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FOURTH OF JULY, 1908 — the Twilight Lodge of Odd Fellows and the Zephyr Rebeccas' float for the parade.
Harry Marland was 'King', and Miss Turley was 'Queen'. (from the Don Church Collection, courtesy Chevron USA)

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Festival by the Bay

Celebrating the arts and heritage of Richmond

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 11:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
RICHMOND MARINA BAY (see map on back)

Classic Boats for Boarding • Drama and Dance • Folk Art and Music
Nautical Displays • Festive Foods • Puppets and Poetry
Folklore and Myths • Crafts and Nostalgia • Authors and Art
Continuous Entertainment • Photography Exhibition
Rowing Regatta

FREE ADMISSION

❖ HISTORY ASSOCIATION NOTES ❖

THANKS FOR A YEAR

No one believed that it would really be possible to raise more than \$10,000 for a small park around the Indian Statue, without beating the bushes for corporate donations, etc., but YOU did it. Individual donations were responsible for our share of the park. The city will be able to provide the remaining expense. . . THANKS !

It was unrealistic to expect that more than perhaps twenty of the photographs of the Don Church collection could be reproduced per year.— it is an expensive process. But this year our archives chairman Teresa Albro announced that Carolyn Poage from Chevron USA had accepted 200 photos for reproduction, swelling our archival collection to much more useable proportions! THANKS to Teresa, Carolyn and Chevron!

Preparing and executing and selling a calendar with only a few volunteers and little time to do it seemed almost impossible, but thanks to Teresa Albro, Deirdre Cerkowicz and other board members, our historical calendar was published and distributed and enjoyed — and even produced a small profit — THANKS!

It is not easy to find responsible, intelligent, compatible people to volunteer to keep an organization running — like Mae Mandl, who keeps the treasury (perfectly), or Elizabeth McDonald, who provides us with our interesting programs, or Muriel Clausen who keeps track of what we do in her minutes, or Pam Wilson, who has kept a record of our members, sent out notices, and is generally on hand to do what has to be done, or Mid Dornan who among other things, keeps our correspondence going, or Jerry Cerkowicz, who has taken the task

or indexing our publications, or Deirdre Cerkowicz, who has provided miscellaneous work, and who will take Teresa Albro's job of archives chairman this year, or Frankie Greenlaw who traveled a distance for each meeting to keep a record of the programs, or Sarah Eeles, who has joined Deirdre and Deirdre and Pam in researching old newspapers — but, they came together and accomplished much, more than — THANKS can express.

And it is not likely that a small community could retain interest in an organization, making it possible to do the research, publish a magazine and carry out projects, but you have, and still are — THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

—Donna Roselius

MORE TO COME

After a brief respite for the summer, we will come back with another newsletter in September. Deadline for articles will be August 20. Thanks to the people who have faithfully sent articles in the past, and we look forward to receiving articles from anyone willing to add to the historical information — past history, or what will be historical in the future.

Board members for this year are: Deirdre Cerkowicz, Jerry Cerkowicz, Muriel Clausen, Mid Dornan, Sarah Eeles, Frankie Greenlaw, Margarita Hain, Mae Mandl, Liz McDonald, Donna Roselius, and Pam Wilson

Officers for the coming year have not as yet been elected. They will be announced in the September issue.

DONATIONS

Thanks to Griff Brazil for a 1942 edition of Duncan Hines' "Adventure in Good Eating" in which the Hotel Mac is mentioned.

Thanks to Stan Nystrom, who donated \$100 in memory of his wife, Ruth, to be used for a History Association project.

Thanks for the assistance of George Martin and Bill McCloskey in reproducing photos for the newsletter.

MEMBERS

*Pam Wilson, membership chairman
521 Western Drive
Pt. Richmond, CA 94801*

Thank you to the following members who have renewed their memberships this month:

Grace E. Berk	David & Mary Janney
The Brown Family	Mr. & Mrs. Albert McGee
David Calfee	Evelyn M. Moore
Boysie Day	Richard & Roberta
Marion Downey	Palfini
The Fenton Family	Robert & Marie Peckham
Paula Ferguson	Goldie Shrewsbury
Mary Franco	Charlotte G. Woods

Ronald W. Yates

And welcome to the following new members:

Nicki Ackerman	Dulcie Johnson
Helen H. Daphiney	Lenny Lipton
Bonnie K. Muir	

Kozy Kove

AQUATIC PARK AND
PICNIC GROUNDS

AT
POINT RICHMOND

Take Santa Fe direct, or Key
Route to Oakland and by Street
Car to Point Richmond

DANCING EVERY AFTER
NOON AND EVENING IN
OPEN AIR PAVILION
FINE BEACH FOR SWIM-
MING

REFRESHMENTS

Orchestra Sunday Evenings
Playground for Children Equip-
ped with Slides, Swings,
Sandboxes, etc.

*An ad from
the June,
1916
Richmond
newspaper*

INDIAN STATUE PARK

DONATION DEADLINE

August 15, 1986

This will be the last newsletter before the August 15 deadline — so this is the final reminder to those who plan to donate funds to the park in the amount of \$200 or more.

The Indian Statue Park Committee met with Lindsey Strout of the Recreation and Parks Department June 2. Mr. Strout assured us that money would be available from the Roberti-Zieberg funds to supplement the individual donations, and that construction of the park would be underway by September. In any case, the October unveiling of the third plaque will be celebrated. Watch for the September newsletter to get details.

As of this printing, donors of \$200 or more are:

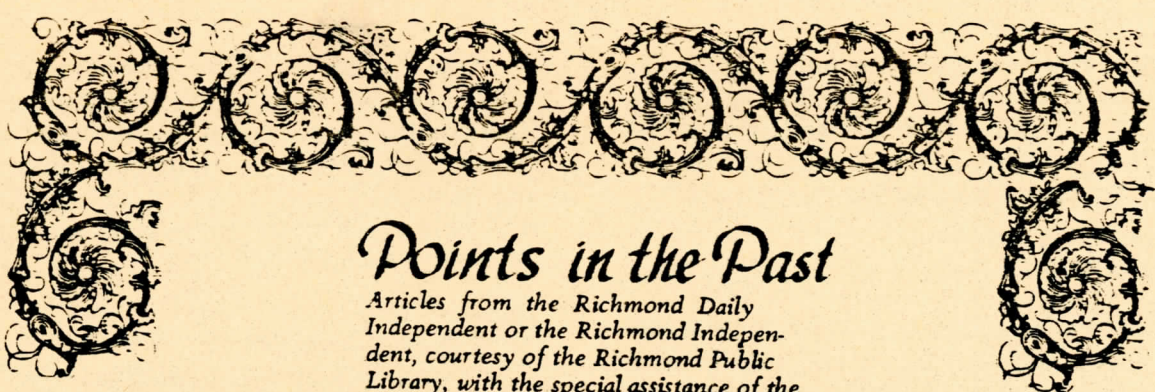
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Partial payments have been received from:

Robert Butzbach
Camille Zulpo
and in honor of Jim Spillman: Tom & Shirley
Butt, Stewart Berman, Judith Schilling, Laura
Selfridge, Saryl Weinstein, Henry Wessel, Diana
Woodward.



Points in the Past

Articles from the Richmond Daily Independent or the Richmond Independent, courtesy of the Richmond Public Library, with the special assistance of the reference librarians.

70 YEARS AGO ...

by Deirdre Cerkowicz

June 6, 1916 -

JUDGE'S VACATION HANGS BY THREAD ...

"... The City Attorney applied for two weeks leave of absence. Someone 'moved' that the application be denied (All in fun of course) and someone, perhaps to help carry out the joke and perhaps through force of habit 'seconded the motion'.

" 'Moved that the application be denied,' said the Mayor.

"Consternation overspread the countenances of the worthy paternal relatives of the municipality.

"Ready for the question!" continued the city's chief executive in all seriousness.

"And then the mayor relented and the Judge received his well earned two weeks."

June 6, 1916 ...

WHARF FILL CONTRACT TO BE LET...

"Permission having been given by Moffitt Mead company to city council for other companies to use the exclusive rocky quarrying privilege enjoyed by that company upon land of the Santa Fe railway company at Ferry Point, the council last evening decided to readvertise for bids for the rock fill to be placed at the municipal wharf to

connect that structure with the main land. The rock fill will cost about \$10,000."

June 7, 1916 -

WEST SIDE CLUB SEEKS SERVICE DIRECT TO CITY ...

"Plans to secure an automobile ferry from the west side to San Francisco is the project taken up by the Pt. Richmond commercial club at its meeting last evening and a committee composed of Mayor E.J. Garrard and H.W. Wernse was delegated to get busy on the proposition.

"The committee will first confer with the Santa Fe railway company in an effort to induce that company to handle the service and if that corporation will not do it to endeavor to interest outside capital in the proposition. . . "

June 7, 1916 -

BRICK COMPANY FIGHTS TIDELAND SUIT FOR \$4800 ...

"Contending that the demands of the Henshaw-Macdonald interests for \$4800 for wharf tolls is exorbitant claim, the Los Angeles pressed brick company operators of the Richmond pressed brick company have engaged tideland attorneys in Los Angeles and will fight the suit filed in the superior court . . .

"Years ago the Henshaw coeterie of capitalists bid in at a tax sale the title to the tidelands or the overflow lands between the

high water mark and the bulkhead lines in front of the works of the brick company and since have been demanding that the brick company pay it 5 cents per ton for all materials hauled across this strip. . . ”

June 13, 1916 –

MR. NICHOLL GOES TO WASHINGTON...

“An interesting story of official Washington is told by John Nicholl who returned recently from his trip to the national capital in the interest of a naval academy for Richmond. The well known capitalist spent two months in New York and Washington and by the assistance of influential friends and his own aggressiveness was able to reach the innermost councils of the administration in the interests of Richmond. . . He was able for more than an hour present his proposition directly to the Senate naval committee. He was only prevented from putting the Naval Academy plans directly before the President by the fact that official Washington at that time was upset by the strained relations to Germany. . . ”

June 13, 1916 . . .

PALM TREES WAVE ON CUTTING . . .

“The palm trees ~~that~~ have been set out along Cutting boulevard . . . are developing nicely and will add to the beauty of that thoroughfare, which is one of the prides of Richmond. The palms may, of course disappear as Cutting Boulevard is given over more and more to business structures, but an effort will be made to retain them, making this an unique commercial thoroughfare.”

June 13, 1916 –

NEW FERRY WILL BE READY FOR RUN ON JULY FIRST . . .

“The \$101,000 steamer just being completed for the Richmond-Marin auto ferry company will go on the run between this city and the Marin shore about July 1.

“The steamer will carry fifty autos and 1500 passengers. It opens up a route through Richmond for all the scenic and agricultural country from Marin to Humboldt county and even into Oregon and Washington. The new service will be an appreciable asset in developing Richmond.”

June 15, 1916 –

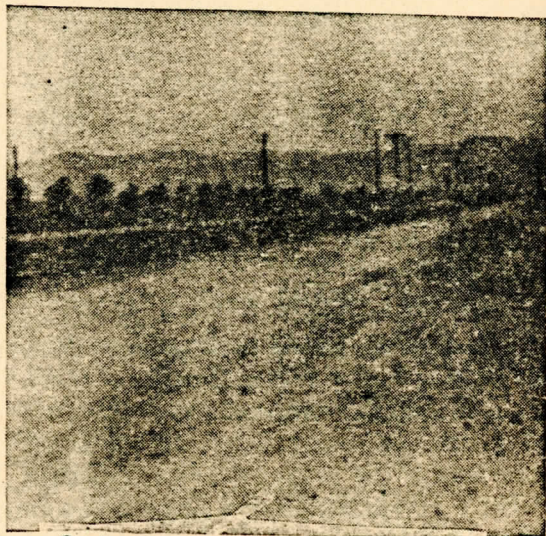
PROSPERITY DANCE AT “COVE” . . .

“The Merchants’ Prosperity Ball at Kozy Kove last night was one fine demonstration of aroused public interest. Kozy Kove fairly vibrated, trembled and shook as the happy, prosperous, exuberant throng dipped, skipped and foxy trotted the evening away to the exhilarating tunes of the Lensen McRacken orchestra.”

June 20, 1916 –

RICHMOND WATERFRONT

The growing outer harbor is pictured, showing the loading of cannons for shipment to Mare Island, and the unloading of 1,000,000 feet of lumber for the Standard Oil Refinery. Construction of industries was going on at a rapid pace along the harbor.



Cutting Boulevard in 1916, after the Palm trees were planted. (from the Don Church collection)

July 5, 1916 -

**'REMARKABLE' DEATH
RECORD FOR RICHMOND . . .**

"No Richmond resident died in this city during the month of June, no contagious diseases were reported and no houses were under quarantine . . .

Eight death certificates were filed during the month. Of this number, 3 were for stillborn children, four outsiders met death by accident and a visitor died of cancer.

"The stork came under the wire with 29 new kiddies for the city."

July 5, 1916 -

**COUNTRY'S NATAL DAY
CELEBRATION UNRESTRAINED . . .**

"Richmond outshone itself on yesterday when it staged the most elaborate and successful fete of any kind in its busy fifteen years as a city. Not a hitch marred the day. Only one grass fire and just three men arrested indicates that despite the bedlam of noise featuring an 'insane' fourth, the holiday crowd of thousands that visited the city was well behaved and happy.

"Outstanding features were the magnificent parade, the winning of the county championship by the Richmond ball club, the mardi gras fun of Monday evening, the free barbecue on the west side and the fireworks of last evening."

July 6, 1916 -

**FERRY TRIAL TRIP IS SET
JULY 14TH . . .**

"Announcement was made today by Manager Mose Moch of the Richmond-San Rafael ferry company that the trial trip of the new ferry steamer Van Damme has been set for Friday of next week.

"Plans for the event are now being made and it is expected that quite a number of prominent Richmond people will be invited to join in the ride about the bay."

July 7, 1916 -

**CHILD SWALLOWS NEEDLE ;
WORKS WAY OUT OF ARM (?)**

"The three year old son of A.D.Hurst of 412 Cottage avenue has come out unscathed from a most remarkable accident, which might easily have proven fatal to him. Some time ago, the child complained that he had 'pains inside, like something sticking him', and subsequent questioning and investigation disclosed the fact that he had swallowed a sewing needle. Within the past few days it was discovered that the sharp piece of steel had worked itself through the child's vitals and was protruding from the arm. The needle was removed from the arm by Dr. W.W. Fraser who says that the child is uninjured and will recover, none the worse for his experience."

July 13, 1916 -

NEW FERRY IS NEARLY READY . . .

". . . It is expected that the officials of the company will have completed arrangements for the vessel's trial trip by next Saturday (the 15th) when a large number of local people will make the trip about the bay. . . "

(Anyone know what ever happened to these well-laid plans?)

July 18, 1916 -

**MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL IS
PRACTICALLY ASSURED - BELIEF**

Standard Oil Offers to Furnish Hot Salt Water ; Land Company, Space

"Prospects are bright for the establishment of a municipal salt water bath. The Standard Oil company has offered the use of clean salt water heated to 190 degrees and the Pt. Richmond land and canal company has made an offer to Councilman H.L. Penry who is leading the battle for the project to donate a block of land 200 x 225

feet located at Ashland avenue and Ohio streets as a site.

"It is likely that the council will place a levy of 5 cents in the coming tax levy to secure a start upon the erection of a building. . . Richmond has no parks or playgrounds of any kind and a salt water plunge would be a boon to everyone."

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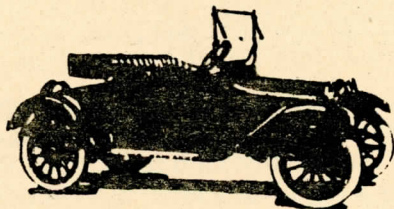
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60 YEARS AGO . . .

by Sarah Eeles

June 8, 1926 -

EMPLOYEES OF STANDARD OIL RECEIVE STOCK:

*Employees are Receiving 68,000 Shares of
Stock valued at About \$4,000,000.*

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office places the number of employees at the local refinery who are to receive shares as numbering 1,700. So there are 12,000 of the California company who will receive 482,000 shares, this puts the average for each man at forty shares . . . at the present market value of \$57 to \$59 per share. . . the total value of the stock distributed to the local men (is) approximately \$4,000,000."

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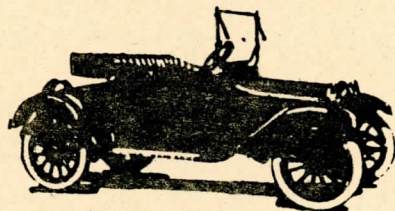
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July 8, 1936 -

50,000 SWIM IN CITY POOL IN YEAR . . .

"The Richmond municipal natatorium was visited by 50,646 bathers in the fiscal year ending June 30 according to the annual report of City Manager James A. McVittie. Revenues for the year amounted to \$11433.15.

"Last month the natatorium was visited by 7,868 bathers, who paid a total of \$1,846.95."

August 10, 1936 -

POINT TOWNSEND CLUB TO MEET . . .

"J.O. Watson, the vice president, will conduct the weekly meeting of Pt. Richmond Townsend Club in the Italian-American club on Standard avenue at Eddy street this evening."

40 YEARS AGO . . .

by Sarah Eeles

July 16, 1946 -

STUDENT DIES IN DIVE AT KELLER'S WHARF . . .

"Edward Talveara, 15-year-old Richmond Union high school student, died last night of a fractured neck and other injuries suffered when he dived into shallow water off Keller's Wharf at Ferry Point Saturday.

"Talvaera, who lived with his mother, Mrs. Consuelo Talvaera, at 131 Third Street, was born in Richmond."

July 17, 1946 -

*FRED BREWEN, RESIDENT
47 YEARS, DIES . . .*

"Fred Frank Brewen, 75, of 153 Park Place, resident of Richmond for 47 years, a retired carpenter and former businessman, died yesterday after a short illness.

"A native of San Ramon, Mr. Brewen came to this city in its early development. He engaged in carpentering and later in business, and at the time of his death was owner of several buildings on Park Place, which in recent years have been occupied by various offices of the police department."

30 YEARS AGO . . .

by Sarah Eeles

June 4, 1956

ATTACK KILLS CITY AIDE . . .

"Claude Calvin Gibbons, city traffic technician and life-long resident of Richmond, died in a local hospital late yesterday, apparently the victim of a heart attack. He was 51 years old.

"Gibbons. . . was born in Point Richmond and was a member of a pioneer local family.

"He started work for the city of Richmond in 1945, becoming the city's first full time worker on traffic engineering."

June 14, 1956 -

*CITY MANAGER TO ADDRESS
RENTAL ASSOCIATION . . .*

"The Richmond Rental Owners' association will hear City Manager Edwin S. Howell speak on 'Richmond and its Redevelopment Problem' tonight at the Hotel Mac.

"President Sam DePhillips said the talk will be preceded at 6:30 p.m. by a dinner. A business meeting will follow and delegates will be appointed for the state convention in Long Beach, August 5 - 7."

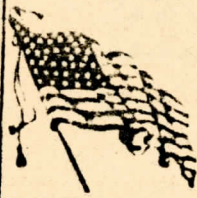
June 14, 1956 -

*BRAY OFFER ON TERRACE SITE
IS ACCEPTED . . .*

"The Richmond Redevelopment Agency voted 4 to 0 today to sell the former Terrace war housing tract to the Bray Oil and Chemical companies for \$72,500 - successfully

completing the second industrial redevelopment project in the city.

"Sale of the former Harbor Gate war housing area to United Grocers and Safeway Stores was the first industrial redevelopment project successfully completed by the city. Work on a giant warehouse for the former firm is now underway and the latter is expected to begin construction on its facilities soon."



FOURTH OF JULY

FIREWORKS

Serpentine, Confetti, Flags, all sizes,
Fire Crackers, Torpedoes, Songs of Gods,
all guaranteed fresh from factory.

NEILL'S 154 Washington Av.

1916 ad

IN PURSUIT OF HISTORICAL TRIVIA

courtesy of Stan Nystrom

ANSWERS:

To answer this month's trivia question regarding the lack of originality in the selection of the name "Richmond" for this city —

There are 26 communities of that name in the world, of which 14 are in the United States. Two are in England—one in Yorkshire and one in Surrey; and two in Canada. In addition, there's a Richmond borough in New York City, and a Richmondville in New York State. Three states have counties named Richmond, and four large cities have districts so named.

Supplemented versions of the name include: Richmond- Airport, -Beach, -Downs, -Gulf, -Heights, -Hill, -Island, -Battlefield Park, and -Peak. Also a Richmond in Saskatchewan, Canada; and a New Richmond in Quebec. . . and, do not forget a Point Richmond somewhere in California.

Sources: Portion of the index to the *National Geographic Atlas of the World*, third edition, 1970; and *Many Richmonds*, by Russ Whiting, from *New Vistas*, Richmond Independent, August 10, 1968.

Richmond, Calif.
Richmond, Cape of Good Hope, S. Af.
Richmond, Durham, Eng.
Richmond, Ind.
Richmond, Jam.
Richmond, Kans.
Richmond, Ky.
Richmond, London, Eng.
Richmond, Mass.
Richmond, Me.
Richmond, Mich.
Richmond, Minn.
Richmond, Mo.
Richmond, Natal, S. Af.
Richmond, New S. Wales, Australia
Richmond, N.Y. 27
Richmond, N.Z.
Richmond, Ont.
Richmond, Que.
Richmond, Queensland, Australia

Richmond, St. Vincent
Richmond, Tasmania, Australia
Richmond, Tex.
Richmond, Utah
Richmond, Va.
Richmond, Vt.
Richmond, borough, N.Y., N.Y.
Richmond Airport, Fla.
Richmond Dale, Ohio
Richmond Downs, Australia
Richmond Gulf, Que.
Richmond Heights, Fla.
Richmond Hill, Exuma
Richmond Hill, Ont.
Richmond Island, Tobago
Richmond National
Battlefield Park, Va.
Richmond Peak, St. Vincent
Richmondville, N.Y.
Richmond, Sask.

If you're wondering where the dickens is Richmond Hill, Exuma — Stan had to look it up, too — It's in the Bahamas. How's that for trivia compounded from trivia?

CHURCHES

POINT BAPTIST CHURCH

Quotes and Comments . . .

by Roy Jones

The flyer reprinted below is from 1943-44, when Robert E. Jenkins was pastor of our church. Rev. Jenkins was a graduate of the Berkeley Divinity School, ordained at our church in 1941, and remained active in our church work until the end of 1941 when Rev. Robert Lincoln Kelley accepted the pastorate at another church and the newly-ordained Reverend Jenkins became our pastor.

*"I will lift up mine eyes unto
The hills, from whence cometh
My help.
My help cometh from the Lord,
Which made heaven and earth."
— Psalm 121*

☪ This Sunday come and worship your Heavenly Father, at the
CHURCH ON THE HILL with the new steeple. We welcome
you and your family. Never are you a stranger here — if you
are then we are both at fault.

**First Baptist Church
of Point Richmond**
Corner of Washington Ave. and Nichol St.
ROBERT E. JENKINS, Minister
2211 Haate St., Berkeley, Calif.
Telephone ASHberry 7517

CHURCH PROGRAM:
9:45 A. M. ————— Sunday School Classes for All Ages
11:00 A. M. ————— Morning Worship Service
6:30 P. M. ————— Youth Groups — Junior and Senior Ages
7:30 P. M. ————— Evening Song Service
7:30 P. M. Wednesday ————— Mid-Week Prayer Service

OTHER ACTIVITIES:
8:30 P. M. ————— Sunday " Fireside Fellowship "
7:30 P. M. ————— Guild — Meets the 3rd Friday of each month
President: Mrs. Carl Conoway, 217 Standard Ave.
7:30 P. M. ————— Ladies Aid — Meets every 2nd Thursday
President: Mrs. Sam Walker, 319 E. Richmond Ave.
Telephone Richmond 5793-R

1943

Here are a few statistics from Rev. Jenkins' first year here; from the Point Richmond Baptist Church Annual Report, May, 1943 to May, 1944:

Church Attendance:

Peak	210
Average	100 a.m.
Average	80 p.m.

Sunday School Attendance:

Peak	140
Average	100

Classes for all levels, Cradle Roll through two adult groups and a Home Department.

Daily Vacation Bible School

Enrollment	86
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Women's Work

Ruth & Naomi Guild	
Average Attendance	18
Calls Made	100

Ladies Aid

Average Attendance	25
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Projects of combined women's groups: Good Neighbor Calling, rug fund, monthly socials, Mother-Daughter Tea, standard programs for Baptist Women's work.

All of which brings me to the subject of this column, this issue. In each TPIT, the Methodist Church column includes a small - print paragraph giving credit to the ladies for their endless efforts in keeping the church active. This is true today, as it was in the early days of our church.

It is difficult to keep any organization running by donations only. Women have traditionally donated endless hours and great energy in cooking and serving meals for various fund-raising projects; they keep our books, reconcile bank statements, sing our songs, teach Sunday School classes, stage Christmas programs, clean the building, type programs — their devotion knows no bounds.

In our files one woman in particular keeps showing up on letters, reports, checks, minutes of meetings, etc., and that is a certain Mrs. Paul Dunlap. I asked Mrs. Trannie Doman (Mrs. Point Richmond herself) if she knew this woman. And Trannie replies, "Well, Roy, you are asking about Lucetta Wood." And indeed on some of the earlier documents the name is "Lucetta Wood" — to become Mrs. Paul Dunlap. Trannie added,

“Yes, she did keep your church running, she and a few other ladies, for years when you did not have a regular pastor.”

So – consider yourselves recognized and appreciated, ladies. (How’s the foregoing paragraph, girls? – pretty fine reporting, huh? Consider yourselves further advised that I am available for dinner at the Mac.)

We will have lots of historical tidbits when we return in September, including a list of all our pastors from 1903 to the present.

Cancel your annual world cruise and have the greatest vacation ever right here in the Bay Area – stay home and support your local terrorists!

OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH . . .

by Marion Downey

Baptized recently were Michele Christina Risner, daughter of Donald and Mary Risner; and Nichole Brooke Virgo, daughter of Michael and Shelly Virgo.

Anitra Raju and Anthony Wallace were married in May; in June, Emilio Lizarde and Maria Ledizma, and Robert Dickson and Kathleen Dickson were wed. Michael Zadra and Elsa Ramirez will marry later in June.

Josephine Calvan Orozco, the daughter of Nick and Ramona Calvan and wife of Armando Orozco has graduated from the University of California with a B.A. in Landscape Architecture – Congratulations.

Congratulations also to Edward and Josephine Palenchar on their 45th Wedding Anniversary!

In May, 241 bags of groceries were given to needy families.

Mothers Day and Fathers Day breakfasts were a huge success. Ellie Strauss was caterer for both affairs, and Allan Smith was

in charge of reservations.

The death of Jean Bernes and her funeral was the sad note of the month.

POINT METHODIST CHURCH

by Mid Dornan

Church history is rich with contributions of women. One of the church groups in the early 1900's was the Home Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church, whose history is reflected in their minutes, printed below and taken from the stiff cardboard covered notebook purchased from "Shoen's Pharmacy in the Point". This is the sixteenth installment.

June 15, 1908

The Home Missionary Society met at the church. The members present were Mrs. Younglove, Mrs. Butterfield, Mrs. Totten, and Mrs. Pritchard. Mrs. Adams came in later. The meeting was opened by reading 2nd Chapter of Haggai and prayer by Mrs. Younglove. The roll was called and the minutes was (sic) read and approved. Then questions was (sic) ask in regards as how the auxiliary money is used. Then reading by Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Totten.

Adjournment
L.C.Pritchard, Sect



POINT RICHMOND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

by Georgia Haley

PG&E- OUTAGES & IMPROVEMENTS

Special guests at the May meeting were PG&E representatives Gary Green, Dave Dowling and Steve Dameniakis, who had been invited to explain some lengthy electrical outages during the winter season. They said that most outages were caused by natural occurrences, as falling tree limbs, wind, etc.. The delays in correcting the problems will be reduced, they said, by equipment improvement and a computerized network that is currently being installed.

Mr. Green emphasized the importance of calling PG&E when there is a problem. He acknowledged the fact that contacting them during an outage might be difficult — this too should be improved upon soon, he said. One problem in the Point is caused by aging equipment, aggravated by building improvements and new construction. The number to call concerning problems is 231-1915 (make a note) — and our area can be identified as being served by Station R, circuit 1119.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES . . .

Joseph Salvato and Lindsay Strout of the Richmond Recreation and Parks Department, who explained the needed improvements to the Plunge, most of which will be paid for by CalTrans funds. A ramp to the freeway will be built at the site of Kenny Park, at Castro and Standard. Payment for a public recreational facility must be commuted to another recreational facility.

A schedule for the Washington School Field House shows a program for Tiny Tots from June 2 to August 8. There is also an after school program and a Teen Twilight Time from 5:00 to 8:30, Monday through Friday. Community interest is needed to

enhance the programs and to fund additional equipment.

The Recreation and Parks Department provides a great number of recreational, athletic and instructional programs at various facilities; as well as day camps and excursions. For information about the Point facilities and city-wide programs to keep minds and hands productive, either call 620-6792 or stop at the Recreation and Parks Department in the Civic Center for written schedules. The Police Athletic League also sponsors athletic programs for kids 6 and older. Their number is 620-6884.

SANTA FE LANDSCAPING

According to the latest report, the landscaping planned for the border of the Santa Fe property on Garrard Boulevard, where the truck beds are stored, has finally gone out for bids.

CLEAN-UP DAYS . .

Point Clean-Up Days are scheduled for June 28 and 29. Using work-furlough people, and city equipment, several areas of the Point can be cleaned up, if enough residents are willing to supervise. Call David Vincent - at 235-4850 if you can help.

A NIGHT ON THE TOWN . . .

The Business Association is sponsoring a night out at any of three Point restaurants — Hotel Mac, the Point Orient or the Baltic — and viewing the "Most Happy Fella" at the Masquers Playhouse. To join an entertaining evening, get a ticket from any Association member, or call 235-4850.



1903 ad

May 8, 1986 Meeting . . .
Point Richmond

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

by Linda Andrew

COLLECTION OF MINUTES AT WEST SIDE . . .

Jan Burdick, Librarian at West Side Branch Library, has graciously offered to create a repository of copies of Minutes taken of the PRNC and the preceding council, from the early 1960's. She has some early copies now and believes the minutes should be accessible through the library to all those interested. She will coordinate the gathering of minutes with the secretary.

TREASURY . . .

Treasurer Jay Ward was able to get a charge-free checking account for the Council at the Ninth Street Mechanics Bank. The initial deposit was \$240, with additional funds forthcoming from businesses donating towards the holiday lights and decorations, together with membership dues.

AREA REPRESENTATIVES . . .

Discussions were held to determine those areas in the Point which did not receive adequate representation by their delegated representatives. Various members of the community will be contacted to determine their willingness to become area representatives.

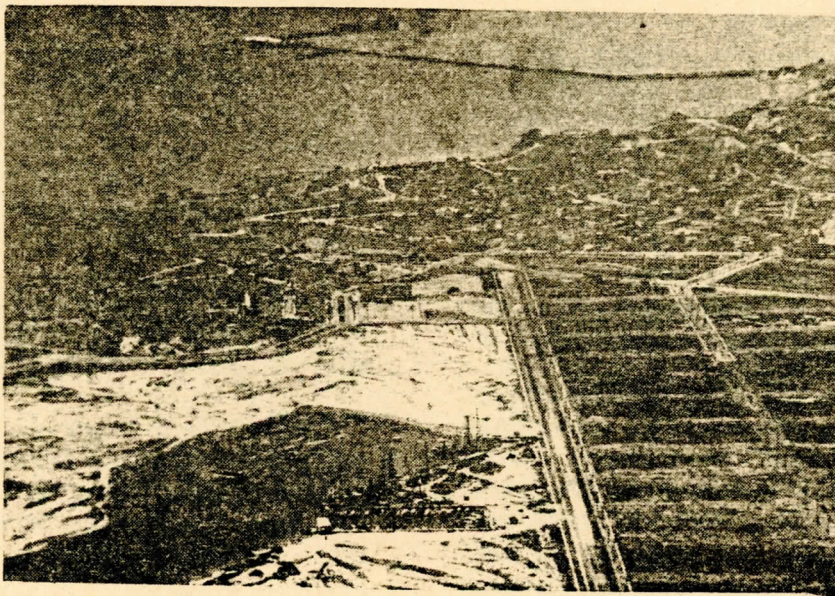
ATCHISON VILLAGE . . .

The feasibility of including Atchison Village in the Point Neighborhood Council will be checked with Ivy Lewis in the City Citizen Participation Department.

CLEAN-UP WEEKEND . . .

Discussions are still in progress with the Business Association to co-sponsor a clean-up of downtown, the Washington School area and any other parts of town requested. Supervision is required but the work furlough crews do all the hard work, and the City furnishes all tools and pickup. Final details will be forthcoming.

1926, after
the filling
and dredging
of the inner
harbor
from the
Don Church
Collection



YOUTH PROGRAMS . . .

Concern about the lack of programs for young people was voiced (see article on the Point Richmond Business Association meeting).

PLANNING COMMISSION . . .

Allan Romano has agreed to attend all Richmond Planning Commission meetings and monitor activities concerning the Point. His experience in creating the Zoning Committee last year will prove invaluable as our liaison to the Planning Commission.

Allan is scheduled to give a presentation of zoning information significant to all Point residents at the June 12 board meeting.

JULY MEETING . . .

The next Neighborhood Council quarterly Public meeting is Thursday, July 10, 1986 at the Community Center, 8:00 p.m.

Cook in a cool Kitchen

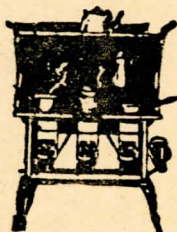
All the heat is concentrated where it is needed
—keeps you cool and
makes for better cooking

NEW PERFECTION OIL COOK-STOVE

STANDARD OIL
COMPANY
(Continued)

1916 ad

For Best
Results
Use
Pearl Oil



Reservations For
OKTOBERFEST. . .
(the REAL thing!)

Russ and Shirley Moore of the Point are leading a tour to Munich for the opening day of the Oktoberfest — seats for the famous Folklore Parade have already been reserved. The tour leaves September 19, 1986, and includes portions of Bavaria, Switzerland, the Rhine, Holland, and ends with four days in London. For more details, call Russ and Shirley at 236-7511.

A-MID TRIVIA

by Mid Dornan (234-5334)

On June 14, 1777 the government resolved that “the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field; representing a new constellation” (It took until September 2, 1777 for this resolution to be published.) The last star was added to the flag when Hawaii joined the Union in 1960. The 50-star flag was raised at 12:01 a.m. on July 4, 1960.

Should any of you want to show your patriotism and help a scout attend camp at the same time, just contact the Boy Scouts of Troop 111 (236-8460). They have flags for sale. And, if you have a flag already, the Statue of Liberty flag will someday be a collectors’ item, so why not add it to your collection now?

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Remember when . . . any man who didn’t doff his hat as the flag passed by in a parade had it taken off for him?

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Receiving honors and recognition at El Cerrito High School were Stacie and Casie Espinosa. Stacie was the “most improved softball player”, and was chosen as a flag girl in next year’s marching band. Casie was the only freshman girl elected to the varsity team, and she received her ECHS letter.

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Little Lance Rotting is okay now, but he had to have a wound on his head stitched after falling from a merry-go-round.

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There is an exciting year ahead for the Bartkowskis, who leave in July for Australia to make preparations that they hope will bring Americas Cup back to America. After the preliminary trials they will keep training, confident of success.

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While in Hawaii recently, Lloyd and

Melba Farley dined at a table next to Alice and Bill Thompson, to their mutual surprise. Later this year the Farleys plan a trip to Europe.

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Jean Creed is beginning to regain the use of her arm, which has been in a cast for months.

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Olivia Fleming celebrated her birthday with a slumber party, and took all of her guests to the Boy Scout Pancake breakfast the next morning.

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Oretta Eaton is the lay delegate to the June Methodist California/Nevada Conference in Reno. Charles, Cathy and Genevieve Smith will also attend the week-long affair.



Non-smokers can now request smoke-free rooms at Holiday Inns, who have set aside 10% (30,000) rooms in their 1400 hotels and motels for non-smokers. The Hyatt Regency in San Francisco has set aside an entire floor for those who want rooms free of smoke residue.

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Without looking at a deck of cards, can you specify which king has no mustache?

Trannie and Betty Dorman flew to Provo, Utah, to visit Trannie's only great grandchild, Clayton Barnes. Kathy and Richard Barnes are returning to Vermillion, South Dakota in July, after a year in Provo, where Richard was a visiting professor and Kathy taught at a high school in Orem.

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The 'laid back' image most people have of California would be confirmed if they observed the pickets on the corner of Garrard and Ohio. Presenting a definitely non-militant appearance, they have brought their armchairs to the 'picket line' where they chat and nod acknowledgement of passers-by as they enjoy their coffee and cigarettes.

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The main section of the John Knox Freeway is nearing completion, with construction causing minor traffic delays as the huge caterpillars and bulldozers move and replace dirt between existing sections which will eventually become on/off ramps. Kids and adults are fascinated with the action, as the fill builds between the ramps.

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Paul Cort, valedictorian of Kennedy High School's graduating class, was honored at a Methodist Church breakfast given by the women of the church. Ben Woodson was the speaker at the event. Paul has been accepted at the prestigious Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has served as president of the student body, he is the number two tennis player on the Kennedy team, a member of Boy Scout Troop 111, and involved in the Kennedy forensics team — after graduation he will travel to Texas to compete in the National Debate Tournament.

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Members and friends of the Methodist Church will attend a theater party at the Masquers Playhouse July 19, to see Norm Reynolds and others in "The Most Happy Fella". Proceeds from ticket sales will bene-

fit the church's new project of replacing the linoleum in the kitchen, Friendship Hall and entryway. For tickets, call 233-7339.

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More than sixty members and friends attended the Methodist Church picnic at Miller-Knox Park — an ideal spot, and close to home! The warm weather made water fights the favorite game of the day.

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Bev Price's Horizon Camp Fire Girls participated in the Grand Council Fire at Hinkle Park in Berkeley, where member Kelly Darling received recognition for being the best individual candy seller in the Alameda-Contra Costa County Council.

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And. . . you know you're not a "freshman" any longer when you receive a twenty-five year tenure award. The best part of receiving such an award is the twenty-five years of happy memories it brings back. And by this time, even the disasters have become funny. Besides that, silver is my favorite metal.

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Former Point resident Jessie Clark is very ill in St. Peter's Hospital, Olympia, Washington, and her family asks for our prayers. Jessie and Doug lived on Washington Avenue when they were starting their family.

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Christine Dennis came prepared for a regular meeting of the United Methodist Church Women in Friendship Hall, but she was surprised with a party honoring her 80th birthday. (The fact that she's 80 is also a surprise — she doesn't show it.) Among her gifts were a number of 'lost' cat bags that mysteriously disappear and reappear at unusual functions, all church related. Christine became part of the elite group who receive a new beaded cat bag; but it also disappeared sometime during the evening. Cathy Smith secured her returned bag to her leg; and

Amy Rotting tried to ensure keeping her new bag by tucking it inside her bodice. If all this sounds confusing, check with any member of the group for an explanation, or better yet, join them on the first and third Wednesday of each month to work on crafts and prepare for the fall bazaar.

A special whipped cream and fresh fruit angel cake held the candles which Christine blew out while everyone made a wish — all of which will come true — *Happy Birthday, Christine!*

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Monthly sing-alongs at the Methodist and Baptist churches are attracting more people each month as Roy Jones 'tickles the ivories' in his own style. On the second Sunday of every other month they meet at the Methodist Church; and on the first Sunday of each month they meet at the Baptist Church. Confused? Just show up and you'll be directed to the correct location, since the churches are a couple of short blocks apart. Old fashioned gospel singing leaves participants with a musical 'high'.

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PANCAKE REVIEW — **The Annual Boy Scout Breakfast** *by Mid Dorman*

The united efforts of leaders and scouts made another Pancake Breakfast successful. Chairman Fred Hart reported serving about 600 people, and pancake chef Ben Woodson says that his arm confirms that figure, with extra helpings served to several of those 600.

The kitchen staff is an impressive reminder of the lifetime effect of Scouting. Eight former Eagle Scouts from Troop 111 return each year — some taking time off from work, and traveling from other areas, as Martinez, Vacaville, Chico and Crockett. Eagle Stan Hawkins scheduled his vacation

to work at the breakfast, only to learn that he had been misinformed about the date, so he didn't make it this year.

The Scouts thank the girls in the community who come to assist in serving.

By noon, there wasn't a drop of butter-milk — necessary for their great pancake recipe — left in any of the Point grocery stores. Thanks to the support of the community, with the assistance of good weather and the banner as a reminder, the boys will attend a Council Camp at Wolfboro in August.

Troop 111 needs *help* as well as support. They need people who will share their skills and knowledge at their meetings. Scout Master Dan Stallworth will continue, but with former Scout Master Fred Hart leaving in October, he needs extra help. The rewards are inestimable. Call 235-2082!



photograph by Rita Gardner

At Brickyard Cove — A LOUD BIRD

by Susanne Blodgett

If you have driven out to the Brickyard Cove area lately you must have noticed the huge Crane mounted on a barge working in the narrow waterways between the streets of homes. During the day, the noise itself would have caught your attention. Ah, what price progress!

The apparatus is a pile driver, here to set the underpinnings for seven new waterfront homes. There will be five built in the existing Cove area, and two out on Sand-piper Spit — the second Brickyard Cove development.

It is fascinating to watch the tugboat slowly maneuver the barge into place, dodging boats, docks and houses. The barge can help in the tight turns by hydraulically raising telephone pole-sized pilings attached to its own four corners. Once in position at a lot site, the crane sets its own giant anchors with huge metal ball floats and drives its poles into the mud.

Now ready for action, the hard-hatted crew communicates with a surveyor on land to position the massive hardened concrete piles picked up by the crane. The foreman directs the crane's activities with a series of long perfected hand signals. The simple use of a long measuring tape, ferried out to the piling by a man poling a wooden float, aids the surveyor. Once in position, the fun begins. A frame is lowered over the top of the piling, which was previously protected by wiring wooden blocks to its top edges. The great engines are revved up, and a long series of piston explosions is heard as the driver beats down on the piling, driving it slowly into the depths a few inches at a time. The men continue to monitor and measure, ensuring a level and correct placement. At a sign from the surveyor the driving is com—

pleted, and it all begins again.

Each home requires at least eight concrete pilings and two to four creosote-soaked batters—telephone pole sized poles driven at an angle to provide lateral stability in the event of an earthquake.

It has been a loud but interesting month as the work has progressed. Some neighbors felt it was the perfect time to leave for a vacation. One two-day-old baby arrived home to this noisy reception, but quickly adapted, sleeping right through it. For the most part, we're glad for the progress, and will welcome new neighbors once the loud birds have migrated to another location.

Remembering . . . SUMMER BIRTHDAYS...

JUNE —

Ron Albro
Anita Brougham
Suzanne Unser
Diane Squires
Cindy Quist
Joe Spinola
Dan Weinstein
Stacey Spinola
Rosemary Giacomelli

Claude Bisio
Grace Yank
Andrew Butt
Jan Sprecker
Joanne Lansing
Ruth Beardsley
Ed Mitchell
Brian Rotting (1 yr.)
Dave MacDiarmid, jr.

JULY —

Josephine Palenchar
Joe Palenchar
Julius Matteucci
Mary Knox
Dick Dowell
Brian Pease

Kathryn Fong
Frances Smith
Amy Rotting
Clara Perasso
Trannie Dornan (91)

AUGUST —

Kelly Darling
Veora Heiney
Bea Kenoyer
Jessie Clark
Karla Peterson
Oretta Eaton
Nikki Eaton
Alice Thompson

Terrence Doherty
Gladys Johnson
Donna Wilson
Mid Dornan
Joe Darling
Ruth Bisio
Clay Barnes

—Mid Dornan (234-5334)

WEST SIDE LIBRARY — THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF WEDNESDAYS !

by Jan Burdick

Get ready for the summer doldrums, those times when your kids start saying, "... but there's nothing to do."

West Side is offering the Wonderful World of Wednesdays in July and August. To retain the sanity of our adult patrons the programs will be held next door at the Community Center from 2 to 3 p.m.

The schedule follows:

JULY:

- 2 — Puppet Show
- 9 — Crafts
- 16 — Theatrical Make-Up Demonstration
- 23 — Crafts
- 30 — Making Sock Puppets

AUGUST:

- 6 — Crafts
- 13 — Pet Care (with live animals)
- 20 — Films
- 27 — Tilden Park Ranger (with live snakes)

Though designed for the younger set, the program might be of interest to others. Visitors are welcome.

READING CLUBS . . .

For pre-schoolers through age 13, two summer reading clubs will run from June 23 to August 15. Children can choose either (or both) the Oakland A's Club or the Realm of the Reading Robot.

P. O. Box 272

Phone 1192

Hotel D'Italia

Guido Pecini, Prop.

200 Standard Ave.

Pt. Richmond, Cal.

ad from 1908

THE MASQUERS

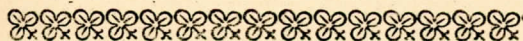
Attending the Masquers Playhouse is becoming more pleasant with every play. When you enter, you will walk on a new carpet, go through new Victorian doors, and – see a new play. The volunteers have been hard at work, and it shows.

“The Most Happy Fella”, directed by Pat Siekert, opened Friday, June 13. This warm and delightful folk operetta with libretto, words and music by Frank Loesser is based on the play, “They Knew What They Wanted”, and is set in the Napa Valley, circa 1925. Performances are every Friday and Saturday night at 8:30 p.m. through August 2, with Sunday matinees on June 22 and July 6, 20 and 27.

Special dinner and theater party performances are available on Thursday nights for large groups. For information call 232-3888. Tickets are \$6.00 each and for groups of 25 or more are offered at reduced rates. For reservations call 526-1038.

On July 24, the Point Richmond Business Association is planning a dinner and theater party. Their members will be looking for friends to enjoy a special evening with them. Call David Vincent at 235-4850 if you can join them.

And, on Saturday night, July 19, the Methodist Church gang is attending the play, and they would like to fill the theater – call 233-7339 to join the group.



Dorothy King, who resided here in the '60's and '70's, died on June 14. Although we didn't have time to get details before printing time, Dorothy is remembered fondly by many Point Richmond friends. She became an important part of the original “Point Counterpoint's” volunteer staff.

DEATHS

RUTH NYSTROM, a Richmond resident for 25 years, was well known in the Point, often attending History Association events with her husband Stan; and they often were here visiting her twin brother Fay Hawkins and his wife Marian.

Ruth died May 27 after a two year battle with cancer. She had worked for 40 years for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, retiring as an office supervisor. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and a charter member of Perceptor Delta Mu, Beta Sigma Phi, who participated in her final services.

When asked how long they had been married, Stan answered, “409 months”. It was a marriage worth celebrating often.

In Ruth's memory, Stan has contributed one hundred dollars, which will be used to add to the important archival collection.

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JEAN BERNES died May 13 at Letterman Hospital in San Francisco. She was born in Albany 81 years ago, and attended high school in Richmond, because there wasn't a high school in Albany at the time. She was the widow of August Bernes, who had been Assistant Superintendent of Schools here. (His family had owned the French Laundry in the early days.) They had lived on Bishop Avenue for about 30 years, and it would be difficult to find anyone in the neighborhood who hadn't at least enjoyed her friendly smile as she walked almost daily from her home, down Washington, and then later, up Washington and along Bishop, where she stopped to talk to anyone who was outside. The sound of her cheerful voice will echo along our streets for a very long time. Jean leaves behind her two sons, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Please fill out and return this form to renew your membership, or to become a member of the Point Richmond History Association, a non-profit corporation. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Name _____

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POINTS IN THE FUTURE . . .

JULY 4 — Independence Day

JULY 10 — Quarterly Public meeting of the Point Richmond Neighborhood Council - 8 p.m., Community Center

JULY 19 — Methodist Church night at the Masquers

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AUGUST 14 — Neighborhood Council Board meeting 8 p.m., Community Center

AUGUST 20 — Deadline for articles for the September Newsletter

POINTS IN THE PAST . . .

JUNE:

- 14, 1775 — U. S. Army was founded
- 23, 1836 — U.S. Treasury divided a 28 million dollar surplus among 28 states (the good old days)
- 24, 1924 — The N.Y. Daily Mirror predicted that the American Saloon was gone forever . . .
- 30, 1870 — Ada Kepley became the first woman to be graduated from an accredited law school, in Chicago.

JULY:

- 1, 1847 — First U.S. Postage Stamps went on sale: the 5 cent Franklin, and the 10 cent Washington
- 4, 1884 — Statue of Liberty presented to U.S. as a gift from France
- 10, 1962 — Telestar satellite relayed the first TransAtlantic TV broadcast
- 20, 1893 — The new hit song was "Daddy Won't Buy Me a Bow-Wow"

AUGUST :

- 2, 1934 — German President Paul vonHindenberg died, Adolph Hitler proclaimed himself Reichsfuhrer of Germany.
- 2, 1939 — Search for atomic bomb began. Albert Einstein wrote to Pres. F.D. Roosevelt, urging start of an atomic research project.
- 9, 1945 — A-Bomb dropped on Nagasaki, Japan
- 26, 1920 — Nineteenth ammendment went inot effect, giving women the right to vote.

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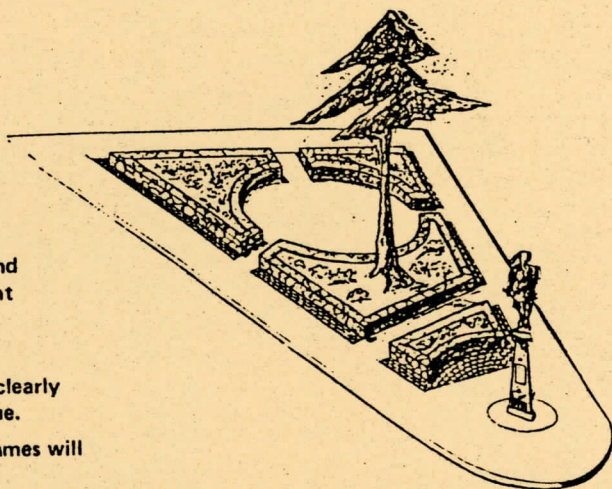
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