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MAKE SURE YOU CHANGE ALL YOUR CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SOCIETY TO REFLECT OUR NEW POST OFFICE BOX NUMBER. ALSO, NOTIFY ANYONE YOU CORRESPOND WITH ABOUT OUR NEW NUMBER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE!

**160 Years of the Pacific Mail Steamship Co.**

**“THE YUBA”**

***... and The Benicia Connection!***

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Thursday, Feb. 12, 2009  
6:30

Camellia Tea Room  
**SEE FLYER IN THIS NEWSLETTER!**

Pacific Mail was the early San Francisco line that brought miners to the Gold Rush in 1849, and later started the first regular trans-Pacific steamer services in 1867. Passengers boarded at San Francisco, but the company built an impressive coaling and repair complex at Benicia, making Benicia the first major industrial site in California. (These facilities later became “The Yuba”). The successor to Pacific Mail (and its successor Dollar Line) is today's giant container and logistics company, APL (American President

Lines). The combined history is 160 years (1848-2008). The authors will talk about the book and display some of the art from their collections. The audience may also wish to exchange some thoughts about the importance of preserving the old Pacific Mail (Yuba) buildings in Benicia..

Dr. Robert J. Chandler and Stephen J. Potash, co-authors of the book: “GOLD, SILK, PIONEERS & MAIL: The Story of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company” are the presenters, and they will be available to personally sign their book for you.

**TELL EVERYONE AND BRING A FRIEND OR TWO!**

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*Benicia Historical Society*

**PRESENTS**

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Pacific Mail Steamship Co.**

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**\*\*\* FREE \*\*\***

**Thursday, Feb. 12, 2009**

**6:30**

**Camellia Tea Room**

**828 First St. in Benicia**

**SPEAKERS:** Our guests are the co-authors of the recent book: “GOLD, SILK, PIONEERS & MAIL: The Story of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.” They are:

- Dr. Robert J. Chandler, Senior Research Historian for Wells Fargo Bank, and
- Stephen J. Potash, Long-time Pacific Mail art collector, and semi-retired PR practitioner focused on the shipping and trade industries

**160 Years of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company: A look back at its accomplishments, its impact on trade and immigration, and the role of Benicia in getting this pioneering line off to a powerful start.**

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**DUES ARE DUE IF YOU ARE NOT A LIFE MEMBER!  
THERE WILL BE AN INVOICE IF YOUR DUES ARE DUE.**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>FEB. 12, 2009</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b>
"THE YUBA"—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>FEB. 17, 2009</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
Corporation Yard Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>FEB. 23, 2009</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING</b>
Chamber of Commerce Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>MARCH 17, 2009</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
Corporation Yard Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>MARCH 23, 2009</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING</b>
Chamber of Commerce Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>APRIL 21, 2009</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
Corporation Yard Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>APRIL 27, 2009</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING</b>
Chamber of Commerce Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>MAY 09, 2009</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>10:00 -2:00</b>	<b>HISTORICAL HOME TOUR</b>
Historic Homes In Benicia—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>MAY 19, 2009</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING</b>
Corporation Yard Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			
<b>MAY 25, 2009</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING</b>
Chamber of Commerce Conference Room—ALL ARE WELCOME			