection, paired with how those locations appear today.

Before the program, the nominating committee will present a slate of officers for the 2018-19 year. (See accompanying slate.)

Outgoing president Nancy Murray will conduct a brief business meeting



Then and now—The iconic Placentia Water Tower in the mid-1970s and as it appears now. *From John Walcek collection*

summarizing PFS activities and accomplishments of the past year.

Refreshments will be served. All members are urged to attend and vote.



On the Calendar

- Tues., May 15 & June 19--Board Meeting, 6:45 p.m.
- Sat., April 21--Ragtime Concert, 1:30 p.m.
- Sun., April 22—Chamber Concert, 3 p.m.
- Sat., April 28—Love Placentia, 9 a.m.-12 noon
- Sun., May 20—Art Gallerie, 1-4 p.m.
- Fri., June 15—Annual Meeting, 7 p.m.

House history—as it might have been



A Bathing Suit? Matt Quintero, playing the role of Hartwell Bradford, holds up a gift he got for his birthday.

An imagined re-enactment of a young Hartwell Bradford’s birthday party was held at the House last weekend, with the Valencia High School Drama Department creating and performing the play.

It was sponsored by the Placentia Historical Committee and PFS to bring to life the role the Bradford Family and their home played in the community.

From the President's Desk



Nancy Murray

We hope you had a lovely Easter, and we wish you all the flowers of Spring. I know the bushes at the Bradford House are in full bloom, especially the red roses.

As we enter April, we invite you to attend the last concerts of the 2018 season, a Ragtime Concert on Saturday, April 21 and a Chamber Concert on Sunday, April 22. Our last Art *Gallerie* for this spring is

scheduled for Sunday, May 20.

Please also plan to join us as we participate in Love ❤️ Placentia on Saturday, April 28, when we plan to spruce up the Bradford House with a little cleaning and gardening. You can get more information at www.loveplacentia.com. Although the website says we aren't taking more

volunteers, feel free to come, anyway!

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as PFS President for the last three years. Do be sure to attend our Annual Members' Meeting on June 15 to vote for new officers for 2018-19. John Walcek will also be sharing his wonderful collection of historic Placentia photos titled, "Placentia Now and Then".

Avanti Ensemble to close concert season at the House

The Avanti Ensemble will close the 27th Annual Bradford House Chamber Concert Series at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 22. Doors open at 2:30 p.m.

The ensemble consists of Tamsen Beseke and Robert Miskey, violins; Louise Brown, viola; Stephen Green, cello; and Ruth Kasckow, flute.

Their program includes Telemann's "Canonic Sonata No. 1 for Flute and Violin" and two Beethoven selections: "Serenade in D Major" and "String Quartet

in A Major, Opus 18, no. 5 in A major."

Beseke has performed and toured with orchestras around the world. She teaches privately and has taught at California State Universities at Fullerton and Los Angeles and Westmont College.

Canadian Miskey recently appeared with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, the Musique et Amitie festival in Switzerland and the Banff Festival.

Brown has performed with the San Francisco Opera,

Western Opera Theater and Dayton and Columbus (Ohio) symphonies. She teaches violin and viola privately.

Green has played with orchestras in his native Canada and Southern California. He teaches cello privately and coaches the Los Angeles Youth Orchestra and Verdugo Young Musicians Association.

Flutist Kasckow teaches and performs in orchestras, chamber music ensembles and solo recitals. She has authored "The Flute Duet Practice Books" and has recorded two solo CDs.



Ruth Kasckow, flutist

Ragtime Concert

The Orange County Ragtime Society invites the public to a program of ragtime music from its early-1900s heyday to the present at the House at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21. PFS members are welcome.



Tamsen Beseke, violinist



Robert Miskey, violinist



Stephen Green, cellist



Louise Brown, violist

Love Placentia

House to get spring cleaning



Shenelle Tolosa shines up a candlestick at last year's event.

PFS members are invited—and urged—to join Love Placentia day, Saturday, April 28, from 9 a.m. to noon to tackle spring cleaning at the Bradford House.

Volunteers will meet at El Dorado High School at 8 a.m., where breakfast will be available and assignments made and verified. The day ends at 12:30 p.m. with lunch at Fullerton Union High School.

Signups to join the Bradford House team may be made online at www.loveplacentia.com. If there are no more openings at the Bradford House, volunteers are welcome to come anyway. Jobs are available for all ages and abilities, so children are welcome, according to Judie Dee, who's spearheading the activity.



Stove cleaning kept Jackie Shumway and Sherrie Young busy.

PFS serves the community



Spring is school tour time, and eight schools from Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District have scheduled tours of the Bradford House as part of the third grade community education curriculum. At left, Nancy Murray shows a group from Glenknoll Elementary contents of a kitchen cupboard as it may have been stocked 100 years ago. PFS uses a Placentia Community Foundation grant to pay for student busing.

The Bradford House occasionally turns into the Art Gallerie, when PFS director John Walcek invites local artists to display their work. At right, Walcek, standing behind his 94-year-old father Emil, hosted woodworking craftsman Ron DeZwart at a show in March.

Artists in all genres have been among exhibitors at the House. Artists/craftspeople interested in mounting a Sunday afternoon show may contact Walcek at 714-900-1746.



Membership Update

Members and dues

PFS welcomed 14 new members this year. They are Alan Amavisca, Michele Coddington, Judith DePaoli, Charlene Hammer, Marion Hetherington, David Hoelter, Cathleen Lewis, Karen Mahoney, Sir Richard Menn, Shirlianne Olsen, Rhonda Shrader, Mary Strazdas, Larry Trott and Anne Vermillion.

As we near the end of our fiscal year, letters and dues renewal notices will soon be mailed. Look for it in your mail!

Although our dues are modest, they are our most important source of income to keep the Bradford House maintained as a historical landmark open to our community.

Members enjoy a complimentary docent tour for friends and family monthly, the quarterly Green Shingle newsletter, the annual membership meeting and the members-only holiday party.

Dues are \$30 for individuals, \$20 for seniors 60+, \$10 for students and \$50 for families.

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 Shumway
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The Placentia Founders Society was established in 1974 to preserve and maintain the Bradford House, which was built in 1902. Now it is a living museum, providing a glimpse into the lives of a pioneering family who made their fortune in the citrus industry. The House is open to the public for docent-led tours from 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month.

House gets a botanical addition

House maintenance director John Walcek donated a large pencil cactus, commonly known as milkbush, which he planted at the southeast corner of the House this month.

It's not a true cactus, but a member of the Euphorbia family, a leafless tree that sprouts tiny leaves at the ends of new branches. It's drought-resistant, as well as a rodent deterrent. It's milky sap is toxic to the touch.

It can grow as high as 30 feet when grown outside.

