



# Milpitas Muse

## Our November Meeting

Our next Historical Society meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 9, at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium (Multipurpose Room) of the Milpitas Library, 160 North Main Street. At this meeting, our distinguished speaker, Santa Clara County Judge Paul Bernal, will talk about the Roberto Adobe, built in 1836, and the adjoining Sunol House, begun in 1854.



**Paul Bernal**

These two structures, located in what is now Willow Glen, are part of the newly opened Roberto Adobe Sunol House Museum, owned and operated by the California Pioneers of Santa Clara County. These venerable structures are among the oldest in this area; their history, the story of their rescue from near-

destruction, and their preservation due to the hard work of Paul and many others of the Pioneers will be the topic of this presentation.



**Roberto Adobe**



**Sunol House**

Judge Bernal was our memorable presenter at the Milpitas Historical Society's Officer and Board Installation Dinner in 2013 and impressed us all with his stories of the history of the settlement of the Almaden Valley.

Please join us for this meeting and presentation and stay for snacks and conversation afterwards. Meetings are free and all are welcome.

## Bob McGuire Park Opening

The opening of the park dedicated to the memory of Milpitas' first Parks and Recreation Director (1964-80), Bob McGuire, was held on Saturday, October 1. Bob McGuire was one of the founding members of the Milpitas Historical Society, and a past President and Vice President.

The 3-acre park named in his honor is part of a developing residential area north of South Milpitas Blvd. and Montague Expwy. It features tennis courts, an outdoor amphitheater, and a community center building dedicated to longtime community leader Sal Cracolice. The opening was attended by family members of both honorees and many community leaders.

Shown below speaking at the podium of the amphitheater is Harriett McGuire, Bob McGuire's wife, currently a member of the Milpitas Historical Society's Board of Directors. From the left in the photo are sons Mike McGuire, who also spoke, Glen McGuire; then City Manager Tom Williams and Mayor Jose Esteves. On the right is Vice Mayor Carmen Montano.



In the photo below, city officials prepare to cut the ribbon marking the opening of the Sal Cracolice Recreation Facility.



## Busy Times in October!

As well as attending the opening of the Bob McGuire Part, members of the Milpitas Historical Society had quite a choice of activities to attend in October.

On the following day, Sunday, October 2, was the Society's annual picnic, Hawaiian-themed this time, where guests are shown below toasting our hosts, Kim Parker and Peter Herrera.



And two weeks later, on October 15, many members turned out for the annual Veterans' Car Show, where the Society had a booth, sold merchandise, and met old friends. Shown below at the booth, from left, are Melissa Roberts, Barbara Bowman, Harriett McGuire, Joe Ehardt, Dan Cosper, our President Mark Tiernan, and Warren Wetenstein.



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**Milpitas, CA 95035**

## Interested in a Christmas Field Trip?

If anyone is interested in taking a field trip to the City of Campbell's beautifully decorated Ainsley House Museum in December, (date to be determined by November), you can sign up at the November meeting or call Harriett McGuire at 408-262-7979.



## Holiday Notice



There will be no Milpitas Historical Society general meeting, board meeting, or newsletter in December, but look for your invitation for our annual Christmas party, to be held on Sunday, December 18, from noon to 4 pm. Save the date!

## Slate of Officers and Directors for 2017

At the Milpitas Historical Society's November meeting, the Nominating Committee will announce the slate of candidates for Officers and Directors for 2017.

The slate of candidates will be finalized by the Nominating Committee before the next meeting of the Board of Directors and this list will be distributed to the membership by email and US Mail before the November General Meeting.

The election will be held at the regular meeting of the Society on Wednesday, January 11, 2017.

## Milpitas Historical Society Contact Information

You can contact the Milpitas Historical Society:

- by mail at 160 N. Main Street, Milpitas CA 95035
- by email at [tmhs@milpitashistoricalsociety.org](mailto:tmhs@milpitashistoricalsociety.org)

You can contact President Mark Tiernan at 1-408-582-3782.

Here's the new website for the Milpitas Historical Society: <http://milpitashistoricalsociety.org>, with information about the society and upcoming events. The traditional Milpitas history web page is here: [www.milpitashistory.org/home/index.html](http://www.milpitashistory.org/home/index.html)

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