



Museum of San Carlos History

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2008 - A Very Busy Year

This year has been an active year for the Museum and the Villagers:

- Both received grants from the City of San Carlos' Art & Culture Commission, and both projects were completed in September. See What's New for details.
- We participated in several offsite events - Home Town Days, Hot Harvest Nights and Victorian Days.
- The back room cataloging project is getting close to being completed. A heart felt thank you to June and Carol for keeping the project going for the past several **YEARS**, and **ALL** the volunteers who have helped with data input.
- The fund raising Home Photo Project is moving along nicely. So far, over 100 photos have been sold.
- The third annual Arts & Antiquities event was held in June. The month long exhibit has been a great way to get visitors into the Museum.
- Our first Historic Homes Tour is scheduled for October 26th. See back page for more information.

Ice Cream Social Recap

This year's Social was a big success. Over 250 people stopped by the Museum during the day. Onsite donations, item sales and raffle tickets brought in \$488. Local businesses donated over \$700 worth of gift certificates, tickets, items or services. That's \$353 more than last year. And, this doesn't include all the items donated by the Villagers themselves!

A **BIG thank you** to the following Villagers who donated items:

Lucy Solberg, Molli Rossi, Emil Torrez, June Chichizola, Ben & Grace Schnereger, Devon Ruehl, June Penning and Bob Rowbotham.

What's New

16 mm Film Restoration

During the cataloging process, several reels of 16 mm film were discovered. The Museum Board is having these restored and re-mastered. Once the work is finished, the Board plans on having a "movie night" at the Museum.

New Walking Tour of San Carlos Booklet is Here!

The Villagers received a grant from the City of San Carlos' Art & Culture Commission for the creation of a new walking tour booklet. The new booklet, "A Historic Tour of San Carlos," is replacing the sold out, older one from the 80's. The new booklet features 46 places of interest, contains photos and a fold out map. The map is numbered and features a self-guided walk of historic downtown. The booklet is for sale at the Museum.

Rent the Museum

To increase awareness of the Museum and generate some income, the Museum Board set up a policy allowing the Museum to be rented out for events. So far, this has been pretty successful. Last year, local politicians used the space for election night parties and local businesses booked the holiday season.

Photo and Memorabilia Wall Completed

The new display is finished and ready for viewing! The Museum also received a grant from the City of San Carlos' Art & Culture Commission. The grant was for the renovation of the photo wall. The funds allowed the Museum to add more photos and other historical items to the space. The additional items are of historic interest but didn't necessarily fit into the permanent exhibits.

Scheduled Docent Training Continues

To keep docents up-to-date on what's happening at the Museum, the Villager Board decided to hold brief training sessions. We'll go over new and upcoming displays (in case visitors have questions), recap new policies and procedures and anything else new and interesting at the Museum.



This is Tiny Town, a small amusement park that was located on El Camino Real near Hull Street.

Tiny Town was opened in 1948 by Tom Phillips as a road side attraction. There were a total of eight rides: the whip, a train, a merry-go-round, a boat ride and ponies to name a few. Children loved it! It cost nine cents per ride, or three rides for a quarter. The merry-go-round was even featured in the film, "The Egg and I."

This photo, along with 26 others, was donated to the Villagers. They had been purchased on ebay. If you would like to see the other photos stop by the Museum to view our photo album. You may even be able to help us identify the people in the pictures.

Do you recognize this place?



Calendar of Events

Oct. 11-31	Baseball Memorabilia will be viewable in the temporary display case.
Oct. 26th	Historic Homes Tour
Nov. - Dec.	Masterpiece Studios will have the work of local artist, John Tsang, on display at the Museum.
Dec. 6th Tentative	Annual Holiday Celebration - more details to follow.
Jan. 13th	Villager Meeting & New Board Installation

Historic Homes Tour

For the first time, the Villagers are hosting "San Carlos Homes with a History Tours." A committee has been working hard all year to organize this event. Three homes are on this year's tour: the McDonald Residence, Winter Creek Lodge and the Brittan Hunting Lodge.

The tours are scheduled for Sunday, October 26th and will run from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Tickets are \$25. **No tickets will be sold at the homes.** There is no handicap access in these homes.

Docents will be at each home to answer questions and guide the tours. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served at the Museum from 3:30 pm until 5:30 pm.

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