

San Pedro Association Membership Update—Fall 2009

SPA Family Memberships total 104

Eighty-eight families RENEWED their SPA memberships
Sixteen NEW families joined—Did you - see box on back page!

San Pedro Park
708 N. Hobson Ave.
Bryte/West
Sacramento, CA 95605

MORE THAN 150 MEMBERS/GUESTS ATTENDED JUNE 28TH CELEBRATION AT SAN PEDRO PARK.



Despite record high heat, over 150 members & guests attended the annual June Festa in honor of St. Peter at San Pedro Park. Out of state visitors from North Dakota, New Jersey, Washington, Pennsylvania & Virginia as well as from many areas of California including Laguna Beach, Galt, Orangevale, Folsom, Davis, Wilton, Elk Grove, etc., sat under the trees, enjoyed food and cold drinks. The procession of young ladies as queens, statues of St. Peter and Our Lady being carried along with the flags and banners brought back memories of the past years. After the traditional dinner was enjoyed by all present, an entertaining Live Auction, Silent Auction and 50/50 raffle finished off the afternoon. Many thanks to all members who brought salads and desserts to share as well as donated items for the two auctions; also thanks to those who helped get the Park ready and all those who volunteered during the Festa day!

Members Input Desired—Attend SPA meeting on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009—Come Early—6:30 pm for a Light Dinner before the meeting!

Larry Freitas, new elected President of the San Pedro Association's Board of Directors is looking for input from both new and returning members. Ideas about what new events could be added to next year's calendar; additional repairs and renovation of the Park that might be possible during the winter; and any other ideas/projects that the membership would like to provide to the Board of Directors.

Both returning and new members are invited to join in at the next meeting on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009 at 7 pm at the San Pedro Park. Come early for Tri Tip sandwich, Portuguese beans & cold drinks provided by Larry and his family. If you cannot attend and have ideas to share, send Larry an email at lfreitas@calcompserv.com or contact him at 916 417-1668.

Special points of interest:

- *87th Festa Great Success!*
- *Members Input Wanted—What other events could be held at the Park*
- *'Show & Tell' Day at San Pedro Park*
- *Work Projects To Complete at San Pedro Park*
- *Other Festas & Events to at-*

**“Show & Tell” Day Planned at the San Pedro Park—Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009 1 pm - 5 pm
FREE to all—Open to the Community!**

The San Pedro Association and the West Sacramento Historical Society are offering an FREE afternoon at the San Pedro Park at 708 N. Hobson Avenue, Bryte/West Sacramento open to all of the community. Activities include:

- View historical photos/displays while listening to Madeiran Folcloric music!
- Watch demonstrations of traditional Carne Espita cooking and, then enjoy a ‘taste test’ of samples of “Festa” food including homemade wine!
- Door Prizes will be awarded each hour beginning at 2 pm through 5 pm!
- Stop by the San Pedro Mercado to purchase gift items from both San Pedro Association and the West Sacramento Historical Society gift shops!
- Spend a few quiet minutes under the shady trees where for 87 years the Bryte Community came together to celebrate on the last weekend of June!

Portuguese Historical & Cultural Society 30th Anniversary—9-13-2009

On September, September 13, 2009, the Portuguese Historical & Cultural Society will celebrate their 30th Anniversary with a GALA Banquet at the Sacramento Portuguese Holy Spirit Society Hall, 6676 Pocket Road. Dinner is \$35 per person which includes steak, scampi, wine, dessert and live Portuguese music. For reservations made by Sept. 8, 2009, call Ralph Nevis at 916 421-7161 or send a check may out to PHCS with your name and address to PHCS, PO Box 161990, Sacramento, CA 95816—If you want to sit with San Pedro, contact Dennis Freitas at 421-5768.

Thorton “Lady of Fatima” Week-long Celebration October 12 through 19, 2009

The Portuguese Community of Thorton, just off I-5 south of Sacramento holds a week long celebration in honor of our Lady of Fatima. The schedule includes many different activities such as :

OCTOBER 12 TO 16TH—NOVENAS EACH EVENING

OCTOBER 17—9 AM MASS FOLLOWED BY ‘BODO LE LEITE’ PARADE of ‘Squeaky’ Wooden Carts pulled by BIG Bulls, Dairy Cows and Goats. Afternoon includes lots of Portuguese Food for Sale, Folk Dancing to watch with a Portuguese Bloodless Bull Fight at 3 pm—tickets can be purchased Saturday.

OCTOBER 18 –Sunday 10 AM MASS/PROCESSION OCT. 19 Bullfight 8 pm

TO VIEW PHOTOS FROM SAN PEDRO EVENTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS, GO TO www.SanPedroAssociation.org

TO CONTACT A SAN PEDRO DIRECTOR, SEND EMAIL TO SanPedroBryte@aol.com or call 916 421-5768

San Pedro members did many repairs this spring but more is needed—see a few of the projects to be done below:



REPAIRS -Trees growing on arches at entrance to San Pedro Park need to be trimmed I— CAN YOU HELP?



Steeple & Roof needs to be painted—any volunteers?



REPAIRS—The roof of the Bingo Stand needs a power washing and fresh paint—SPA will buy the paint—need equipment & People Power!

IF YOU ARE ONE OF THE 26 FAMILIES THAT HAVE NOT YET RENEWED YOUR DUES, SEND A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR \$25 TO SAN PEDRO ASSOCIATION, P.O. BOX 885, BRYTE/ WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605