

# Milpitas Muse

September 2022

The Milpitas Historical Society Newsletter

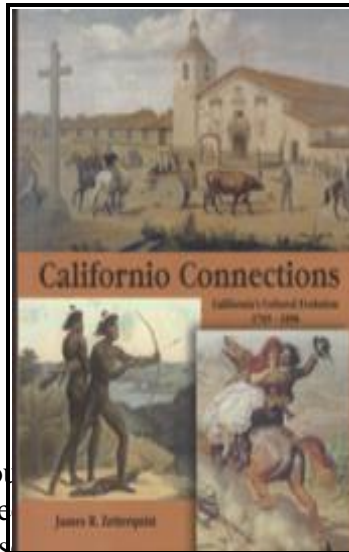
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## September Meeting: In-Person a Week Early!

For September, our monthly meeting will take place at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, the first rather than our normal second Wednesday of the month, due to our Speaker's busy schedule.



Jim Zetterquist



We are honored to have as our President of California Pioneer and longtime historian, who has practically all of the historical inhabitants of this area.

He will speak about the topics covered in his new book *California Connections: California's Cultural Evolution, 1769-1896*. His fascinating story tells how the history of his ancestors in the San Francisco Bay area and the Monterey Peninsula is woven through the founding of this area and into his own life.

His book tells remarkable stories of little-known events that could only have happened here, in rapidly evolving California as it changed from Spanish to Mexican, and finally, to American governance.

### Discontinuing Zoom Access

At our May and June meetings we held hybrid events with in-person attendance and with remote access via Zoom, but we found that the Library's network was not consistently fast enough to fully support our Zoom broadcasting in addition to satisfying the needs of other Library users. Consequently, this and future meetings will be in-person attendance only.

## Save the Date: Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> Picnic

At the Board of Director's early August meeting, we decided to have our summer picnic & members-only social event on *Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>*, 12 to 4pm. For many years we have met at Kim Parker and Peter Herrera's Last Word Ranch, but this year they will be in Hawaii that month (lucky them!) In light of that, we have made arrangements to hold an outdoor picnic in the beautifully shaded grove at the southern end of Martin Murphy Jr. Park.



**DIRECTIONS:** Take S. Park Victoria to Yellowstone Ave. stoplight, turn east and drive about 1/2 block until you get to the Murphy Park parking lot, turn in at either of two entrances and park your car. If the lot is full, Yellowstone has plenty of on-street parking. The Society's event tent will be in the center of the grove.

**FOOD:** Usually the Society provides all the grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, but this year the planning committee will decide on a menu featuring catered main courses that we will order and bring to the park. This way we will support our local businesses and our "chefs" won't need to fire up BBQs and slave over hot coals. We will follow our "norm" of members bringing salads, side dishes, and desserts. Call Harriett McGuire (1-408-515-5337) to see what would help complete the menu. The Society will also provide cold bottled water, soda pop drinks, and Lela's version of Mabel Mattos' punch.

*Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, from noon to 4PM*  
**LOS CALIFORNIOS RANCHO DAY**  
**Sanchez Adobe Historical Park**  
**1000 Linda Mar Blvd., Pacifica, CA**

The San Mateo County Historical Association is holding its annual Rancho Day Fiesta event at the Sanchez Adobe historic site in Pacifica. The large, two-story adobe includes an interpretive center with wonderful historical exhibits. This annual event is FREE and open to the public. A special invitation was extended to the Milpitas Historical Society through Joseph Ehardt who attended a recent speaker event at the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Mission San Jose.



*Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>*  
**Samuel Ayer High School Reunion**

This year the Samuel Ayer Class of 1977 will be celebrating its 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Friday night at the Hotel Sonesta Silicon Valley on Barber Lane. On the next day they will hold a more inclusive event open to all Samuel Ayer graduating classes. Contact Tina Rosario (1-408-204-7485) for information and reservations.

Milpitas Historical Society  
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**45<sup>TH</sup>  
REUNION**



**GET OUT OF YOUR HIVE  
TO CELEBRATE FORTY FIVE**

**When: Friday, September 16, 2022  
6 pm to Midnight**

**Where: Sonesta Silicon Valley  
1800 Barber Lane  
Milpitas, CA 953035**

**Discounted rooms at \$99  
Call for reservations at (408) 943-9080**

**Cost: \$93 per person**

**What You Get:**

**Dinner - Dancing - Excitement  
Reconnecting with old friends  
Memories**

**Haha**

**RSVP and Make Checks Payable to:**

**Tina Rosario (408) 204-7485  
1495 Don Ave # 142  
Santa Clara, CA 95050**

**Please sign-up early so we can pay the venue.  
Also Call if you wish to help with either time or money.**

Our Society's Contact Information

You can contact the Milpitas Historical Society:

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- at our website: <http://milpitashistoricalsociety>

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