ANCHR--The Association for Northern California Historical Research

Invites you and your guests to attend

THE 2013 ANCHR ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON

Saturday, November 2, 2013
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

$18 per person -- RSVP no later than Oct. 25.
At Shelley Anderson’s Creative Catering - 2565 Zanella Way, Chico, CA
(From Hwy 99 take Skyway exit to Paradise, turn right on Zanella Way and go to the end)

Menu: Mixed green salad, dinner rolls, cheese tortellini with pesto sauce, chicken Romesco, pumpkin cake, ice water, ice tea and coffee

Program: Bill Dennison will speak on their new book, What’s In The Woods, and John Rudderow will speak on their new book, The Miner Poet: Poems of Pres Longley. The books will be available.

ANCHR Publications will be available at a 20% discount for renewing members.

Message from the President
By Jim Jessee

This year the ANCHR board of directors moved to join the North Valley Community Fund. We have given up our independent non-profit organization status and placed ANCHR within the NVCF’s nonprofit corporation.

The NVCF will provide officers and directors insurance for ANCHR, as well as supervise our finances and State Tax reporting requirements. The main impact will be that NVCF takes 2 percent of all ANCHR income, but we continue with our original purpose, intent, and activities.

ANCHR has become a fund of the NVCF rather than an independent corporate entity. The ANCHR board of directors became a steering committee that decides how ANCHR money is spent, but there’s another level of NVCF approval required. It’s still ANCHR’s money rather than the NVCF’s money, and we have the intent that should ANCHR dissolve, any remaining funds would move to Special Collections at the Meriam Library at CSU, Chico.

ANCHR will continue to follow the same by-laws as we have had previously, but will reduce our steering committee membership to nine and allow the committee to appoint or elect its own leadership and officers, and determine its own procedures.

Joining with NVCF makes us eligible for their annual Annie B’s fundraising drive, which runs Aug. 1 through Sept. 30. Donations made to ANCHR in that period would be partially matched by the NVCF—last year, the foundation kicked in 9 percent additional.

ANCHR Lowers Annual Dues

In the past it has been our practice to provide a free publication to renewing ANCHR member as part of your dues. The cost to print publications has made this practice prohibitive. Therefore ANCHR has lowered its annual dues as follows, and offer members a 20% discount on all ANCHR publications.

Individual Membership  $15
Family Membership  $20
Researcher  $50
(With CSUC Meriam Library Borrower Privileges)

Go to www.csuchico.edu/anchr for information.
2013 ANCHR Annual Meeting

Steering Committee Members for 2013-15

ANCHR By-laws, as amended in 2013 by the Board, call for nine total members of a Steering Committee, to be elected in staggered two-year terms, serving from the time of their election at the annual meeting continuing for two years, ending at the annual meeting.

Continuing Members Elected for 2012-14:
Term Expires Nov. 1, 2014

1. Steve Schoonover (Continuing member)
2. Jim Jessee (Continuing member)
3. Ramona Flynn (Continuing member)
4. Kevin Brennan (Continuing member)
5. Jim Holt (Continuing member)

Members To Be Elected for 2013-15:
Term expires Nov. 7, 2015

1. Dave Brown (Continuing member)
2. Ron Womack (Continuing member)
3. Josie Smith (Continuing member)
4. VACANT (Nominee needed)

Volunteers for vacant positions are welcome.

The Steering Committee will determine its own leadership, program officer, and other positions, but the following are expected to prevail.
Chair: VACANT
Vice-Chair: Ron Womack
Treasurer: Dave Brown
Secretary: VACANT

Membership Secretary & Mail Pick-Up: Dave Brown
Newsletter & Publications: Jim Jessee
Web Editor: Kelly King
Publication Sales: Kevin Brennan
Meriam Library Special Collections Liaison: George Thompson

Featured Books and Speakers

What's In The Woods?
By Bill Dennison and "Blackie" Gilbert
Life Stories As Told By THE KIDS Who Lived In Northern California Diamond Match Company Logging Camps 1927-44

By pretending to look through the eyes of The Kids (current ages 79 to 93), readers will see actual camp life and logging activities—work, recreation, communication, injury and death. In addition, it was a passion of Dennison and Gilbert that the book preserve the significant role that The Diamond Match Co. played in the early development of logging and sawmilling. Interviews by Dennison and over 140 documented old photos provide interesting and educational reading for all ages.

The Miner Poet:
Poems of Pres Longley
Edited by John Rudderow and Nancy Leek

Pres Longley, who earned the appellation of the Bard of Butte, lived in a pauper’s shack, near the Butte Creek settlement of Helltown, but was remarkably engaged with the wider world. He read voraciously, traveled extensively in the cities and among the many mining camps of the era. He corresponded with publications all over California, including the Butte Record, Chico Enterprise, Sacramento Bee, San Francisco Examiner, and The Golden Era, a literary periodical.

He wrote over 300 poems during his life. The poems paint a vivid picture of life in Butte County mining towns, and the larger world. John Rudderow and Nancy Leek have collected a little more than 100 of his poems into a book of which Pres Longley would be very proud.