

# TOWER VIEWS

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*Our Goal - To preserve the irreplaceable in the Galt Area !*

## President's Clipboard

On September 20<sup>th</sup>, Cal Waste had their 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of serving our community, held at the McFarland Living History Ranch. It was a wonderful event with many local leaders, county leaders, and Cal Waste customers. Ida Denier and I were invited to their event. Ron and Judy Jacobson and Jim and Carole Snow opened the McFarland House for their expert tours. During the program, the Galt Area Historical Society was presented with a \$25K check by owner, Dave Vaccarreza and his family to be used toward the building of our new Event and Learning Center at the Ranch. They also raised another \$2K from other donors attending the evening. We are sincerely grateful to Cal Waste for this generous donation and for raising awareness of our project to build this Event and Learning Center which will house our extensive archives. Cal Waste is family owned and they share our vision of creating a place where our area history can be preserved and be presented to those seeking their past. They also realize how important it is to educate our children about our past. As I have said before, how can we get to the

future without understanding our past? This project will cost \$1.5 million at completion. We have raised through private donations and grants, approximately \$645,000. It will require more fundraising and working to find grants; but most most importantly, it will be community and business involvement that will help to realize this vision. If anyone would like to donate toward this project or your company would like to help with a donation, please contact me at: [ricjan@barsettivineyards.com](mailto:ricjan@barsettivineyards.com) or by calling me at 209 747-3861. When this building that will look like a barn is completed, it will be something that our entire community will be proud of.

## Yard Sale at the Hall!

It's time for fall cleaning! Please donate your gently used toys, clothes, books, knickknacks, house wares, tools, holiday decorations, linens and furniture to the GAHS for a huge Yard Sale to be held at the Hall on October 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The community is invited! Great prices and all proceeds go to support the painting of the McFarland house. Contact LaVonne Riddlesperger at (209) 200-2203 or email [dill1041@comcast.net](mailto:dill1041@comcast.net) or contact Sue

Dean to coordinate the drop-off of donated items.

### **Tower Views On-Line!**

Please email Rhonda Smith, our Membership Chair, at [Rhonda@galtsmiths.com](mailto:Rhonda@galtsmiths.com) with your email address if you think she doesn't have it.

### **Alice's Attic**

Just a couple of notes regarding the Society Archives. There is a Facebook page titled, "Snapshots of Galt History." It's for all those Galtonians who can identify people in photos from our collection. Just "like" the page and you can get involved.

### **Holiday Shopping Using Amazon smile!**

As the holiday shopping season draws near, we at the Galt Area Historical Society are hoping you shop at Amazon smile. Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at Amazon smile, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price (.5%) to your favorite

charitable organization, the Galt Area Historical Society. Type <https://smile.amazon.com/> into your browser, select Galt Area Historical Society, and shop till your heart's content.

### **Drive Down Memory Lane Car Show**

The third annual Drive Down Memory Lane Car show was a success thanks to the 50 car owners who shared their car with us, the vendors that sold their ware, and the spectators who came to view the beautiful cars. The car owners and the public seemed to really enjoy the show on the spacious lawn. The red barn was a nice venue for the food, everyone seemed to enjoy eating and visiting in the barn. We thank the many volunteers of the Society who worked throughout the day. The net profit of the show was approximately a little over \$3100.

### **Docents Needed!**

If you are interested in becoming a docent at the Rae House Museum, the Society needs your help! The Rae House Museum is open the first Sunday of each month from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and we would love to have a few more docents on our list. If you are interested, please call Ida Denier at 745-1477 to schedule a short training meeting.

### **From the Archives!**

For those of you who subscribe to the Galt Herald, the Galt Area Historical Society has a weekly column devoted to old photos of Galt. If you would like to see it every week, just go to

[galtheraldonline.com](http://galtheraldonline.com). Look in the Lifestyle section.

### **Celebration**

Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> was a very special day as we celebrated 30 years for our Society and planted a rose honoring one of our founders, Genie Olson.

Louise Dowdell gave a very informative talk about our Society and the history of Galt. The afternoon was spent sharing memories and friendship with approximately sixty-five guests. Supervisor Don Nottoli had the honor of starting the planting of the rose, followed by President Janis Barsetti Gray, and then almost everyone present were honored to be able to participate in the planting.

The day was climaxed with a champagne toast to the Society of 30 years and our beloved founder, Genie Olson.

### **CHARTER NIGHT DINNER**

October 23, 2017 will be the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Galt Area Historical Society. It will be a dinner meeting starting at 6 P.M. followed by our business meeting, voting for officers for the 2018 year, and awarding the Obed Harvey Volunteer of the year.

The menu will be:  
Beef Dinner  
Green Salad  
Cheesy Potatoes  
Green Beans/Bacon  
Bread  
Pumpkin Pie

The cost for the dinner is \$12.00. Please send your reservation for dinner to Ida

Denier (P.O. Box 782 Galt) or call 745-1477 no later than Thursday October 19. No dinners will be sold at the door. Get your reservation in early.

### **In Memory**

Member, Elaine Loker passed away September 20. Our thoughts are with her family. If anyone wants to donate to the Galt Area Historical Society in Elaine's name, send the donation to P.O. Box 782 Galt.

### **Short and Sweet**

- If you shop at Savemart, be sure to use our Scrip # which is phone number 209 745-0951. We just got a check from Savemart for \$178.89 for members using this number.
- Old Engine Show was a big success. Lots of equipment. Our pie sale generated \$420. All pies made by Ida Denier and Jolene Leddy. The woman's tea will be donating proceeds to us. We will give you an update of the amount next month.
- Tank house is being repaired and painted by Barry Shelton. The house will be painted in the spring. We continue to raise money for this project.
- At Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Galt High Alumni Dinner, Ralph Cortez manned our table with lots of old photos. He got some excellent feedback and names for Dan to contact for more Galt History.
- Liz Hagland continues to seek grants for our Event and Learning Center project.