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The Starbucks building in OB was originally the Bank of Italy. It had been several banks, and in the late 1980's became Rumors Coffee, then Java Joes. Starbucks opened on 9/11. ©OBHS Archives

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## COMING

OBHS PRESENTS  
**OCEAN BEACH COFFEE CULTURE**  
THURSDAY  
APRIL 15th, 7 PM  
at PL Methodist Church (PLUM)  
1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.  
**OB EXPOSED!**  
FRI., MAY 21, 6 PM  
MASONIC CENTER  
1711 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.

Please join our OB Blog to tell your favorite OB stories, facts and memories. Visit:  
[www.obhistory.wordpress.com](http://www.obhistory.wordpress.com)



### ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE OCEAN BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY?

We are a 501 (C) 3 Nonprofit, DONATIONS MAY BE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

Join and receive our newsletters & announcements.

Fill out the form below and mail it with a check to:

**OCEAN BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
P.O. Box 7895, San Diego, CA 92167

- Individuals-\$12/yr.
- Business, 2 Adults, or Family-\$20
- Sustaining Member-\$100
- Life Member-\$500/1 payment
- Special Friend of OBHS (includes Life Membership) - \$1,000/1 payment

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The Ocean Beach Historical Society  
Presents:

**OCEAN BEACH COFFEE CULTURE**  
Thurs., April 15th  
at 7 p.m.

at PL United Methodist Church  
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In March we had our "Tea Party". In April we celebrate coffee in Ocean Beach. Ironically, we actually are celebrating "TEA" and "COFFEE"!!!

Ocean Beach has a dynamic coffee culture and vibrant history. The OBHS will present an interesting and humorous program about our local coffee houses and who some of the characters are that frequent them. We will be joined by some of the present and past owners of these establishments.

Find out about what events were held in our coffee houses. Learn what celebrities came out of our local java joints. See samples of art and photos that grace their walls.

We look forward to seeing you at our April 15th event. Please join us for a cup of coffee and snacks after the presentation.

COME BE A PART OF  
THE 16TH ANNUAL **OB EXPOSED!**  
Photographic Impressions of Ocean Beach & Point Loma  
**FRIDAY, MAY 21st, 6 PM - 8:30 PM**



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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**  
OBHS MEETINGS/EVENTS

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**EVENTS**

**OB FARMERS MARKET**  
Wednesdays 4 p.m.  
Newport Ave., O.B.

**NEW MEMBERS**

thru MARCH:  
Matthew Azola, Donna & Rich Grosch, Tim Ludwig, Kerrylea & Larry O'Brien, Nancy Shank  
DONATIONS — Feb. & Mar.:  
Donna & Rich Grosch  
DONATION IN MEMORY OF LINCOLN ROCK FROM:  
Dr. & Mrs John Howard  
Thanks to: Blue Vase donors  
**WISTERIA PARTY DONORS**—  
Argosy, Frank Vicino Artist  
Floral Fantasia  
James Gang Graphics  
Falling Sky Pottery  
Newbreak Coffee  
The Ocean Beach Hotel

**HELP PRESERVE OB'S HISTORY**

Give our community a gift!  
Donate to the Ocean Beach  
*Historical Society*  
a 501 (C) 3 Nonprofit  
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**A LOVELY WISTERIA TEA PARTY**



*The 1st day of Spring 2010 was a lovely sunny Saturday, perfect for the Wisteria Party which drew about twice as many attendees as last year. Thanks to all the recent rain, the Wisteria vines were in full bloom. Many flowery hats, outfits, lovely music by John Taffolla and good food made for a special event. Thanks to all those who helped us and donated gifts.*

Above, OBHS New Boardmember Bill Riley  
Below, Boardmembers Ned Titlow & Carol Bowers



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Featuring Wonderland Series Documentarian  
**NOAH TAFOLLA**

- Refreshments Included
- A photo exhibit and contest (open to all levels and ages)
  - Old photos, new photos, color or black & white... any photo
  - Photos must be taken in Ocean Beach or Point Loma
- You don't have to live here, just love this area!*

**WINNING CATEGORIES ARE:**  
Best in Show, Best Color, Best Black & White, Best Vintage (historic), Best "Special Effects", Best Child's Under age 16 & People's Choice (voted by show attendees)  
Above Winners in each category will be awarded cash prizes and a blue ribbon

**PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY: For Exhibit Only... Not Judged.**

- Photographers will be allowed to put cards and/or brochures by their work.
- Professionals do not have to donate photos in this category to the OBHS archives, unless they choose to.

*Professionals may enter other categories such as vintage, special effects etc., These photos will be judged, eligible for prizes and the photographer asked to donate image to the OBHS archives.*

**SPECIFICATIONS:**  
SUBMIT BY MAY 13TH to James Gang Graphics, 1931 Bacon Street - OB (9 am - 5 pm, Mon. - Fri.)  
All photos must be matted or mounted on card stock or other art paper (No frames, please)  
Fill out the form below and attach to the back of photo, Include a \$1 entry fee (per photo) when you drop off photo(s)  
Ocean Beach Historical Society is not responsible for lost or damaged photos.

**OB EXPOSED! ENTRY FORM** (please print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone# \_\_\_\_\_  
Description of Photo: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Year Photo Taken \_\_\_\_\_

- Category (check one):
- Color  Black & White  Vintage  Child - under 16 years old  Special Effects  Professional
- OK to display winning photo(s) at the Ocean Beach Library.
- Will donate photo to Ocean Beach Historical Society;  Do not wish to donate photo at this time.
- NOTE: Photos will be available for pick up after 8:30 pm the event night or at The James Gang (M-F, 9-5).