



Fort Tejon Historical Association

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 4th -- California Frontier Army Days / Dragoons Living History – Parent/Teacher Training
- June 1st-2nd – FTHA Annual Civil War Reenactment Invitational
- June 15th – Ladies Victorian Tea
- July 4th – 1856 Old Fashioned Forth Of July
- August 3rd – California Frontier Army Days / Dragoons Living History
- September 7th -- California Frontier Army Days / Dragoons Living History
- October 5th -- California Frontier Army Days / Dragoons Living History
- October 19th – TBD Fundraising event.
- November 2nd – California Frontier Army Days / Dragoons Living History
- December 7th – California Frontier Army Days / Dragoons Living History – Volunteer Old Time Christmas

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dearest FTHA Members and Friends,

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2019. Spring has come alive at Fort Tejon and the rains have brought wonderful green hills. I am honored and excited to have the opportunity again this year to continue building on the great foundation we have in the Fort Tejon Historical Association. I ask you to join me in the pursuit of FTHA's decades-old commitment in the preservation of Fort Tejon and its history through period accurate historical interpretation, public education through historical events and outreach programs. I sincerely hope that you share these sentiments. I also hope to see you very soon at our beloved Fort. Yours in common and glorious cause,

Karina Dunbar
FTHA President



2019 BOARD ELECTIONS

On March 2, 2019, the FTHA board of directors held its first meeting of the new year. At the meeting, board members selected their positions— chairperson, president, treasurer, recording, secretary .

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The 2019 FTHA board of directors are:

Karina Dunbar — President/Chair
John Billinger — Executive Secretary
Kevin Dunbar — Treasurer
Mike Foster — Civil War Program Director
Sean Malis
Matthew Schnittker -- Website, Newsletter, and I.T. Support

2019 FTHA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	Event
February 2	California Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program
March 2	California Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program
April 6	California Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program Parent/Teacher Training
May 4	California Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program Parent/Teacher Training
June 1-2	FTHA Annual Civil War Reenactment (“INVITATIONAL”)
June 5	Fort Tejon at Ranch Camulos For SCVi Civil War Event
June 15	Ladies Victorian Tea <i>FTHA fundraiser</i>
July 4	1856 Old Fashioned 4 th of July
August 3	California Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program
September 7	Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program
October 5	Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program
October 19	Fort Tejon 5K Run
November 2	Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program
December 7	Frontier Army Days/Dragoons Living History Program Volunteer Old Time Christmas



2019 FTTHA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Happy New Year to all current and past members. The 2019 FTTHA membership applications are attached to this edition of the AJ. Membership fees have not been raised in over ten years and will continue at the same price.

\$30 - individual membership

\$40 - family membership

\$5 - supporting membership

The full individual and family memberships include the FTTHA newsletter (AJ) via email. There is an additional charge of \$7 a year to send a hard copy of the AJ to your home. Full memberships will receive a FTTHA membership card and entrance to all FTTHA sponsored events. Supporting memberships will receive the newsletter via email and a membership card.

FTTHA President, Karina Dunbar would like to thank all our past members for their continuing support of Fort Tejon and welcome all new members. We need your support to keep Fort Tejon a vital part of our state parks system.

36TH ANNUAL CIVIL WAR REENACTMENT

The Fort Tejon Historical Association proudly invites you to our 36th Annual Civil War reenactment at Fort Tejon on June 1st and 2nd, 2019.

Watch volunteers present skirmishes and demonstrate the tactics used in the eastern United States during the American Civil War. See troops of the Union and Confederate Armies, all authentically uniformed and equipped, meet the soldiers and civilians and tour their camps to see how they lived.

Saturday program also includes "Period" Base Ball game and an afternoon Battle at 3pm. On Sunday, two Battles of approximately 30-45 minutes each along with Gettysburg Address and the Surrender at Appomattox. See how the civilians lived as you walk through the Civilian Encampment; Visit the town tavern; Meet the Telegraph operator, town Post Office and Seamstress; and shop through the Sutlers' row.

And much much more ...

VICTORIAN TEA PARTY

On Saturday, June 15, 2019, the FTHA will be hosting our Annual Victorian Tea Party. Ladies and gentleman are invited to sip tea and lemonade and partake of delicious sandwiches, pastries, fruits and chocolates on the front porch of the Officer's House at Fort Tejon State Historic Park. Music, gentle games and a raffle will round out the afternoon. The festivities will begin at noon on June 15th. Attendees may choose to wear Victorian or Edwardian era clothing and hats but it is not required.

Advance reservations are necessary due to limited seating.

Adults \$25

Children (7 years and older) \$20

SNOW AT FT. TEJON

The winter brought snow to Fort Tejon. Enjoy these photos of the fort wearing its winter coat.



SPRING HAS SPRUNG

With the weather warming, the white winter coat has changed to fields of green. This is a great time to come visit the fort and enjoy nature awakening from her winter nap.



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**EDITORS NOTE
- MEET THE NEW EDITOR -**

Kind Readers,

Thank you for the time you've taken to read our newsletter. I hope you enjoyed reading it as much as I enjoyed putting it together. I joined the board this spring to help with I.T. and web site support as well as taking over as editor of the Adjunctant's Journal. The first major task will be to get our web site up and running again. We've had some challenges with the hosting company and determining past ownership. We hope to have something together soon.

Personally, I've been attending events at the fort since 2007. My youngest son and I participated in the overnight living history experience in 2016. I also help SCVi Charter School with their annual Civil War reenactment at Ranch Camulos demonstrating Wet Plate Photography, Telegraphy, and a Live Fire range. For my day job, I work as an IT manager in the entertainment industry.

Like you, I am passionate about maintaining Fort Tejon as a centerpiece of living history. I look forward to keeping you updated on happenings at the fort.

-Matt Schnittker
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