

Nacitone Foundation

Lockwood, California

“Enrich Your Future and Discover the Past”



Fourth Quarter 2019

Presidents Message

Hello, Friends of Nacitone,

As another year comes to an end I look back at all the accomplishments that Nacitone has made in 2019. Nacitone has acquired an archive room and in the process of setting it up. We have planted over 30 trees around the property and have set them up with an irrigation system with timers to keep the trees watered. The trees are doing great and I am looking forward to enjoying their shade. Nacitone has also enjoyed another Annual Dutch Oven Cooking event with a huge success and I am looking forward to the next one, the Saturday of Mother's Day weekend 2020. We are still in the process of picking up old farming equipment and other vintage items. Thanks to our volunteers the Nacitone web site is taking shape. The monogram brick program has increased the size of our patio area and we are getting ready to put up a shade structure there in the near future. Nacitone's flag pole will also be erected with the concrete foundation already in place. Keep an eye out for the red white and blue flying proudly over Nacitone. The flag pole will be dedicated to Dick Warne 'MARINE' a longtime friend to Nacitone who we have lost a short time ago. As we move on to 2020 I look back with pride of all Nacitone has accomplished and it would not have been possible without all the generous help from all the volunteers who have stepped up save the past for future generations to come. As I am putting this letter together my thoughts go back 19 plus years ago to February 2000 when Lester called me on the phone and told me about his dream of building a museum to save the history of our area. I told him that I would think about it and with the nudging of my children Darcy and Brandon I reluctantly showed up a Lester's house several days later for their loose knit meeting with several other people who included Lester and Dawn Patterson, Pam Davis, Ray Gillett, Neil Wollesen, Bill Dayton Sr., Calverne Saylor and myself. I apologies if I missed anyone. I was told this was their second meeting and at that time we named Nacitone after the two water drainage areas that pass through our area. The Nacimento River and the San Antonio River. The meeting seems like yesterday but looking back it is almost 20 years ago. That is how fast history is created and why we need to save as much of it now before it disappears. Thank you to all the volunteers who have donated their time and resources to save some of the history of our area. This next year I will be handing the presidents gavel over to another to continue to lead Nacitone on its mission of protecting the past for future generations to enjoy. I will continue to be a Director and continue my part and look forward to seeing you at Nacitone Museum and the events. As always I would like to remind you that the museum is open the first Saturday of each month.

Donald Gillett

President, Nacitone Foundation

Dates to Remember

Next Museum Meeting- January 21 – 6:30 pm Museum Monthly Meetings- 3rd Tuesday

Museum Open 1st Saturday of each month – 10 am to 4 pm or by appointment

COMING EVENTS

Member Dinner – Saturday, January 25, 2020
Clam Chowder Feed – Saturday, March 21, 2020
15th Annual Dutch Oven Cook off – Saturday May 9, 2020

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Hames Valley

Hames- the creek, hamlet, post office, and valley were named for John Hames, who had extensive holdings in the area. John Hames was born in Osage County, New York, in 1811, son of Benjamin Hames. John and his brother, Benjamin, Jr., arrived in California in the early 1840's. John was considered the founder of Soquel. He and his brother also built a flouring mill at Corralitos. In 1883 he went into the sheep business on his ranch in Hames Valley. Hames married Drusilla Shadden in 1846 at Monterey. Laura Frudden Rist states the Hames family came to Hames Valley from Soquel in 1866. He built a fine home where the valley joins the Salinas River. The Porter Sesnon family purchased Mr. Hames Land in the late 1800s: it comprised of 12,000 acres and ranch buildings. He died at the home of his brother at Peach Tree in December 1894 at the age of 84.

Ref. Names & Places of Monterey County

Anita Weferling Sans

L. Pauline Martinus



Recognize this Lady?

Find out in our next newsletter

*All we have of freedom – all we use or
Know – This our fathers bought for us,
long long ago Rudyard Kipling*



Several directors and members journeyed to Watsonville to tour their museum on the Santa Cruz Fairgrounds. Our tour guide was John Kegebein, also a member of Nacitone.

Kathy McCormack, Neil Wollesen, Rob Johnson, Lester Patterson, Don Gillett & Pam Davis

Field Trip to Agriculture Project Museum- Watsonville

**Letters written by Elsie Alpie Wilkinsen (wife of Ory Saylor)
While Floyd was attending Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo**



Viola, Floyd, SR., Charlie, BF Patterson



Alpha & Barbara Wilkinsen



Ory Saylor

Lockwood, Sept. 30, 1909

Dear Floyd,

I will fulfill my promise of a few days ago by writing with Ory. Everything is all O.K. at home and all goes well without the boss. We had three cards from Charley from Stockton but have heard nothing since. I suppose he is doing Ashland by now. Maud and family are all well and inquire of you often. While Daisy was here we all went over to your grandpa's and spent Sunday. Had a very pleasant time. Maud and Chas went too so we were quite a crowd. Barbara seems to think Ory can't do anything right now without her help so she spends most of each day following him around. I have him cleaning house washing windows and getting things in shape, for fear your papa might bring someone home with him and I'll be all prepared. Aunt Maggie didn't go to Ashland after all, but I haven't heard the reason. "I suppose they all feel terrible to be there without her." The pictures taken in San Jose of yourself, Florence & Chas. And Father came. Some of them are very good for Kodak pictures. Ory and I were counting up how long till Thanksgiving, and my! It seems a long time to wait for you to come home. Mr. Pierce has been shelling almonds. There seems quite a few of them. Daisy says she feels ashamed she hasn't written but Clifton has been on his bad every since she went home and she can't find time to write to you. So I will write as often as I can until your papa and Chas comes home so you will know how we are behaving ourselves. Well I will close for now with love to you from Barbara and myself. E.A.W.

Transposed as written by Penny Kailer, past Nacitone Treasurer



Ben McCormack

Nacitone is excited to say that we have done our first video interview. Ben McCormack came a distance to help us out. His son, Art drove him here from Guadalupe. Ben grew up in the Lockwood area, he attended school in Lockwood. His is a Salinan Indian. Ben is the uncle of our director Kathy McCormack. We would like to thank John and Karen Jernigan for recording and interviewing Ben. We appreciate them for helping us get started on this project.

We will be show some of our interviews at our annual dinner in January.

We would like to thank a local artist that spent numerous hours putting together a painting representing Nacitone Museum's history focus.

We would like to introduce Joy Krull. She graciously painted a picture for the museum, which we have enlarged into a back drop.

Joy is a professional artist and art instructor for Emeritus College at Cuesta College. She move to Lockwood in 2000 from Orange County where she painted and sold her work for over twenty years. Joy works and teaches in a number of different medias including oils, acrylic, pastels, water colors and drawings.

She has two sons. Her son, Chris and family lives with Joy.

Joy invites seniors to attend emeritus classes at San Luis Obispo North County area. There is art and more subjects at no cost but materials. Check it out!



Nacitone Pioneers

Nacitone Foundation and Museum is doing a book on pioneer families of the area. We would be pleased to have your family included. We are looking for two to four pages with pictures of family history. When the family came to the area, where did they come from, who came first, did they homestead and where, what was their occupation, how many children, what schools did they attend and stories of the life in the area.

We would also be pleased to have help putting it all together.

Call Pam Davis if you would like to have your family included in the book. (805)714-7588



*It is with great sadness
That we have lost a friend,
Veteran and member.
Dick Warne*

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Memorial Bricks

Order your personalized brick for permanent display on our patio.
You can use your name, family member or company, also add a logo

A 4”X8” brick is \$100, an 8”X8” is \$200 and a 12” X 12” is \$500

Logo and graphics are available.

For information Contact Dawn Patterson- @ (831)262-6673 or email – pattersondawn55@yahoo.com



The Officers, Directors & Members of the Nacitong Foundation & Museum

Cordially invite you to the

Fourth Annual Dinner - Program - Elections

Silent Auction, 50/50 Drawing & Door Prize

Saturday, January 25, 2020

Seating limited to 80 people

Harden Community Center

Lockwood, California

Menu – Appetizers, Deep Pit Ham, Meatloaf, Roast Chicken

Garlic Mash Potatoes, Roast Vegetables, Green Salad, Bread

Cakes!! (of course)!!

Wine & coffee included

A privilege once again to be served by Marty and family

Hospitality Hour 5:00 PM Dinner 6:00 PM

Tickets - \$25.00 each

RSVP – No Later than January 11, 2020

For information/Confirmation call or e-mail

Howard Strohn - (831)385-5758 - howardstrohn@gmail.com

Nacitong Foundation & Museum

Fourth Annual Dinner

Name _____

Reservations - Number of Persons _____ X \$25.00 each _____ amount enclosed

Mail no later than January 11, 2020

To – Nacitong Foundation

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