



Pinole **Historical** Society

E-News



An all-female Virgin Airlines crew flew the Rosies from San Francisco to Washington, D.C. for their historic visit.

Vice President Biden hosts the Rosies for breakfast at his home.



‘PRESIDENTIAL ROSIES’ AT NEXT PHS MEETING

Six women who distinguished themselves as Rosie the Riveters at the Kaiser Shipyards during World War II — building the ships that helped win the war — had a delightful breakfast visit with Vice President Joe Biden in Washington, D.C., on April 1.

They also received an unanticipated visit and kiss on the cheek from President Barack Obama.

Five of the Rosies will recount their weeklong

visit to Washington — and their lives as World War II heroines — at the Pinole Historical Society’s quarterly meeting on Friday, September 5, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in conference rooms 2A and 2B of the Kaiser Medical Office Building in Pinole. The program is free and open to the public.

For more information about this event and Pinole’s history, visit www.pinolehistoricalsociety.org or call (510) 724-9507.

Pinole featured on KGO Radio

KGO radio reporter Jennifer Jones Lee interviewed PHS Vice President Jeff Rubin to discover the origin of the word "Pinole."

Listen to the segment here:
<http://www.pinolehistoricalsociety.org/KGOPinoleorigin.mp3>



PHS WILL PUBLISH NEW BOOK IN FALL 2015

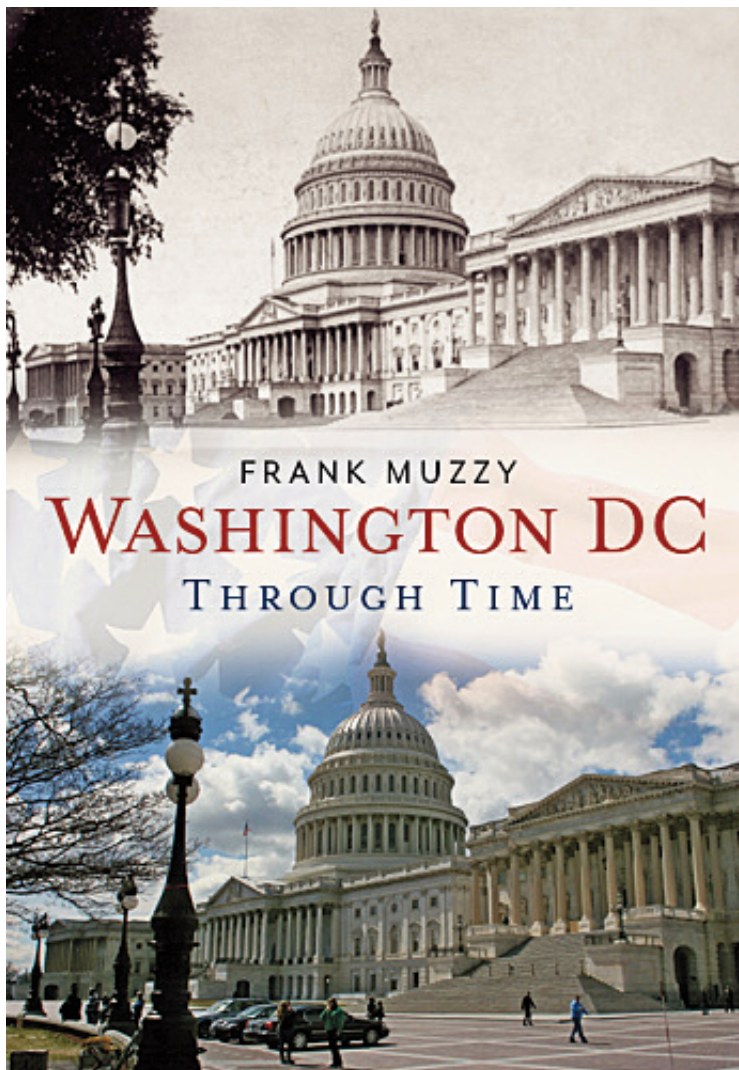
The Pinole Historical Society will see its second book on the history of Pinole published in the fall of 2015.

The society has signed a contract with Fonthill Media (www.fonthillmedia.com/), a specialist book-publishing company in the areas of general history, local and regional history, military history, transport history, and biography.

The society will be producing *Pinole Through Time*, a title in Fonthill's *America Through Time* series. The book will feature photos of old Pinole buildings and landmarks and current photos of what exists on those sites today. In several cases it will be the same building, some restored and others nearly identical.

Visit the Pinole Library for our exhibit "Pinole...Then and Now" to get an idea of the content of the book. The book's cover will be similar to the Washington D.C. book on this page.

The PHS would love to see old photos that residents might have of their homes, their family's homes, and buildings that once existed or currently exist in Pinole, for possible inclusion in the book. Please contact us at (510) 724-9507 or via e-mail at info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org.



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PHS PROGRAMS ADDED TO CITY'S WEBSITE

Five PHS programs have been added to the city's website: www.ci.pinole.ca.us/about/videos.html

- 2012 Veterans Day Memorial/Flag Retirement
- 2013 Veterans Day Memorial/Flag Retirement
- Japanese American Internment (2012)
- Old School bell dedication (2013)

- February 7, 2014, program: Bars, Barbers and Characters of Early Pinole.

We thank Bob Kopp, who recorded all of these events for the society.

Scroll down to PINOLE HISTORY on the city's website to find all the Pinole history programs

ACCESS THE PHS WEBSITE ON YOUR SMARTPHONE

Find out more about Pinole's history by using your smartphone to scan this QR code.

It will take you to the Pinole Historical Society website, where you will learn about our city's history, current historical society events, and much more.



PHS WELCOMES VOLUNTEERS FOR MEETINGS, SPECIAL EVENTS, ETC.

Would you assist the PHS with any of the following? Helping with any of these will be a much-appreciated contribution to the history of our city.

- Gathering oral histories on video and/or audio
- Writing articles for PHS *Newsbriefs*, our quarterly printed newsletter
- Being a greeter at our quarterly membership programs.

Please be an **active** member of the society. Call (510) 724-9507, or e-mail info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org, to volunteer.



PHS AT PINOLE FARMERS' MARKET

The Pinole Historical Society is at the Pinole Farmers' Market for a seventh consecutive year.

We will be there two Saturdays in September, on the 6th and 20th.

We'll be selling our books, postcards, greeting cards, magnets, and American flags every other Saturday through the end of the year.

Please stop by and say hello — and take home a free newsletter.

PHS BOARD MEETS SEPTEMBER 10 AT SENIOR CENTER

In addition to our quarterly general membership meetings, the Pinole Historical Society Board of Directors meets monthly on the second Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Pinole Senior Center.

Our members, and the public, are invited to attend these board meetings and speak on any item that is discussed.

Our next meeting is September 10.



WELLS FARGO PINOLE MURAL VIDEO ON OUR WEBSITE

Click this link: www.pinolehistoricalsociety.org/PinoleMural.mov

PHS SEEKING FAMILY FILMS FOR HISTORICAL ARCHIVE

Got film?
The Pinole Historical Society is embarking on a major project to archive the city's history.

We want to establish a permanent, digitized collection of Pinole's history.

Do you have film of past Holy Ghost parades, Pinole Valley High School Homecoming parades, Memorial Day or July 4 parades?

How about important athletic events, such as a high-school football, basketball, baseball, softball, or volleyball games?

Perhaps you have film of an important event that took place in Fernandez Park, or a ribbon cutting or an event that has a place in Pinole's history — such as the 1958 flood?

We're looking for any video or film you have — VHS, Beta, camcorder, DV tape, 8mm, Super 8mm, 16mm, 35mm, motion picture.



Nearly everyone has taken home movies. That makes everyone who has taken film a historian.

We want to collect, digitize, catalog, and preserve old movies on DVD (and whatever formats are to come) to exhibit, educate, and entertain.

The PHS will share these videos on a film archive that we will establish, similar to the The Pioneers Film Archive on YouTube created by the

California Pioneers of Santa Clara (www.youtube.com/scppioneers).

Film connects with the past in a unique way. It's immersive, educational, and entertaining. It's a way to get young people interested in history.

Got film? Please contact us at info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org. We'll return your film; we just want to borrow and digitize it.

The Pinole Historical Society promotes awareness and appreciation of history through preservation and education, and chronicles the city's heritage for current and future generations.

PHS VIDEOS ON CITY OF PINOLE WEBSITE

Miss one of our history programs on Pinole Community TV? Don't despair. The city's website has a dedicated section devoted to PINOLE HISTORY on its "Videos Online" page.

You can view the numerous PHS programs right on your computer. Go to the city's

website www.ci.pinole.ca.us/about/videos.html and scroll down to PINOLE HISTORY.

You'll find our interviews, Veterans Day programs, George Vincent's two walking tours of historic downtown Pinole, and the very fine PCTV-produced, 12-part series based on the Historic Walking Tour brochure. It's great TV!

Upcoming events

WWII HOME FRONT MEMORIES STITCHED IN CLOTH

CONTEMPORARY QUILT EXHIBIT AT ROSIE THE RIVETER/WWII HOME FRONT NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK EXPLORES WOMEN'S EXPERIENCES, VICTORY GARDENS, AND JAPANESE AMERICAN INTERNMENT, AMONG OTHER STORIES

Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park's new exhibit, "Quilts About the Home Front," is open at the park's Visitor Education Center. Forty-five quilts, as well as the personal stories which accompany the artworks, will be displayed on a rotating basis in the basement gallery through December 31.

The exhibit is a collaboration of Bay Area quilt enthusiasts, arts organizations, museums, historical associations, The Rosie the Riveter Trust, and National Park Service staff and volunteers.

The quilts were initially exhibited at the Craneway Pavilion in March during "Voices in Cloth," a quilt show produced by the East Bay Heritage Quilters.



Public programs with featured quilters will take place on Saturday, October 11, and Saturday, November 15, at 11 AM.

PLEASE NOTE: Theater seating for each event is limited to the first 48 visitors; please arrive early to get a seat.

The park's Visitor Education Center at 1414 Harbour Way South, Suite 3000, Richmond, is open seven days a week from 10 AM to 5 PM.

For more information and directions to the Visitor Education Center, please call (510) 232-5050 x0 or visit

<http://www.nps.gov/rori/planyourvisit/directions.htm>.

Admission to the Visitor Education Center and all exhibits and programs is always free.

2014 quarterly meetings at Kaiser continue on Friday evenings

The 2014 quarterly membership meetings of the Pinole Historical Society will be held Friday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in conference rooms

2A and 2B of the Kaiser Permanente Medical Office Building, 1301 Pinole Valley Road.

As always, we will have an interesting program for you at each meeting.

The remaining 2014 meeting schedule is: September 5 • November 7

Upcoming events



Chinese Whispers Bay Chronicles™

A PROJECT BY RENE YUNG

IN COLLABORATION WITH SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Event kicks off in Richmond on September 5

Three unique programs will retrace this forgotten history in an interdisciplinary research and art expedition on the Grace Quan, a 43-foot replica of a 19th century San Francisco Bay shrimp junk.

Over two weeks in September, it will sail to former Chinese shrimping sites in a route that links San Rafael in the North Bay, Richmond in the East Bay, Redwood City in the South Bay, and San Francisco.

A team of visual, sound, and media artists will chronicle the voyage, scientists from the San Francisco Estuary Institute will provide environmental commentary during the sails, and National Park Service's John C. Muir, who led the building of the Park's Grace Quan, will be our skipper.

Free, land-side public programs will connect local communities

and heritage to the history of Chinese shrimp fishing in the Bay. Each program will be a distinct, unforgettable experience.

The journey kicks off at the Craneway Pavilion on the Richmond waterfront on Friday, September 5, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., with tours of the Grace Quan, and a program of presentations including sights and surround-sound from the sails, Richmond's little-known Chinese shrimp camps, building of the Grace Quan, and Bay historical ecology.

Next is a community gathering on Saturday, September 13, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., at the EcoCenter at Heron's Head Park, a hidden urban gem at a thriving salt marsh in San Francisco's India Basin. Learn about the diverse history of Bayview Hunters Point, hear community

memories, and watch a sailing demonstration by the Grace Quan. Enjoy lunch with local specialties, hosted by the Bayview Historical Society.

The expedition's conclusion will be Sunday, September 14, from 2 to 5 p.m., at China Camp Village, the only remaining historic site of the former Chinese shrimping camps around the Bay. Enjoy a magical afternoon with lion dancers at the dock, expedition tales, and a pop-up sound installation, and honor this forgotten history in a ceremonial walk of remembrance.

Bay Chronicles will culminate in a trans-media installation at the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park in 2015, drawing together threads from diverse sources to recover forgotten history and reconnect communities with place.

IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT EARTHQUAKES SHAKING OUR HOMES, PINOLE POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY SAFETY SPECIALIST PETE JANKE COMPILED THIS BASIC EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KIT LIST. THE KIT IS EASY TO PREPARE. IT SHOULD BE BUILT TO LAST FOR A MINIMUM OF 72 HOURS. HOPEFULLY YOU WILL NEVER NEED TO USE IT.

CALL OR E-MAIL PETE AT (510) 741-3894; [PJanke@ci.pinoles.ca.us](mailto:pjanke@ci.pinoles.ca.us), FOR ASSISTANCE.

Basic Emergency Preparedness Kit*
Pinole Police Department
Community Preservation & Safety Unit



Before the Emergency

Prepare it now, not after the emergency occurs. Store your kit in a place that will not be buried in the event of an earthquake or other disaster. This is an example kit. It should last a minimum of 72 hours. Add any items you feel are needed.

Kit Supplies

- Food - Canned goods to include meats; high protein breakfast or granola bars; canned or dried fruit; and canned or powdered milk. (Twinkies only last 45 days!)
- Can opener, pocket knife, portable utensils and plates (We're going camping.)
- Water - 1 gallon per person per day
- Paper products – moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation (Sounds yucky until you will need it.)
- Medications you might need and personal hygiene kits
- First Aid kit (stock it up)
- Baby supplies
- Pet food
- Clothing – the heavy stuff in case it is cold. At least one change of clothes.
- Blankets for each person
- Sleeping bags (one for each person) & that pillow you can't seem to throw away
- Flashlights (buy a box of batteries)
- Portable radio (buy a box of batteries). Try using it.
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter in place
- The big wrench to turn off the gas and water
- A list (yes, that paper stuff) of important phone numbers – your cell may not work

Items you might want to add to your kit

- Tent
- Rain gear
- Cash, traveler's checks, change
- Fire Extinguisher
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Signal flares
- Paper and pencils (do you remember what to do with this stuff?)

Remember all those important documents you planned to put in a waterproof container? It is time to do it.

Designate a person outside your area as the one to call when the big one happens.

Emergency 911 Pinole PD Emergency 510-724-1111 Non Emerg 510-724-8950

*Kit information was partially compiled from FEMA website, San Jose Mercury News, and Ready.gov website



CITY OF PINOLE Coastal Cleanup

Saturday, September 20, 2014

8:30 a.m. to noon – Bayfront Park (on-site registration)

For information call 724-9018 or e-mail CoastalCleanup@ci.pinole.ca.us

Please volunteer for the 30th annual Coastal Cleanup Day, sponsored by the California Coastal Commission.

Help combat marine debris by removing trash that has accumulated over the past year on the San Pablo Bay shoreline and

along Pinole Creek from I-80 to the Bay.

Coastal Cleanup Day reinforces that each of us, as consumers of goods and producers of those goods, has a responsibility to reduce, prevent, and clean up marine debris.



- Please bring gloves and wear work clothing •
- Breakfast and barbecue lunch for all volunteers •



PRESENTS A FREE EVENT FOR PINOLE RESIDENTS

Dumpster Day

Saturday, October 4, 2014

7:30 to 11:30 a.m. (earlier if Dumpsters are full)

Southwest corner of Henry Avenue & Pinole Valley Road (across from Kaiser)

RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS ONLY. This is NOT a curbside collection.

FOR PINOLE RESIDENTS ONLY • ONE LOAD PER HOUSEHOLD

Bring a current photo ID or current utility bill showing Pinole address.

Standard-size pickup trucks OK. No U-Haul-size trucks or trailers.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: Household items, glass, clothing, metal chairs, tables, couches, small appliances, broken toys, box springs, mattresses, rugs/padding, wood, dishwashers, washers & dryers, refrigerators, ovens/stoves, computer monitors & components, CPUs, laptops & peripherals, microwaves, TVs, servers, UPS back-up batteries, fax machines, copiers, Internet devices, cell phones & telephones, toner & ink cartridges.

- **NO GREEN WASTE. NO TIRES. NO CONCRETE.**
- **NO HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE** — Paint, oil, bug spray, oven cleaner, propane tanks, vehicle batteries, prescription medicine, sharps (needles, syringes, lancets).

For information about where to take your Household Hazardous Waste, visit www.recyclemore.com.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE PINOLE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AT (510) 724-9010.

NO ILLEGAL DUMPING & NO SCAVENGING — VIOLATORS WILL BE CITED!





SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PHS BY BECOMING A MEMBER IN 2014

For only \$30, you can help the PHS accomplish its mission of bringing the history of Pinole to our residents through exhibits at the Pinole Library, Pinole history programs in schools, Pinole Community TV programs, Walking tours of downtown Pinole, the Veterans' Day event in Fernandez Park — and you'll have the satisfaction of helping promote and preserve Pinole's history for future generations.

**JOIN THE PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY (OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP)
AND HELP PROMOTE AND PRESERVE THE HISTORY OF OUR CITY.**

Please mail the membership application today!

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2015 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(PINOLE RESIDENCY NOT REQUIRED FOR MEMBERSHIP)

**PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, AND SEND CASH OR YOUR CHECK,
TO PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, P.O. BOX 285, PINOLE, CA 94564**

MEMBERSHIPS ARE FOR THE 2015 CALENDAR YEAR (EXCEPT LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS)

NAME (each member): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/ZIP: _____

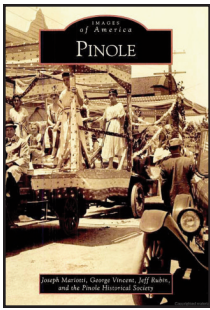
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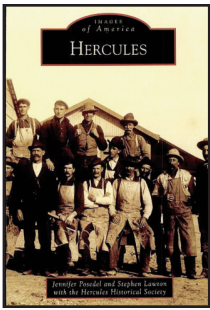
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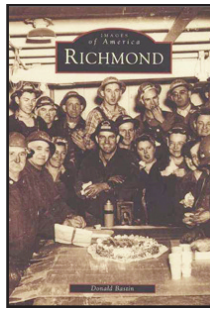
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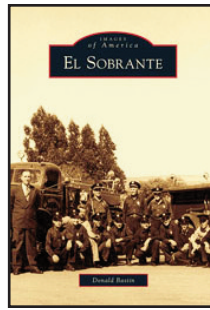
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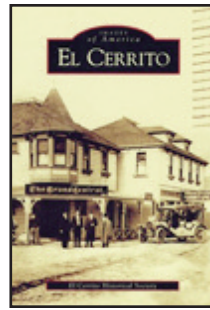
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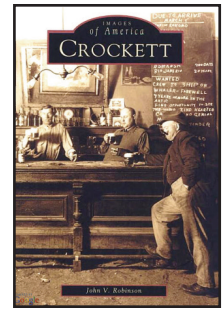
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Crockett

LOCAL HISTORY BOOKS AVAILABLE FROM THE PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

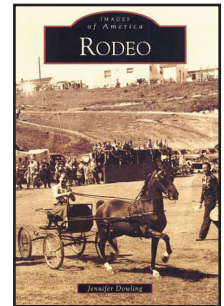
The Pinole Historical Society has Arcadia Publishing books about Hercules, Richmond, El Sobrante, El Cerrito, Crockett, Rodeo, Martinez, Port Costa, and Maritime Contra Costa County. And, of course, we have plenty of Pinole books in stock.

You may purchase one or more of these books from us at the Pinole Farmers' Market—we'll be there every other Saturday through the end of December.

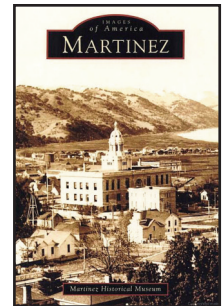
The Pinole, Hercules, Richmond, El Sobrante, El Cerrito, and Maritime Contra Costa County

books retail for **\$24**, including 8.75% sales tax. The Crockett, Rodeo, Martinez, and Port Costa books are **\$22**, including 8.75% sales tax.

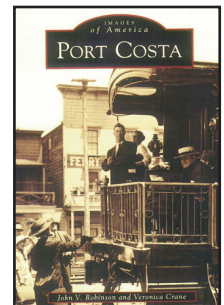
Or, you may order one or more by mail and we'll ship them to you. Send your order to **Pinole Historical Society, P.O. Box 285, Pinole, CA 94564.**



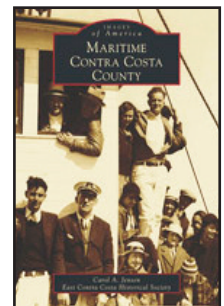
Rodeo



Martinez



Port Costa



Maritime

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