

Parker Community Historical Society Inc.

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205, 207, 211

West Main

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We were told as small children time flies by too fast when you're having fun. Guess we must be approaching our second childhood, where has this summer gone. Many have reflected on what a hot dry summer that we have endured, just can't pin point a specific year upon which to compare.

The **Annual Meeting** will be held **November 20, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.** at the new Museum. Your participation and voice would surely be welcomed. At this meeting a new Board of Directors and officers are elected, projects for the coming year will be discussed as well as any other business presented to the Board. Immediately following the Annual meeting of the Board of Directors' meeting, the regular monthly meeting will be held. Officers for 2013 will be elected at that time. Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesdays, November through April beginning at 7:00pm; May through October meetings beginning at 7:30pm. **Work days** are the **1st and 3rd Tuesday mornings** starting **at 9:00 a.m.**; all help is most **Welcome**. We look forward to having you join us.

The museums are operated for your community... We encourage all in the community to participate by joining hands with us and getting involved with the most tender loving care needed that you can give. Our thanks, to all for your continued support through your donations, memorials and bequests to the museums; we truly appreciate your thoughtfulness and help.

Shirley Osborn and Marilyn Rhoades have been refurbishing the Parker High graduation pictures, also the many other pictures found adorning our walls Great job...you need to check them out to truly appreciate all the time and tender loving care given by these two.

The museum had air conditioning installed this summer, to enable us to help preserve the many treasures that have come into our care. The air conditioning will provide a more controlled environment; louvered vents were installed to alleviate the attic heat for the A.C. Also...solar blinds were installed on the front windows. All items should help with the preservation of the many items by preventing their further deterioration.

Good news ☺ Coryell pest control inspected all our buildings and found the termites were totally eradicated!! A lot of thought and planning can now take place as to figuring some way to preserve and up-date the Black Smith shop so that it may be re-opened to the public again. The outside walls need some careful consideration and a plan as to how they may be made stable. Hopefully, someone will come forth with a great plan. The alternative would be demolition, once gone-we'll not find a replacement. There will be just another empty lot found on Main Street.

Annual membership dues for November 1, 2012 through October 31, 2013 are now due. Single membership only \$5 each per year and each lifetime membership \$50. *What a bargain, "please join us".* The museums are open to visitor's alumni weekend, also during Parker Days, and will be opened by special request. Persons to contact regarding the museums are: Marilyn Rhoades, 913-898-6891; Janice Stahl, 913-898-6662; John Riggs, 913-898-2337; or Barbara Hines, 913-898-2189.

To: Our Recipients: Happy Holidays!! From: The Parker Community Historical Society Officers. May the New Year bring Happiness, Joy and good times to your family and friends as we all enjoy our blessings.