

## **Placentia Founders Society**

## **The Green Shingle**

News from the Bradford House

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#### Spring 2022

## Homes with History Second Story Due May 1

The new speakers series, *Homes with History*, offered by the Placentia Founders Society opened in February on Super Bowl Sunday.

Despite this scheduling conflict, two dozen people assembled to hear presentations on the Key Ranch by OC Parks Curator Brad Flynt and on the John Tuffree home by current owners Matt and Janna Wade.

On Sunday, May I Harriet Bouldin, Development/ Membership/Volunteer Manager at the Fullerton Arboretum, will add a second story to the series with a brief history of three historical homes located on the



Series coordinator Kathy Frazee introduces Brad Flynt.

CSUF campus. The presentation is free and open to the public.

The Heritage House is a unique feature on the arboretum grounds. Originally built in 1895 in downtown Fullerton, it was the home of the city's first resident physician, George C. Clark. It was moved to its present location in 1972.

The home of dairyman Henry Hetebrink, still in its original location, is now the Titan Athletic House. What is now the Golleher Alumni House had a sad beginning but eventually was acquired by the university from the Mahr family.

The February presentation was an informative look at the different challenges to restoration faced by a publicly accessed building and a private residence. The next discussion will focus on adaptive uses for preserved older structures.

The talk at the Bradford House begins at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 1. Come early, seating is limited.  $\star$ 

### Birthday Candles and Water Battles

Who doesn't like birthday cake? All PFS members are invited to attend the 120th birthday celebration for the Bradford House at our annual meeting on Friday, June 10.

Share some cake and ice cream and hear about the water wars that were waged between Anaheim and its neighbors during the early days of settlement in Orange County.

There will be a little business to attend to, because it is also time to elect officers for the coming year.

The Nominations Committee met April 5, 2022 at 6:30 pm at the Bradford House. The following have been nominated for Placentia Founders Society Executive Board for 2022-23.

PRESIDENT- TINA MARAJ VP-CURATOR- BETH WOODARD VP- EDUCATION- NANCY MURRAY VP- ACTIVITIES-SECRETARY- STEPHANIE DOLAN TREASURER- CAROLYN DAVIS PARLIAMENTARIAN- ALICE HUSOVSKY

Nominations from the floor for VP-Activities will be welcomed.

Please plan to come to the house on June 10 at 7 p.m. and meet other PFS members who support the preservation of Placentia community history. \*

#### Fundraising Fun!

The Placentia Founders Society held its first annual Quarter Mania Fundraiser since the onset of the Covid lockdown. The activity was held on Sunday, March 20 at Main Street Cafe in Yorba Linda. The event was well attended, everyone had a good time. The money raised will help to defer several unexpected expenses that came up last year, as well as relieve the financial hit due to Covid. As we continue to return to normal, stay tuned for other support opportunities in the upcoming months. \*



Jody Fortuna, Randy Tovar, and Eric Holmgren have fun at the Quarter Mania.



Alice Husovsky, Chris Maule and Judie Dee bidding at Quarter Mania.

#### Bradford House Tour Online

A videotaped docent-led tour presented in brief segments is available on You Tube.

See it all, the outside of the house, individual rooms, the basement, and the attic. Watch for just five minutes or spend the afternoon learning about the home and times of A. S. Bradford.

Videographer/editor, Eric Holmgren, has added more segments online at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UC7u9I36jKVNOYjthnf4OqNg</u> Access is also available on the Placentia Founders Society Facebook page.

Please *subscribe* to improve our access and receive updates.

#### Curator's Corner

For those whose meals usually are consumed straight from the box or sack in which they arrive home, a novel wonder to behold is the formal dining table at Bradford House.

Currently the table is set with a more modern china, dating only from the World War II period. Shared by Judie Dee, it is Wedgewood of Eruria and



Barlaston. The light blue of the applied design was the only color available during the wartime period.



Seasonal themes have been presented in the past using the china on hand that was contemporary with the Bradfords' own dishes. Changes were made every few months so there was always something new to see.

Other new items one can spot include the tobacco tin that holds "A Cargo of Contentment in the Bowl of any Pipe" as well

as flavoring and spices for the kitchen.





#### The President's Desk

By Tina Maraj

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I am happy to report that after expenses we made \$954 at the Quarter Mania event! I appreciate everyone's help. A BIG THANK YOU to Karen Mahoney for heading up the event and to Eric Holmgren for working the welcome table with her.

Thank you to Carolyn Davis for an awesome \$125 value basket with local gift cards including Craftsman and the Whole Enchilada. Also thanks to Stephanie Dolan, Alice Husovsky, Nancy Murray and Judie Dee for their creative and enticing baskets. I think it was a good start back into society after Covid! I will try to set up another Quarter Mania in the Fall.

I hope you have had a chance to view the virtual tours of the Bradford House made possible by the generous efforts of Eric Holmgren. When you do visit the site, be sure to "subscribe". Our access will be easier when we have enough views/subscribers. The subscription is free, and once you subscribe you will get each new session as it is added.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the next *Homes with History* lecture. I hope you will join fellow supporters of the Bradford House at the annual meeting in June. Come and say hello.

I am proud to be your president. \*

#### Our Docents Are Back in Action!



Docent Lynn Stahler shows the gas lights to young visitors.

The Bradford House docents are pleased to once again be leading regular Bradford House tours on the second Sunday of each month and offering scheduled private group tours. We hope to soon see student groups at the Bradford House when the school district again allows field trips.

We have recently welcomed five new docents who are training and "shadowing" experienced docents. If you are interested in training as a Bradford House docent, please leave a message at 714 993-2970.

Our docents have also been featured in YouTube videos focusing on the rooms of the Bradford House and special topics such as the early citrus industry in the area. About half of these videos are posted with more being added. Search on YouTube under Placentia History and Bradford House and subscribe (free) to see updates.

# Upcoming Events

Mark the calendar! Events are held at Bradford House unless noted otherwise.

- May 1: Second Homes with History talk, 3pm
- <u>May 8</u>: Special Mother's Day tours, 2 pm & 3 pm
- June 10: Annual meeting, 6:30 pm
- <u>June 12</u>: Monthly tours, 2 pm & 3 pm

<u>July 10</u>: Monthly tours, 2 pm & 3 pm



Nancy Murray, Pat Blaise and Pam Horn at the Orange County Docent League conference in the Moulton Museum.

In addition, several of our docents and Bradford House members recently attended an Orange County Docent League Conference in the new Moulton Museum at the Aliso Viejo Ranch. We were able to tour the building and dialogue with docents from several different historical facilities within the county. \*



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 will open to the public for docent-led tours from 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month, COVID precautions in place.

**The Bradford House** 

**Placentia Founders Society** 2021-22 Board

#### Officers

President-Tina Maraj-Tovar **VP-Activities—Karen Mahoney** VP-Curator-Beth Woodard VP-Education—Nancy Murray Secretary—Wendy Elliott Treasurer-Carolyn Davis Parliamentarian-Alice Husovsky

#### Directors

## Time to Renew Membership

As the new fiscal year begins in July, it is members are eligible for a private tour of time to renew your annual dues. We appreciate the support of all our loyal members.

You will receive a letter in June reminding you to send in your renewal early. We are always recruiting new members and a gift membership is a great way to honor a friend or neighbor who does not need more things! All new the house.

As the membership chair, I am available to schedule a tour, hear your suggestions or solve any problems you have as a member of PFS! My e-mail is jabcucumb@aol.com.

By Judie Dee, Membership chair

#### Include me/us on your membershin list! My choice is circled below.

	Name	
Directors		
Art Gallery—John Walcek	Address	
E-media—Stephanie Dolan	City/State/Zip	
Historian—Pat Graham		
Maintenance—John Walcek 🥼	Individual, \$30	Lifetime individual, \$500
Member-at-large—Eric	Senior (65+), \$20	Benefactor, \$75
Holmgren	Student (full-time), \$10	Patron, \$125
Membership—Judie Dee	Family/Dual, \$50	
Newsletter—Kathy Frazee	Thank you! Your tax-deductible donation will help preserve	
	the historic Bradford House for future generations.	
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