AT MY OWN PACE
~ Sharon Pace Arnold, Past President ~

I had reported last year that this would be my final year to Chair the Twenty Fifth Old Timer's Picnic. I remember the first one like it was yesterday.

I agreed to take over the Chair from Thelma Meiss in 1989, as I had been her assistant from the beginning. It has been fun and work, but everyone always say they had a wonderful time. Remember when we could give away free beer?

Thank You's go to: Dan & Laura Horman, Herb & Margaret Copeland, Judy Dunlap, Henry Murray, Chelsea Walterscheid, Judy Williams, Carrie Smith, the Crew at the Regional Park for having the grounds and parking ready for us at 9:00 AM, Dianne Fix and the Children of the Church of the Mountains Preschool for the book markers. Thank you to Mayumi Elegado and Moonshine Ink for advertising our event and Mayumi for attending and doing interviews and taking photos.

Mr. Howard K. Watkins, George Kamp's son-in-law, took photo's and a group picture. He will be sending me a disc if anyone would be interested in a copy of the group photo. Write to me in care of the Historical Society.

Over the last few years my Mom sponsored the picnics. I followed in her place this year and gave out pens in celebration of our 25 years. I have a few pens left if anyone would like one.

Do not despair as we possible have four people who will consider taking over the Old Timer's Picnic for next year and hopefully for years to come.

Thank you again for all the support I have had over the years.

Sharon Pace Arnold
NEW ROOF FOR TDHS RESEARCH CABIN!!!

The Truckee Donner Historical Society has received word that we will be receiving help to re-roof our research cabin. The Truckee Tahoe Community Foundation has granted us the funds for materials and CATT (Contractor’s Association of Truckee Tahoe) will be contributing the labor.

Our research cabin is the original Gateway Motel Office. This motel facility, which once served travelers through the Truckee gateway, consisted of 27 quaint, peak-roofed cottages. Richard Joseph, the brother of Roxie Archer and Victoria McIver, purchased 310 acres in Gateway from the Union Ice Company in 1935 and opened the motel for business in 1939. It was constructed at its former location about where the Bank of the West is now located on Donner Pass Road. When development was planned for the original site of the motel, the Truckee Donner Historical Society with additional support from the Nevada County Historical Society, prompted the ultimate preservation and relocation of two of the Gateway Motel buildings; the other cabin is currently being used as public restrooms for the park.

Thank you to the Truckee Tahoe Community Foundation and the Contractor’s Association of Truckee Tahoe for their support in helping us to preserve Truckee’s historical architecture and uphold our agreement to the community to maintain this historical building.

PHOTO ARCHIVE PROJECT GRANT!!!

The Truckee Donner Historical Society received a grant in the amount of $4,000 from the Lahontan Community Foundation for our Photo Archive Project.

There are over 3,000 photos and negatives in our collection predating 1960 and over 5,000 images of the 1960-1980 period. Many are still in negative form and have never been printed to photographs. With the funds received from the Lahontan Community Foundation, the Society will be able to purchase equipment to scan and convert these photos to a digital format. The originals will be cataloged as they are scanned. Retrieval of all photos with a particular subject using a searchable database is the ultimate goal.

The Society’s photograph collection is a treasure that contributes a great value to the research, enjoyment and preservation of Truckee’s history. We receive requests for reprints of our photos weekly that we are unable to accommodate. Our goal is to make our photos available for public viewing and enjoyment without the risk of damage to the original source documents.

Our sincere thank you and appreciation to the Lahontan Community Foundation for their support.

OLD JAIL MUSEUM

~Chelsea Walterscheid, Museum Curator~

Many thanks to Joe and Donna Straub, Jr. for the restoration of our old flag pole at the Jail Museum along with a new flag. What a difference to see a real flag pole flying our American Flag.

Be sure and drive by and see the restoration.
MEMBERSHIP REPORT
~ Billie Cornell, Membership Chair ~

I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TO THE SOCIETY.

Martis Creek, Inc.
Fosten Jr. & Kathy Wilson
Ron Mullin & Family
Varien Waters and Alberta Schell
Sam Medford & Family
Roger & Marla Wieck
Ric Grow’s Quality Service
Kathy Hess
Ann Little
Donner Trail School, 3rd Grade
Moises & Sallie Jauregui, Jr. (welcome back)
Peggy Mulligan in honor of her father
John B. Mulligan, Sr.

As a reminder, please review your mailing label to see when your membership expires. The month and year are reflected above your name. Don’t forget the Society relies solely on your membership dues and private donations in pursuit of our Mission: To Preserve and Educate the Public about Truckee’s Local History.

As a final note, the Board of Directors wants to reassure our members that disclosure of their personal information from our membership records are kept confidential! Solely the current Board of Directors and committee chairs in the process of conducting Historical Society business only uses the Society’s membership list.

THANK YOU FOR KEEPING YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES CURRENT and HELPING US RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS.

GET WELL WISHES TO BETTY MCGLASHAN

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO REX REID ON CELEBRATING HIS 90TH YEAR ON 7/24/2005.

The Truckee Donner Historical Society invites you to attend…
Old Jail Museum and
Community Memorial Garden
(Corner of Jibboom & High Streets)
Ice Cream Social
Saturday August 20, 2005
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Ice Cream Sundays $4.00
Root Beer Floats $2.00
A Fundraiser for
Repairs to the Old Jail Museum
Ice Cream tickets include a raffle for an old Truckee panorama picture

* Aug 13th- Clampers to place plaque at the Gateway Cabin
* Aug 23rd- 11:00-3:00 Ice Cream Social (see above)
* Sept 2nd-3rd - Rummage Sale at Gateway Cabin
* Sept 27th- ELECTION DINNER
* Oct 8th- Docent/Volunteers Luncheon
* Dec 7th- Christmas at the cabin (date by next newsletter)
TDHS MEMBER APPLICATION

NAME:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

E-MAIL ADDRESS: ____________________________ HOME PHONE: ____________________________ WORK PHONE: ____________________________

--MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES--

INDIVIDUAL $20.00 _____ FAMILY $30.00 _____ BUSINESS $40.00 _____ JUNIOR (18 YEARS & UNDER) $10.00 _____

SUSTAINING $75.00 _____ NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS $25.00 _____ CONTRIBUTING $100.00 _____

MEMORIAL OR MEMORIAL GARDEN (CIRCLE ONE) $ _____ IN HONOR OF: ____________________________

GIFT MEMBERSHIP FOR:

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