



# NEWS from the MUSEUM

Washington Township Museum of Local History, for the preservation  
of the history of Fremont, Newark and Union City

190 Anza St., Fremont, CA 94539 — (510) 623-7907 — [www.museumoflocalhistory.org](http://www.museumoflocalhistory.org)



**THE MUSEUM IS CLOSED TO VISITORS  
EFFECTIVE MARCH 18TH, 2020  
IN RESPONSE TO THE  
COVID-19 PANDEMIC.**

**PLEASE CHECK BACK  
FOR UPDATED HOURS IN**

**TBD**

**IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT US  
PLEASE CALL 510-623-7907  
OR EMAIL US AT  
[INFO@MUSEUMOFLOCALHISTORY.ORG](mailto:INFO@MUSEUMOFLOCALHISTORY.ORG)**

**STAY SAFE AND STAY WELL!**

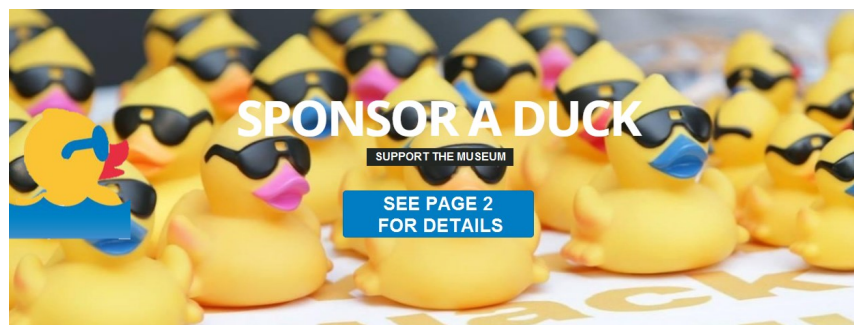
Along with other indoor museums in Alameda County, we remain closed to the public due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

Despite our shuttered doors, we have been remarkably busy around here. This summer has been spent working diligently on special projects, lots and lots of archival work, and tying up loose ends around the museum.

Additionally, thanks to the ample free time that this pandemic has afforded some of us, people have been cleaning out their homes. As a result, a few “new” items have been added to the museum collection.

Board meetings were held over email April through June, and resumed as backyard, socially distanced, mask-on meetings in July.

As we continue to move forward through this time of change, if you have any questions, requests, or just want to contribute to your local history, please contact us via phone or e-mail. We're ready and waiting!



## Remembering Donna Olsen, 1931-2020

It is with sadness and regret that we mourn the loss of Donna Olsen, an original organizer of the Tri-City Ecology Center in 1971, and a long-standing member and supporter of the Museum. Donna was instrumental in getting the Museum garden under control when it first opened. She planted all native plants around the Museum and ensured weekly upkeep would take place.

She was respected as a community activist, an environmental leader, an opinion shaper and a model for others to emulate. She was a true gem of Fremont, and a part of its long history. She will be sorely missed.

Learn more about Donna's many contributions to our community by visiting: <https://museumoflocalhistory.org/remembering-donna-olsen-1931-2020/>



This is the official newsletter of the Washington Township Museum of Local History.

The Museum is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to preserve Southern Alameda County memories, documents, artifacts, and structures from the past and share them with present and future generations.

— Board of Directors —

Kelsey Camello, *President*

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Marjory Begley, *Libby*

Macris, *Tom Heater*

The Museum Board meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 6pm.

~~The Museum is open every Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 4pm, as well as the second weekend of each month from 10am to 4pm.~~

Tours can also be scheduled by appointment. Contact the museum at (510) 623-7907 or email [info@museumoflocalhistory.org](mailto:info@museumoflocalhistory.org) for more information.

## Ducks for Bucks

The museum is partnering once again with Ducks for Bucks for this great, community minded event and fundraiser!

**YOUR DONATIONS HELP US  
TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF  
ARCHIVING OUR UNIQUE AND  
IMPORTANT COLLECTIONS!**



This annual event is hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Fremont to raise money for local non-profits in the Tri-Cities. This year the rubber ducky has gone virtual! Please see below and if possible please sponsor a duck or ducks in our name. Hopefully you will be one of the lucky winners! The Virtual Duck Race starts at approximately 1:00 PM on October 3rd, 2020 and will be broadcast online.

**JOIN THE RACE - "FEATHER YOUR NEST" WITH TERRIFIC PRIZES**

INCLUDING A CHANCE TO WIN THE CAR OF YOUR CHOICE FROM ANY DEALER IN THE FREMONT AUTO MALL UP TO A \$30,000 PURCHASE PRICE - FOR EVERY 500 DUCKS "IN THE WATER" THERE WILL BE A WINNING DUCK FOR THE CAR. If the 1st duck winning is not one with the winning car number they receive the GRAND PRIZE: - \$2,000 in CASH ! Donated by Marsha & Al Badella, Tom & Gail Blalock, Chip & Laura Koehler & Shirley Sisk

**OTHER PRIZES:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> WELLNESS PACKAGE** - including 26 Chiropractic Adjustments & 12 Ionic Detox Sessions at Tereo Chiropractic - Donated by Dr. Michael Tereo - valued at \$1,725
- 2<sup>nd</sup> LIVING TRUST PACKAGE** - including Trust Agreement, Pour over Will(s), Durable Power (s) of Attorney, Advance Health Care Directive(s) and Quit Claim Deeds - Valued at \$1500 - Donated by Bermard, Balgley & Bonaccorsi, LLP
- 3<sup>rd</sup> TIMESHARE CONDO** - in Cocoa Beach Florida for 1 week - Valued at \$1,000 - Donated by Diane Shaw - (must be used in April or October 2021)
- 4<sup>th</sup> LARGE SCREEN TV** - Valued at \$700 - Donated by Doling Chang Ashmore & Valerie Smith
- 5<sup>th</sup> GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR DELL LAPTOP** - Valued at \$500 - Donated by Kiwanis Club of Fremont
- 6<sup>th</sup> GIRLS & BOYS BICYCLES** - Valued at \$450 - Donated by Special Need Children Center Foundation (SNCCF.org)
- 7<sup>th</sup> 10.2 inch IPAD with WIFI & 32 GB** - Valued at \$400 - Donated by Suresh Mani
- 8<sup>th</sup> WHALE WATCHING & MARINE MAMMAL** - Visit for 4 Adults - Valued at \$400 - Donated by SFO Whale tours
- 9<sup>th</sup> FINE DINING in TRI-CITIES** - Valued at \$300 - THREE \$100 GIFT CARDS - Donated by Kiwanis Club of Fremont.

**JOIN THE FUN!**  
**FILL OUT YOUR ENTRY FORM AND MAIL BACK TODAY.**

**OR PARTICIPATE ONLINE (EVEN EASIER!) BY VISITING:**  
**[HTTPS://MUSEUMOFLOCALHISTORY.ORG/SUPPORT/DUCKS-  
FOR-BUCKS/](https://museumoflocalhistory.org/support/ducks-for-bucks/)**

For questions or for more information, please contact Kelsey Camello

EMAIL: [info@museumoflocalhistory.org](mailto:info@museumoflocalhistory.org)

PHONE: 510-623-7907

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ duck entries for \$5.00 each or

\_\_\_\_\_ "6 for 5" duck entries at \$25.00 each for a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Make your tax-deductible check payable to Washington Township Museum of Local History.

Mail to 190 Anza Street, Fremont, CA 94539 by Oct 1, 2020.

Your official entry form with rules and lucky duck number will be mailed back to you.



## Museum Happenings

- ⇒ In May, the Newark Rotary Foundation granted the museum \$900.00 to purchase a new flatbed scanner with the capacity to scan various film negatives and slides.
- ⇒ In July, the museum participated in the Fremont 4th of July Porch Parade. Museum volunteers had fun jazzing up the exterior of the building using materials already on-hand. We liked it so much that we left the decorations up for a whole month!
- ⇒ In August, we completed the first steps on three major projects. First, we sent 101 high-resolution images to the BoxART! Program, a part of the City of Fremont's Art in Public Places initiative. As the historical photo utility boxes become a reality we will report on them in our newsletter and on our website. Second, we completed phase one of a new project called Tri-City Treasures Forgotten – a historical map and interactive website all about local historical landmarks that are now gone. Look for more on this in the winter as we move toward a formal launch. Third, we submitted 2 audiovisual records, 1,193 image and text records, and 776 digital records to California Revealed. If all goes well, these items will be physically sent to the California State Library in the spring, and by this time next year they'll be part of our fully accessible online collection.
- ⇒ In September, the Niles Rotary Foundation granted the museum \$1000.00 to purchase a second scanner. Kelsey Camello went live at the September 10th Zoom meeting to send out a big "thank you" to Niles Rotary members for their continued support.

Rotary Club of Niles (Fremont)

Rotary Club of Newark



We've changed the design and size of our newsletter, but you will continue to receive it quarterly, as always. Generally, we will deliver this newsletter via e-mail, though you will occasionally see it in your home mailbox. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the content or delivery of this newsletter, please contact us at [membership@museumoflocalhistory.org](mailto:membership@museumoflocalhistory.org).

*A list of current members will now be available on our website under 'MEMBERSHIP.'*



Thank you to our business members for their support of local history!



With sadness we say goodbye to Cloverleaf Family Bowl, a staple in our community since 1959.



### Want to renew your membership or become a new member?

You can now sign up and pay online by visiting our website at <https://museumoflocalhistory.org/support/membership/>. You can also mail this form and a check to 190 Anza Street, Fremont, CA 94539.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Goldminer	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
Settler	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40
Trailblazer	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50
Pathfinder	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100
Business Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300
Pioneer Patron	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500
Lifetime	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000
Senior/Student	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10
Senior Couple	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20
Donation	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Total Contribution:	_____ \$



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Return Service Requested

*Thank you to all of our members who are paid up through 12/31/2020! If you do not see your name here, please pay dues as soon as you can.*

Tau Rho Alpha	Pauline Ferrito	Art & Joan Kimber	Roeding Family
Steve & Beth Armstrong	Roberta & Patrick Fisher	Patty Lacy	Olivia Santillan
Joan & John Ashton	Michael Fisher	Shirley Lancaster	Patricia Schaffarczyk
Harry Avila & Ellie Lange	Lynette Fraga-Weems	Bernie and Marlene Leal	Jeff & Terri Schinkel
Donald Barsi	Tim Gavin	Diane Gomes Leys	Doretta Schuyler
Barbara Baxter	Janice Gonzalves	Norma Macias	Charles Scribner & Pauline Weaver
Marjory & Bob Begley	Lionel Goularte	Siv S. Mahanty	Paul & Bernice Sethy
Ralph and Carole Bell	Doug & Doris Green	Mary Ellen and Bob Meade	Garth & Robin Smith
Tom & Gail Blalock	Bob Greene	Carmen & John Melendez	Mary A. Steel
Kaye Browder	Jim & Patricia Griffin	Harold & Carol Milheim	Phil & Janis Stob
Tom Browne	Gerald W. Griffin	Alvin & LaVonne Minard	Tim Swenson
B.J. Bunting	Stuart Guedon	Dan & Page Mosier	Joyce Tanaka
Joan Butler	Caroline Harris & Greg Mau	G. Barton Mowry	Jeannie Thomson
Kelsey Camello	Tom, Gale & Jenn Heater	Jane Mueller & Doug Ford	Marilyn Wall
Chris & Alice Cavette	Philip & Terry Henry	Al Nagy	James and Ginger Westfall
Allen Chan	Bruce Hevelin	Trish Nunes	Scott & Becky Whitaker
Deanna Cope	Cheryl Holmes	Kathleen & Brian O'Connor	Sarah Wilson
John & Antoinette Cordeniz	Dianne Holmes & Gerry Curry	Larry Orozco	Victor Wong
Tom Coroneos	Ms. Barbara C. Hyde	Mrs. Sandi & Dick Pantages	Ellen Woods
Eric Donato	Katie Janssen	Mary Lynn Pelican	Michi Yee
John & Nanette Dunford	Kathryn Kasch	Kevin & Carol Quinn	Roland Zoller & Madeline Williams-Zoller
Nelda Erlwein	Curtis Kaul	Bill Quirk	

THANK YOU!