

## Our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual CMEC Dinner-Auction Fundraiser

### ***“Building a Future That Preserves the Past!”***

As many of you know, the City of Concord (originally named Todos Santos) was founded in 1868, and 2018 will mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, our “sesquicentennial.” We don’t know if there are any plans for a citywide celebration that year, but we can’t think of a more appropriate venue to hold one than our proposed Concord Museum and Event Center (CMEC) provided our building project is complete.

It would be easy to look back over the past six years and applaud what our non-profit organization has been able to accomplish with the Galindo Home & Gardens, but even as we move forward with our Concord Museum & Event Center project, we still have a major challenge ahead of us. Fundraising remains a key factor for us to stay on track for a 2017 completion date as our progress is dependent on receiving adequate funding.

As part of our Capital Campaign to raise funds for our CMEC project, we are excited to be holding our **1<sup>st</sup> Annual Concord Historical Society Dinner-Auction Fundraiser** on October 17, 2015, and would appreciate your assistance in the following three areas:

**1) Volunteer your time and talents!** Our Planning Team has been busy organizing this event and we are looking for volunteers to assist with organizing, set-up, donations, registration and check out. If you can serve on one of our committees, please contact Carol Longshore at 685-6710 or [clongshr@astound.net](mailto:clongshr@astound.net).

**2) We need donations!** For any auction to be successful, we need to solicit donations that can be used in our Live, Silent, and Dessert auctions, and our raffle. Some suggestions include: a one week stay at your vacation home, tickets to a game of one of our Bay Area sports teams, golf outings for four, day trips to the wine country, a catered dinner for eight, gift certificates to a local restaurant or merchant, vouchers for professional services, bottles of wine for our raffle, etc. If you have a special recipe or favorite bakery, we are also looking for delicious desserts (that will serve 10) for our dessert auction. If you have a donation, or know of any local business or person that can provide us with a donation, gift certificate, or service, please contact Vivian Boyd at 818-2312 or [vivianboyd84@yahoo.com](mailto:vivianboyd84@yahoo.com) with your contact information (name, phone #, and email). If you can assist us in reaching out to our community for donations, please contact Judy Trette at 682-7271 or [jtrette@aol.com](mailto:jtrette@aol.com), and she can provide you with our CHS donation letter.

*Please note that all gifts to the Concord Historical Society are tax deductible as allowable by law.*

**3) Plan to attend our October 17<sup>th</sup> event and bring a guest!** Invitations have been mailed out and general information regarding our event can be found on our Concord Historical Society website at [www.concordhistorical.org](http://www.concordhistorical.org).

Individual tickets are available at \$50 and table sponsors for 10 at \$500, subject to availability. We have a limit of 200 attendees for our first year so make your plans early!

We are looking forward to a fabulous evening of delicious food, wonderful fellowship, and an incredible fundraising opportunity for our Concord Museum and Event Center project and hope you can join us!

Thank you again for your participation and support!

Your Dinner-Auction Fundraiser Planning Team,

**Carol Longshore, Vivian Boyd, Carole Kelsch, Karen Mangini, Brad Morimune, Judy Trette, and Pam Martin**