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*Grandma Clarke's
House - Ocean Beach*

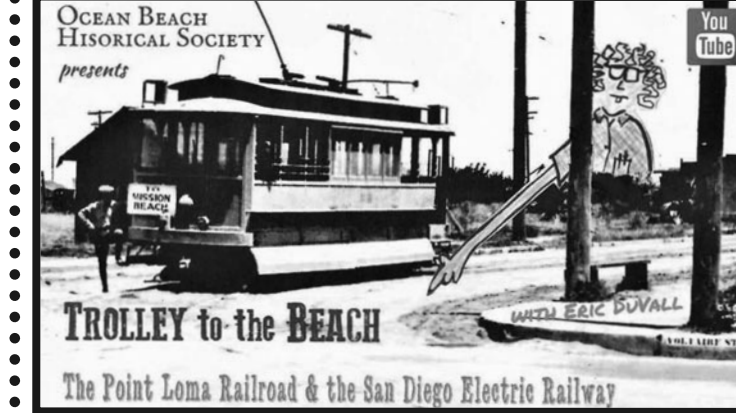


Early 1900s photo of the Clarke/Wisteria Cottage with original Wisteria vines, now over a century old (seen below.) ©OBHS

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The Ocean Beach Historical Society's hosts
SPRING 2021 ONLINE MOVIES



O.B.'s BELOVED WISTERIA GARDEN

No Ocean Beach Historical Society's Wisteria Garden Party this year, but we are happy to present a FILM "O.B.'s BELOVED WISTERIA GARDEN", of past OBHS Wisteria Garden Parties. Images include the parties, garden, the Clarke/Titlow cottage, and historical photos. Film clips include music by the talented musicians that played at the parties as we welcomed in Spring. *Continued on page 3*

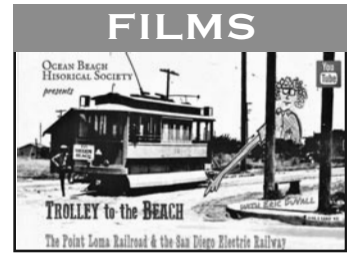


TROLLEY to the BEACH

Trolley to the Beach is the full video version of "the Streetcar Talk," presented by Eric DuVall several times, and in various configurations over the last few years. It is the history of The Point Loma Railroad, and of the San Diego Electric Railway Beach Line, which replaced it. San Diego area inter-urban rail travel from the 1880s to the 1940s is discussed. It is the story of how reliable and affordable public transportation allowed people to live in the outlying areas of San Diego, and consequently, how the city of San Diego grew. This film production is intended to be fun. Included are hundreds of great vintage photographs and a few surprises. We sincerely hope you enjoy it. *Visit the NEW Ocean Beach Historical Society online You Tube® Channel.*



FILM LINKS at: www.obhistory.org
Ocean Beach Historical Society live programs have been canceled until further notice.



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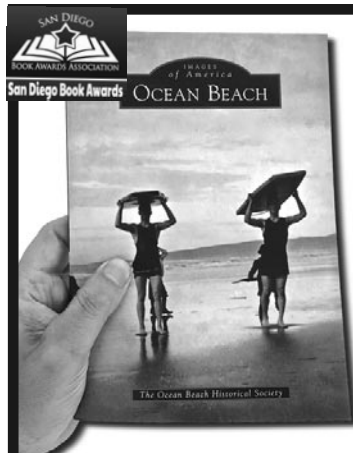
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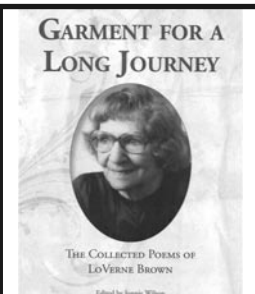
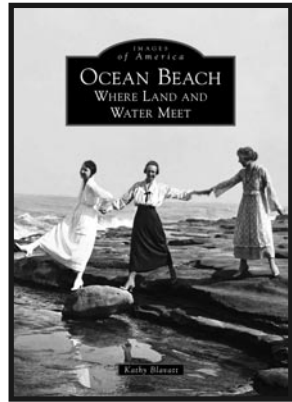
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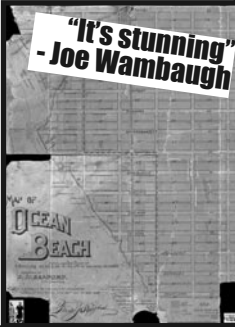


Garment for a Long Journey: The Collected Poems of LoVerne Brown, published by Jonnie Wilson.
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Information and where to buy books or place online orders: www.obhistory.org
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1887 O.B. MAP POSTER

1887 O.B. historical color map poster has lovely calligraphy, old street names and railroad lines. Also locations and names of beaches & rock formations, sand dunes and fresh water springs. The map's natural aging, torn edges & stains give it a wonderful pirate-map quality.
\$20 ea. (includes tax)



PRESERVE O.B.'S HISTORY Thru CONTRIBUTIONS!

The OBHS Archives was founded to preserve the history of Ocean Beach and the peninsula. OBHS Archives Room is on the top floor of the Water's Edge Faith Community. 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.

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 photos, house plans, business and organization records, and family papers end up in the trash after a family's members death. Photos are historically crucial because people's shots 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 O.B.'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? Our 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 and supplies. GIFTS MAY BE DONATED

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THE OBHS NEEDS:

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



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Photos from past Ocean Beach Historical Society Wisteria Garden Parties



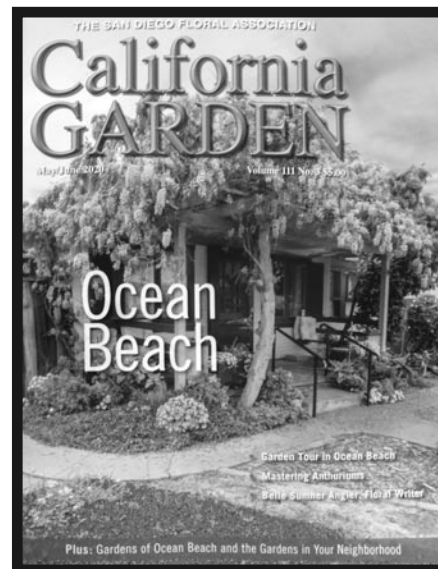
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"O.B.'s BELOVED WISTERIA GARDEN"
Ned Titlow treasured the Wisteria cottage and garden he owned. Ned and the OBHS hosted numerous Wisteria garden parties at the historic Wisteria Cottage's Garden with many longtime OBceans enjoying live music and entertainment under the largest Wisteria canopy in Ocean Beach. See why the Wisteria Cottage and garden are so loved as O.B. locals show you how they enjoy a great party! Log onto: www.obhistory.org



Carol Bowers & Ned Titlow



Wisteria Cottage & Garden on the cover of the May - June 2020 "California Garden" magazine.



George Greenwell & Dreamin Mimi



In 2013, generations of Clarke women joined the fun at the Wisteria Garden Party. The Clarke family was the original owner of the Wisteria Cottage.

"O.B.'s BELOVED WISTERIA GARDEN" Film Link at www.obhistory.org

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