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A historical photo of the Wisteria Cottage and the historic vines.

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**CELEBRATE THE
OBHS 20TH
ANNIVERSARY
at the Annual
WISTERIA GARDEN
PARTY**
SAT. MARCH 22, 1PM
at 4761 Niagara Ave.,
Ocean Beach, 92107

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Please join our OB Blog to tell your favorite OB stories, facts and memories. Visit:
www.obhistory.wordpress.com



ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE OCEAN BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY?

We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. DONATIONS MAY BE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.
Join and receive our newsletters & announcements.
Fill out the form below and mail it with a check to:
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NEW MEMBER RENEWAL

Receive an 1887 Map Poster FREE with \$100 or Larger Membership
Redeemable at any OBHS 2014 Event or Program

SPECIAL OFFER



PLEASE JOIN US

*Celebrate the
Ocean Beach Historical Society's
20TH ANNIVERSARY
at the Annual
**WISTERIA
GARDEN
PARTY**
Sat., March 22, 1 PM
at 4761 Niagara Ave., OB, 92107*

Minimum Suggested Donation: **Members \$10,
Non-Members \$15
or \$25 (Membership plus Admission)**
All include a drawing ticket

Come Celebrate Spring and the Ocean Beach Historical Society's 20th Anniversary at our Annual Wisteria Garden Party & Fundraiser. Spend the afternoon in the garden of a historic Wisteria Cottage under the largest wisteria canopy in Ocean Beach. Enjoy tasty treats while listening to live music by local Billy Lee and his band. The event includes a Live Auction and Opportunity Drawing for great prizes donated by local businesses and friends of the Ocean Beach Historical Society. Enjoy a beautiful afternoon of O.B. culture and fun.

Ocean Beach Historical Society Presents
**THE OCEAN BEACH
WOMAN'S CLUB TURNS 90!**
Come Celebrate the Women of O.B. and their Fabulous History
Featuring Melyssa Roark & Mercy Baron
Thurs., April 17, 7PM
at P.L. United Methodist Church,
1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O. B.



The Ocean Beach Woman's Club Interim President Melyssa (Mel) Roark and Board Member Mercy Baron, will present the club's history and plans for the future. The OBWC was formed in 1924, by a group of women from the founding families of Ocean Beach. They are the oldest civic group in Ocean Beach. Over the years, the club met in several of O.B.'s past landmark buildings, before settling in the current clubhouse on Bacon Street. Come celebrate the Ocean Beach Woman's Club 90th Anniversary and learn about the extraordinary women who did so much for O.B.



FEBRUARY BROUGHT "GREEN" TO THE OBHS
 On Feb. 20, 2014,
 We learned the
 "Green Community Spirit"
 is alive and well in O.B.
 A packed house showed up to
 the OBHS program to
 celebrate the
 25 Year Anniversary of
 the Green Store and honor
 Colleen Dietzel, co-founder of
 the Green Store (on right).
 Kathy Blavatt (on left),
 OBHS's Creative Director,
 provided some photos and the
 PowerPoint presentation.
 Colleen covered 25 years
 of The Green Store's history
 and activism in
 Ocean Beach and San Diego.

MEMBERS
January & February:
New Members:
 Stephanie & Daniel Bille;
 Tanya & Jon Carr;
 Diane Larsen;
 Liquid Blue, Manager -
 Scott Stephens; Cathy Perry;
 Frances O'Neill Zimmerman.
Welcome Back:
 Carol & Rick Callejon;
 Helen & Albert Powell.
Donations:
 Celia & David Ball;
 Claire & Lester Bois;
 Mary Secan Smith &
 Betty Garcia; Marge Grant;
Archive Donation:
 Vanessa Goodman
 Thank You Blue Vase Donors

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1965 Ocean Beach Woman's Club

Thank You...

TO THE OCEAN BEACH WOMAN'S CLUB FOR DONATING TO THE OBHS ARCHIVES
 We are proud to help preserve the OBWC's long history and service record in the community.
 We look forward to your presentation April 17, 2014.

THE OBHS NEEDS: • HISTORICAL PHOTOS, ITEMS & DOCUMENTATION
 • CASH DONATIONS • HISTORICAL INTERVIEWS • ARCHIVAL SUPPLIES

PRESERVE OB'S HISTORY!

THE OBHS ARCHIVES HELPS PRESERVE OUR COMMUNITY'S HISTORY

The OBHS Archives was founded to preserve the history of Ocean Beach and the peninsula. The Archives Room is housed in space rented from the PLUM Church in O.B., where the OBHS programs are held.

The collection includes: Photos, maps, books, papers, newspapers, letters & artifacts. Also, an extensive biography index and San Diego City Directories from 1926 to 1984 which list people, their spouses & occupations. Residents are also listed by street address. Dedicated volunteers assist with the processing.

DONATIONS TO THE ARCHIVES ARE WELCOME.

Many people believe that their lives are of no interest to others, but they are!

Unfortunately, photographs, house plans, business & organization records, and family papers end up in the trash after a death in the family... photographs depicting people, their activities & customs, homes & buildings, and dress. Some O.B. buildings vanish or functions change almost overnight and new ones appear. The cliffs erode and scenery changes. The OBHS Archives provide an invaluable window into O.B.'s past.

When donating photographs to the Archives, please remember to date, identify the people and places in them.
 Reluctant to give up your photos or papers? The Archive's staff would be happy to copy and safely return items to you with your permission to use the materials.

Preservation work often needs support & supplies.

GIFTS MAY BE DONATED AT MONTHLY MEETINGS

OBHS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
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CONTACT FOR ARCHIVES ONLY:
 ARCHIVIST MARY ALLELY
 TO SCHEDULE A MEETING OR PICKUP:
 619 223-7784

Get your Entries Ready!



BE A PART OF THE 20th ANNUAL OB EXPOSED!

Photographic Impressions of Ocean Beach & Point Loma

FRIDAY, MAY 16th at 6 - 8:30 PM

MASONIC CENTER, 1711 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.

- 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)

Photos in above categories will be judged and eligible for prizes. Winners in each category will be awarded cash prizes and a ribbon. Photographers are asked to donate image to the OBHS archives.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS GREAT O.B. EVENT...

Start clicking your camera, phone or tablet to enter those wonderful shots of Ocean Beach and the peninsula!

1887 OB MAP
Color Poster
MAKES A PERFECT GIFT!



THE OCEAN BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY
 is excited about this amazing find of an 1887 Ocean Beach map. OBHS is offering high quality 18 x 24 inch full-color posters of this historical map. The original hand-drawn map with lovely calligraphy shows the old street names, the railroad lines and the Cliff House Hotel site. The locations and names of the beaches, coves, rock formations, sand dunes and the fresh water springs are labeled. The map's natural aging, torn edges and stains gives it a wonderful pirate-map quality that transports you to a time when the founder's vision for O.B was first being developed.

AVAILABLE AT:
 OBHS Events/Meetings, Green Store, John Baker Picture Frames,
 The Newport Avenue Antique Center & OBMA.

1887 Map Poster \$20 ea. (includes tax)

Proceeds go to the OCEAN BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.