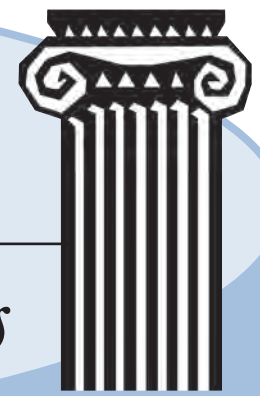


REC AND PARKS

THE BANNING MUSEUM

Happenings



A previous Concert in the Park.

Benefit Concert in the Park

- August 19, 2010
- Concert in the Park
- Phineas Banning Historic Home
- Wilmington, California

On Aug. 19, the Banning Museum welcomes The Hutchins Consort, an acoustic octet, to perform on the historic front porch of the museum. The event commemorates the birthday of Phineas Banning, who played a key role in developing the world-renowned Port of Los Angeles. The concert, including dinner, wine, reserved seating and VIP gated parking, costs \$75.

Concert only: Bring your own dinner, blanket or chair and enjoy a picnic inside the gates on the front lawn of the historic Banning Museum for \$25. Gates open at 6 p.m.

For more information, call (310) 548-2005 or visit www.hutchinsconsort.org and www.theBanningMuseum.org.

Banning's Birthday Exhibit

Through Sept. 12, the Banning Museum is marking the 180th anniversary of Phineas Banning's birth. Its summer exhibition, "A Birthday Regale," is set in 1880, the year Phineas Banning turned 50. The exhibit features a patriotic-themed birthday dinner. Period clothing for the late 19th century is on display. Featured are four elegant women's dresses, all silk, in excellent condition -- two from the 1860s, one from the 1870s and one from the 1880s.

Tours run Tuesdays through Thursdays, at 12:30, 1:30 and 2:30 p.m., with an additional tour Saturdays and Sundays at 3:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. The museum is at 401 East M Street, Wilmington, CA 90744. For more information, call (310) 548-7777 or go to www.thebanningmuseum.org.



A Banning volunteer gives a lecture to students.



Part of the exhibition celebrating the birthday of Phineas Banning.



Volunteers provide a number of important services at the Banning Museum.

Volunteers Needed

The Banning Museum seeks volunteers for a variety of programming opportunities and will host two "Get to Know Us" receptions for prospective volunteers. The "Get to Know Us" receptions will take place at 11 a.m. Sept. 17 and 18, in the Museum's Library in the Barn at 401 East "M" Street, Wilmington, CA 90744. Interested parties need to make reservations for one of the dates above, not for all dates. Please contact the Museum at (310) 548-7777 to RSVP.

Volunteers at the Banning Museum attend a training class to gain the background necessary to offer public tours and special group tours of the

house, Stagecoach Barn and grounds. Once the training class is completed, the volunteers are able to participate in a full range of Museum programs including conservation and maintenance of antiques, participating in decorative arts exhibitions, special events, Museum Shop assistance, lecture and discussion committees, Living History Program and the School Program. The Museum's School Program is designed to introduce fourth-grade students to local cultural and historical heritage and require additional training to familiarize volunteers to the program details.