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## Annual Meeting and Potluck Dinner On Wednesday, January 23

Be sure to save Wednesday, January 23, for the DPHS potluck dinner and a full meeting agenda. We will have our annual election of the open positions on the DPHS board and acceptance of our new bylaws, on which we will ask the members to vote. We will also present a brief financial report and an update about our museum. Please review additional materials enclosed in this issue of *The News Drogher* and check the President's Message for other discussions occurring that evening.

The potluck will begin at 6 p.m. at Community House, 24642 San Juan Avenue, Dana Point. Please bring your own tableware and a dish to serve 6-8 people. Beverages will be provided.



## DPHS Members Elected to Fill Two Vacancies on Dana Point City Council

Dana Point's city council elections resulted in both open seats being filled by members of the Dana Point Historical Society.

Past DPHS President and life member Carlos N. Olvera and DPHS life member Scott Schoeffel were elected. Mr. Olvera fills the position vacated by former mayor Lara Anderson. Mr. Schoeffel was re-elected to his seat.

*Carlos N. Olvera, left, and Scott Schoeffel at the Dana Point City Council swearing-in ceremony on December 4.*

More than 60 DPHS members and guests attended our holiday open house on December 2. Members had the chance to visit our new museum space and view a wonderful presentation on our new large screen TV while enjoying food supplied by our members. Nancy Jenkins provided festive decorations using her collection of Santa Claus figures.



## President's Message



New Year Greetings! Our December Open house was well attended by some 60 members who filled our City Hall Suite 104 and overflowed onto the front sidewalk. Power Point photos reviewed the past year's activities, new members joined our cause and we all enjoyed visiting and sampling tasty treats surrounded by a collection of festive Santas.

As I write this letter to you, our members, I have received the sad news that Beverly Sels, DPHS President for six years, 1996-2001, has passed away. Beverly and her board members brought the Historical Society to a new era, establishing the DP Heritage Museum in two locations, unveiling the Baby Beach Tile Wall and inaugurating the Annual Home Tour. The Historical society extends our sincere condolences to her husband, Glenn, and all of Beverly's family.

You are reading it here first! The **Pat Plepler Citizenship Award** will be presented to **Terry Walsh** at our January 23 potluck dinner and annual meeting! In addition to enjoying the delicious covered dishes we all provide, highlights will also include the installation of both new and experienced officers and year-end reports. Also, please join us in thanking Jessica Blair for her participation as our Program Director for the past year. We wish her a continued health recovery and every success in her law career.

You don't want to miss "Doc" Paskowitz, famed Stanford medical school graduate, Class of 1946, who left medicine to become a professional surfer and then took his wife and family of nine children with him on a 23-year "surfing safari" of surfing camps and healthy living. "Doc" will speak at our January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

Plans are being made to continue the surfing theme with Mickey Munoz at our February meeting. Then March will be filled to the brim with our participation in the Festival of Whales. With your help, we will offer historic walking tours and a booth at the harbor on both weekends, and the public reading of Richard Henry Dana's *Two Years Before the Mast* at the Nature Interpretive Center March 8-10. We would love to have you greet visitors at our booth, join folks on the historic walking tour and read a short passage of R.H. Dana's description of his voyage. You will develop a deeper appreciation of Dana Point history when you experience these three activities over the two weekends. Please join us in sharing our history with visitors to Dana Point.

As promised, an early spring ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception at our new City Hall location is currently in the planning stages. Look for the date and details in our February issue of *The News Drogher*. Our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year continues to unfold and we want you and all of our members to be part of it!

*Barbara Force Johannes*

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### Mayor Lara Anderson Presented with DPHS Gift



Outgoing mayor Lara Anderson was honored on December 4 during her final city council meeting. Included in the many groups recognizing her eight-year achievements were representatives from the Historical Society, which presented her with a framed historical photograph, the subject of which commemorates her dedication and warm personality. Pictured with her are DPHS board member Ross Teasley, councilman and incoming Dana Point mayor Steve Weinberg, DPHS President Barbara Johannes, and DPHS board member Rod Howorth.

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### Calling All Volunteers!

We have *many* needs for volunteers, who can devote as little or as much time as they like. No amount of assistance is too small. Starting February 1, we will need docents to receive visitors at our new museum and/or to perform office and archival work while at the museum. Volunteers will also be needed to erect, dismantle, move supplies and man our booth during the Festival of the Whales, March 2-3 and March 9-10. And readers will be needed for our annual reading of *Two Years Before the Mast*, March 8, 9 & 10. Email [DPHSNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:DPHSNewsletter@gmail.com) for information or to be connected with the right committee chair.

## 2013 Election of Board Members

On January 23, the members of the Dana Point Historical Society will be asked to approve board members up for election or re-election. Below is a listing of *all* board members, along with their positions and two-year terms. Those board members who need the approval of the general membership, either because they are new board members or because their board memberships are expiring, are noted with a check mark.

### OFFICERS:

President	Barbara Johannes (2013-15)	✓
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President, Museum/Archives/Website	Ross Teasley (2012-14)	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Membership	Regina Barnes (2011-13)	✓
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President, Programs	Ann Shultz (2013-15)	✓
Secretary	Heidi Hyde (2011-13)	✓
Corresponding Secretary	Nancy Jenkins (2012-14)	
Treasurer	Christy Johnson (2012-14)	
Parliamentarian	Mary Crowl (2013-15)	✓

### APPOINTED COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Docents	Mary Williams (2012-14)	
Exhibits	Kirsten Reynolds (2013-15)	✓
Merchandise & Tile Wall	Rod Howorth (2013-15)	✓
Newsletter Editor	Max Brown (2013-15)	✓
Historical Photos	Rene Cortez (2013-15)	✓
Preservation, Curb & Sidewalk Stamps	Keith Johannes (2013-15)	✓
Public Relations	Joel Bishop (2013-15)	✓
Special Events	Liz Bamattre (2012-14)	
Sunshine Ambassador, Director Emeritus	Judy Henderson (2012-14)	
Tours	Terry Walsh (2012-14)	

## 2012 DPHS Financial Summary

In 2012, the Dana Point Historical Society had revenues of \$26,872.09 which came from: individual and corporate donations, membership dues, sales receipts, contributions to the annual scholarship BBQ fundraiser and admission to the Mission Inn field trip.

Total expenses for 2012 were \$37, 889.11 which included: operating expenses (ie. office supplies, fees, advertising), donation to the Doris Walker tribute, program meeting expenses (location rentals, refreshments), newsletter printing costs and postage, archival acquisitions, scholarship expenses, insurance, storage costs, taxes, sale merchandise and wall tile expenses and awards (i.e. Pat Plepler). Additional expenses were incurred with the move into a new museum space in the fall of 2012 and the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in September.

Annual costs exceeded current income due to the cancellation of the 2012 Annual Home Tour, our major fund-raiser since 2000. The deficit of <del>\$-11,017.02</del> was covered with reserved funds from prior years.

Museum moving and set-up costs of \$3263.14 were paid in 2012 and include additional storage rental, moving fees, refinishing display cabinets and other incidentals, with significant costs forthcoming. The 2011 donation of \$10,000 for future museum operating expenses (rent, utilities, insurance), allows on-going museum expenses to be deducted from that designated amount, with costs estimated to be \$300-400/month.

While expenses were more than income in 2012, savings in the General Fund compensated for the additional expense and lack of revenue. The Historical Society has invested savings of \$20,137.14 in CD's, and liquid assets of \$49,539.28 in checking for annual operating expenses, of which \$23,000 is designated funds limited to the purposes for which they were received or allocated.

Christy Johnson, Treasurer

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## Membership Dues

It is time to renew your membership for 2013. Renewal is on an annual basis and due in January. The address label on your newsletter shows the year in which your dues expire. We hope that you will continue to support the Historical Society's efforts to protect Dana Point's historically important buildings; collect, safeguard and store Dana Point's historic archives; provide residents the ability to purchase historic photographs; and present programs that entertain and educate our residents.

For those who renew their membership you will receive a membership card that provides a 10 percent discount on our merchandise such as books, photos, T-shirts, etc.

We would like to thank those who renewed their membership at our Holiday Open House. Each received a 2012 Christmas ornament. We have a few ornaments left. You can pick one up (while supplies last) at the January Annual Meeting if you pay your dues or make a donation on or before January 23, 2013.

A special welcome to new members **Steven and Karen Abraham** and **Patricia Cameron**. Also, a special thanks to **Dena Van Slyke** with **Beacon Brokerage**, who increased her membership to the Business level.

The Historical Society could not function without the generous support of our members and sponsors. Enclosed with this newsletter is a remittance envelope for your convenience. Please take a moment and send it today.

All contributions are tax deductible as the Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, EIN 33-0359288.



### In Memoriam Beverly Sels 1936-2013

Former DPHS President (1996-2001) Beverly Sels passed away peacefully on January 5. Beverly was voted Dana Point Citizen of the year in 1999. A devoted volunteer with many groups, her generous community spirit will be missed.