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Don't miss this
SPECIAL EVENT
A Retrospective
**25 YEARS OF PHOTOS
& OB EXPOSED!**



Winner Ray Hitchcock 2012
OB EXPOSED! Best Color Photo.

May - June 2019 • President: Eric DuVall • Editors: Susan James & Jonnie Wilson • Creative Director: Kathy Blavatt

COMING
OBHS PRESENTS:
A Retrospective:
**25 YEARS OF PHOTOS
& OB EXPOSED!**
THURS., MAY 16, 7PM
at Water's Edge Faith Community
1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.

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



KATE SESSIONS—
HORTICULTURIST, LANDSCAPER,
FLORIST, AND MORE
By Nancy Carol Carter
THURS., JUNE 20, 7PM
at Water's Edge Faith Community
1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.

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NEW MEMBER RENEWAL CHANGE OF ADDRESS

SPECIAL OFFER

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

The Ocean Beach Historical Society Presents a Retrospective: **25 YEARS OF PHOTOS & OB EXPOSED!**

Thursday, May 16. 7 PM
WATER'S EDGE FAITH COMMUNITY,
1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.



This years Ocean Beach Historical Society special photographic event is a combination retrospective and multimedia event. We will feature many of our extraordinary OB EXPOSED! past photo entries, our favorite historical photos and photos by our OB EXPOSED! judges. Also, please help preserve O.B.'s history by donating your vintage and historical photos to the OBHS Archives at OB EXPOSED! (below). As always OB EXPOSED! is FREE! In celebration of the "25 YEARS OF PHOTOS & OB EXPOSED!" we will have a 50/50 and OBHS items Opportunity Drawing, tasty treats, and more. Join us for 25 years of O.Be. photographic history!

Remember OB EXPOSED! 2012?
Take a trip down memory lane on May 16th.

PLEASE BRING YOUR VINTAGE AND HISTORIC PHOTOS TO OB EXPOSED!
HELP PRESERVE OCEAN BEACH HISTORY BY DONATING YOUR VINTAGE & HISTORICAL PHOTOS to the OBHS Archives AT THIS EVENT, and receive a thank you GIFT!
We will be prepared to scan photos or transfer files on site at this event, so you may keep your originals if you so choose. If you have a large number of photos you wish to donate, or if you will be unable to be with us on May 16th, we will be happy to arrange to meet with you another time. Photo donation release form on page 3.

KATE SESSIONS—HORTICULTURIST, LANDSCAPER, FLORIST, AND MORE
Thursday, June 20, 7 PM. WATER'S EDGE FAITH COMMUNITY, 1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.
San Diego is one of the most beautiful cities in the U. S., due in large part to its abundance of exotic trees and plants— jacarandas, queen palms, Brazilian pepper trees, bougainvillea, Italian cypress, the bird of paradise, and the poinsettia. Yet, surprisingly, none of these trees and plants—so identified with our image—are native to San Diego!



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SAN DIEGO BOOK AWARDS ASSOCIATION
San Diego Book Awards
2015 WINNER

“OCEAN BEACH”
Book by the Ocean Beach Historical Society and Arcadia Publishing

Be transported back in time through this fantastic book filled with Ocean Beach’s wonderful history, historical photos and fascinating images.

\$21⁹⁹ plus tax
 The “Ocean Beach” book is available at the Ocean Beach Historical Society events and local vendors.

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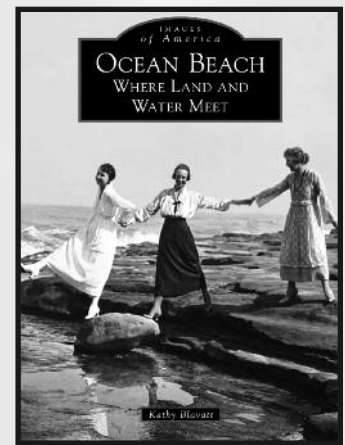
1887 O.B. MAP POSTER

The 1887 O.B. historical color map poster has lovely calligraphy, the old street names and the railroad lines. Also locations and names of the beaches & rock formations, sand dunes and fresh water springs. The map’s natural aging, torn edges & stains gives it a wonderful pirate-map quality.

\$20 ea.
(includes tax)

“It’s stunning” - Joe Wambaugh

OCEAN BEACH
WHERE LAND AND WATER MEET
 By **KATHY BLAVATT**
 Arcadia Publishing



*Available at:
 OB Historical Society*

PRESERVE O.B.’s HISTORY Thru CONTRIBUTIONS!

The OBHS Archives was founded to preserve the history of Ocean Beach and the peninsula.

The OBHS Archives Room is upstairs on the top floor of the
WATER’S EDGE FAITH COMMUNITY
 1984 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., O.B.
THE OBHS ARCHIVE COLLECTION INCLUDES:

Photos, maps, books, papers, newspapers, letters, artifacts and an extensive biography index with San Diego City Directories from 1926 to 1984 (which list people, their addresses, their spouses & occupations). Dedicated volunteers assist with processing and organizing incoming materials.

THE OBHS NEEDS:

- **Historical Photos, Items & Documentation**
- **Cash Donations**
- **Historical Interviews**
- **Archival Supplies**

ARCHIVES DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

Many people believe that their lives are of no interest to others, but they are! Unfortunately, important history is lost when photographs, house plans, business and organization records, and family papers end up in the trash after a death in the family. Photographs are historically important because shots of people depict their activities and customs, homes and buildings, and dress. Without records of O.B. buildings, we lose links to the past when the buildings vanish or their functions change. Likewise, when the cliffs erode and scenery changes, it needs to be documented. Donations to the OBHS Archives provide an invaluable window into Ocean Beach’s past.

WHEN DONATING PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE ARCHIVES, PLEASE REMEMBER TO RECORD THE DATE AND IDENTIFY THE PEOPLE AND PLACES.

Reluctant to give up your photos or papers? The Archives 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

MEMBERS
March - April 2019
New Members
 Jackie Byrom;
 Cathy Gallegher- *Managing Partner of the Jennings Street Café.*
Donations
 Maureen & Tom Roeber;
 Gordon Myers & Justin Brent;
 Alison & Jon Lions.
OBHS Archive Donation
 Roger Bresnan
Thank You Blue Vase Donors

CONGRATULATIONS
 Congress of San Diego & Imperial Counties for a successful **54TH ANNUAL HISTORY CONFERENCE**

CONTACT FOR ARCHIVES:
 TO SCHEDULE A MEETING OR PICKUP: 619-226-8125

OBHS GENERAL INFO. CONTACT:
 Pat James: pjinob@gmail.com
 or ph. 619-226-8125

OBHS ARCHIVE DONATION RELEASE FORM (please print clearly)

Donor Name (Print) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Address _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Color Black & White Sepia

Title & description of photo collection: _____

Location of Photo: _____

People in Photo: _____


Date/Year Photo Was Taken: _____

On May 16, 2019:
 A Retrospective:
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OB EXPOSED! Judges will show their Ocean Beach photography

DONATIONS Support OB Historical Society



BLUE VASE

Thank You
CATHY GALLAGHER, Managing Partner of the Jennings House Café, for your talk about the Jennings family and house, and having our OBHS event at your lovely café.

San Diego’s Write Out Loud, a theatrical company, for April’s OBHS “HEAR HISTORY AS IT HAPPENED!” We appreciate to amazing researchs and work that brought the heartfelt voices of WWII men and women to life.

Kate Sessions Continued from page 1, All of them—and many more—were introduced to our region by Kate Sessions, the pioneering women horticulturalist who came to San Diego in 1883, and who, over a period of several decades, transformed a semi-arid landscape into a lush paradise. Join us on June 20 for a program by historian Nancy Carol Carter, who will inform and entertain us with stories about this ground-breaking (in more ways than one!) San Diego woman.