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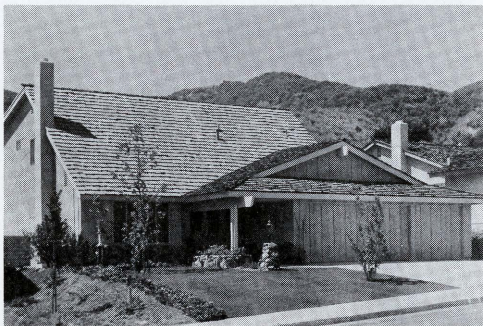
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7 A.M. - 10 A.M. . . . . . Newhall Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast

Valley Federal Savings

9 A.M. . . . . . Equestrian Judging

Wm. S. Hart Park

11 A.M. . . . . . Parade

Following Parade . . . . . Presentation Award at Newhall Park

<sup>1 PM</sup>  
~~12 Noon~~ - on . . . . . Youth Groups Fair and Booths

Newhall Park

<sup>noon</sup>  
~~1 P.M.~~ - 5 P.M. . . . . . Lions Club Bar-B-Q

Saxonia Park

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The Kiwanis Club regrets it will not be holding a Fireworks Display this year only.



NEWHALL - SAUGUS - VALENCIA  
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42ND ANNUAL OLD WEST PARADE

Line of March

PROLOGUE

1. Huntington Park Elks Lodge Motorcycle Drill Team - sponsored by Valencia Homes.
2. Canyon Country Color Cadets - Official Color Guard.
3. Don Collier - Grand Marshall - High Chaparel - T.V. series
4. Ed Reinecke - Congressman.
5. Newton Russell - Assemblyman, 62nd District.
6. Hart High School Band.
7. Warren Dorn - Supervisor, 5th District.
8. Marion Miller - Former member of F.B.I.
9. Newhall American Legion - Color Guard.
10. Art Evans - President, Canyon Country Chamber of Commerce.
11. Jim Lowder - President, Newhall-Saugus-Valencia Chamber of Commerce.
12. Barracks 2116 W.W. I - Color Guard.
13. Lucky Carson - Parade Marshall.
14. Al Perlinski and Ruth O'Conner - in appreciation of past parades.
15. Eddie Hanks - feature rider.
16. Queen's float - Newhall-Saugus-Valencia Jaycees.

DIVISION I

17. Division Marshall - Clyde and Ulah Goehring.
18. Cassell's T.V. & Appliance - 1899 Brewster.
19. 562 Air National Guard Band.
20. 1st Bn (herc) 56th Arty.
21. Jack Hawkins - Western Working.
22. First Calif. Vol. Artillery - Battery "A".
23. Voice of Val Verde - Float and horsemen.
24. Sherry Berryman - Indian under 16.
25. Africa U.S.A. - "Judy" from Daktari T.V. series.
26. Winita Balkey - Ladies Western Fancy.
27. Bill Cameron - Western Working.
28. Tammy Cameron - Ladies Western Fancy.
29. Friendly Valley Art Festival - Float.
30. Cindy Ledesma - costumed.
31. Eddie Arnold Ledesma - costumed.
32. Linda, Sandra Ledesma and Ronald Lyons - drawn vehicle.
33. Dale Jensen - 1932 Buick Victoria.
34. Carla Jean Kelley - solo majorette.
35. Jan Simonson - Spanish senorita.

DIVISION II

36. Division Marshall - Kathleen Senft.
37. Barbach Family - 1911 Ford.
38. Caladonian Pipe Band - Sponsored by Macloud Builders.
39. Civil Air Patrol - SQ 142.

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40. Carol Barbour - Western Working.
41. Bill Barbour - Chief Little Horse.
42. Newhall-Saugus Republican Womens Federation - Float.
43. Kathy Shepherd - Ladies Western Fancy.
44. Karen Shepherd - Western Working.
45. 4H Club - Newhall Nuggets - Novelty.
46. San Fernando Valley Shrine Club - Rocket Mobile.
47. Allison Church - Western Working.
48. Vickie McConnel - pony cart.
49. Andy Saddle - Spanish Senor.
50. Lee Saddle - Spanish Senor.
51. Karen Coe - Spanish Senorita.
52. Newhall-Saugus Business and Professional Women's Club - Float.
53. Jerry Westcott - Patty McGuire - Jackie Blankenship - Cathy Korokway - Mounted Group.
- 54.
- 55.

### DIVISION III

56. Division Marshall - Hazel Kirkpatrick.
57. C. M. MacDougall - 1912 Ford.
58. Emerald Cadettes and Cadets - Junior Color Guard.
59. Newhall Trail Riders - Mounted Group.
60. Harvey Williams and John Sonney - Midget Fire Truck.
61. Don Shively, Sr. - Beer Wagon, four ponies.
62. Nancy Jane Emhoff - Parade Horse.
63. Amy Lou Emhoff - costumed.
64. Wapa-Syl-San Camp Fire Girls - Float.
65. Jesse James Night Riders.
66. Mr. and Mrs. Kirshner - Western Working.
67. Santa Clarita Women's Hospital Auxillary - Drill team.
68. Louis Valencia and Frankie Magner - charos
69. Sew and Save - Float.
70. Ray Palmer - Parade Horse.
71. Betty Palmer - Spanish Senorita.
- 72.
73. Ann Larson - Ladies Western Fancy.
- 74.
- 75.

### DIVISION IV

76. Division Marshall - Lee Harbottle.
77. Marvin Gonder - 1915 Ford Touring.
78. Elegant Saints Junior Drum and Bugle Corps and Color Guard - sponsored by California Land Company.
79. Junior Naval Cadets of America - C/S Kittyhawk
80. Junior Naval Cadets of America - C/S Constellation.
81. Jim Griffin - Western Working.
82. Deborah Lee Griffin - Ladies Western Fancy.

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83. The Aztec Dancers.
84. Raymond Buntline Lester - Old Cowboys Never Die.
85. Thatcher Glass - Float.
86. The McGee Show - Mounted Group.
87. Sharon Harbison - Cindy Johnson - Clowns.
88. Debbie Jean Keller - Child TV actress.
89. Dean Martin Johnson - Mens Western Fancy.
- 90.
91. Sylvana Majorettes.
92. Debbie Bowers, Carrie Andrews - Western Working.
93. Helen Rerell - Western Working.
94. First Assembly of God Church - Float - sponsored by Patricia Farnsworth.
95. Jim Humphrey - race car team.

#### DIVISION V

96. Division Marshall - Reba Batchelor.
97. Edward Depenbrok - 1914 Model "T" touring car.
98. Placerita Junior High Band.
99. George Baxter - horse drawn cart.
100. Fritz Grossenbacher - Spanish Senior.
101. Luko the Clown
102. Corral No. 12 - E.T.I. Mounted Group.
103. David Lingscheit - Western Working.
104. Sierra Pelona Rock Club - Float.
105. Mary Joe Wingate - Arab Rider.
106. Canyon Country Young Republicans - Novelty.
107. The Cox Children - Indians.
- 108.
109. Everett Leucart - Men's Western Fancy.
110. Bill's Muffler Service.
111. Circle K Ranch - Mounted Group.
- 112.
- 113.

#### DIVISION VI

114. Division Marshall - Jim & Esther Wilson "Gambler & His Lady"
115. Saugus Post Office - Antique Mail Truck.
116. Wonderwheels
117. Al Malaikah Mossafers Arabic Band.
118. Newhall Ford - Dizzy Lizzy Stunt Car.
119. V.F.W. Post 6885 - Hay Ride.
120. Golden Nuggets.
121. Robert Pierce - Feature Rider.
122. Old Orchard Shopping Center - Bus.
123. Linda Gaither - Parade Horse.
124. Brenda Marks - Indian.
125. Gregory Whybrew - Indian.
126. Castaic Cougars 4-H Club - Float.

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127. Toni Blomquist - Arabian.
128. Cub Scouts - with Covered Wagon.
129. Hasley Canyoniers - Mounted Group.
130. Newhall-Saugus Elks Club - Crippled Childrens Float.
- 131.
- 132.

#### DIVISION VII

133. Division Marshall - William Cole, Jr.
134. Vincent Raggio - 1929 Model "A" Ford.
135. Moreno Valley Youth Band.
136. Shirley Reese - Spanish Senorita.
137. Junior Columbian Squires - Circle 2 - sponsored by Knights of Columbus 6016, Newhall
138. Annette Hilsinger - Susan Tunis - Indians.
139. Degree of Pocahontas - Float.
140. Jeannine Bullock - Western Working.
141. Becky Warren - Western Working.
142. Cub Scouts Pack 57.
143. Jackie Toy - Indian.
144. Bill Andrews - Bike.
145. Lennie Newell - Bike.
146. Mint Canyon Moose Lodge 2173 - horses and wagon.
147. Bouquet Canyon Saddle Club - Mounted Group.
- 148.
- 149.
- 150.

#### DIVISION VIII

151. Division Marshall - Frank Acuna.
152. Cub Scout Pack 603 - 1929 Ford Model "A".
153. Canyon High School Band.
154. Canyon Cowboys Community Club and A.S.B. Canyon High School - vehicle.
155. Ada Stout - Ladies Western Fancy.
156. Delta-Alpha - 21 - Float.
157. Terrie Ruth Massey - Ladies Western Fancy.
158. Peterson's Dairy - Horse Drawn Milk Wagon.
159. Miss Mary Ann - Strutters.
160. Sylmar Strutters - Flags.
161. Sylmar Strutters - Seniors.
162. Sylmar Strutters - Juniors.
163. Sylmar Strutters - Tots.
164. Scott Copeland, Marlene Franz - Western Riders
165. Callene Bird, Tennessee Walking Horse
166. Old West Shrine Club - Antique Car
167. Bob McMackin - Western Rider
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169. Newhall Post Office - Float
- 170.

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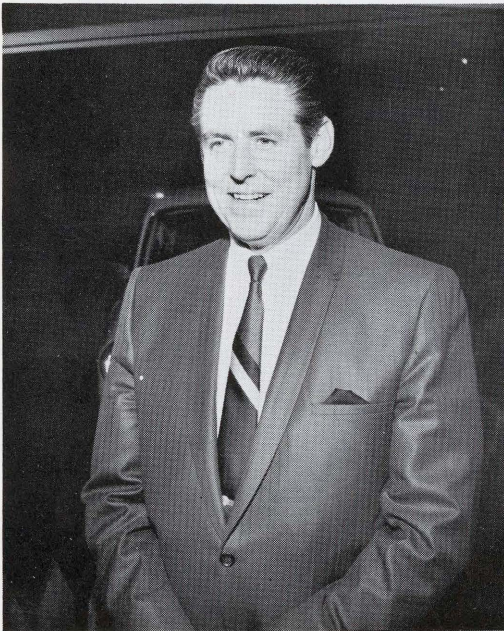




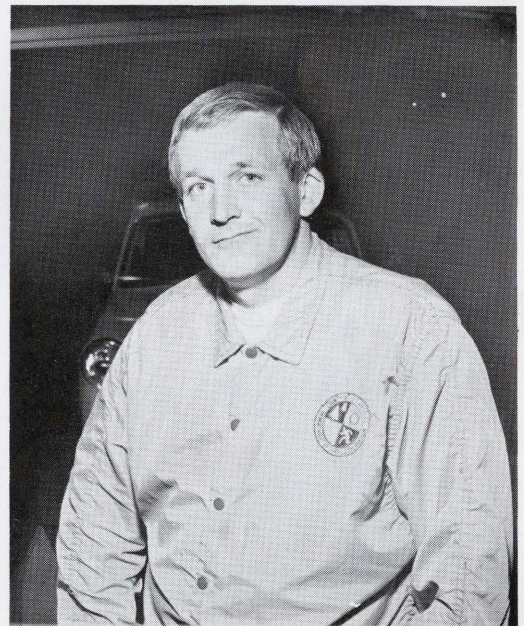
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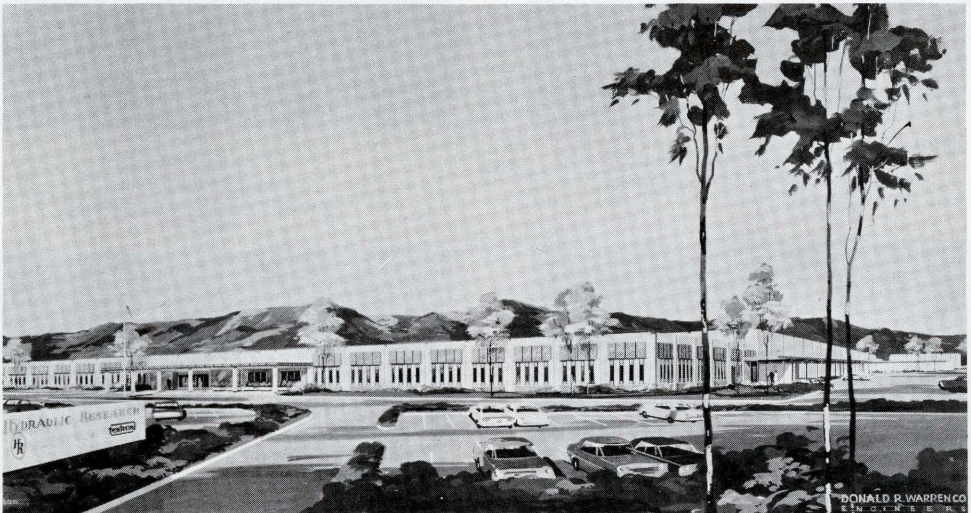
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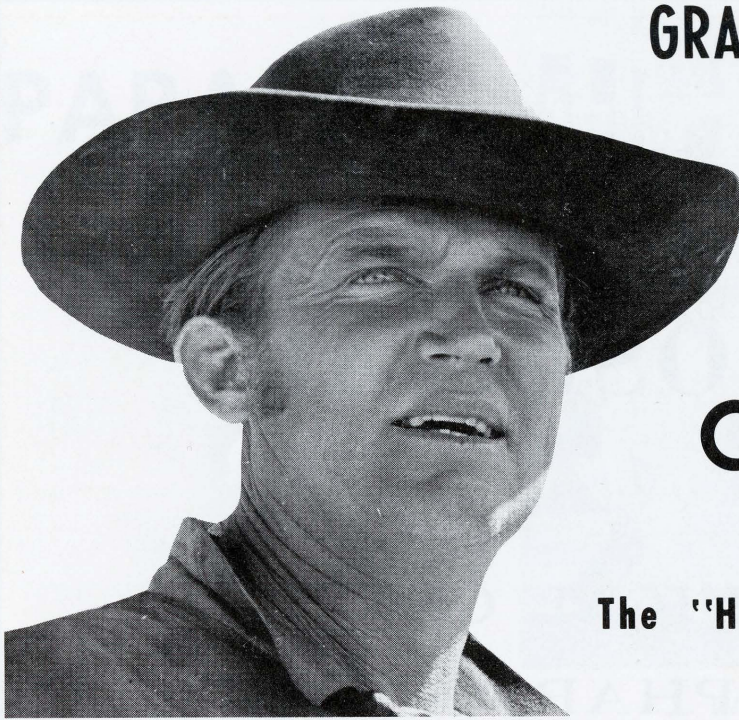
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# GRAND MARSHAL

# DON COLLIER

from

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Don Collier might well have ended up as a successful "chicken plucker" if it hadn't been for a thing called the acting bug.

The son of Homer and Mary Loie Mounger, Collier was born near Los Angeles, California at Inglewood, Oct. 17, 1928. He left Van Nuys, Calif. High School in his senior year to join the Navy in 1945 but was released as a Seaman First Class a year later under general demobilization. He returned to graduate high school.

Over a two-year span he worked as a logging hand, seaman and ranch hand.

The ranch job changed the course of Collier's life. The ranch was owned by actor Francis Lederer who took an interest in and coached young Don. He landed parts in three Western movies, "Massacre River," "Indian Scout," and "Fort Apache." The parts were small but the bug had bitten.

With cowboys in oversupply in 1949, Collier accepted an athletic scholarship to Hardin-Simmons University in Texas. The following year he transferred to Brigham Young University to study geology. He kept his finger in acting by working in the college drama group.

Restless, he returned to Southern California in 1951 and married - - - a marriage that brought three children, Pamela, 15, Diane, 14 and David 12, (which broke up in 1958.)

For the next several years, Collier spent his time in the poultry and fish business. But acting still had it's appeal and he sold the business to study under Estelle Harmon in Hollywood for 18 months while working as a surveyor to pay for groceries.

In 1960 his determination paid off and he was signed for the starring role of Will Foreman in NBC-TV's "Outlaws" which ran for two years.

Collier married childhood sweetheart Joanne Gray in January, 1960 and they have three children, Don, Jr., 11, Steve, 7 and Mike, 6.

Following the "Outlaws," Collier moved into a brief season in 1963 as co-star private detective Abel Forsythe in NBC-TV's "Ben Jerrod," and guest shots in "Bonanza," "Gunsmoke," "Wide Country," "Kraft Theatre," "Peyton Place," and "Death Valley Days."

He appeared in the feature film "Safe at Home" in 1962 and "War Wagon" with John Wayne in 1966.

Collier was cast for his role as "The High Chaparral" ranch foreman Sam Butler by executive producer and creator David Dortort, based upon his performance in "Outlaws" and running numerous appearances in television and movie westerns.



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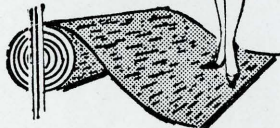
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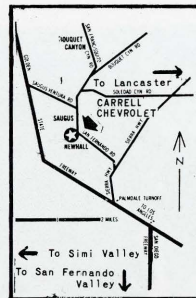
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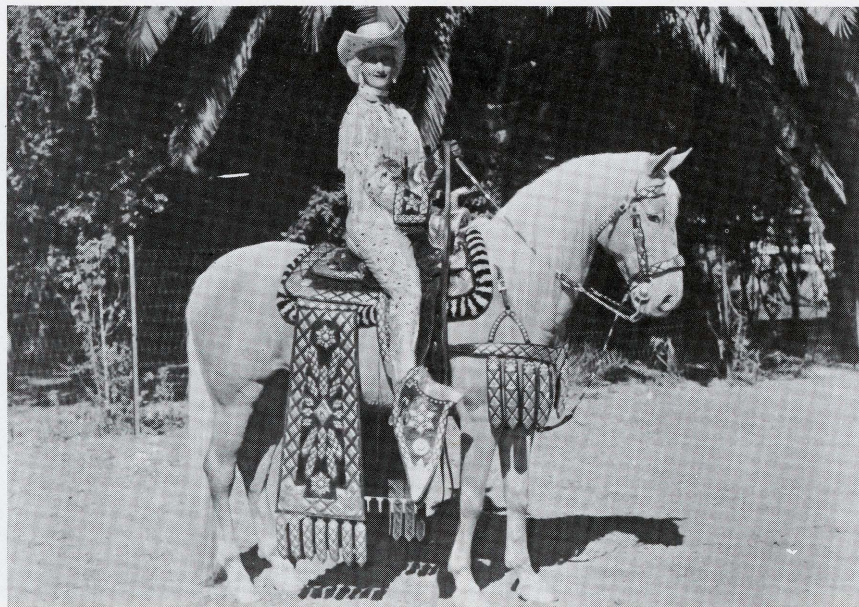
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## NEWHALL-SAUGUS KIWANIS CLUB

May 17th, 1968, the Newhall-Saugus Kiwanis Club celebrated it's 40th anniversary. It was organized by the San Fernando Kiwanis Club in 1928 and received its charter November 16, 1928. There were 37 Charter Members.

Until the Lions Club was organized in 1945 and the Chamber of Commerce in 1950, the Kiwanis was the only civic organization in Newhall. All community matters were discussed and acted on by Kiwanis. Successful projects included:

1. Publicizing of local history including the first gold, first oil, Mission activities, and the meeting of the Southern Pacific north and south rail projects.
2. The establishing of a State Historical Memorial Park in Placerita at the site of the first gold discovery.
3. The widening of the main street and upgrading of the buildings in the business district.
4. Starting in 1930 and finally meeting with total success in 1945, the start of our locally controlled high school.
5. A new elementary school and two new playgrounds. (Leading to the start of the July 4th celebrations)
6. In 1933, the first local Community Chest.
7. In 1946 the club sponsored the local Co-ordinating Council.

Since 1950, the Kiwanis Club has engaged in more traditional Kiwanis activities, concerning itself primarily with youth work. Boy Scout Troop 2 and Cub Pack 2 are continuing projects. The Campfire Girls were organized. The High School Key Club and recently the Keyettes are sponsored by the club. Each summer, several boys are sent to the F.C.A. conference in Oregon. An award is given to the High School Senior voted outstanding in Service and Citizenship. Club members have served on all school boards and other civic boards and effective support has been given to needed school tax or bond elections. The encouragement and support of the club preceeded the first Junior High School.

Concerned with the poor dental health of local boys and girls, the Kiwanis Club established a free Dental Clinic at the Newhall Elementary School, March 8, 1950. It served children from all over our valley until LA County programs and improved economic conditions made it unnecessary. The equipment has been transported and installed into the Lincoln-Jaurez Center, Tijuana, Mexico. Our club, in conjunction with the Tijuana Kiwanis Club, fund and oversee this badly needed project for the Mexican poor.

Since it's inception, when Newhall had about 800 residents and Saugus maybe 25, the Newhall-Saugus Kiwanis Club has had a proud record of leadership and accomplishment in our area's civic affairs.

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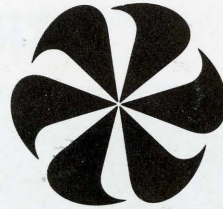
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## LOCAL HISTORY

by A. B. Perkins (Local Historian)

Hi, Folks!

How goes the battle - meaning, of course, problems of traffic, not to mention parking.

Our Chamber of Commerce is always very glad to welcome you to Newhall, and maybe you'd be interested in the Whys & Wherefores of our Annual Celebration of Independence Day.

Our Annual Parade and General Riot of Fun and Entertainment was born in 1932, the child (not to mention, white hope) of the Newhall-Saugus Kiwanis Club, which was then having problems in their attempts to make the Santa Clara Valley of the South, a better place in which to live.

Any answers would be helpful. From the San Fernando Valley (then on the fringe of metropolitan growth), there had never been anything but trouble getting over to Newhall.

First, an almost impassable mountain barricade had to be surmounted, maybe with the aid of hand ropes, or a winch. In 1863, General Beale's 90 foot cut, (10 feet wide) was chiseled through. Its only immediate handicap was a 29% grade approach.

So, in 1910, there was substituted the Newhall Highway Tunnel, about 450 feet long, and a couple of Fords could pass on its two narrow lanes. It was also unlighted and unloved. It didn't encourage traffic. Some folks wouldn't drive through it.

Assuming that You had, you would have entered the Old Frontier. (A lot of folks didn't want to.)

The 1930 Census counted just over 2,000 folks in the whole darned Soledad Township. (Don't bother to look it up - it is now the Newhall Judicial District. It included about everything north of the Santa Susanna Mountains in Los Angeles County originally to a wandering county boundary.)

It was an area with a Romantic Past, of Gold discoveries, Camps, and Mining, as well as the cradle of California's Petroleum Industry.

At the moment, most of us would have preferred less of a Past, and more of a Future. Dry Farming is a Slow Producer of wealth. Contemporary Water Utility Records indicate maybe a thousand folks in the Township center, Newhall.

The nearest High School was in San Fernando - a logistic problem at best, and at worst . . . forget it.

Good publicity just didn't happen. Forest fires, a Constable departing in a hail of lead, an occasional murder were typical news under a Newhall date-line. The story of the St. Francis Dam Disaster (1928, the nearest flood water was five miles, or more, away) probably caused more people to try to locate the old mining settlement, than ever before.

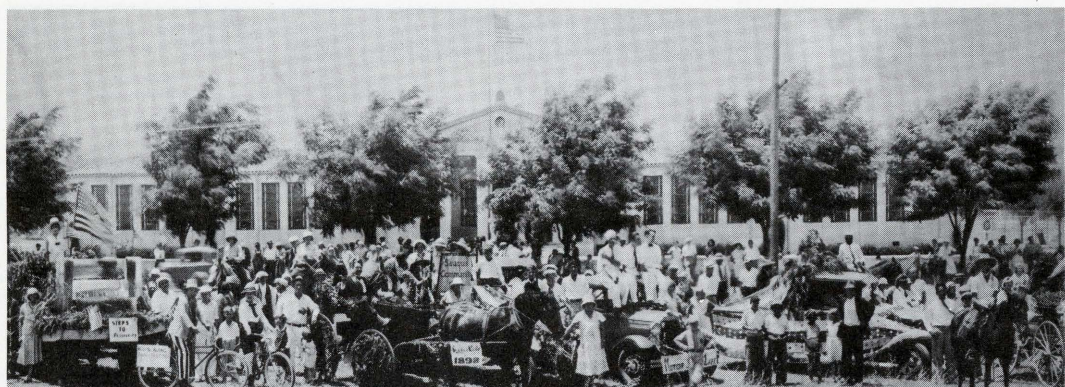
In 1930, the Kiwanis Club had joined with the Ramona Chapter (Native Sons of the Golden West) in dedicating a Memorial to Francisco Lopez, a co-discoverer, and co-founder of California's first Gold Camp. (Placeritas Canyon, 1842)

General publicity of that event had been high, wide & handsome. (Could lightning strike twice in the same place?)

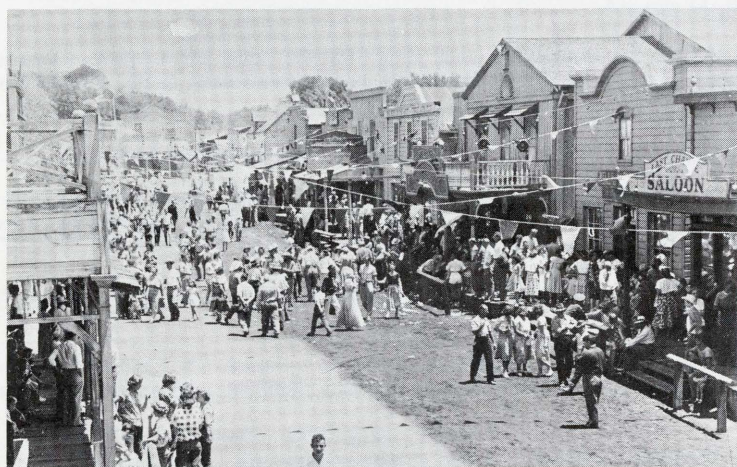
A suggestion was an Annual Celebration. Unfortunately, March 9th is a date of unsure climate. Would a "home-coming" added bring enough folks out? There was a lot of arguing, backing and filling (just like a string of mules). Tentatively a Fourth of July/Homecoming emerged as an idea. Local organizations were sold (or otherwise), the Masonic Club, the P.T.A., the Ladies of both the Community Presbyterian Church and the Catholic Church, the Star Club, the pioneer residents.

On one thing, we were all in accord. None of us knew anything in particular about organizing. None of us knew anything about promotion. No one had any money.

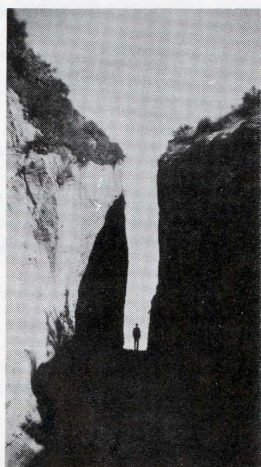




Newhall Homecoming Celebration - July 4, 1933



Slippy Gulch as it used to look - 4th of July



Freemont Pass (1847)  
picture taken 1947





A Fourth of July sort of indicates a Pee Rayde. No one knew anything about putting a parade together. It takes Floats as well as other things. No one had ever built a Float.

Backed by the enthusiasm of Desperation, the Day was a huge success.

Of course, everything had to be home-grown.

The Day started with THE BIG PARADE.

My goodness, how the local township folks turned out. There were scads of horse entries, befitting the Old West. We even had the Lancaster Band. They played the Parade three times and threw in an Afternoon Band Concert. They got \$100.00, drove down, accompanied by their families, and spent three times what they got one way or another.

The Parade ended at the Barbecue Pits (The only thing that wasn't free - I think it cost 50 or .75¢). The Float entries, home made, went over like a balloon with the audience.

After the Barbecue, competitive juvenile participation was handled by the P.T.A. - as for adults, they ran the potato, sack, egg, and three legged races. They did not enter the greased pig, or pole competitions, nor pie eating contests - but most of the kids did. Age wasn't a barrier.

In the afternoon, there was also a baseball game, tennis tournament, Band Concert, and a Home-Coming Party for returning wanderers.

In the evening, the survivors gathered at the tennis court, for amateur entertainment of all kinds, fire works (not much of that - it cost money) and the "Dance under the Stars" on the concrete courts, curried, manicured to a shine with hay bales (and sweat.)

All this in 1932 - 36 years ago. Kiwanis underwrote and provided Gitup & Git for five years. Then the American Legion Post, took over. In 1948, the "Old West" association, formed for the purpose, took over leadership, It died in 1954 - but the Parade was held - some of it. The Chamber has had the job since 1955.

Wars, have necessitated suspension a couple of times. It has never had a Santa Claus, to soften the Bumps, of outrageous Fortune. Our Parade entries, still home-made, can compete with the best. Our horse entries are way above average.

Our audiences (bless their little hearts) are plumb impossible in number, coming from there and everywhere - maybe borrowing back nostalgically happinesses of their youth.

We don't have the competitions of the "Thirties". On the Henry M. Newhall Park grounds, adjacent to Athletic Field where the Fireworks are shown, the County Recreation Department has all sorts of concessions.

Our Barbecue (hosted for so many years by the local Lions Club) is still with us - and a Real Buy for Value. Kiwanis stages the evening fireworks yet. In fact, one year Mr. Ted Lamkin photographed the entire Parade, developed the films, and eight hours later projected the picture on the plaster walls, adjacent to the Athletic field. You saw the Parade - you then saw the picture.

The "Dance" is now generally held the evening before the celebration in connection with the Coronation of the Year's Queen. It's much easier on the feet, thataway.

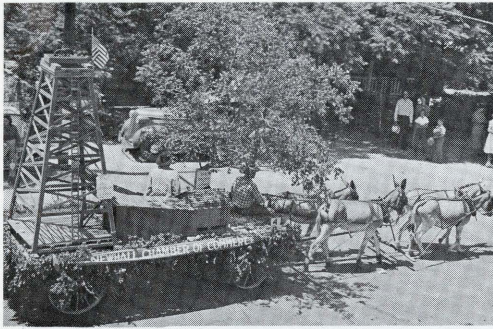
The "Old Timers", of the century turn, are long gone. The generation that produced the Show, knowing that they didn't know enough how to do it, have just about vanished.

On the evening of the Fourth of July (if you stuck around to enjoy it), maybe you'll admit, the job is not altogether "Knowing How" it's Doing It.

That's our Story.  
We're stuck with it.  
Thanx for listening,

A. B. Perkins





July 4, 1941



The Glorious 4th of July 1955 & you're looking at All of It. The Old West, successor to Newhall-Saugus Kiwanis (1938) had Died on its Feet. Protestants over the loss of Tradition, lined up, L to R, White shirt, dog, wheelbarrow, shovel, but no head (behind flag) indicates Clyde Houdeshell - tilted slightly over the wheelbarrow is A. B. Perkins - with flag is Johnny Trueblood - with Flag & Gun, Fred Trueblood, Jr. - The drum is hung on Jim Buddell - on crutch at rear is Fred Trueblood, Sr. - playing the fife (probably) is Johnny Houdeshell - next is Freddy Trueblood, coonskin cap & Flag - "Don't Let Tradition Die" is carried by Don Stewart - Charles Stanley decorates the Bass Drum - Carrying the Colors is Buck Pryde - part of one foot, a smidgeon of dress goods, and the Confederate Flag is Mrs. Fred (Bobby) Trueblood, chopped out of view by Brother Gus, the Photog - and last is Cecil Knaggs, with his baton. Counting the eliminated photographer, Richard Trueblood, there are 14 participants.



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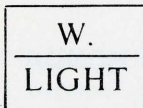
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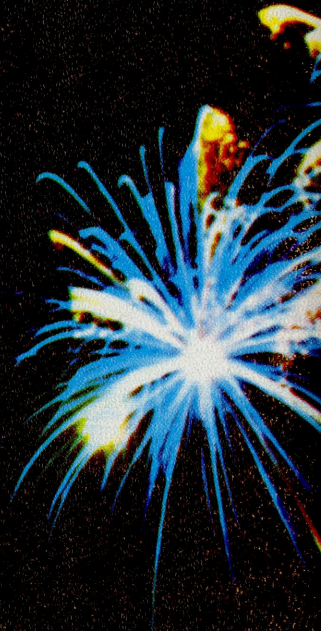
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