



### *Greetings from President Mark*

I hope that you are all able to make the November 17 meeting as we have a real treat in store. Dave Crimmen, one of our members and former childhood resident of Broadmoor, has written the definitive history of that community and will be our featured speaker. Copies of his Arcadia Press book, *Broadmoor Village*, will be on sale and he will be autographing them--at no extra charge I might add! This is sure to be a really fun and informative evening. We encourage you to invite friends as our meetings are always without charge and open to all who have a penchant for local history.



A spry group of Guild members led by Vaughn and Gloriann Jones hike in early September to the Tobin tunnel at Mussel Rock. Four generations of the Gillespie Clan participated!

Some of the Guild recently took a short field trip to Mussel Rock, at the Daly City/Pacifica border. This was led by former Guild Board Members Vaughn and Gloriann Jones. About 20 family and friends walked the trail to Mussel Rock to observe the tunnel that was created in 1875 by Richard Tobin, a prominent attorney and founder of the former Hibernia Savings & Loan. Tobin had a vacation home near today's Pacifica and blasted an opening through solid rock to create a tunnel for a shorter, direct route from his main residence in San Francisco. Nature intervened with harsh storms and tides, and the tunnel was quickly abandoned. At the site, there are several tide pools, magnificent views of the Pacific and public works efforts to prevent ocean erosion. Vaughn is considering leading a second hike to the tunnel next spring if there is sufficient interest.

I am pleased to report that the City of Daly City has selected its 11-member Daly City 2011 Centennial Committee. Guild board members Marian Mann and Marilyn Olcese, Guild Board Emerita Bunny Gillespie, and Guild members Georgette Sarles, Al Teglia and Stan Gustavson all have been selected to participate.

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## HISTORY EVENING

Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM

**Dave Crimmen**

lecturing on

*Arcadia Images of America book  
Broadmoor Village*



**FREE - REFRESHMENTS**

101 Lake Merced Blvd., Daly City  
Doelger Center Café

Half Moon Bay Review/August 11, 2010 –

*“Flip through the pages and a small unincorporated hamlet comes into focus. Norman Rockwell-ish in style - with baseball teams, toddlers, old cars, buildings and cheerleaders - this is Broadmoor, as represented in “Images of America: Broadmoor Village”... a place where you knew your neighbors.”*

Dave Crimmen, author of the recently published *Images of America* book "Broadmoor Village" will be the featured speaker at the History Guild's final History Night of 2010 on November 17<sup>th</sup>. Dave grew up in Broadmoor and lived there for 30 years, graduating from local schools, Garden Village and Ben Franklin. He also attended Westmoor High School. Dave is a professional musician whose original music has been used in major motion pictures. He is a Guild member and docent at the Daly City History Museum and at the nearby Colma Museum.

Dave will be telling us about his book, how he came about to write it and where the great photographs in the book came from. He will have available books to sell and he will be more than willing to sign copies that are

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Also, Vaughn Jones, First Vice President Rich Rocchetta, and vocalists are practicing away for the Guild's Grand Birthday Party in January. They will present a medley you won't want to miss of tunes from the 1911 era, Daly City's centennial year.



Guild adventurers at the Tobin Tunnel at Mussel Rock

Dana Smith, Guild Second Vice-President and Museum Director, is in the process of researching a timeline exhibit that will be installed in our new tabletop displays. Significant events in the transformation

of this community over the past 100 years will be the theme. There will be a special focus on our photo archive that was collected in 1973 by then City Librarian Samuel C. Chandler [living in Park Merced apartments and still going strong at 92!] for his book *Gateway to the Peninsula: A History of the City of Daly City*.

Board Emerita Bunny Gillespie, Vice President Richard Rocchetta and Board Member Michael Rocchetta organized a new exhibit to celebrate Veteran's Day in a newly acquired glass showcase. It includes a letter from Eleanor Roosevelt and Gen. George Marshall and medals and artifacts from Ronald Doyle and the late Paul Tolovi.

I'm sorry to share that our Plexiglas protectors which safeguard the granite dedication plaques on the front of the museum recently were scratched with permanent graffiti. The protectors performed their job very well and made sure that the polished granite itself was not defaced. This is the third incident of graffiti we have suffered, the other two being on painted surfaces that were quickly covered. While the marred plastic is very noticeable it is too expensive to replace--the price we have to pay for those who don't respect themselves or others.

Congratulations are due to our neighbors, the Colma Historical Association, on their slide show presentation on the unique history of Colma to the California Council for the Promotion of History's fall conference in Sonora in late October.

And finally, we want to thank everyone for their generous support in 2010. Before you know it 2011 will be here, which brings me to the subject of membership renewals. November is the beginning of our membership renewal campaign -- we have enclosed a

renewal card and return envelope for your convenience. Of course, memberships make an ideal holiday, birthday, or other gift--especially for that young person who might be a budding historian-in-the-making. For gift memberships, we will send a special card announcing your gift with several of our most recent *Tattler* newsletters.



### THANKS TO REFRESHMENT DONORS FOR OUR NOVEMBER MEETING:

Judith Christensen, Marilyn Olcese, Gloriann and Vaughn Jones, Pat Hatfield and Marie Brizuela have volunteered to provide treats for our November meeting. Elinor Charleston is our Hospitality Chair, assisted by Marilyn Olcese.

Thanks to **Marian Mann** for organizing our raffle.

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copies that are purchased. Please join us for an interesting evening to learn about one of the most unique communities in our area. As a special treat, there will be a medley of 1890's vintage music, Vaughn Jones on the piano and Rich Rocchetta on accordion, joined by vocalists

### THANK YOU FOR MUSEUM DONATIONS & VOLUNTEER SERVICE

**Teresa Saltzman** for colored photos of our painting of the Mussel Rock Ohlone village; **Ronald Doyle** for his WWII Marine dress cap, various artifacts from the former Marine Corps League of Daly City, and Daly City police and school mementos; **Vaughn Jones** for a 1939 Map of Daly City, **Broadmoor Property Owners Association** for a small wooden wall cabinet; **Russ Brabec** for a copy of an 1871 Deed from Robert S. Thornton to Israel G. Knowles and an old John Daly Boulevard street sign; **Lani and Martin Schultz** for their donation of the Doelger plaque from their family house on Skyline Blvd. and for the donation of 5 banker boxes of high school yearbooks from the collections of the late **Jane Powell** and **Betty Schultz**. Thank you to **Bunny Gillespie, Richard Rocchetta, and Michael Rocchetta** for organizing a new Veteran's Day display at the museum; **Bunny Gillespie** for leading a docent training at our museum in September; and **Vaughn and Gloriann Jones** for leading a walk to the Mussel Rock tunnel.





More ladies fashion 1911

## CENTENNIAL MEMORIES

By Ken & Bunny Gillespie, Daly City Historians



Because her name came up in trivial conversation recently, we (royal plural) were thinking this week about our dear friend Jane Powell. We had been asked, "Who was the first woman elected to the Daly City

Council?" We were happy to supply the name of Jane Powell, not the movie star of singing and dancing fame, nor the Jane Powell who was the Mayor of Burlingame. We were pleased to recall the Jane Powell that we met back around 1982. She had become Daly City's first ever female Councilmember and we remember being very impressed with the idea of a woman holding such a high position in Daly City government. She was chosen by her fellow council members to be Daly City's first woman Mayor in 1982.

We remember a time that the History Guild was to have a membership meeting at the Doelger Center, back in the earliest days of the Guild, and we arrived to find the community room was untidy and not prepared as promised. With only about a half hour before the festivities were to start, Jane found a broom, used it and

helped shove chairs into place. She had been a member of the Guild since its inception and rarely missed a meeting, often bringing treats and raffle prizes. The next morning, we were told, the Councilwoman placed an administrative phone call. The oversights were never again to become an issue.

We were also remembering the Jane Powell who is credited with co-founding John's Closet in 1988 with her friend, Irene Papan. It was a true labor of love. Both Irene and Jane have passed on now, but the legacy they left for school children of less than abundant means lives on, serving youngsters from age four through eighteen.

After eleven years as a trustee of the Jefferson Union High School District, and another eleven years on the Council, Jane vacated her blue swivel chair on the dais and resigned from public office in 1993. She had served three one-year terms as Mayor. She loved meeting people and was tireless when her Councilperson duties beckoned. Getting to out-of-town meetings, however, wasn't always the most comfortable of situations for Jane. She didn't like to drive and was always happy when she could hitch a ride. Even as a passenger, she especially didn't enjoy going over bridges. When her political career ended, Jane chose to never look back. A bit nostalgically, however, she once remarked to a local journalist, "something has been lost with the changes that growth and political turnover have brought to Daly City... I was told that we were a family." Jane knew well the meaning of family. Over the years, she was the guiding light for her own and an extended family of young men and women. Her home was often full of after-school visitors.

When John's Closet offered increased opportunity to directly serve youngsters Jane became an ardent volunteer, greeting, measuring, and outfitting children at Ben Franklin Middle School and taking home shopping bags of clothing that needed mending, buttons, snaps, hems, etc. Jane's sewing supplies and pile after pile of waiting mending practically took over her bedroom, then her dining room, and finally her living room. She used to say that she'd "never get to the bottom of the pile", and she didn't. After she could no longer leave her home, deliveries were made to her - needles and threads were waiting.

She was a lady of influence and leadership in Daly City for well over twenty years. She died in June of 1999 and the football field at Westmoor High School has been dedicated to her memory. It was an honor to be among her friends and "Centennial Memories" is happy to share a bit of her history and salute Jane Powell, Daly City's first official female gavel-wielder. K/BG

*(Note: The collection of high school yearbooks of the late Betty Schultz and Jane Powell were just donated to our museum.)*

**Thank you to all our 2010 members.**  
**Your renewed membership and support in 2011 is crucial to our continued success.**

*\*Indicates donation of \$50 or more.*

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 of Daly City for use of the Doelger  
 Center and Museum building.*



## NEARBY HAPPENINGS

**San Mateo County History Museum's Courthouse Docket**, free with museum admission, will present "**the Basque in San Mateo County**" on **Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** at 1 p.m. in the San Mateo County History Museum's historic Courtroom A, 2200 Broadway St., Redwood City. (650) 299-0104



**Fundraising Tea on March 19<sup>th</sup>** – mark your calendars!  
You don't want to miss

the **Colma Historical Association** annual tea.

**Cypress Lawn Heritage Foundation Walking Tour:** "High Society Tomb Walk" with Professor Michael Svanevik, **Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30 p.m., meeting at the Noble Chapel, 1370 El Camino Real, Colma. Free, light refreshments. Info: 650/550-8810.

**Mary Jo Ignoffo speaking on her new book "Captive of the Labyrinth: Sarah L. Winchester, Heiress to the Rifle Fortune"** **Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. at the **San Mateo Public Library**, 55 West Third Ave., San Mateo. Free.



**Grandpa Joe Garibaldi's pumpkin patch** on the corner of E. Market and 1<sup>st</sup> Streets recalls the earlier days of the Garibaldi family, pioneer farmers in the area. The pumpkins are raised in Pescadero and offer a variety of blue, white, striped, and the usual orange cooking and jack-o-lantern varieties. Local school children are enjoying visits to the patch.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR GUILD'S JANUARY PROGRAM

**Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 pm – daytime celebration of the Guild's Birthday and special program on entertainment in America in 1911, with interesting historical facts from the era. Program begins our celebration of the Daly City Centennial year with live music and entertainment arranged by Vaughn Jones, including Broadway, vaudeville, ragtime piano solos and a sing-a-long with songs from 1908 – 1912.

## Names in Marriage Licenses Sadly Mixed – Sisters Marry Wrong Men at 1914 Double Wedding

Submitted by Russ Brabec  
Reprinted from article at [www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com)

*San Francisco, June 5, 1914 – Evening News*

It is too much for Supervisor James T. Casey of San Mateo, used as he is to matters of delicacy and intricacy. It's too much for his two daughters, Alice and Margaret, who were married some months ago at a big double wedding in Colma. It was last January that the double wedding was celebrated at St. Ann's [Holy Angels]

church at Colma. And it was a lovely wedding too. But somehow, between the altar rail and the office where the marriage certificates are registered, a little breeze of mischance played with the four names of the wedded couples and got them sadly tangled up.

Now it is the problem of straightening them out without recourse to another marriage ceremony that is bothering Casey, the Barrett and the Savage families. As things stand now, Margaret Casey, who stood up at the altar with Robert D. Savage, finds that the registrar of marriages has given her John F. Barrett for a husband. And Barrett, who stood up at the altar with former Alice Casey, finds that the registrar of marriages has made him the husband of her sister Margaret.

Finding themselves each married to both of their husbands, to one by the church and the other by the state, Supervisor Casey's daughters at first didn't know whether to laugh or cry. The error was made in recording the names was not discovered until a day or two ago. The Barretts went on a trip east after the wedding, while the Savages went on an automobile trip to Southern California. Then when they went to have the matter straightened out and have the proper marriage certificates legally registered, they found that the time limit for this proceeding had expired.

## Ladies Fashions circa 1911

researched by Judith Christensen



## BLOUSES NOUVELLES





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Tobin's Tunnel at Mussel Rock

## HISTORY OF RECIPES



The History Guild of Daly City-Colma is making a *"History of Recipes"* Cook Book as a fundraiser. We *need your recipes* to include in our book. It could be your own recipe or from your parents or grandparents. Don't miss this *once in a lifetime opportunity* to have your recipes included in the History Guild's Cook Book with photos of our local history. Thank you to those who have sent in recipes, but to all you wonderful Guild cooks who haven't yet participated, please submit your favorite recipes with your name, address, phone number and/or email address. For info call or email Marie Brizuela 650-755-7188, mbriz1@aol.com, or Marilyn Olcese 650-755-5616, Zenese@aol.com. Email your recipes or send to: History Guild, 6351 Mission St, Daly City, CA 94014.

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