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<p>Our Mission</p> <p>The Benicia Historical Society began in 1973. The purpose of the society is to bring together people interested in the history of Benicia and California. The society works to preserve the history and heritage of our city for future generations. Our goal is to enhance historic Benicia through education, communication and community involvement.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holiday Parlor Tour</p> <p>This year our Vintage Home Tour will take on a new look. We will be holding the tour on Saturday, December 5, 2009. We have named it the Holiday Parlor Tour and it will feature some of our lovely homes in Benicia decorated in all their holiday finery. We have joined forces with Soroptimist International of Benicia who will host the event at the Commanding Officer's Quarters which will also be part of the tour.</p> <p>The tour hours are from 1 pm to 5 pm for the featured homes and from 1 pm to 7 pm at the Commanding Officer's Quarters. The COQ will feature holiday items for sale throughout the mansion. Non-profits are being encouraged to participate. Wine and appetizers will be available.</p> <p>We will need docents for the six homes on the tour so please come help us and volunteer. Contact Yolanda Wallace, Docent Chair, at 747-0117 to sign up.</p> <p>Tickets will go on sale November 1st. Ticket price is \$25.00 and a limited number will be sold. Tickets will be available at the Camellia Tea Room, Benicia Main Street Depot, and Bookshop Benicia.</p> <p>For further information please contact Bonnie Silveria, Chairper-</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Spirit Walk – October 2, 2009</p> <p>Again this year the Benicia Historical Society and Benicia Main Street will be presenting its Spirit Walk. This is a joint fundraiser between the two non-profits. It will be held on the First Friday in October starting at 6:00 pm. Groups of 15 will leave the Depot and walk up First Street meeting spirits of our downtown. It is such a fun way of sharing our history with our residents and friends. Tickets will go on sale during the month of September for \$10.00 per person. Tickets have sold out each year so don't wait until the last minute to purchase your tickets. We are in need of people to help with this event. The Benicia Old Town Theatre Group will be giving us a hand but we still need volunteers to fill in. Call Bonnie Silveria at 745-3551 or Jerry Hayes at 746-6689 for more information.</p>
<p>City Update</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CITY OF BENICIA AWARDED CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT</p> <p>The City of Benicia is pleased to announce that the State Office of Historic Preservation has awarded a \$25,000 grant to assist in the preparation of a historic context statement for the city. The project will get underway in October 2009 with a completion date of October 2010.</p> <p>The historic context statement will discuss significant themes in the historical development of Benicia from its beginnings into the 1960s, identify associated property types with their character defining features, and establish evaluation criteria and integrity thresholds for important property types sufficient to provide a framework for evaluating resources for the National, California, and local registration programs.</p> <p>Volunteers will be needed to assist in the research required to develop a context that includes all history relevant to Benicia's development. We look forward to a joint effort between the City and the Historical Society to complete this important task. For more information, contact Gina Eleccion at geleccion@ci.benicia.ca.us or 746-4278.</p>	
		<p style="text-align: center;">Shoreline Path of History</p> <p>The Benicia Historical Society in conjunction with the Benicia Lions Club and the City of Benicia have purchased and installed three new benches located on the First Street Promenade. The benches were produced by the students of the Benicia Middle School Shop class. Two of the benches will have plaques honoring deceased Lions Club members Gary Reisberg and Giles Gordon.</p> <p>The Shoreline Path of History is an ongoing project of the Benicia Historical Society.</p> <p>Dedication of the benches will take place on Thursday, October 10, 2009 at 6:00 pm at the First Street bench locations (just past Captain Blythers). Farmer's Market will still be going on so come downtown, try out the benches and enjoy the market. For additional information, call Bonnie Silveria, 745-3551 or Jerry Hayes, 746-6689.</p>

Newsletter



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The Benicia Historical Society

Connecting People With the Past

Calendar of Events

September 16, 2009	Wednesday	10:00 am	Cemetery Committee Meeting
Corporation Yard Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
September 21, 2009	Monday	7:00 pm	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Chamber of Commerce Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
October 2, 2009	Friday	6:00 pm	Spirit Walk
Meet at end of 1st Street			
October 21, 2009	Wednesday	10:00 am	Cemetery Committee Meeting
Corporation Yard Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
October 26, 2009	Monday	7:00 pm	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Chamber of Commerce Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
November 18, 2009	Wednesday	10:00 am	Cemetery Committee Meeting
Corporation Yard Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
November 23, 2009	Monday	7:00 pm	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Chamber of Commerce Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
December 5, 2009	Saturday	1:00 pm	Holiday Parlor Tour
December 6, 2009	Sunday	7:00 pm	Christmas Party
Stone Hall at the Camel Barn Museum			