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2022 Calendar

April 18	Board Meeting
May 16	Board Meeting
June 200	General Meeting
July 18	Board Meeting
Aug.15	Board Meeting
Sept. 190	General Meeting
Oct. 17	Board Meeting
Oct. 21	Banquet Dinner
Nov. 21	Board Meeting
Dec. 190	General Meeting

Members are welcome to Board Meetings.

Members and non-members are welcome to General Meetings.

We will be asking everyone to observe the San Mateo County health guidelines



Newsletter No. 157 - March 2022

Program for March General Meeting

Happy New Year! The Society hopes all our members had a wonderful holiday season, and now it's almost time for spring. The weather we've been enjoying the last few weeks has felt more like summer, but then our summer usually feels more like winter.

In December we had no scheduled program because of COVID. We did, however, gather for refreshments and a small raffle. This allowed us to visit before the holidays and share good wishes to our membership. Unfortunately, the March general meeting has been canceled by the Board of Directors also because of COVID. We hope we can return in June for our scheduled General Program.



be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, July 16!

Message from Historial Society President

A new year always means a change is in the wind. As your new Historical Society President, I look forward to working with our great Board of Directors as well as the many awesome volunteers who work at our Museum and at our historic Plymire-Schwarz House. Our city is truly blessed to have both examples of our City's history. Let's hope that 2022 will see us looking at COVID through the rear-view mirror and we will be able to have events at both locations and at our quarterly General Meetings. The Plymire-Schwarz House at 519 Grand Avenue and the Museum at 80 Chestnut Avenue are open on Saturdays 1-4 pm. Looking forward to seeing our members as well as new visitors.

Dave Casagrande



Acquisitions

Museum

William Tetreault - Jennings Family: Framed Certificates from Jennings Pharmacy and Mary Jenning's original mortar and pestle used in their pharmacy.

Gail Davidson: Sports Memorabilia from SSF High School football.

Jeanette Acosta: Photo of employees from Western Meat.

Julie Chimente: 1937 Press photo taken of silver mine exploration on Sign Hill. *Mary Lou Wald:* October 21, 1967 Enterprise Journal.

Plymire-Schwarz House/Boutique

Rachel Williams: Vintage linens, floral wreath and silk flowers.



Ronald P. Ross Frank E. Drago Patricia J. Hatfield

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

In Memory of Roy & Rose Bava Donors: Frank and Robyn Risso

In Memory of Gene Mullin Donors: Frank and Robyn Risso

In Memory of Chris Ramos Donors: Frank and Robyn Risso

GENERAL DONATIONS

German Gonzalez Douglas MacGowan

PLYMIRE-SCHWARZ HOUSE DONATIONS

Madeleine Banfield Barbara Baxter Annette Gracia Bill and Jo Zemke

"Ricordo della Festa. L'annuniata festeggiata fra i compaesani di Maggnago. Il 25 Marzo 1924 in South San Francisco California"

"Remembrance of the party. The announcement celebrated among the fellow villagers of Magnago on March 25, 1924 in South San Francisco California"

This photo was taken March 25, 1924.

Party at the Galli house 423 Baden Avenue

Named in photo: Irene and Irma Galli Rose (Mainini) Barsi Tillie (Mainini) Johnson Ray Mainini

PLYMIRE-SCHWARZ HOUSE

Our three winners of "Private Bubbly & Appetizer Shopping Parties" in the Holiday Boutique were Margaret Burkhardt, (Carol Burkhardt Cameron), Sharon Menesini, and Georgeanne Binetti. A great time was had by all.

Our wonderful Plymire-Schwarz team of AWESOME VOLUN-TEERS have removed all the holiday decorations (weren't they great!) and returned the house to a bit more understated decor but with a touche of spring added. If you have visited, you saw it was decorated for Valentines' Day and our windows shared a bit of romance with all who passed by. Thank you Julie Chimenti for doing a lovely job.

If you would like to visit (and we would love to see you), the house has returned to its Saturday 1pm to 4 pm hours. It is available for touring top to bottom and the Boutique is open for those who are looking to return for a little "Retail Therapy" or just to drop by and say hello.

Hope to see you soon!

Museum News

We are delighted to share this exciting news from our Museum.

A custom database has been developed to record the contents of our collections. A big thank you to Julie Chimenti and her friend, Megan Callan (Acting Director & Chief Curator, SFO Museum) for volunteering their time and expertise to develop the program and help us inch our way into the 21st century. As we are becoming more familiar with this user-friendly and versatile program we are beginning by entering our 2021 and 2022 acquisitions. Once that is done, our plan is to determine how to best review the existing collections and record them in the new program.

In addition to this ongoing work, Lois Severi has been an invaluable asset by dealing with the arduous task of organizing our copious files of historical paper documents and information.

Historical Society Dues Expired on December 31st. If you have not renewed or want to become a new member please fill out this form and mail with check made out to: South San Francisco Historical Society, 80 Chestnut Avenue, So. San Francisco, CA 94080		
Name/Names/Corporation		
Address		
Phone #		
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☐ Student\$5.00	☐ Individual\$15.00	
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Excerpt from February 27, 1915 Enterprise

Dr. Flarry Garritson Plymire Dead



This is a sorrowing city this Saturday morning. The death of Doctor Harry Plymire at 2:30 o'clock this morning brought grief into every house and heart in this community.

About eight days ago he was taken down with pneumonia. Notwithstanding the best efforts of the ablest physicians, his condition grew worse from day to day until the end.

Doctor Harry Garritson Plymire came to this city in July of 1899. He was appointed physician and surgeon to the Western Meat Company, and entered at once upon the practice of his profession.

He was more than active in all his work. He led the strenuous life. In his fifteen-year stay in this community he accomplished more than any ordinary man could have done in thirty years.

He was a fine physician and a great surgeon. More than this, he was a born leader of men. Better than all, he was a warm-hearted, kind and most companionable man.

All hearts sorrow at his loss in the prime of his promising life, and all are filled with sorrowful sympathy for his dear ones and family friends.

New Members Social Media CARLO BONINO Check out our website & FAMILY www.ssfhistory.org ANN JONES SAILESH & POOJA MEHRA **Lifetime Members**

LYLE BECKMAN

CAROLINE DENARDI

DENISE FERNEKES

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The Historical Society is co-sponsored by the SSF Parks & Recreation Dept. It is through the City's generosity that many of the Society's goals are accomplished.

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80 Chestnut Avenue 650-829-3825 info@ssfhistory.org Saturdays (1-4:00 p.m.) Please call if you are interested in volunteering at the museum.

History Room / Grand Avenue Branch Library 306 Walnut Avenue 650-877-8533 By appointment only.

Historical Society's Plymire-Schwarz House 519 Grand Avenue 650-875-6988 info@plymirehouse.org Saturdays (1-4:00 p.m)

Memberships Expire December 31

Membership runs on a calendar year expiring annually on December 31st. Membership is \$15.00 per person - \$20 per family. If you are interested in becoming a new member contact the Society at 650-829-3825 or Mail your check to: Historical Society of South San Francisco 80 Chestnut Avenue South San Francisco, CA 94080

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