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Albertson, B.B. – Albertson was West Coast Representative for Oldsmobile Company and owner of thousands of acres of land in what is today called Westlake Village. Most of the file is dedicated to the forty-three-acre ranch designed for Albertson by well-known black architect Paul R. Williams. There is a Historic Resources Inventory form, prepared by Patricia Allen of the Thousand Oaks Cultural Heritage Board for the Department of Parks and Recreation, for the property then owned by a Mr. Mike Curb. Also, there is a Forest Olson Realtors brochure with photographs, statistics, and a map, selling the same property under the name of Camellia Hill Ranch.

An obituary column article from the Los Angeles Times, January 25, 1980, reports the death of architect Williams, and page copies of a 1985 edition of an index, Architects in Los Angeles, discusses several of Williams' works.

Alderman, Captain Joseph and Esther – Resource notes on newspaper articles: obituary of Esther in Ventura Signal of May 1875, and report on Farmers on the Conejo in Ventura Paper of 1878.

Alexander, Leonard – Newspaper clipping from January 16, 1972, reporting the presentation of the 1971 Conejo Man of the Year Award to Conejo Valley's Chamber of Commerce president, Thousand Oaks attorney, and member of the Conejo Valley Historical Society.

Allen, Eddie – Newspaper clipping from January 17, 1971, reporting the presentation of the 1970 Conejo Man of the Year Award to music performer and professor.

Allen, Patricia – Allen was a realtor before becoming the first official city historian for Thousand Oaks; she sat on the Ventura County Cultural Board, and most likely created these files as part of her research for the 1976 publication, History of Rancho El Conejo.

Alvord, Julius B. and Ida Ricker – Patricia Allen's handwritten notes identifying both Julius Boris Alvord, and his wife Ida Ricker, as schoolteachers in the late nineteenth century. Ida's surname is spelled two different ways within the files: as "Ricker" in the file itself, and as "Richer" in the biographical file.

Anderson, Cyril and Marjorie – Dr. Cyril Anderson and his wife Marjorie were the creators of the Stagecoach Inn Museum, for which he was director, and she, the curator of decorative arts. Included in their file are articles discussing the doctor's work with the Conejo Valley Historical Society, his receiving the Conejo Valley's Man of the Year Award in 1969, and two in the obituaries; a letter from a Donna Fargo, of the Conejo Valley Historical Society, describes Marge's move to Pasadena in 1984 as her deceased husband is being honored with a "Windmill Memorial" at the Stagecoach Inn Museum. (See also: Bell Family)

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Anderson, Elizabeth – Patricia Allen’s notes claim that Miss Anderson was the first Conejo teacher - “of domestic science in the Briggs school.” A section of Sol. N. Sheridan’s History of Ventura County Vol. II links Elizabeth as the daughter of M.L. Anderson, a nineteenth-century pioneer of Santa Paula.

Anderson, George (Sparky) – Managed the Detroit Tigers through the 1984 World Series, and the Cincinnati Reds through their championship in 1975; long-time resident of Thousand Oaks who often gave time to the city’s charity events. Articles in the file report on the Sparky Anderson Baseball Scholarship Fund at California Lutheran College, and the celebrity golf tournaments that supported that cause over the years; his help in the 1987 American Cancer Society’s “Jail and Bail” fund-raiser, off-time living in Thousand Oaks, and being a great Major League manager.

Anderson, Louis – Patricia Allen’s handwritten notes on Louis Anderson, a school principal who possibly sat on Board of Trustees for Newbury Park Schools; the notes suggest also that Anderson’s family had contributed in many ways to the growth of Conejo and Thousand Oaks.

Anderson, Stan – 1986 flyer to publicize Stan Anderson’s campaign to run for Thousand Oaks’ City Council.

Anderson, Tom – A newspaper clipping from the Thousand Oaks *News Chronicle* of April 20, 1982, relating the real estate expertise of Tom Anderson, vice president of Conejo Valley’s Brown/Realtors.

Angulo, Richard – Patricia Allen’s personal notes and a *News Chronicle* article from September 10, 1991, on the chief of the California Indian Council/Chumash, and sometime movie extra.

Arnold Family – early settlers of Hidden Valley; the file includes notes about mention people and events in the immediate area of Conejo Valley and Thousand Oaks over the years. Included is a short genealogy of the Arnold Family.

Arundell, Thomas and Amanda – One page of Patricia Allen’s notes referencing an article in the *Ventura Signal* from March of 1875, about contractor, and “reliable” builder, Thomas Arundell; also references an advertisement for Mr. Arundell’s services in a 1876 edition of same periodical. Both Mr. And Mrs. Thomas Arundell are buried the Masonic Cemetery (date given for this information is Sept. 1971).

Ashcraft, Barbara – Two *News Chronicle* articles in the file report on this community service volunteer: first in June of 1975, Ashcraft, the president of the Conejo Valley Historical Society, is honored with the annual Conejo Woman of the Year award, and then in October of 1979, she is named “Dona Triunfo” by the Historical Society during their annual Triunfo Ball.

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Atkins Family – Earl and Karlene Atkins opened E&K Market in Thousand Oaks in September of 1956 that lasted nearly forty years and employed three generations of the family. File includes news clippings about the store and its closing.

Ayers, Anthony – he was an artist with a Thousand Oaks business called Anthony Ink. His file contains a letter to city real estate agents suggesting that their clients might want a drawing of their new homes. Along with the letter this file contains 5 photocopied samples of his work.

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Baer, Parley – (An heir of Jungleland tiger trainer Mabel Stark) a Radiogram article from January of 2003 gives a farewell to the popular radio and television actor, who passed away due to complications resulting from a stroke and offers a brief account of the actor's work since the late 1940s.

Badham, Byron James – Most of this file consists of handwritten notes dedicated to the genealogy of the Badham family; it also includes a letter of correspondence between a Wanda Badham Kroening and Patricia Allen discussing genealogy (the Badhams are noted to be linked by marriage with the Whitesides, who have a file of their own in this collection); Byron James was a hardware man from Shenandoah, Iowa, as listed in the 1928-29 Who's Who In California.

Bahn, Irene – Mrs. Bahn was a journalist before coming to Thousand Oaks in 1960, she was a member of the Conejo Valley Historical Society, the Conejo Players, and the Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee. Los Robles Regional Medical Center named their library the Irene Bahn Library at the on Mrs. Bahn's ninetieth birthday in June of 1985. File includes news clippings on her achievements and awards.

Baker, Harriet – Baker was primarily an educator of art history, drawing, and color and design, before becoming member of the Conejo Valley Historical Society, the Thousand Oaks Art Association, the Arts Council of Conejo, the American Association of University Women, the Conejo Future Education Task Force, the Conejo Valley Art Museum, Humanities for Conejo Youth, the Council of Advisors to the President of CLC, and the City of Thousand Oaks Commission for the Arts. The file includes a copy of her resume, many news clippings and notes about her work as director of the Stagecoach Inn Museum.

Ballard, John – African American settler in the Santa Monica Mountains. Mr. Ballard and his family had a long relationship to the Russell Family. Article from *Southern California Quarterly*, Summer 2012, V. 94, no. 2, pp. 193-229, John Ballard and the African American Community in Los Angeles, 1850-1905, by Patty R. Colman.

Banning Family – The descendents of General Phineas Banning of Delaware inherited his large estate in Wilmington, California, the main water supplier of San Pedro and a town that he founded. The family once owned the Lake Sherwood property and built

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Banning Dam. The Banning residence in Wilmington was built in 1864 as the “first substantial frame structure” of Southern California. In this file are handwritten notes on the family’s genealogy, a hand drawn map of today’s Westlake Village (owned by Banning Company in 1888), correspondence between the museum and Pat Allen, a news clippings, a photocopy of Wm L Banning Jr.’s A Two Weeks Coaching Party in Southern California from 1889, and Katharine Stewart Banning’s recipe book.

Barney, Ron – Thousand Oaks High School football coach, Thousand Oaks High School Principal, Nordhoff High School principal, and assistant superintendent of Ojai school district. News clippings on his career.

Barton, Victor – the first city manager for the City of Thousand Oaks. File includes news clippings on Barton’s career.

Bascom, Earl – Earl Bascom had an active career in rodeo before becoming an artist and sculptor. His rodeo inspired pieces have been displayed in many places, including the Santa Barbara, Dallas, and Springville Museums of Art. In the file is an original Desert Southwest Art Gallery pamphlet publicizing an exhibit of Bascom’s work at Moortens Botanical Garden in Palm Springs on March 26 of 1983.

Bauer, Ken –Thousand Oaks City Council candidate. File includes news clipping on candidacy.

Beall Family – A *Thousand Oaks Journal* clipping from January 11, 1961, announces the engagement of Miss Inez Beall of Thousand Oaks to George W. Kreider, and makes a reference to the Beall family’s address at 650 Beall Road.

Bell Family – The family of James Hebron Bell acted as proprietors of the Stage Coach Inn from 1894-98; the file includes: a *Press Courier* article from December of 1962 reporting Mr. and Mrs. James R. Bell’s silver wedding anniversary; a June 1964 article from *News Chronicle* relating the Stagecoach Inn Museum’s acquisition of Minnie Bell’s wedding dress and bridal nightgown; a photocopy of an article regarding the “double wedding ceremony” of September 1897, between sisters Minnie and Lydia Bell, and Andrew Cawelti and Herbert (Fred) Hunt, respectively, from the Summer 1976 edition of the *Ventura County Historical Society Quarterly*; and a rough copy of the historical article written by Patricia Allen regarding the same event (see also *Cawelti, Andrew and Minnie Bell*).

Benjamin, Aleta – Included in the file is a photocopy of an article that the Thousand Oaks librarian and author had published in the August 6, 1985, issue of *American Way* magazine.

Bennett, Joseph and Ila – An issue of the Thousand Oaks Health Care Center’s publication, *The Golden Oak*, from February of 1987, speaks of residents Ila and Joe Bennett, of whom the former was member to the Conejo Valley Historical Society, the Garden Club, and the Arts Council - a copy is in the file.

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Berton, Madeline – Included in the file: a *News Chronicle* article from December 30, 1973, discussing Mrs. Breton's and partner Ruth Eichel's opening of Associated Real Estate Brokers, Inc., in Conejo Valley; Berton's official badge and certificate professing her Director of California Association of Realtors; a memo presenting the Conejo Valley Board of Realtor's 16th Annual Installment of Officers, for the year 1977, listing Madeline Berton as President; a November 1984 Conejo Future Foudation newsletter reporting the death of Mrs. Berton; two program cards for the 1984 funeral service. File includes correspondence and handwritten notes.

Betts, David – Real estate developer and honorary mayor of Thousand Oaks prior to incorporation. File includes his completed form for the Thousand Oaks' 20th anniversary.

Beyer, John and Myrtle – John and Myrtle Beyer were longtime residents of Thousand Oaks since first moving there in 1939, and for many years actively participated in community projects, including regularly attending and participating in City Council meetings, and speaking out for seniors; included in the file is an autobiography of Johann (John) Karl Beyer; an impressive collection of news articles attesting to the great work and service that they both provided to their community, including: an October 1979 *News Chronicle* article relating to John's reputation for "vituperative and unabashed" criticism (especially pertaining to the Thousand Oaks City Council). File includes news clippings, correspondence, awards and notes.

Bickle, Lynn – Founder of Friends of Wildwood Mesa; in the file is a brochure to publicize her 1986 candidacy to become member of the Thousand Oaks City Council.

Blume, Otto H. Walter – Former utilities director for the city of Thousand Oaks, and employee for the Metropolitan Water District; the file includes a *News Chronicle* article from October 5, 1984, detailing the City Council's tribute to Blume for fifteen years of service, and an article from November of 1984, in the *Daily News*, that gives a good amount of biography on the city worker.

Booker, Richard (Dick) – Thousand Oaks educator and community activist; included in the file is an original campaign brochure for his run for the City Council.

Borchard Family – The Borchard name has long been part of the Conejo Valley community, adorning both a road and a park. The family were immigrants from Germany active in agriculture of Ventura County for over sixty years. There is also information on the closely linked Friedrich family who joined the settlement in California a short while after Caspar Borchard Sr. first bought the thousand-acre Leonard Ranch. The first file includes newspaper articles from the 1970s and 80s detailing the very large Borchard family reunions, and a copy of the five generation descendant chart, beginning with Johannes Borchard (b. 1800).

The second file contains literature and things pertaining to the history of the pioneer Borchard family, including copies of historical journal entries relating to several

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family members, notes from Patricia Allen; and photocopies of various articles about the family.

The third file contains mostly personal notes of Patricia Allen's regarding the family's genealogy, both handwritten and typed, an interview with Ignatius Friedrich from August 9, 1978; a June 28, 1971, clipping from the *Star Free Press* reporting the death of Henry Borchard of Oxnard; genealogy charts; and a copy of *Ventura County Historical Society Quarterly Vol. XXI, No. 3, Spring 1976, entitled Conejo Valley Bicentennial-Centennial*.

The fourth and last file contains many more handwritten notes and histories, by Patricia Allen, regarding the family lineage and connections to other families, such as the Friedrichs.

Borgeson, Lillian – a “community activist” and freelance writer who wrote often about consumer topics and self-help subjects. In the file news clippings of a 1981 house fire, an article about her ex-husband, writer Griffith Borgeson, 1956; and a May 7, 1984 obit.

Boyd, Bob – Considered one of Agoura's pioneers, Mr. Boyd (b.1897) helped to found both the Las Virgenes Municipal Water and Unified School Districts, then served as postmaster to the city for twenty years. Historian Patricia Allen's extensive notes on this outspoken personality of Thousand Oaks are included in the file, as are copies of many articles Boyd had written for various news publications, photos by Mr. Boyd; and a copy of a July 15, 1982 article honoring Boyd's 75th birthday in the *Acorn*. Finally, there are copies of real estate brochures from the early 1920s, as well as a copy of the Real Estate Section's front page in the Feb. 11, 1926 *Illustrated Daily News*, publicizing chicken and rabbit farms for sale in the newly developed Independent Acres.

Bradley, Ron – Bradley is remembered as a seniors' activist, who founded the Golden Age Club, and then assisted in the creation of the Goebel Senior Service Center, and both the Senior Bus and Friendly Oaks Clubs; included in the file is a copy of a *News Chronicle* clipping from March 1, 1976.

Braly, Harold Hyde – The civil engineer has his own biographical listing in a book dedicated to the history of Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura Counties, California - a copy of which is in this file; he served as vice president and director for the Janss Investment Company of Los Angeles, and married Miss Henrietta Janss on April 2, 1903.

Breitung, Edward – Breitung was man of the year award for his commitment to community, and consistent participation in organizations such as the Valley Oaks Union School District's Board of Trustees, etc. Included in the file is a copy of the October 12, 1980, clipping reporting the presentation of the Don Triunfo award, and typed biographical notes.

Brennan, Walter Mrs. – The wife of the famous actor put her husband's 10+ acre ranch home in Moorpark up for sale in 1976 for \$375,000; the original sales brochure from the George Elkins Company is included in the file, as well as an original classified-ad.

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Brimhall, Grant – Brimhall served as City Manager of Thousand Oaks from 1978 until 1998; included in the file is a *News Chronicle* clipping from Nov. 1, 1983, showing a costumed Grant Brimhall at work on Halloween; a photocopy of the City Manager entry of the TO20 publication (published by the City of Thousand Oaks); a program leaflet dedicated to the city manager's being awarded "Don Triunfo" by the Conejo Valley Historical Society for his commitment to community; an original program for the Retirement Celebration and "Performance Review" of March 12, 1998; and a copied clipping from the *Thousand Oaks Star* on June 7, 2002, announcing Grant's and wife Avis' moving to the Philippines for three year missionary work with Mormon Church.

Brogden, Steve – Brogden wrote a letter to the staff of the Thousand Oaks Library on accepting the position of Deputy Director for the facility, which was meant to both introduce himself and to give background information about his experience in library administrative work; a copy of the letter is in this file.

Brown, John and Geneva – Included in the file are Pat Allen's handwritten notes about the genealogy, and business dealings of these Thousand Oaks residents.

Brown, Joseph – Included in the file are copies of newspaper clippings relating to Brown's successful career as a realtor in Thousand Oaks. Also included in the file is an original "Journal of Congratulations" from the Conejo Future Foundation for Joseph Brown, recipient of the Civitas Award.

Brown, Phyllis – In the file is a copied clipping from the September 24, 1986, *Daily News*, reporting Brown's being honored as "Dona Triunfo" by the Conejo Valley Historical Society during its 21st annual La Fiesta del Triunfo ball; she was honored for community service work, being a volunteer, and being member of the Historical Society's Docent Council.

Brown, Sarah Cochran – Pat Allen's handwritten notes identify Sarah Cochran as wife of Carl T. Brown; also included in the file are four actual homework reports Sarah had turned in and had graded for a Home Economics class in 1940.

Burnham, Al – According to the April 23rd news clipping of the *News Chronicle* in this file, Burnham became chairman of Manna, the Conejo Valley Food Bank, that year; and also worked as a service manager for the Buick Motor Division of Westlake Village.

Burow, Marvin – Burow's TO20 questionnaire response, which lists his accomplishments: among other things, he was manager of the first Thousand Oaks bank, Security Pacific National, from 1958-65; was president of the Thousand Oaks Rotary Club from 1960-61.

Butterbaugh, Wayne II – A December 30, 1973, clipping from the *News Chronicle* announces Butterbaugh's plans for taking over as superintendent of the Conejo Unified School District; and a 1980 clipping announces his plans of retiring from the position.

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Butti, Angelo – Mr. Butti held a position called Beautification Chairman for the Retail Merchants and Professional Association (RMPA) that was instrumental in planning the development of the Conejo Valley; was an owner of a Texaco Service Station on Ventura Boulevard; and served on the Board of Directors for the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce for several terms. Included in the file are many news clippings relating to Butti's continued efforts at boulevard beautification; a letter of gratitude comes from Catherine Chadwick of the Thousand Oaks Library for the donation of a tree; another letter comes from the Conejo Valley Garden Club in support of Butti's idea for gaslight installation on Thousand Oaks Boulevard.

Byers, John W. – In the file there is a copy of the listing for John Byers in *A Guide to Architecture in Southern California* (Los Angeles: LACMA, 1965) by David Gebhard and Robert Winter; and typed notes (most likely Pat Allen's) relating to an interview with "Mrs. John Byers."

Byrd, Luther "Pop" – A copy of the January 1983 obituaries from the *News Chronicle* is in this file, and reports the death of Thousand Oaks resident Byrd, at the age of 103.

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Cabrillo, Juan R. – There are four articles on the early Portuguese explorer of the west coast of North America.

Callero, Norma – A copy of a *News Chronicle* clipping from September 19, 1992, reports on Callero being named Woman of the Year by the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; she was employed by the city for many years as the Thousand Oaks Library's volunteer coordinator.

Camarillo Family – The Camarillo Family has been present in California since 1834 and played a leading role in the development of the state. The file includes various articles linking the family with the history of Ventura County, and more, including: a research paper on Juan Camarillo by a Moorpark College student, Howard Scott, from 1971; various newspaper clippings, a postcard sent to Pat Allen, Pat Allen's notes. Several historical bio sketches from various books and journals complete the file, including ones for Adolfo Camarillo in Sol Sheridan's *History of Ventura County*, and C.M. Gidney's *History of Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Ventura Counties, California*.

Cameron, Bruce – The planning commissioner of Thousand Oaks from 1974-76, for whom the community center at the city golf course was named after his death in 1979, and for whom an oak tree was dedicated at the Civic Center. In the file are notes, receipts, and copies of flyers announcing the memorial ceremony where the oak tree would be dedicated to Cameron by the Conejo Valley Rotary Club at the Civic Center.

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Canterbury Family – The Canterbury Family owned and operated a fishing resort on Lake Sherwood in the Hidden Valley area of Ventura County. In the file is a copy of a June 29, 1958 clipping from the Los Angeles Times reporting the sale of their Lake Sherwood ranch home to Mr. Waite Phillips for \$500,000; other clippings, from *The Ventura County Star Free Press* of November 27, 1975, and the *News Chronicle* of August 4, 1976, and January 4, 1977, detail the finding of \$50,000 in “old currency” by a painter in the old Canterbury home of the Lake Sherwood area in 1975; and a *News Chronicle* clipping from January 5, 1978 reports the death of Canterbury relative Minnie Dale of Newbury Park.

Carlisle, Claude – Carlisle was an Imperial Oil Company executive before moving to Conejo, where he then became a partner in Westlake’s Carlisle-Brock Wholesale Plumbing Company. Also, a trained concert pianist and music lover, Carlisle amassed a collection of over 4,000 classical music recordings, which were donated by his estate to Pepperdine University after his death. In the file are historian Pat Allen’s typed notes regarding the donation of the music collection [found in the file but moved to Pat Allen’s file].

Carlisle, Thomas – Carlisle Canyon in Potrero Valley was named after the farmer who died as the result of a rattlesnake bite, on his land. In this file are historian Pat Allen’s handwritten notes for, and two typed versions of, an article for the Conejo Valley Historical Society on the history of Carlisle Canyon; a map of Rancho El Conejo, as issued by Western Title Insurance Company, news clippings, a copy of Carlisle’s Death Certificate stamped by the Ventura County Recorder; a Photostat of page 345 in the Ventura County Deed Book 142, and Allen’s handwritten notes.

Carrillo Family – The Carrillo Family is considered one of the historic families of California, being present during the state’s colonial era, and being able to trace its roots back to seventeenth century Spain; four pages of Pat Allen’s handwritten notes, included in the file, attempt a brief outline of the family’s genealogy; photocopies of pages 742-45 of *The Works of Hubert Howe Bancroft Volume XIX: History of California Vol. II 1801-1824*, show entries on several important Carrillo family members; there is also a copy, and original clipping, of a *Los Angeles Times* article from November 11, 1983, reporting the death of a daughter of the Carrillo Family, Catherine Dowling Orena, at age 90.

Carpenter, Marilyn – A photocopy of a *News Chronicle* article from June 24, 1979, reports on this Conejo resident’s being presented with the Thousand Oaks Woman of the Year Award by the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; Carpenter was honored for being active in many community groups and services, including, but not limited to: the American Association of University Women (AAUW), the City of Thousand Oaks General Plan Review Committee, and the Conejo Future Foundation.

Carter, Tess – Tess Razelle Carter was a Los Angeles artist who moved to Thousand Oaks to retire during the early 1960s, where her work was put on display at both the Conejo Valley Artists’ Guild’s “Domingo” art exhibit, and at the House of Alcaraz art

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gallery; in the file are copies of two newspaper clippings; copy of program; and a small piece of note paper has “V.C. Christian” written on it, an address, and phone number.

Cawelti, Andrew and Minnie Bell - The Cawelti family name is linked to early farming in Southern California, although, this file traces a connection back to the Falkensteins of nineteenth-century Wurttemberg, Germany; Andrew was the second generation Cawelti of California (his father came from Bavaria) to be involved in ranching; the file contains a photocopy of the biographical entry for the Cawelti Family from *A Comprehensive History of Ventura County, California* (M&N Printing 1979); a photocopy of an article regarding the “double wedding ceremony” of September 1897, between sisters Minnie and Lydia Bell, and Andrew Cawelti and Herbert (Fred) Hunt, respectively, from the Summer 1976 edition of the *Ventura County Historical Society Quarterly*; a rough copy of that historical article written by Patricia Allen regarding the same event; and Allen’s handwritten notes on Ralph Edmund (see also *Bell Family*).

Cekanauskas, Vytautas - Cekanauskas came to California with a degree in electronics engineering in 1957 to work for North American Aviation (now Rockwell International Corporation), and for Hughes Aircraft in 1963; he became a resident of the Conejo Valley in 1976; a photocopied article included in the file from the March 14, 1986, *News Chronicle* discusses Cekanauskas’ work as Lithuanian consul-general on the West Coast.

Charles, Heinrick – Heinrick “Corky” Charles served as Thousand Oaks Planning Commissioner and assistant vice president for the Federal National Mortgage Association; a photocopied *News Chronicle* article from August 22, 1979, details some of the conflicts between Charles and one-time Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce President Dodd Leanse, which seem to have centered on pro-growth campaigns for the city.

Clabaugh, E.E. Jr. – Clabaugh was the first city attorney for Thousand Oaks, having been employed as such from the city’s incorporation in 1964, until 1969; he obtained the land site for which the City Hall building; in the file is a copy of the questionnaire for the city’s 20th anniversary, including the responses by Clabaugh; and a photocopy of the City Attorney entry in the TO20 publication (published by the City of Thousand Oaks).

Clayton, Ethel – Clayton was a film actress from around 1910 until the late 1930s, working in LUBIN, World, and Paramount pictures, and was a resident of Thousand Oaks; included in the file is a photocopy of Clayton’s biographical entry for Ephraim Katz’ *The Film Encyclopedia*; a copy of the Gifts to the Library form, and a detailed list of the photographs donated by the Estate of Anna Muller to the Thousand Oaks Library (including four photos of Clayton).

Clayton, Raymond – Clayton served as City Attorney from 1969 until 1973, when he opened a general law practice in Thousand Oaks; the file contains copies of news clippings including his appointment to Ventura County’s Commission for Women.

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Cline, Sherman – Cline was a shop foreman for Douglas Aircraft Corporation, and a resident of Thousand Oaks when he passed away at the age of 80 in January of 1973; he was born in Pleasant Valley to a teamster and local farmer; included in this file are Pat Allen’s handwritten notes concerning his family’s history in the Thousand Oaks area; the typed minutes of a telephone interview she took with Cline in October of 1971; three original program cards for Cline’s funeral service in Thousand Oaks; and a sheet of *Conejo News* clippings reporting Cline’s and his wife’s death, from 1973, and 1972, respectively.

Cohen, Charles – Cohen served Thousand Oaks on the City Council, and worked as a private business attorney; in this file are copies of two news clippings; the first is a political advertisement for the City Councilman in the *Conejo News*, April 8, 1968; the second is an article on the mayor’s thoughts about “economic strangulation” in the *News Chronicle*, January 21, 1971.

Conlan, John – Conlan founded his own real estate business and served as Ventura County supervisor from 1967 to 1975; the file contains publicity flyers from his 1972 campaign for a seat in the State Assembly; a copy of a *News Chronicle* article from June 24, 1979, reporting his being named Thousand Oaks’ Man of the Year by the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; a June 17 *News Chronicle* article, and a June 19 *Ventura County Star Free Press* article, both from 1986, reporting on the Ventura County Arthritis Foundation’s “roast” in honor of him; and a February 13, 1991 *News Chronicle* article honoring Conlan’s contributions to the Boy Scouts of America, naming him recipient of the Golden Condor Award for distinguished citizenship in Ventura County.

Connelly, Archie – file contains a copy of the Gidney, Brooks, and Sheridan’s 1917 article from *History of Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura Counties* which calls Connelly “one of Ventura County’s most successful and respected citizens,” detailing the Irish immigrant’s work in California as farmer and rancher.

Cook, Helen – Cook worked for Janss Corporation, as administrative assistant, lease administrator, and Conejo Project Administrator, and was awarded with the designation of “certified property manager” by the Institute of Real Estate Management; her file consists of news clippings.

Cook, Charlie – Cook was a chief of the Chumash, also known as “Tiq Slo’w,” which means eye of the eagle; file includes news clipping from the March 17, 1993 edition of *The Acorn* detailing his efforts to preserve his people’s culture and native lands; notice from the National Park Service announcing a powwow drum show at the Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center, in the Santa Monica Mountains, on March 20, 1988; two small sheets of Pat Allen’s handwritten notes, sketch Santa Monica Mountains anthropologist Phil Holmes, and Cook’s genealogy, respectively.

Cornell, Wade - Cornell managed a 117-acre farm in Thousand Oaks off Read Road; in a manuscript entitled *Study of Stream Erosion Problems on the Ranch Owned by Mr. C. Cornell Located on Read Road, City of Thousand Oaks*, published by the Santa Ynez

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Engineering Company in March of 1976, the above-mentioned farmland had been in operation for over sixty years. Included in the file is a two-page map labeled Historic Sites of Rancho El Conejo, prepared by Pat Allen, handwritten notes regarding Mrs. Read Killion; notes regarding the ranch land and Wade Cornell; a two-paged, typed historical article by Pat Allen.

Cornett, Frank M. – file includes memories of his neighbors the Vasquez family, to his later years roping cattle as a ranch hand; in a book published in 1962 as *Recollections of a Pioneer Cowboy (A True Story)*. A photocopy of the entire book is included in this file.

Corning, Kay - Thousand Oaks resident Kay Corning, also known as "The Galloping Gourmet," was the first woman ever to be an officer of the Culinary Federation; the file contains a clipping from the April 4, 1984, edition of the *News Chronicle*, reporting her position in a race to become Grand Marshal of the Conejo Valley Days event of that year.

Corrigan, Ray - "Crash" Corrigan was a cowboy actor and stunt man who turned a 17,000-acre Simi Valley dumpsite into a western town that served as a studio location for an estimated 3,000 films and television shows - the land became a popular amusement park (it welcomed some 10,000 to 20,000 people on a good weekend). The file contains news clippings about the actor and/or; an August 12, 1976 *Los Angeles Times* obituary; an article from the *Vista* on July 6, 1980, reminisces on the golden days of Corriganville, which is at that point was an abandoned property; a December 28, 1984 commentary by Bob Holt in *The Ventura County Star Free Press* discusses Simi Valley's plans to build housing and a business park on the old "Corriganville" land; a May 17, 1985 clipping from *The Ventura County Star Free Press* reports of a classic film festival to be had, in Simi Valley, in honor of Corrigan; a January 16, 1986 *Los Angeles Times* article also discusses the community's efforts to realize a proper use for the land that was a "once-bustling tourist attraction"; finally, a photocopy of a magazine article called "Corriganville Revisited," written by Patricia Ann Lewis (source and date unknown), is a tribute to the man, and the land, that made such an important mark on the genre of Western films.

Corwin, Norman - Thousand Oaks Library was chosen among several libraries, by Radio Hall-of-Fame's Norman Corwin, for the donation of his collection of books, scripts, photographs, personal documents, letters, and recordings in 1993. In 2021 the collection was moved to UC Santa Barbara. Corwin is a noted playwright-director-author-performer-commentator. The file includes news clippings on Mr. Corwin, and the arrival of the collection.

Cram, Camilla - Cram worked for Douglas Aircraft Company during World War II, was a schoolteacher, and volunteered at the Stagecoach Inn Museum in Thousand Oaks; she was an avid doll collector and lent pieces of her collection to the United Federation of Doll Clubs. Included in the file are news clippings, a copy of Cram's 1967 "History of Dolls," four pages of Patricia Allen's handwritten notes, a copy of the report of the executor of the will of a Mr. William MacKuan; a copy of the County of Ventura's

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Property Tax Assessor's Rolls for 1982-83;, and an official Property Profile report for Camilla Sylvia Nervig Cram.

Cranmer, Ben - Cranmer was active in the history of the Conejo Valley, having served on the Chamber of Commerce, the historical society's board of trustees, and much more in the way of community service; in the file is a copy of the news clipping detailing Cranmer's being honored as Man of the Year at the annual La Fiesta del Triunfo.

Crespi (Father) - The Spanish explorer Crespi took an expedition through Ventura County in 1770; included in the file are eighteen pages of Pat Allen's handwritten notes, twelve of which are on yellow, lined paper, and six on white United Constructors' stationary; a 4"x 6" note card with facts scribbled on it; there are photocopies of pages 266-71, and 364-5 of an unknown book, telling the history of the Portola Expedition.

Crispin, Kenneth - Crispin lived in the Conejo Valley for 47 years, and worked for the Conejo Lodge, one of the city's landmark establishments; a copy of the obituary entry for Crispin, from the May 14, 1981, *News Chronicle*, is in the file.

Cronk, Allegra - Cronk was a writer for the Camarillo News, and performed many services for the community. The Camarillo News offered an annual award to an outstanding graduate of Thousand Oaks school, which included a \$25 government bond, in honor of Miss Cronk. Included in the file are news clippings and a copy of the January 5, 1967 *News Chronicle* obituaries for Miss Cronk. A brief, typed bio-sketch is also in the file, dated 7/26/72, and noted "personal interview 'Babe' Kelley by P.A.A."

Cross, Joe - A photocopy of a news-clipping from the March 8, 1981, *News Chronicle* reports the tenth anniversary celebration of Joe's Tire Center in Thousand Oaks; Cross owned the tire business where much of his family was employed.

Crowley Family - The Crowley Family owned farm land in the Thousand Oaks area, during the late nineteenth century, that was once owned by Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Newbury; they were active in the growth of farming before the founding of the city of Thousand Oaks; included in the file are the following; a photocopy of the biographical entry for Frank L. Crowley in Gidney's *History of Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura Counties, volume II* (1917); a copy of page 44 in the 1938 *California Blue Book and State Roster*, with an entry for Ernest C. Crowley; a photocopy of an article in the October 31, 1952 *Visalia Times-Delta Golden Memories*, dedicated to Mrs. Laura Crowley's version of California history; another article from the same paper, detailing John W. Crowley's construction of the Mineral King Road; a 3"x 5" note card with the 1967-8 classified listing for the old Crowley house at 861 Thousand Oaks Boulevard, a copy of a letter written by Allen to Mrs. Frank L. Crowley in 1972, extensive correspondence and notes, a map of El Conejo with notes and highlights of "land sold to Bank of Italy and the Bank of America by W.H. Crowley", a photocopy of the 1985 article "The Story of the Crowley Homes" by Allen; and a copy of Allen's article "History of the Crowley Home Which Became the Mother of Thousand Oaks," a copy of a State of California Historic Resources Inventory form.

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Culbert, Bert - Culbert was an early Somis rancher, worked in the Conejo Valley during the turn of the twentieth century, and was active in many farm-oriented organizations. Included in the file are: a typed transcript, titled Tape Recording of Burt Culbert of Camarillo-Somis Area, Made June 29, 1973 by historian Pat Allen; a typed genealogy on Culbert, compiled by Allen during the 1973 telephone interview; two memorial cards for the funeral services for Mr. Culbert (d. July 24, 1974); a typed obituary for Culbert, written by Allen for the Conejo Valley Historical Society, dated July 30, 1974; a clipping from the August 7, 1974 *News Chronicle*, with commentary by Kitty Dill on Culbert's interview with Thousand Oaks' city historian Pat Allen; there are ten pages of Allen's handwritten notes on yellow lined paper; three small orange sheets of Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company stationary; a small sheet of While You Were Out stationary; a typed commentary (date unknown) on the Stagecoach Project Committee's receiving the Best Exhibitor's Booth trophy at the Conejo Valley Days event; a photocopy of the Oct. 17, 1984 obituaries in the *Ventura County Star Free Press*, reporting the death of Jennie Elliott Culbert.

Culligan, Gloria - Mrs. Culligan - a housewife, community activist, and resident of Thousand Oaks - ran for the title of Honorary Mayor of the Conejo Valley during the 1962 Conejo Valley Days celebration. Included in the file is a photocopy of a clipping from *The Press Courier* of April 17, 1962.

Cunningham, Arthur – file contains only an obituary for Cunningham, May 19, 1960 (source unknown), a copy of his 1950 census information (Santa Paula). Notes he had 51 living descendants at his death.

Cutler, J.P. - Four sheets of Pat Allen's notes - two typed and two in cursive - regarding this early settler and farmer of the Conejo Valley are in the file: a typed sheet lists sources for further information on Cutler in editions of the *Ventura Signal* from 1875.

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Dain, Helene - Dain worked as a school administrator for the Conejo Valley School District for many years; in the file are a photocopy of a *News Chronicle* article from November 1, 1973, reporting Dain's being elected as president of the Conejo Valley Teachers Association; a copy of Dain's Statement for the Candidacy for the Office of Member of the City Council from the 1982 Sample Ballot (see also NC microfilm for 5/24 and 7/21, 1982 and 11/07/1991).

Davies, T.E. – Ted Davies was a resident of Conejo Valley and owner of T.E. Davies Co., a realty firm based in Thousand Oaks; in the file is a photocopy of a clipping from *The News* on March 4, 1979, describing the funeral services for Davies held at Griffin Brothers Funeral Chapel.

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Davis, Charles - Davis was known as a screenwriter, producer, and head of Lynn-Davis production-company when he ran against Rep. Bobbi Fiedler in the 21st Congressional District race; in the file are news clippings from *The Star Free Press*, dedicated to his campaign, including: a July 13, 1984.

Davis, Virginia - Thousand Oaks resident Davis was active in community and charity work for years before becoming the city's planning commissioner; in her file are: a photocopy of a *News Chronicle* article from June 25, 1978, detailing Davis' receiving the Community Service Award from the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; a July 1, 1984 *News Chronicle* clipping, announcing Davis' candidacy for Thousand Oaks City Council; a personal letter addressed to Dr. and Mrs. John (Pat) Allen of Thousand Oaks, postmarked August 7, 1984, and containing an invitation to the Campaign Kick Off Reception for Virginia Davis; an original campaign (mailer) brochure from the Committee to Elect Virginia Davis; and a photocopy of a political advertisement that ran in the local papers, paid for by Robert A. Felburg, opposing Davis' run for City Council.

Dean, Eddie - Dean was a popular Western singer on radio during the 1930s, and the singing-cowboy star of many Hollywood films of the 1940s; in the file are: a brief bio-, and a photocopy of a magazine article (source unknown) detailing the Western Film Fair of 1986 where Dean had performed, and which coincided with the star's week-long 78th birthday celebration. Dean resided in Westlake.

Dean, James - A landscape architect and oak tree expert, Dean discusses how he became interested in arboriculture in college in a May 1986 *News Chronicle* article; a photocopy of said article is in the file (see also NC microfilm for 2/17/87, 1/10/91, and 4/08/92).

De La Guerra Family - Captain Jose de la Guerra y Noriega is a prominent name in the history of California, as he and his family once owned nearly one half million acres of ranch land that had been granted to him for services as an officer to Spain. These lands comprised most of the areas of Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties. Allen kept two files on the family, and included in the first, are: a photocopy of an appendix to the De La Guerra Ranchos, from a history book (title unknown) published by Title Insurance and Trust company; thirty-seven pages of Patricia Allen's (handwritten and typed) notes; a photocopy of a Jan. 27, 1928, news article from the *Star*, titled "Old De La Guerra Family's Holdings Reduced by Courts." The second file for the family includes: a note card marked with Allen's handwriting; photocopies of pages 37-47 in the *Sunset* magazine of January 1911; a photocopied version of the entire *Quarterly Bulletin of the Santa Barbara Historical Society* (vol. XX no. 3) of Fall 1974; a photocopy of a pamphlet from the Westlake Yacht Club Roundup Luncheon of Oct. 12, 1974, at Rancho San Julian; eight photocopied pages from descendant Hal Poett's Scrapbook pertaining to De La Guerra history; a photocopy of page 202 from the Sept. 1986 serial *California Geology*, detailing the work of geologist Thomas Wilson Dibblee, Jr., who is related to the De La Guerra family through marriage; and a lengthy typed genealogical survey (or history) of the Dibblee family.

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Dodson, Jon & Myrtice - Jon Dodson, known as one of the Kings Men on the Fibber McGee and Mollie radio show, was also a farmer, horse breeder, and one-time owner of the historic Reyes Adobe ranch house, built in 1820 by Jacinto Reyes. The file on the Dodson's contains photocopies of a clipping from the July 23, 1948, *Oxnard Courier* detailing Dodson's prize-winning, pure-bred Arabian; an article about the Dodsons activities on the old Reyes ranch, dated July 30, 1948, of the *Oxnard Courier* column "Roamin' Round the Conejo" [Ethel Nixon]; an article from the March 26, 1972 *News Chronicle* discussing Ms. Dodson's tenants' activities on historic Reyes ranch; and a small note sheet from Pat Allen. See Dominguez file for copy of Reyes Chain of Title that includes Jon and Myrtis Dodson Blunt as owners.

Dominguez Family - The Dominguez Family are descendants of early landowners of California, such as Juan Josef Dominguez, who was granted the first Spanish land grant in 1784 for Rancho San Pedro. The file contains both historical and genealogical information compiled by city-historian Pat Allen; included in the file are: a photocopy of a typed transcript "Proceedings Instituted by the Citizen Antonio Reyes in Relation to the Denouncement of the Place Named Triunfo year 1840"; a photocopy of a Family Group Record form for Josef Jacinto Reyes y Dominguez; a photocopy of the Chain of Title form for Reyes Adobe Park (note this was a 1978 Chain, it includes the name of Jon Dodson Blunt) that includes the title passed to Jose Maria Dominguez in 1837 as part of the Rancho Las Virgenes. File also includes eight photocopied pages of genealogical information about the Dominguez family from an unknown book; sixteen pages of Allen's handwritten notes; three photocopied pages from three separate reference books, containing biographical sketches for Arthur McKenzie, James H., and John Fletcher Dodson; three photocopies of pages from three unknown reference books containing information linking the Dominguez family to California land; and a letter of correspondence between Pat Allen and the Los Angeles Public Library's History Department re relation of John Dodson Blunt and JF Dodson (see also Reyes Family).

Doremus, Richard - A photocopy of the *Thousand Oaks Journal* front page of Jan. 11, 1961, shows Doremus, president of Exhibit Homes management company of Conejo Valley, receiving the Lifetime Membership Award from the Park Oaks Parents Club; also, an article there details his business with land development.

Dougherty, James & Carol - Three 1986 *News Chronicle* clippings in the file discuss the Doughertys; the first reports James' accession to the position of chairman of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors; the other two, from January 8 and 14, deal with the troubles of James' schoolteacher wife, Carol.

Drake, Paul David - Drake, a former governor of the Thousand Oaks Jaycees, was convicted in 1985 of child molestation; the entire event is covered in news clippings found in this file - from jury selection to sentencing; from Sept. 1, 8, 12, and 17 of 1985, March 11 of 1986, and one with an unknown date, from the *News Chronicle*, and Dec. 25, 1984, Sept. 18, and Nov. 20, of 1985 in *The Ventura County Star-Free Press*; and an article from an unknown source, dated Aug. 28, 1985.

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Du Bouiller, Jean - A copy of a newspaper article from the file describes Mr. du Bouiller, at that time a resident of Thousand Oaks, as a well-known writer and artist, who had worked for Orient magazine for many years.

Dudley, Barbara Hudson - Dudley is primarily known as an actress; her file includes an original publicity card; and two articles from the May 9, 1987, *Ventura County Star-Free Press*, promoting the plays she produced for different churches.

Dinsmore Family – The Dinsmore Ranch once occupied the northeast corner of the Conejo Valley. The file contains three photocopied pages of handwritten notes on the genealogy of the family, copies of 1910 and 1940 census pages.

Dyke, Gene & Nell - The Dykes, well-known water-well drillers, are remembered for supplying the Conejo, Simi, Pleasant, and Agoura Valleys with wells before the MWD project of 1963; two news articles appear in the file: the first, from 6/14/82, celebrates the couples' golden wedding anniversary; the second, from the 7/18/82 *News Chronicle*, details a "water witching" ceremony at the Stagecoach Inn Museum.

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Easton, Phoebe - Westlake resident Easton was a biologist, a research secretary, and a homemaker, but the *News Chronicle* article (3/2/1984) in the file describes the painstaking effort involved in researching her "definitive" book on marbling - an intricate and colorful printing technique.

Eastwood, Ernest - The Eastwood family was among the early ranch families of Oxnard district, and among the pioneering families of the City of Ventura; included in the file are: a photocopy of the bio-sketch for Ernest Eastwood, early settler of Ventura, in Sheridan's History of Ventura County Vol. 2; a news article from the Sept. 11, 1974 *Ventura County Star-Free Press* detailing the donation of a parcel of land, from Mrs. Ida Swift (daughter of Ernest) to the City of Ventura, for a park; a news clipping mentioning Ernest's time in Ventura circa 1910; a typed transcript of a telephone interview between Mrs. Swift and historian Patricia Allen, dated Sept. 12, 1974; and two pages of Allen's handwritten notes.

Ebsen, Buddy - Ebsen, a show business legend and long-time resident of Agoura, began a Community Arson Watch program after a 1982 Dayton Canyon fire threatened the lives of his family, and his home; the file contains one newspaper article describing Ebsen's career in entertainment, and two discussing the Arson Watch program.

Edwards Family - John Edwards was a prominent businessman and banker of early Santa Barbara, who owned a large amount of land in present-day Thousand Oaks area, including much of the Conejo Rancho (he and Howard Mills bought out the De La Guerra and Rodriguez heirs for the title); Thousand Oaks city historian Pat Allen did extensive research on Edwards and his family while compiling a history of the Conejo Valley, and much of the results are in this file, including: photocopies of three pages from

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an 1880s volume of the *Santa Barbara City Directory*, with references to John Edwards; a photocopy of an obituary entry for George Sexton Edwards, son of John Edwards, from a Santa Barbara newspaper, dated 7/15/30; an original program booklet for the Newcomers Society's 100th Anniversary of Security Pacific National Bank, 5/10/71; two typed letters of correspondence from Allen to a Dr. Samuel Edwards of Santa Paula, dated 11/71; a letter of correspondence addressed to Allen from John S. Allen, dated 12/15/71; two letters of correspondence sent to Allen from Samuel R. Edwards, dated 11/22/71 and 9/22/77; a page of obituary clippings, for Mr. and Mrs. Roger Edwards in 1971, and John Frank Edwards from 3/74; an obituary clipping for Sydney Graham from the 9/25/74 *Ventura County Star-Free Press*; a *Ventura Weekly Free Press* clipping from 5/77 remembering John Edwards; thirty-three "pages" of Allen's personal notes, detailing the history and genealogy of the Edwards family (on a variety of sizes and colors; three pages typed); photocopies of pages 1-17 of a volume of *Noticias*, the Quarterly Bulletin of the Santa Barbara Historical Society, with an article about early banking in the city; a copy of pages 9 and 10 of the 4/93 Stagecoach Inn newsletter, *Stagelines*, with an article about John Edwards.

Eichelberger, Marjorie Scott - Scott was a reporter for the *Valley News and Green Sheet* and the *Daily News of Los Angeles* for many years; in the file is an original clipping from the Dec. 7, 1969 *News* announcing her newly attained post as community reporter; a photocopy of the Feb. 22, 1985 Company Newsletter for the Daily News of Los Angeles, announcing her resignation after 15 years of service; and a Library Donation bulletin detailing the Thousand Oaks Library's acquiring Scott's collection of news related materials.

Elzas, Johan Paul - Elzas was, among other things, president of the Hidden Valley Municipal Water District for many years; he worked in financial services and insurance all his life and was a long-time active resident of Thousand Oaks (one time owner of Greenfield Ranch); included in the file are: two letters of correspondence between historian Pat Allen and Elzas' daughter Anne, from 5/86; and two obituary entries for "Jean-Paul" from 1987.

Ellis, James - The file contains two news-clippings from 1960 announcing Ellis' appointment as Conejo Village Shopping Center merchandising and promotion manager by Edwin Janss, Jr., president of Janss Corporation; an article from 5/24/61 announcing Ellis' appointment as Director of Public Relations for the Janss Investment Corporation; and a copy of the questionnaire form sent by the City of Thousand Oaks to potential participants of the tribute publication to the city's 20th anniversary, TO20, with his responses, dated 6/24/84.

Elver, Rev. Charles - Elver was a Methodist Church minister and was active in forming the first church of Thousand Oaks. Included in the file are: a page of Allen's notes on the minister (typed); and a photocopy of a booklet titled: *The Fascinating Story of The Thousand Oaks Community Church (1943)*.

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Engdahl, George - A photocopy of a news article in the file, from 6/9/74, announces Engdahl being named man of the year by officials of the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; the honor was bestowed on the administrator-civic leader for his outstanding service to the community.

Erbes Family - The Erbes family name is connected to early settlers and farmers of the Conejo Valley, for whom a road and a park were named; included in the file are: photocopies of photographs from the Erbes family album; clippings from the obituaries for Otto, Clara, and Bill Erbes; nine pages of historian Pat Allen's notes on the family; a personal, six-page letter sent to Allen by Phyllis Vaniman; genealogical information for the Erbes; Allen's notes for, and a copy of a letter regarding Erbes family information that was published in the *News Chronicle* on 1/7/75, along with the actual clipping; a photocopy of a 12/29/74 *News Chronicle* article discussing the history of Erbes Road; a clipping from the 3/14/83 *News Chronicle*, reporting a "freak accident" involving the Erbes home (332 Erbes Road).

Erickson, Marilyn - Erickson was well known as an artist when she moved to Conejo Valley; three news articles in the file report her winning top honors at a Thousand Oaks Art Association's art festival (*Simi Valley Sun* of 10/16/63, and one from an unknown source, 10/63), and about her celebrity clients (*Press Courier*).

Erie, Lance - A *News Chronicle* article from 6/17/92, in the file, announces the resignation of Thousand Oaks High School principal, Lance Erie.

Evans, Harold "Bud" - Evans was superintendent for the Valley Oaks Union School District; included in the file is a copy of the questionnaire form sent by the City of Thousand Oaks to potential participants of the tribute publication to the city's 20th anniversary, TO20, with his responses, dated 6/29/84.

Everett, Monroe & Laurel - A *News Chronicle* article from 10/26/80, discusses Mrs. Everett's career as the Ventura County Community College District Board of Trustees' first woman president. Long after attending school together, the couple rediscovered each other after both losing their spouses. Monroe Everett owned the Tierra Rejada Ranch.

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Fargo, Donna - Fargo's career began in Hollywood as a stuntwoman, but she is remembered here for the service she gave to the community of Thousand Oaks. Two files are dedicated to her life and work. The first file includes: news clippings from *The Hollywood Reporter* of 5/04/51, with reference to the "Telejector" used by Fargo; a copy of a write-up in the 8/31/51 *Valley Times* about Fargo's new television program "Half Hour, Please," with reference to Teleflex; a photocopy of an ad for Teleflex that ran in the Radio Annual Television Yearbook of 1952; a typed transcript of an article for *The Thousand Oaks Journal* of 10/24/59; an original copy of the 10/16/66 *News Chronicle*, with a cover story on Fargo, "Conejo's Woman of the Year"; a 2/17/67 clipping and copy from *The News* discussing Fargo's public relations work for Conejo; page eight of the

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1/08/68 *NC* featuring a Letter to the Editor from Fargo; copies of the "Donna Conejo Sees...A Bit of History" column from the *Conejo Valley Business Directory* for 1969, '70, and '71; an original copy of the 4/27/71 *NC* with a cover story on the Thousand Oaks Planning Commission's plan to develop a Spanish-style shopping complex, called "Mercato del Mundo" (also d'Mondo, de Mondo, di Mundo); an original 1971 publicity flyer for Mercato di Mundo; five page letter marked "Confidential," and sent to the Members of the Executive Council of the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce on 12/14/72 from the Chamber's president, Phillip W. Ozab, concerning Fargo, and including a copy of a news article, source and date unknown, titled: "Civic Center Dedication Stalled"; a photocopy of a 6/13/76 *NC* article naming Fargo as the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce's Woman of the Year; a personal letter sent by Fargo to Venture Publications; four flyers advertising the services of Venture Publications and The Conejo Valley Business Directory (from '66, '79, and 1980); a personal letter of correspondence sent to "Dorothy" Donna Fargo on 7/30/79 from "Bill" at Fargo Travel Service, and a two page reply letter from Fargo to "Bill and Tut" on 11/04/79; a photocopy of a *NC* article from 8/31/80, providing Fargo's reminiscences on her career in Hollywood; a 12/27/81 *NC* clipping, "Something Old For New Library," detailing Fargo's donations to the Conejo Library's local history collection; a photocopy of a four page feature on Fargo in the April/May 1982 *Conejo Magazine*, titled "Interview with Conejo's Pioneer Personality"; 6/22/1983 *NC* announcing Fargo's being named honorary sheriff of Thousand Oaks; an official Certificate of Appreciation for Fargo from the Miss Westlake Village Pageant, 1983; a newspaper advertisement for the TOP Theatre's summer season, showing Fargo as Honorary Season Chairman; a personal letter from Fargo to the City Manager, on Stagecoach Inn Museum stationery, dated 7/1/83; a copy of the 1983 Historical Society publication *Conejo Valley Days: A Brief History of the Golden Conejo*, authored by Fargo.

In the second file: a note card of Pat Allen's from 11/29/83; a 9/28/83 *NC* clipping detailing Fargo's fight with cancer; a paid advertisement from the 12/18/1983 *NC*, Fargo's holiday tidings, offering a "Mil Gracias!" to the community; a 12/83 memo about Fargo from the Golden Triangle Business and Professional Women's Club; a typed transcript of the 4/24/84 City of Thousand Oaks Presentation for Donna Fargo; two typed transcripts of articles Fargo wrote for the Historical Society, April and May of '84; a clipping from the 4/25/84 *NC* about Fargo's ill health, 7/24/84 *NC*, announcing the death of Fargo; 7/24/84 *NC* obituary section, with Fargo named; 7/29/84 *NC* front page, with a feature on the memorial services for the late Fargo; an *NC* photo clipping relating to Fargo's death; memorial service pamphlets for Fargo; a 11/84 Conejo Future Foundation newsletter (In Memoriam to Fargo).

Farmer, Tom - Farmer was a California Lutheran University student, started a kazoo band, and as a U.S. Army Captain was responsible for a letter exchange program between his troops, stationed in the middle east, and Conejo residents; the file includes: a photocopy of a 6/03/71 clipping from *The News*, honoring Farmer as the original Kaptain Kazoo; an official memorandum from the City Manager's Office, dated 7/22/86, and a *News Chronicle* article from 7/28/86, detailing "Operation We Care."

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Felburg, Robert - Pat Allen kept news clippings of stories about Felburg - a WWII veteran, engineer, and land developer of the Conejo. In the file are: three pages of Allen's notes on Felburg, Felburg's letters to the *News Chronicle*, published on 10/07/84, 9/13/85, 9/05/86, and 3/16/87; articles about Felburg's work as a land developer in the *NC* of 7/27/80, 3/16/83, 6/16/83, and 9/12/86.

Fiore, Alex - Among other things, Fiore was vice-president and controller of finance for Rocketdyne Corporation, and city-councilman and mayor of Thousand Oaks. In the file: a photocopy of a 2/23/72 *News Chronicle* clipping discusses Fiore's dedication to the City Council; a copy of a 10/10/76 *NC* clipping announces Fiore's being named "Don Triunfo" by the Conejo Valley Historical Society for the 1976 Heritage Ball; a copy of an article from the 10/14/76 *Daily News* also details the events of the Heritage Ball; a photocopy of an article from section two of the 3/13/77 *Valley News*, announcing city councilman Alex Fiore's being elected mayor of Thousand Oaks; an article from the 1/26/78 *NC* calling Fiore the "Watchdog Over the Conejo"; section two of the 2/22/78 *Valley News*, with a cover story on Mayor Fiore's "state of the city" message; a photocopy of an article from the 6/25/78 *NC*, reporting Fiore's being named Man of the Year by the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce; an article clipping from the 7/26/82 *NC*, detailing the wedding nuptials of Fiore's daughter Norma; a copy of Fiore's campaign statement for a seat on the city council, as it appeared in the 1982 sample ballot; an article clipping from the 2/07/83 *NC* detailing Fiore's "state of the city" projections; an original copy of the *Conejo Business Times Vol. 2 No. 2* (2/83), with a cover story on mayor Fiore's "state of the city" message; a photocopy of an article from the 4/05/84 *NC* announces Fiore's retiring from Rocketdyne Corp after 28 years; an article clipping from the 11/20/85 *Daily News* announcing Fiore's being elected mayor of Thousand Oaks; an original campaign brochure for Fiore's 1986 reelection bid for a seat on the Thousand Oaks city council.

Fischler, Alan - For many years, Fischler worked a variety of positions in the broadcast and entertainment industry: writing, production, sales, and station management; in the file are photocopies of pages one and three of his resume, and his entry in the obituaries for the *News Chronicle* of 10/07/85.

Fisher, John & Renie - A photocopy of a 12/31/72 *News Chronicle* article discusses the plans of this couple, fourteen-year residents of the Conejo Valley, to retire early in order to sail around the world in their forty-foot ketch.

Fitzgerald, Florence - Fitzgerald opened a senior day care center in Thousand Oaks with her husband in 1976; in the file are: an article clipping from the *News Chronicle* of 9/09/91 reporting her death at 80; a small photocopy of a clipping from the 4/25/84 *NC* about Fitzgerald House and Ivah Fuhrman.

Fletcher Family - Local ranch family that worked for and married into the Kelley Family. Included in the file are: nine pages of Allen's handwritten notes on Fletcher; a photocopy of a news article (source and date unknown), with photos, about Baby Donny Fletcher, killed by a pet panther owned by the Goebel Family; a Family Group

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information form, as issued by the LDS Church, containing genealogical information on the Fletchers; a business card (x2) for a Ralph Fletcher, employed by Nevco Industries.

Foster, E.P. - The Foster family is descended from early ranchers of Ventura County, including Eugene Preston (E.P.) Foster, for whom a library, a hospital, a park, and a county, were (once) named. In the file are: part of a lengthy "Profile of the Week" feature, from *The Ventura County Star-Free Press* of 5/16/71, about the descendants of E.P. Foster; an article from the *SFP* of 7/01/71 describing the birthday honors for Orpha "Pearl" Foster, who had turned ninety-six; a clipping from the *SFP* obituaries of 5/26/72 announcing the recent death of Ida Foster Baker, daughter of E.P. Foster, at age eighty-six; a clipping from the *SFP* of 3/14/73 announcing the death of Orpha "Pearl" at age ninety-seven; a clipping from the 3/16/73 *News Chronicle* obituaries, for Orpha "Pearl"; four clippings from the *SFP* segment "Yesterdays," mentioning the history of the Fosters; twelve pages of historian Pat Allen's handwritten notes, including an original typed copy of an article she composed for Orpha Foster's death; a letter to the editors of the *Star Free Press* for 9/18/86, discussing the future of the historic E.P. Foster House.

Frank, Theodore - Frank was given the death penalty twice for the rape and murder of a Camarillo child. The file contains: Pat Allen's list of articles (1978-79); news clippings from throughout the progress of the case. The convicted killer spent 21 years on death row and died of a heart attack in 2001.

Franklin, Edith - Franklyn, a widow, owned a well-known Hidden Valley ranch where she was involved in a shootout with police during an attempted drug raid. In the file: photocopies of two pages from a book titled *Gone Hollywood (1979)*, describing the origins of the Hidden Valley ranch; a photocopied clipping from the 5/13/46 issue of *Time* magazine, discussing opera singer, and original ranch owner, Maria Jeritza; a *News Chronicle* clipping from 4/07/82 detailing the sale of the Franklyn ranch after the drug raid incident; a photocopy of two clippings from 4/82 (source unknown) reporting the events surrounding the Franklyn drug trial; a 6/02/83 *NC* clipping announcing Franklyn's acquittal from the drug raid charges; a photocopy of another acquittal article from the 6/02/83 *Star Free Press*; a copy of a lengthy 7/31/83 *SFP* article with details of the drug raid; an 8/03/83 *NC* article detailing the events of the drug case trial; a copy of an official Historic Resources Inventory form, regarding the Edith Franklyn Ranch, prepared by historian Pat Allen, and dated 2/06/87.

French, Leigh & Elinore - Major Leigh French was a cavalry officer in Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Riders during the Spanish-American War, among other things, and bought 4,000 acres of ranch land in Hidden Valley in 1924. Patricia Allen kept an extensive file on French and his wife, including: thirty-four pages of notes (typed and cursive), including some pertaining to a telephone interview between Allen and Elinore B. French on 6/24/72; a clipping from *The Los Angeles Times* of 7/01/72 announcing the sale of the sixty-three acre Spanish-style ranch of entertainer Dean Martin; a 11/07/73 *News Chronicle* clipping detailing Mrs. Elinore B. French's fight for open space in Hidden Valley; a copy of the Historic Resources Inventory form for the French Home, completed by Allen on 1/23/86; a copy of the listing for John Byers in *A Guide to*

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Architecture in Southern California (Los Angeles: LACMA, 1965) by David Gebhard and Robert Winter; and a *NC* clipping from 10/05/91 announcing the death of Elinore B. French, pioneer of Hidden Valley.

Friedrich Family - Members of the Friedrich family were active in ranching, business, and the civic life of Ventura County for years. Included in the file: a Photostat of an Indenture made at the request of a John Edwards on 12/21/1880; photocopies of the biographical entries for Franz Joseph, Ignatz, Joseph F., and William G., from Gidney's *Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura Counties Vol. II (1917)*, and Sheridan's *History of Ventura County Vol. II (1926)*; a Photostat of an option Agreement, naming the Janss Investment Corporation as holder, dated 9/28/1953; News Clippings: from 1959 discussing the 1,100 acre Friedrich ranch, a date-unknown about a Friedrich-Bideler wedding, from 9/06/73 concerning an O'Donnell-Friedrich wedding, from 4/75 about Barbara Marie Voelker, a 7/15/77 *Ventura County Star Free Press* clipping about the sale of the Friedrich Bell Ranch land, a 7/24/77 obituary entry for Clara D., an 8/28/77 entry for Joseph Voelker from the *SFP* obituaries, from the 10/30/83 *News Chronicle* remembering the Borchards and the Friedrichs, from a 1984 "Our Yesterdays" segment remembering Joseph F., from the 2/11/88 *NC* obituaries, for William Robert; eleven pages of historian Pat Allen's notes on the family, including three typed pages with information compiled during a telephone interview between Allen and Ignatius Friedrich (8/09/1978); a receipt for Pat Allen from the Ventura Public Works Agency, dated 8/02/78; a Five Generation Descendant Chart form for the Friedrich's, beginning with a Franz Joseph (b.1/31/1851); a map of the Thousand Oaks/Newbury Park area with notes from Allen.

Fritschel, James - a single news clipping in this file from the 7/27/1984 *Ventura County Star Free Press* announces the appointment of the new director for the California Lutheran College Choir.

Fuhrman, Ivah - Fuhrman, among other things, founded the Meals on Wheels program in Thousand Oaks; in the file are: a copy of historian Pat Allen's typed transcript for a short presentation for Fuhrman, for the City of Thousand Oaks, dated 4/24/84; and a photocopy of a clipping from the 4/25/84 *News Chronicle*.

Funkhouser, Jim & Helen - The Funkhousers were involved in community service for their city of Agoura for years when their home burned in the brushfire of 1978; the file contains a single clipping from the 7/03/86 *News Chronicle*, about their move to Kansas.

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Gallegly, Elton - Republican congressman Gallegly was mayor of Simi Valley before being elected in 1986. The file includes: two different campaign brochures for congressman elect Gallegly; a 6/04/86 *Ventura County Star Free Press* clipping about the GOP congressional primary winner of 1986; another *SFP* clipping about his election to congress; a *Daily News* clipping from 3/08/88 about Gallegly's new district field representative Jere Robings; three original Congressman Elton Gallegly Reports

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mailers/newsletters ("to the people of the 21st Congressional District," "to the people of the Conejo Valley," and "on Drug Abuse and Prevention").

Garcia, Raymond - Garcia, a private attorney, was elected to the Thousand Oaks City Council in 1968 and became mayor of the city in 1971. Allen's file on him includes: a photocopied *News Chronicle* clipping from 4/14/71, discussing the new mayor's lack of political experience; a photocopied clipping from the 11/26/71 *NC*, detailing a challenge posed by Garcia to Butte, Montana, Mayor Mario Micone, concerning their rival football teams; a copy of a clipping from the 10/29/75 *NC*, regarding a \$4.5 million bond proposal by the Conejo Recreation and Park District.

Gentry, Tony - Gentry owned and trained Chetta the Chimpanzee, co-star to big named actors such as Johnny Weissmuller, Buster Crabbe, and Laurel and Hardy. The file includes: a photocopy of a news clipping from the 3/17/85 *Daily News* detailing the daily activities of the chimp after retirement, such as smoking; a photocopy of a 3/25/85 *Los Angeles Times* feature chronicling the life and career of the celebrity chimp; a *Ventura County Star Free Press* clipping from 3/29/85, reporting on the chimp's retirement; a 7/21/93 *News Chronicle* clipping, detailing the colorful life of Gentry the animal trainer leading up to his recent death.

Gibb, George - Gibb served as Chairman of the Board for the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce. Included in this file are two original, full editions of the *Conejo Business Times*: vol. one no. six, from 1982, and vol. 2 no. 5, from 1983. Both have cover stories on Gibb.

Gillibrand Family - The Gillibrands found success mining an area just north of Simi Valley in the late nineteenth century; it was for this venture that Gillibrand Canyon earned its name. The file contains: a photocopied clipping from the 10/10/75 *News Chronicle*, discussing Gillibrand Construction Company; a newspaper clipping, from the 6/26/94 *Los Angeles Times*, discussing the life of Juanita Brooks, a third generation Ventura County resident, and descendant of this pioneer family.

Gillespie, John V. - Gillespie was a marine, a college graduate, and a former police chief of Ojai, before working his way up to Sheriff of Ventura County. The file includes: a lengthy feature on Ojai's chief of police in the 10/13/74 *Ventura County Star Free Press* supplement, *Vista Magazine*; a copy of a 1985 *SFP* article discussing the Sheriff's first campaign for the office; an article from the 9/10/92 *News Chronicle* announcing the Sheriff's retirement.

Gimlich, Mark - Gimlich, also known by his *nom de plume* Jake Thompson, wrote a piece of short fiction for city historian Pat Allen, called "Union Hotel"; a copy of that work appears in the file. (See also: local history photographs/LHP 998)

Gius, Julius - A copy of a news clipping appears in this file that announces the *Ventura County Star Free Press* editor being named guest of honor at the 1987 Interface tribute dinner, *SFP* of 4/12/87.

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Glickman, Nathaniel - Glickman, a businessman from Thousand Oaks, ran for Ventura County Supervisor position in 1986. In the file: a copy of a clipping from the 11/01/85 *Ventura County Star Free Press* announcing Glickman's decision to run for County Supervisor; a copy of a news clipping from the 11/02/85 *Daily News* announcing Glickman's run for County Supervisor; a copy of a 5/28/86 Letter to the Editor of the *News Chronicle*, proclaiming approval for Glickman's campaign for County Supervisor.

Goebel, Louis & Kathleen – Louis Goebel came to Thousand Oaks in 1926 with 5 lions he bought from his former place of employment, Universal Studios (Carl Laemmle Zoo). On some property facing Thousand Oaks Blvd., Louis started Goebel's Lions, where he imported and raised exotic animals that they rented to movie studios. A few years later Louis married local resident Kathleen Parks, daughter of the local doctor. The Goebels expanded their business into an animal attraction for the public, which later became known as Jungleland. The Goebel file consists of documents, newspaper articles, and notes. The documents include the following: an undated flyer for an event honoring Kathleen; a company letter to a Thousand Oaks resident; a copy of an invitation to the Goebels' wedding anniversary party; a city form identifying the Jungleland site's historic significance; an invitation to a "Farewell to Jungleland" party; and a personal note from Kathleen to local historian Patricia Allen. The remaining materials consist of 12 newspaper articles related to the Goebels and/or Jungleland; an undated typescript for a brief article; 2 typed copies of an interview with Kathleen; and one page of handwritten notes. Also included at the back of this file is a brief biography of Carl Lemmle, Louis' former employer at Universal.

Goldberg, Harris – Goldberg was a land developer for the Conejo Valley during the 1950's and 1960's and earned the nickname "Mr. Boom." This file contains: an article stating that Goldberg was permitted to continue building his Meadows and Tara housing tracts; an article that reviews Goldberg's achievements as a builder and an explanation of his death.

Goldberg, Susan – Goldberg was an elementary school educator, and a Judaism instructor at Temple Etz Chaim, but perhaps she was best known for her role in getting the Thousand Oaks Library built. She contributed greatly to community efforts to make a new library reality, such as circulating petitions. Her file contains: an article on being honored as Dona Triunfo for 1982 and a short biography on herself from the 1982 commemorative booklet for La Fiesta del Triunfo.

Gordon, Don – Gordon was a Conejo Valley screenwriter responsible for the western film *Wyatt Earp*. Gordon's file contains one article about how he came up with the idea for a film epic on Old West lawman Wyatt Earp.

Gorner, Joan – she was a Thousand Oaks politician. Gorner's file contains a leaflet promoting her for city council. The leaflet lists what she advocates (moderate economic development, expansion of the city library, traffic safety) and what associations she has

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been a member of. The exact date Gorner was running for city council is unknown. This leaflet came from Patricia A. Allen.

Goshay, Don – Goshay was the supervisor responsible for the building of the Acorn Theater in Thousand Oaks. Interested in movies since boyhood, Goshay was very involved in the construction aspect of his theater; he has had 35 years of experience in sound installation. This file contains a newspaper clipping about the opening of the Acorn Theater.

Granholt, Jackson & Doris – Jackson was a Thousand Oaks resident who worked in engineering contracting (he had a background in physics); worked as a free-lance writer; served as president of the Gregor Mendel Botanical Foundation; and frequently wrote letters to the editorial page of the *News Chronicle* on diverse subjects such as history and science. Jackson Granholt's collection includes the following: a short letter to the *Chronicle* ("Take my word(s) for it," date unknown), a 1975 copy of the *Bulletin*, a botanical journal he contributed towards; a news item about peas he obtained from Mendel's garden; an article he wrote about the historic Donner party; a Christmas carol spoof he wrote for the magazine *Datamation*; an editorial to the *Chronicle* about Revolutionary War times, the editor's response to that editorial, and Thousand Oaks historian Patricia Allen's response to it; a letter to Mr. Granholt from Ms. Allen; an editorial he wrote about dogs and the editor's response to that; an editorial message to Mr. Granholt; a letter to Mr. Granholt about the *Chronicle*'s editor; a feature article about Mr. Granholt's editorial "fame;" and an article he wrote for *World War II* magazine.

Doris Granholt was not only the wife of writer Jackson Granholt, but also an individual who committed much time to community service. As early as 1959 she helped promote the incorporation of Thousand Oaks. She served the Valley Oaks Unified School District, participated in the Conejo Valley Historical Society, and has been a member of the Conejo Recreation and Park District board. The contents of her collection include: a letter recommending her to the park district board; 5 articles describing her service to the community and/or the various honors she received (such as woman of the year); 2 brief biographies; and an invitation to a reception honoring her at the Stagecoach Inn Museum.

Archivist's note on the Granholt file: included are a few incomplete notes on Granholt genealogy, as well as an unidentified note card referring to Benjamin Ayers.

Greaney, Father Thomas – born in Ireland, he was a Catholic pastor who came to Thousand Oaks with the erection of St. Paschal's Parish in 1960. His collection includes one article about the opening of St. Paschal's and an article announcing his retirement.

Greenburg, Grace – she and her husband Mike arrived in the Conejo Valley in 1927. Grace helped bring the first telephones to the area. She was also well known in the community for her Teckelheim kennels, where she bred dachshund dogs. Her involvement with dogs even earned her the title "American Dog Woman of the Year" in 1953. This collection includes a feature newspaper article about Grace Greenburg as well as her obituary.

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Gregory, Calvin Luther – he was a Thousand Oaks resident and real estate agent. His file contains a very brief biographical summary.

Griffin, Tom – he was a resident of Thousand Oaks and co-owner of Griffin Brothers Funeral Chapels with his brother Russell. Griffin's collection includes an article about the opening of his Thousand Oaks chapel and an article about his services.

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Hagopian, Dr. J. Michael & Toni – Dr. Hagopian was the founding president of the Conejo Valley Historical Society and played an important role in saving the Stagecoach Inn from complete destruction when a new freeway was about to be built. He also formed the Ventura County Heritage board. Dr. Hagopian's company, Atlantis Productions, has produced educational films on subjects such as the Armenian genocide and Native Americans at Wounded Knee. In addition to helping her husband petition to save the Stagecoach Inn, Toni Hagopian was chairperson of the Thousand Oaks Library Foundation. The Hagopian collection includes: four articles about Dr. Hagopian's film work and honors; a feature article on the Hagopians' contribution to Conejo Valley history; and a memorandum announcing a reception in Toni's honor.

Haigh Family – When Englishman Cecil Haigh arrived in the Conejo Valley during the 1880's, he purchased farmland as well as the Stagecoach Inn. Cecil and his wife Cecilia had 4 children who were all born in the inn. Possession of the Stagecoach Inn passed down to Cecil's grandson, H. Allen Hays, who later gave it to the Conejo Historical Society. Folder contains the following: a copy of the handwritten document "Haigh and Grenfell Family Tree;" one news item with photos of the inn; 3 maps of the Conejo Valley area; 3 short Haigh family biographies; 3 newsletters about the family; 3 newspaper articles about descendants or others connected to Cecil Haigh; and 2 genealogy charts partly completed by local historian Patricia Allen. The remainder of this file consists of Patricia Allen's handwritten notes.

Folder #2 – This file contains information about relatives of the Haigh family: the Grenfells, the Knowltons, and the Hays. Included are the following: an excerpt from a book about Wilfred Grenfell; photocopied pages from the *Dictionary of National Biography* on the Grenfells; a page from the Ventura County Directory listing the Hays; 2 Hay genealogy charts; and 2 Knowlton family trees. Also in the file are handwritten notes by Patricia Allen.

Hale, Harry – he was member of Thousand Oaks' planning commission from 1970 to 1974 and after serving that term worked as a salesman in the city for Brown Realtors. His file is very slim, and includes just one newspaper clipping, possibly from the *News Chronicle*.

Hammell family – Henry H. Hammell bought land in Ventura County, including part of a rancho called "El Conejo." Henry soon sold some of his land to Martha M. Hammell, including part of El Conejo. Martha's husband James Hammell was responsible for building the Stagecoach Inn. It is currently unknown whether Henry and James were

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related. The Hammell file contains 3 main groups: documents, photocopied book material, and Patricia Allen's research notes.

The document group includes: an 1881 deed transferring land to Henry Hammell; an 1881 deed transferring land to Martha Hammell; 2 maps showing the land bought in the afore mentioned deeds; copies of Martha and James' death certificates; and 6 letters to or from Patricia Allen pertaining to her request for more information about the Hammells.

The book material includes: 2 brief biographies about Henry Hammell; 1 brief biography of William Hammell (whose connection is unclear); 1 brief biography of Henry Denker (a friend of Henry Hammell's); and a picture of a house once owned by James Hammell.

Hancock, George – He played a prominent role in the history of Los Angeles and its famous La Brea tar pits. After his father's death, George Hancock took charge of Rancho La Brea and drilled for oil on it. With the discovery of fossils on his property, Hancock donated the site to L.A. for educational purposes. File includes: 2 examples of the Hancock family coat of arms, 2 maps of Rancho La Brea (one is poor quality), and a copy of George Hancock's birth certificate, a magazine article on the Hancock legacy and several pages from an unidentified source on the Hancocks.

Hansen, Carl Robert – before his quiet job as caretaker of the Harold James ranch in Newbury Park, Hansen was a member of the Danish police at the time of Denmark's occupation by Germany during World War II. File contains only one newspaper article about his war experiences.

Hanson, Gregg – Hanson, a Thousand Oaks High School graduate, served the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. In 1972 he was captured in Vietnam and became a Prisoner of War. His file contains: a biography; one news article about his capture; one news article about his return home; and 2 Vietnam War bumper stickers.

Hanson, O.L. ("Ole") – a Thousand Oaks resident, father of Gregg Hanson (see above), and a teacher in the Civilian Pilot Training program during World War II. O.L. Hanson's file contains a memo from Patricia Allen with suggestions for a Conejo Valley Days parade entry, and his obituary.

Harrington, Ben – During his time spent living in Thousand Oaks, Harrington was store manager of Vons in Conejo Village, Vice President of the Chamber of Commerce, and Vice President of the Conejo Business Association. Harrington's file contains a questionnaire from the city manager's office asking him about his memories of Thousand Oaks and what he did after he left.

Harvey, Dorothy – Harvey was named librarian for the Conejo Valley Branch Library in 1962. Her file contains 3 brief news items from 1962: 2 about her new post and one biographical sketch. The file also includes a 1964 news item about National Library Week in which Harvey is pictured.

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Hatcher, George ("Bud") – Hatcher was an educator in Ventura County who served as principal for University Elementary School in Thousand Oaks. His file contains a news item about his teaching experience, his answers to an interview with Patricia Allen, and a news article stating his intention to run for a seat among the Ventura County Community College District board of trustees.

Hauser, Dwight – In addition to being an actor, writer, producer, and drama coach, Houser was Executive Director for the Conejo Players theater group. His file contains one newspaper article announcing his Man of the Year honors and another article about his decision to leave the Conejo Players.

Havens, Patricia – Havens has served as the director of the Simi Valley Historical Society Museum and Strathearn Historical Park. Her file contains 2 newspaper articles that highlight her role as an expert on Simi Valley history as well as one page of handwritten notes prepared by Patricia Allen.

Hays Family – The Hays family of the Conejo Valley can be traced back to Bryant W. Hays, who came from Georgia. Bryant Hays served the Confederate Army during the Civil War. He and his descendants migrated to Texas, then the Los Angeles area before eventually reaching the Conejo Valley.

Folder 1 holds an extensive number of documents pertaining to Bryant Hays and his wife Elizabeth Wooden. It contains the following: 1850 Georgia census records showing the Hay and Wooden families; Bryant's Confederate Army records; Ventura County census information on Bryant from the 1880's and 1890's; Bryant's death certificate; Elizabeth's death certificate; 3 brief fact sheets/memos about Bryant prepared by local historian Patricia Allen; and 4 documents about the establishment of a special grave marker for Bryant Hays.

Folder 2 – contains many documents pertaining to descendents of Bryant Hays. Included are the following: 3 certificates of grade school promotion awarded to William Washington Hays; a copy of a money order requested by William W. Hays; an article about the impending marriage of William's son Frank; an obituary for William's wife Florence; a letter to Frank Hays and his wife Alyce from Patricia Allen; 4 brief news items regarding H. Allen Hays and/or his wife Dorothy; and an invitation to the wedding of Susan L. Jeffries.

Folder 3 – contains biographical and genealogical information pertaining to the Hays family. It includes the following: a brief Hays family biography; a family history of the Knowltons, who were connected by marriage; numerous genealogy tables; a brief history of the Swan family (also relatives by marriage); and numerous handwritten notes by Patricia Allen.

Hays, William Harrison – he was a politician who served as Republican Party National Chairman in 1918. In 1922 he was appointed as a movie censor for films made in Hollywood. In the 1920's he bought a home in the Hidden Valley area of Thousand Oaks. His file is very slim, and only contains 2 brief biographical summaries. It is unclear whether he has any connection to the famous Hays family of the Conejo Valley.

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Heatherly, Charles – he was the co-owner and executive vice president of Brown Realtors of Thousand Oaks. His file contains 2 obituaries.

Heggen family – Clifford and Mildred Heggen came with their children to the Conejo Valley in the 1940's and had a contractor build them a home where the Civic Arts Plaza currently stands. Their file contains the following: Mildred's obituary and 2 news articles about the demolition of the Heggens' home.

Henrichsen, Christen & Gail – Christen Henrichsen was a Thousand Oaks attorney. Gail served as president of the Conejo Valley Historical Society and president of the Thousand Oaks High School PTA. Their file contains the following: an editorial written by Gail; an article about Gail's Dona Triunfo honors; a short biography of Gail; and a news article about a lawsuit involving Christen.

Herzog, Stephen – he was a Thousand Oaks resident and Ventura County Community Colleges faculty member. His file contains an article he contributed to the *News Chronicle* on development in Thousand Oaks.

Hey, Clifford – Hey had his own accounting practice, Hey & Co., and has participated in many Ventura County civic affairs. In 1985 he was accused of embezzling the funds of a former client. His file contains 3 newspaper articles about the embezzlement case.

Hill Family – the head of this pioneer family, Samuel Hill, purchased ranch land in the Wildwood Park area in 1874. Later on, Hill's stepchildren inherited the land. This file includes copies of original documents as well as biographical information on the family and their property. It consists of the following: 3 maps of the ranch; a document transferring ranch property of Sarah Middleton Hill (Samuel's wife) to her son Thomas Middleton; a cattle earmark/brand registration form; a form identifying the ranch's historic cistern (reservoir); 2 pages of typed notes about the property; 4 pages of biographical information about certain family members; and some handwritten notes by Patricia Allen.

Hinckley, John Powell – Dr. Hinckley was a longtime doctor in Ventura County. He first came to the county in 1890, when he set up a practice in Fillmore. His file is very slim and contains only one brief biography.

Hoberg, Kitty - she served as Thousand Oaks' Crime Prevention officer for the Ventura County Sheriff's Department. Sgt. Hoberg's file is very slim and contains a page from the Conejo Business Directory describing her duties.

Hodencamp, Walter & Cecilia – the Hodencamps came to the Thousand Oaks area in the late 1940's from Los Angeles. They bought some land so they could have a place to retreat to on weekends. Eventually they bought up many lots of land and Ventura County officials named a street after them. Their file contains a lengthy interview between Tina Carlson and Cecilia Hodencamp and a brief, undated letter to a woman named Ruth about the history of Hodencamp Drive.

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Holbert, Charles – During his time spent in Thousand Oaks, Holbert was involved in civic affairs. He was on the citizens' committee in the 1960's prior to the city's incorporation and later he served the Thousand Oaks planning commission. Holbert's file contains a questionnaire from the city manager's office asking him about his memories of Thousand Oaks and what he did after he left, plus a photocopied picture of him.

Holloway, Belle – Holloway arrived in the Conejo Valley as a young child with her parents and siblings. She was a resident for over fifty years. She also broke and trained horses on the Hidden Valley Ranches, operated a horse express service, and competed in several horse shows. Holloway's file contains a total of 7 news items on her, including 2 longer feature articles and her obituary. The file also contains a typescript of one of the feature news stories about her.

Holmes, Brittany Ashton –an actress from Newbury Park who played the role of Darla in the 1990's film *The Little Rascals*. Her file contains one news article about her promotion tour for *The Little Rascals*.

Hoover, Elroy Thomas – Hoover came out to the Conejo Valley area in 1936 as a farmer. He spent nine years working on ranches in Hidden Valley. Next, he worked as a contractor in the 1960's, grading the Thousand Oaks terrain in preparation for new tract homes. Hoover's file contains the following: a 1993 interview with him conducted by Tina Carlson; his death notice; and his obituary.

Horn, William – Horn was an assistant to animal expert George Keller. He took over as maestro for the Keller Animal Show after Keller died. This file contains only one news article about a performance he gave in Agoura Hills.

Horner, Larry and Betty – Larry Horner was the first African American city council member for Thousand Oaks as well as all of Ventura County. He served the council for 16 years and also served 4 terms as the mayor of Thousand Oaks. His wife Betty has also been involved in civic affairs throughout the Thousand Oaks area. Their file contains the following: 6 newspaper articles mentioning Larry; a 1982 statement by Larry for election to city council; a 1986 pamphlet urging voters to reelect Larry to city council; and a memo announcing Betty's appointment to the advisory board of the Auto Club of Southern California (AAA).

Howard Family – Joseph R. Howard was married to Elizabeth Middleton, the heir to her stepfather Samuel Hill's ranch in the Wildwood Park/Santa Rosa Valley area. Mr. and Mrs. Howard managed the ranch land for several years before passing it into the care of their children. Over time the size of the Howard ranch dwindled; 90 acres of it was sold to the Janss Corporation in 1934. The Howard family file contains the following: 1 map of the family's property; 2 newspaper items about the Howards; 1 brief biography on Joseph R. Howard; and 6 pages of typewritten/handwritten notes by Patricia Allen. Please also see the Hill family file entry above for further information. There is also an

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unidentified newspaper clipping about Mr. Lindsay Howard, a man who may or may not be related to the Howard family.

Hudnall Family – The head of this family, John Hudnall, came to the Conejo Valley in 1922 to start an ice, feed and fuel business on Thousand Oaks Blvd. His wife and children arrived from Mississippi the following year to join him. The Hudnalls were well known for the "Rock House" they lived in near John's business. The Hudnall family file contains the following: a feature article about the family; an article about the demolition of the "Rock House"; an obituary for Helen Hudnall Salem (one of John's daughters); and an incomplete interview about the Hudnalls and their neighbors.

Huettner, Calvin – Huettner was a manufacturer and Thousand Oaks resident. The file includes only one news article announcing his intention to run for County Supervisor.

Hughes, Robert (Bob) – Hughes was a Newbury Park resident and teacher at Ascension Lutheran Church School. He was charged 3 times for the murder of his wife Serita, which occurred in 1976 when both of them were living in Delaware. Hughes' file is rather extensive, and includes materials published in California and Delaware about his case. It consists of the following: 9 total articles/editorials from local California newspapers (8 from the *News Chronicle* and 1 from the *Star Free Press*); 1 article and 2 editorials from Delaware; and 5 newsletters from Branch 5195 of the Aid Association for Lutherans, a group that supported Hughes and had worked to raise funds for his legal expenses.

Hunt Family – In the 1880's, Richard Orville Hunt and his wife Mary Jane Brown Hunt came to the Conejo Valley from Santa Barbara. Richard bought 950 acres of the Salto Creek Ranch (today it is known as the Lynn Ranch Estates). On his property he grew a variety of fruits and vegetables, raised livestock, and ran a creamery, windmill, and blacksmith shop. During the 1890's the Newbury Park Post Office operated on the Hunt property, with Richard serving as postmaster and Mary Jane as his assistant. Richard and Mary Jane raised seven sons and one daughter. The information available on this family is quite extensive, and it is divided into the following seven files.

Hunt Diary (1) – This file contains a diary kept by Mary Jane Hunt during the days she managed the Newbury Park Post Office. The diary is for November 8, 1895, through December 31, 1896. Accompanying the diary is a letter by local historian Patricia Allen, thanking a member of the Hunt family for sending her this copy of the diary.

Hunt Diary (2) – This file contains a second copy of Mary Jane's diary for November 8, 1895, to December 31, 1896 as well as Patricia Allen's thank-you letter. In addition, the file contains a notepad with some notes written by Ms. Allen.

Hunt Folder #1 – This folder is focused mainly on Richard and Mary Jane Hunt's family. It consists of the following: 1 biographical sketch about Richard from a book; a page from an unidentified source listing Richard Hunt as a participant in the 1882 Greenback Convention (held in Santa Barbara); 4 newspaper items about the Hunt family (including a feature story); 1 newsletter article by Patricia Allen along with its rough

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draft; 1 newsletter article by Miriam Spankling; 3 typed drafts of a news article by Patricia Allen; typed and handwritten notes by Patricia Allen.

Hunt Folder #2 – This folder contains much information about the Herbert Fred Hunt and Lydia Bell Hunt branch of the Hunt family. Herbert Fred (often referred to as just Fred) was Richard and Mary Jane's youngest son. The file consists of the following: an article from the Ventura County Historical Society Quarterly about Fred's marriage to Lydia; a photocopy of Fred and Lydia's wedding invitation; a newsletter article by Patricia Allen on the Hunt/Bell wedding; a brief news item on Fred; a typed letter by Fred and Lydia's daughter Alice; an invitation to the wedding anniversary party of Fred's son Jesse; 1 letter to Patricia Allen from Jesse's wife Myrtle and 1 letter to Myrtle from Ms. Allen; Jesse "Jerry" Hunt's obituary; 1 letter to Ms. Allen from Jesse's son Richard and 1 letter to Richard from Ms. Allen; and 6 pages of information (including 2 biographies) about Lydia Bell's relatives the Nadeaus.

Hunt Folder #3 – This file contains items pertaining to other Hunt relatives as well as some genealogical information. It consists of the following: an obituary for Jessie H. Hunt, the wife of Albert Hunt (one of Richard's sons); a wedding announcement for Martha Diane Hunt (Richard's great granddaughter); a letter to Patricia Allen from Oswald Hunt (one of Richard's grandsons); a biography about Richard's brother Charles C. Hunt; 11 pages of genealogical information (including some pages that trace Mary Jane Brown Hunt's relatives) accompanied by an explanatory cover letter written by Richard B. Hunt; and several photocopied pages from a book called *Genealogy of the Hunt Family*.

Hunt Folder #4 – This file contains material related to Richard Orville Hunt's former property. It is a very large file because it includes many memos/letters written in the 1970's and 1980's regarding a proposed memorial in honor of the Hunt family. The file consists of the following: 11 maps showing the area in Newbury Park where the Hunts lived; approximately 16 memos, letters, or board meeting agenda sheets about the issue of a Hunt family memorial; and 3 newspaper articles from the 1970's and 1980's about the land area in question.

Hunt, William Orville – This folder is completely dedicated to William Orville Hunt, who was the son of Walter Leroy Hunt and the grandson of Richard Orville (R.O.) Hunt. It is a very large file and contains mostly letters William Orville wrote to Thousand Oaks historian Patricia (Pat) Allen. The file consists of the following: a photocopied picture of the R.O. Hunt ranch with explanatory notes written by William Orville; 1 page of picture captions by William Orville (the pictures are missing); 1 page of handwritten notes by William Orville about his family; 3 donation agreement forms signed by William Orville; a copy of a 1927 summons document regarding the R.O. Hunt estate with explanatory notes by William Orville; 15 letters addressed to Pat Allen from William Orville, dated between Feb. 12, 1973 and Feb. 29, 1988; 2 letters addressed to Alice, librarian for the Conejo Valley history section of the Thousand Oaks Library from William Orville; handwritten notes for 4 separate, dated interviews with William Orville; some undated notes about William Orville probably prepared by Pat Allen; 1 incomplete and undated news editorial by William Orville; 3 news items mentioning William Orville; and 1 news article about oral history sent to Pat Allen from William Orville.

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Huntsinger, Fritz – he was a Ventura resident who emigrated from Germany after World War I. He started an oilfield tool repair shop in Ventura and was also a philanthropist who contributed to the fields of medicine and education. Huntsinger's brief file contains 4 newspaper articles: 2 obituaries, 1 article about his memorial service, and a feature story about his life.

Hurley, Melissa – she was a Thousand Oaks resident who toured with rock singer David Bowie in 1987 as the principal dancer in his show. Her file is very slim and contains one newspaper article about her job as Bowie's lead dancer.

Hus, Richard – he was a Thousand Oaks city councilman and served as mayor for the city in 1969 and 1970. His file is very small and contains 2 newspaper items about him.

Huse, Charles E. – Huse came to Santa Barbara sometime after the California gold rush of the late 1840's. His expertise was in law; he served such positions as District Attorney and judge. His time spent in the Conejo Valley is uncertain, though maps indicated he held some property in the Newbury Park area. Huse's small file contains 1 brief biography and 2 maps outlining the section of land he owned in Newbury Park.

Huse, Russell & Edith – Russell Huse was a resident of the Westlake Village area. His grandparents Andrew and Abigail Russell owned a 6000-acre cattle ranch located where Westlake Village and Oak Park are today. Russell married Edith in 1936. This file is mostly concerned with Russell Huse and contains the following: 4 brief newspaper articles about his life and famous family; 3 pages of handwritten notes for 2 1983 interviews with Russell; and 7 additional pages of undated handwritten notes about Russell that were probably prepared by local historian Pat Allen.

Huston, Emma – Huston was a resident of Thousand Oaks for over 50 years. In the 1930's, when the city didn't have a full time doctor, she helped out as nurse. She was known for her good deeds and charity work. The file contains one 1973 feature news article on her, an ad from the Valley News in 1948 showing property for sale that she owned, a copy of the 1940 census record of her and husband Ora and a copy of an early Conejo Valley map showing the approximate location of the Huston properties.

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Ingersoll, Robert – Ingersoll was a Simi Valley resident and educator with experience in physical education. His file contains only one newspaper article about his appointment to the position of dean of boys at Royal High School.

Innes, Jack – Innes was an Agoura Hills resident who served 25 years for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. His file contains one *News Chronicle* article announcing his retirement from law enforcement.

Irwin, David – as a Thousand Oaks resident he contributed to civic affairs throughout his community and Ventura County. To name just a few of his accomplishments, Irwin was

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a Thousand Oaks city councilman, city mayor from 1974-75, and a member of the Ventura County Community Action Commission. His file contains one newspaper article announcing his Man of the Year honors for 1981.

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Jalaty, Al – Jalaty spent nearly 40 years doing law enforcement work in Ventura County. He served as Ventura County Sheriff from 1974 to 1984. Jalaty's file consists of 6 newspaper articles about him from the 1980's, including the announcement of his retirement and his obituary.

Janss, Edwin Sr. & Florence Cluff– he was trained as a doctor, but abandoned the medical profession to come out to Los Angeles and take over his father's real estate business, Janss Investment, in the early 1900's. Edwin Sr. controlled the company's country property outside of Los Angeles, including about 10,000 acres of land his father purchased in the Conejo Valley (known as Conejo Ranch). Florence Cluff Janss was the daughter of a wholesale produce merchant from San Francisco. She married Edwin Sr. in 1911 and lived with him in Los Angeles until his death. Florence moved to the Conejo Valley in 1965. Her donations to the charity oriented Janss Foundation benefited churches, schools, youth and senior groups throughout the Conejo Valley.

The file includes: news items about Edwin Sr.; news items about Florence as a young bride and mother; news items about Florence as a Thousand Oaks resident; a card from Florence's funeral service; news items about people related to Edwin Sr. or Florence; Thousand Oaks documents related to Edwin Sr.; and typed or handwritten notes about the Janss family. Edwin Sr.'s file consists of 2 articles specifically about him or his company. Florence's file contains several photocopies of news clippings about her wedding to Edwin Sr., and 10 news clippings, including her obituary. The group on relatives is small and includes obituaries for the fathers of both Edwin Sr. and Florence.

Janss, Edwin Jr. – he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Janss Sr. (see entry above) During the 1930's and '40's he spent quite a bit of time on his family's Conejo Ranch land growing crops and raising thoroughbred horses. In 1954 Edwin Jr. took control of the family firm Janss Investment Corp. Soon afterwards he developed much of what is currently Thousand Oaks into business, residential, industrial, and recreational areas. Edwin Jr.'s file consists of 3 feature newspaper articles about his life in and his contributions to the city of Thousand Oaks (including his obituary); one brief news item about some of his artwork on display at a museum; an announcement for his daughter's wedding; and the obituary of his first wife Virginia.

Janss Family – Folder 1 is about the Janss family in general contains mostly newspaper clippings and obituaries for the following family members: Dr. Peter Janss, Mrs. Peter Janss, Harold Janss, and Florence Janss Also included are: 4 items about Edwin Janss Sr.'s Thousand Oaks house that became a cultural arts center; 3 news items on Harold Janss's Thousand Oaks home; a form describing the Janss Hunting Lodge in Ojai; and 3 articles about Conejo Ranch, which the Janss family owned.

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Folder #2 – This large file contains typed reports about the Jansses as well as a host of typed and handwritten notes on them. The typed reports group consists of the following: 3 copies of Patricia Allen's 1978 research paper (some pages are missing from one copy); 2 copies of Patricia Allen's 1986 family history; a 1987 report by Penny MacDonald; a 2-page *History of Janss Family*; a second copy of *History of Janss Family* with several additional pages of information about the Janss Corporation; a 1-page paper on Florence Janss; and 2 copies of a brief report called "Janss Hallmark" (one copy has corrections on it). Includes the following: the summary of a brief interview with Jane Young about the Janss Foundation; a 4-page paper titled "Janss Company Scrapbook Notes"; 1 page of typed genealogy information; 4 pages of information on Florence Janss's ancestors the Coltons; and several pages of miscellaneous notes prepared by Patricia Allen.

Folder #3 – Janssgiving Week, a weeklong celebration that took place November 19-25, 1978, honoring the Janss family for their contributions to Thousand Oaks. The folder contains the following items: 4 memos/documents from members of the Janss Recognition Committee; a 4-page special section of the *News Chronicle* about Janssgiving Week; 1 brief article about the dedication ceremonies; an "Editor's Notebook" column on the festivities from the *Star Free Press*; a flyer expressing gratitude to the Janss family; invitations to the Janss Recognition Week Reception; invitations to the Janss Recognition Banquet; Janss Recognition Banquet programs; and several copies of a pamphlet describing the pictures on display at an exhibit for the Janss family.

Janss, Lawrence (Larry) – as the son of Edwin Jr., Larry grew up on his family's Conejo Ranch property. He has been owner of the Conejo Village Bowl and the Janss Village Shopping Center. Larry has also run several Janss family charities such as School of the Pacific Islands, a non-profit association that provides grants for various projects in Micronesia. The Larry Janss file contains the following: 8 news items mentioning his contributions to the Thousand Oaks community, such as his businesses, donations, artwork; a pamphlet describing School of the Pacific Islands; a sheet entitled "Calendar Release" announcing an exhibit of photographs presented by Larry in 1997; a "Press Release" document announcing Larry's 1997 photo exhibit; a 9-page typed paper about Larry titled *Lawrence Janss: A Life of Art and Philanthropy* (author unknown); and copies of 2 photographs which feature Larry. Also included at the back of the file is a brief obituary for Larry's maternal grandmother Ruth Caswell.

Janss, William Sr. – he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Janss Sr. and co-chairman of the Janss Investment Corp. William Sr. and his family lived in Thousand Oaks until the mid 1960's, when they moved to Idaho. In 1968 he gave up his post as co-chairman to take complete control of Janss holdings in Sun Valley, Idaho, the site of a major ski resort he helped develop. William Sr.'s file consists of the following: 3 short articles about the fire that broke out at his Thousand Oaks home; 1 brief article mentioning his appointment to the Mt. San Jacinto Winter Park Authority governing board; 2 articles about his Sun Valley development; 3 articles about the death of his wife; and 1 page of handwritten notes about his family by local historian Patricia Allen.

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Janss, William Jr. – as the son of William Janss Sr. he has been the president of the family business, Janss Corp., and owner of the Janss Mall. His file contains one newspaper article about him and his cousin Larry carrying on the family legacy of development in Thousand Oaks.

Janulis, Brent – he was a football and soccer player for Newbury Park High School. During a soccer game he was accidentally kicked in the chest and died as a result of the injury. His file contains 3 newspaper articles about his tragic death.

Jeffries, Ken – real name Kenneth Mednick. He was the news director for the Thousand Oaks-based radio station KGOE, and his on-air name was Ken Jeffries. His file contains the following: a copy of his resume; 7 brief news bulletins from the Associated Press; a brief article from the *L.A. Times* that mentions KGOE; a piece of KGOE stationary; and 1 page of handwritten notes.

Jeffries, Reba Hays – a longtime resident of Newbury Park, Reba was the daughter of Simon P. Hays and Ethel Haigh (see the Hays family and Haigh family folders for more information about her ancestors). She was involved in efforts to save the Stagecoach Inn, a landmark of great importance to her family, from destruction. Reba was also a notary public and the first woman president of the Newbury Park Chamber of Commerce. Reba's file contains 3 newspaper articles about her, including her obituary.

Jeritza, Maria - Jeritza, born Mitzi Jedlicka, sang for the Vienna Court Opera and the Metropolitan Opera, and was known for quartering wounded G.I.s in her miniature castle/ranch home in Hidden Valley (named Sheehan Ranch after her husband - Twentieth Century Fox Studio head William Sheehan) after the First World War. Allen's file on her includes: five sheets of handwritten notes; twelve Xeroxed pages of Jeritza's autobiography, *Sunlight and Song: A Singer's Life*, New York: Appleton (1924); a photocopy of Jeritza's name entry from Kutsch's *Concise Biographical Dictionary of Singers*; a page listing the many articles about Jeritza's acting career in *The Los Angeles Times*, from the years 1928, '30, and '35; a photocopy of a *New York Times* article about Jeritza's acting from 9/14/30; a photocopied clipping from the 5/13/46 issue of *Time Magazine*, discussing Jeritza's career as an opera singer; a photocopy of an article from the 12/06/48 issue of *Newsweek Magazine*, discussing Jeritza's twenty-seven years in opera; photocopies of eighteen pages from Finch's *Gone Hollywood*, New York: Doubleday (1979); a letter of correspondence sent from California Room Historian Bettye Ellison to Pat Allen, regarding historical materials on Jeritza; a clipping and photocopy of a 4/01/81 *Los Angeles Times* article regarding the Lippizaner breed of horses, that Jeritza was first to bring to California; a 7/07/81; a photocopy of a clipping from the 4/07/82 *News Chronicle* discussing a drug raid on Hidden Valley's Franklyn Ranch, formerly known as Sheehan Ranch; clipping from the 4/21/87 *Ventura County Star Free Press*, with a photo of Jeritza's miniature castle on the old Sheehan Ranch (aka Gemini Farms); a photocopy of a clipping from the 8/14/88 *L.A. Times* about ranch owner and real estate entrepreneur Joseph Portaro, who put the old Sheehan ranch up for sale, at a \$7.5 million.

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Jessup, Warren – an attorney who ran a private law practice in Westlake Village. His practice specialized in patents, trademarks, and copyrights. Jessup's file includes an announcement about the relocation of his office and a brief news item about him.

Johnson, Ben – originally from Oklahoma, Johnson came to California where he landed jobs as a double and stuntman in western films. He became a resident of Westlake Village and was responsible for building the Ben Johnson Fairway Homes in Westlake's North Ranch area. Ben Johnson's file includes an article about him from *Westlake Magazine* and a brief biography from a film encyclopedia.

Johnson, Cyrus – president of Cyrus Johnson and Associates, a life insurance company. He has also served the Thousand Oaks community as a member of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Conejo Valley Days steering committee. Cyrus Johnson's file contains 2 news items about the various honors he has received.

Johnson, Dick – executive director of the Conejo Players Theatre for 13 years. In 1986 he sat on the Cultural City Planning Committee in efforts to bring Thousand Oaks a cultural center/civic auditorium, but the proposal was turned down. Dick Johnson's file contains one news article about him as an "arts activist."

Johnson, Frances – worked as a math teacher at Sequoia Intermediate School in Newbury Park. Her file contains only one article about her Teacher of the Year honors for 1984.

Johnson, Karl & Beverly – they ran a printing business on Thousand Oaks Blvd called Frontier Printers from 1962 to 1976. Their file is very slim and contains one page of handwritten notes. Note that pictures of the Frontier Printers building are available in the Local History Photo Files.

Jones, Casey – opened Thousand Oaks' first barbershop in 1945. He was also one of the creators of the Circus and Pioneer Days, a celebration started in 1948 that evolved into today's Conejo Valley Days. Casey Jones' file consists of his obituary; a letter sent to him from Benjie Kastorff listing the pictures Kastorff had from Circus and Pioneer Days (the actual photos are not available); and some handwritten notes prepared by local historian Patricia Allen.

Jones, Edwin (Ed) – 3 term Ventura County Supervisor for the Second District. In 1985 he was part of a scandal involving charges of indecent exposure and lewd conduct. The scandal cost him election to a fourth term as supervisor, but he found a new career in his Westlake consulting business. Jones' file is quite large. It contains the following groups: newspaper articles, county documents, election material, and other personal items.

The newspaper group consists of approximately 45 articles about Ed Jones and 8 opinion pages related to him. The county documents are a 5-page agenda for the board of supervisors and a letter to Jones from the Native American Heritage Commission. The election material includes numerous fliers to re-elect Ed Jones as supervisor. The other personal items include a pamphlet for Jones' consulting firm and a card Jones sent to

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Patricia Allen. Note, 2 holiday photo cards of Ed Jones, his wife Pat, and their family were also in this file, but they have been removed to the Local History Photo Files.

Jones, O.O. – Casey Jones' brother (see the entry above) and served as a Thousand Oaks firefighter for the Ventura County Fire Department. His file contains 1 newspaper article announcing his retirement from the fire department.

Judge, April Davies Johnson – Thousand Oaks Library children's librarian. Her file contains a news article about her arrival in Thousand Oaks to take on the position of children's librarian and a news item showing her pictured with some winners of a children's writing contest.

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Kabat, Roy – in 1964 he became general manager of the Thousand Oaks animal attraction Jungleland. Kabat's file contains part of a Jungleland chronology highlighting the day he became manager and 3 brief news items that mention him (including his obituary). For more on Kabat, see also the Jungleland – Trainers file in the Local History Vertical Files.

Kanan Family – at one time pioneer Richard Kanan and his family-owned hundreds of acres of land in what is today Agoura Hills. Much of the Kanans' ranch was eventually sold to commercial developers. In the mid 1980's Richards daughters Judy and Patricia retained approximately 25 square acres of land and ran a restaurant near the intersection of Kanan Rd. and the Ventura Freeway. The Kanan family file contains a total of 10 news items related to them from the 1970's and 1980's. Two of these articles deal with a debate about naming an Agoura Hills school Kanan Elementary School. Five of the articles are about the mysterious murder of Judy Kanan (2 are incomplete).

Kastorff Family –William Lawrence Kastorff lived in Thousand Oaks for 40 years. Notes from a phone conversation indicate that William was married to Jeanette Burt for a time, but they divorced and he remarried. Apparently, Jeanette Burt Kastorff was involved in religious work, for the heading of one document inside reads, "St. Jude's in-the-Mountains Episcopal Mission – Sister Jeanette Kastorff – Minister-in-Charge." The Kastorff folder contains the following: 1 page of handwritten notes from a 1986 phone conversation; William Kastorff's obituary; a Christmas newsletter written by Jeanette (who goes by "Benjie"); and a letter sent to Mrs. Bertha Jones from Jeanette.

Keit, Richard – Thousand Oaks tile maker responsible for restoring much of the tile work on Catalina Island. Keit's file is very brief and includes one incomplete newspaper article about his career.

Kelley Family – Silas Kelley, a long time Conejo Valley resident, first arrived in the area during the late 1880's. He married Rosa Borchard, the daughter of local farmer Casper Borchard, and the couple raised 8 children on their own 700-acre ranch. (For more information about Rosa's family, see the Borchard file.) The Kelley file consists of the

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following: 4 pages of Kelley family genealogy information; a brief biography of Silas Kelley; a newspaper article about Silas's son Fred; 4 brief birth/death announcements for members of the Kelley family; 3 news clippings; a 2-page typed story and a death announcement pertaining to Donnie Fletcher, Silas's grandson through Rose Kelley Fletcher; 2 pages of photocopied contact prints; typed notes transcribed from 2 separate interviews with Silas's daughter-in-law Olive "Babe" Kelley; and handwritten notes from 4 more interviews with Kelley family relatives.

Kendall, Glenn – served as Thousand Oaks City Manager from 1966-1977. His contributions to a city that was still in its growing stages include: expanding the city's sewer system, negotiating to bring Westlake Village within city limits, and designing the Thousand Oaks Civic Center. Kendall's file consists of the following: a copy of a Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce newsletter announcing his honorary membership; a 1-page typed biography intended for an oral presentation; and 5 news items about him (including his obituary).

Keochekian, Carol – president of the Conejo Valley Historical Society in 1975 and co-chairwoman of the Conejo Valley Bicentennial Commission. Keochekian's file contains 3 brief news articles about the honors she received for her community service.

Kester, Tom & Beatrice – The Kesters lived in Beverly Hills, but they also had a ranch in the Hidden Valley area of Thousand Oaks called Circle Lazy K Ranch. They inherited the ranch from Tom's father. R.D. Nesen, owner of the Nesen Cadillac car dealership in Thousand Oaks, bought Circle Lazy K Ranch in the late 1970's. The Kester file contains the following: a page from the 1964 Los Angeles Blue Book listing the Kesters' residences; a page from the "T" section of the 1964 Los Angeles Blue Book; a map outlining the Kesters' Thousand Oaks property; a page from Nesen's company newsletter the Nesen Cadillac-Subaru Times; a letter from Jack Highberger to the Ventura County Historical Society inquiring about the ranch; a reply to Highberger's letter from Thousand Oaks historian Patricia Allen; a response letter from Highberger; and 3 pages of Ms. Allen's handwritten notes.

Keyes, Paul – Emmy award-winning writer and producer from Westlake Village. Paul Keyes worked on television comedy and variety specials such as "The Tonight Show" and "Laugh-In." His file contains one newspaper article about his career and recent induction into the Producers Guild Hall of Fame.

Keyes, Robert – Paul Keyes' brother and owner of Sav-At-Cleaners in Ventura. His file contains one article about a party given by Ronald Reagan to which the Keyes brothers were invited.

Killian, Bedford & Mabel – were farmers who came to the Conejo Valley in the late 1930's. At one time they owned as much as 1,100 acres of land, which included the Sunset Hills and Tierra Rejada areas. The Killian file contains one newspaper article about the couple's dislike of the commercial growth taking place in their community.

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Kind, Dr. Robert – Dr. Kind and his partner Dr. Robert Miller were co-owners of the Conejo Valley Veterinary Clinic. Dr. Kind specialized in treating birds. This file consists of the following: a feature article about Dr. Kind and Dr. Miller's veterinary clinic as the 1966 Animal Hospital-of-the-Year; photocopied pages from 3 separate issues of the Conejo Valley Roadrunner that mention the clinic; 3 news items about Dr. Kind and/or the clinic; a pamphlet; a business card; a brief note to Patricia Allen on clinic stationary; and 2 invitations to the veterinary clinic's 25th anniversary celebration.

King, Irene – served as president of the Conejo Valley Historical Society in the mid 1980's. King's file contains one brief article about her role in a debate on how to spend some money set aside for the Stagecoach Inn Museum.

King, Mrs. Lawrence – captain of the Community Concert Association in Thousand Oaks and she also helped organize a children's music guild for the Conejo Symphony. Her file is rather small and contains the following: one news article about her 1968 Woman of the Year honors; and one news item about her family's decision to move away from Thousand Oaks.

Kirby, Jack – Thousand Oaks resident and the creator of such famous Marvel comic book characters as Spider Man, the Incredible Hulk, and Captain America. His file contains 2 articles about his career as a cartoonist (including his obituary).

Klove, Bonnie – a member of the Westlake City Council for 12 years. Her file consists of a photocopy of a "Re-elect Bonnie Klove" political advertisement and a news article about her decision to step down from the council.

Kluge, Fred & Margie – the Kluges came to California in the late 1930's, and some years later they settled down in a part of the Conejo Valley near Venu Park Rd. Fred worked for Talley Corp. and Margie participated in community service activities. The Kluge file contains one newspaper article about Margie's memories of the community and her decision to sell her property after Fred's death.

Knight, Frank – Local photographer was also president of the Waverly Elementary School PTA in the 1960's. File contains a brief news item about him, a Knights Photography price list, some Knights Photography business cards, and a few pages of handwritten notes.

Knowlton Family – The Knowltons were connected to the Hays family by the marriage of Susan Knowlton and Elijah Hays. (See the Hays family files for more information.) Susan's sister Rosa Knowlton Richardson brought her family to Newbury Park in 1907 and lived at the Stagecoach Inn for a few years. Other Knowlton relatives resided in the area as well. The Knowlton file consists of the following: an extensive genealogy table; a 2-page summary of the Knowlton family tree traced back to England; 2 pages of information on Lt. Colonel Thomas Knowlton; a letter sent from local historian Patricia Allen to Mrs. Dula Richardson Arnett (Rosa's daughter); 2 drafts of a summary Patricia

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Allen prepared after her interview with Mrs. Arnett; a brief letter sent from Mrs. Arnett to Ms. Allen; and 2 note cards containing Ms. Allen's handwritten notes.

Koontz, Mel – animal trainer and performer who specialized in "big cats" (lions, tigers, etc.). Koontz came to work for the Thousand Oaks wild animal attraction Jungleground in 1945. He retired from animal training in 1964. Koontz's file contains two newspaper articles about him.

Kopp, Carolyn –Thousand Oaks resident who served many civic organizations in the community, including the Conejo Valley Unified School District board. Kopp's file contains an election flier urging voters to elect her for the school board; 2 newspaper articles about the 1983 school board election race; and 3 other news articles about her achievements.

Kover, Eddie –the owner of Eddie Kover's Redwood Lodge, a restaurant on Thousand Oaks Blvd. In addition to food and drinks, Redwood Lodge featured dancing and entertainment. Eddie's restaurant was a family affair as his son also worked there and his wife and daughter performed for guests. This file contains 3 advertisements for Redwood Lodge and 3 brief news items about the Kovers.

Kraatz, Doug – an artist known for his pen and ink drawings. In the 1980's he did the illustrations for a calendar distributed by Brown Realtors of Thousand Oaks. His illustrations depicted various people, places, and things connected to Thousand Oaks history. Kraatz's file contains 4 complete calendars for the years 1984, 1985, 1986, and 1988; some loose pages from the 1985 calendar; a card with information about Kraatz; and some handwritten notes (mostly lists of possible calendar illustrations).

Kudla, Arthur – a Thousand Oaks resident from 1949 to 1974 and witnessed the tremendous growth that took place. He served Thousand Oaks' first planning commission from 1964 to 1968. Kudla's file contains a questionnaire from the city manager's office asking him about his memories of Thousand Oaks and what he did after he left.

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Lagomarsino family – John and Catherine Lagomarsino came to Ventura in 1896 where they prospered in the liquor business. Their sons John, William, and Emilio each contributed to the development of Ventura in different ways. Emilio's son Bob served as a U.S. Congressman in the 1980's. The Lagomarsino file consists of 4 news items: 1 on the death of Emilio, 2 on Bob, and 1 brief mention of John's estate.

Laird, George & Carobeth – George's family roots lay in the Chemehuevi, a Southern California Indian tribe. His wife Carobeth was a writer and in 1976 she published a book about the language and culture of her late husband's tribe. The Laird file contains an order form for Malki Museum Press with a brief summary of its latest release, *The Chemehuevis*.

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Lamb, Tony – retired to Thousand Oaks in 1971, but he actively involved himself in numerous projects meant to benefit local senior citizens. Lamb was known as Ventura County's "Senior Citizen Coordinator." He also served as a Thousand Oaks City Councilman. Lamb's file consists of a one-page typed summary of his life in Thousand Oaks; and news 12 items about him and/or his contributions to the community on behalf of seniors.

Landon, Lois – co-founder of Conejo Valley Days along with partner Donna Fargo. Together they ran Farland Enterprises. Landon also helped establish the Conejo Valley Historical Society and the Conejo Valley Community Center. Her file consists of 4 newspaper articles honoring her as a civic leader.

Landry, Tom – he was the head coach of the Dallas Cowboys football team. His team held their pre-season training camp sessions at California Lutheran University in the mid 1980's. Landry's file contains 3 news items from 1985 and 1986 about him and his team.

Landy, Leonard – Landy, a Westlake Village resident, played the character "Leonard" in 22 of the Hal Roach short films known as "Our Gang Comedies." His file contains 2 news articles about his memories as a cast member of "Our Gang" during the late 1930's and early 1940's.

Lanquist, Don – he was a Thousand Oaks resident who began working for the Ventura County Sheriff's Department in 1980. His file consists of one brief news item announcing his promotion to commander of the East Valley Sheriff's Station.

La Peyre family – brothers Pierre and Jean Baptiste La Peyre immigrated to California from France in the late 1800's. It is uncertain whether they came together. By 1890 both brothers were farming in various parts of Ventura County. Jean, his wife Celine Dumortier, and their children settled in Moorpark's Tierra Rejada Valley. The La Peyre file contains the following: a short biography of Pierre; a brief biography for Jean; 2 pages of typed notes; 1 typed page of notes entitled "Owners of Joel McCrea Property 1897"; a photocopied map of Rancho Simi (it does not indicate the boundaries of any La Peyre property); a work request control form from the Ventura County Recorder's office; and several pages of handwritten notes. August Dumortier was the original owner of the property that later belonged to Joel McCrea. Dumortier's daughter Celine married Jean La Peyre. See McCrea Folder #3 for more details.

Laurie, Rosie – Rosie and her husband Max opened a café in Thousand Oaks in 1936, which catered to truck drivers, tourists, and movie companies passing through. Rosie's file is very slim and contains only her obituary.

Lawrence, Ed & Marge – Ed owned the Conejo Valley's first camera shop, which opened up in 1959. He and his wife Marge also ran a Thousand Oaks photography studio. Ed's local claim to fame has been his photographs depicting Thousand Oaks and Westlake before development. He started taking pictures of the area around 1958. The

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Lawrence file consists of 6 news items about Ed. Among those 6 items are 2 special centerfold sections of the *News Chronicle* that show some of Ed's historic photos and announce a special exhibit of his work.

Laxdal, Lee – he served the Thousand Oaks community as city councilman and mayor in the mid 1980's. Laxdal's file includes the following: a copy of a speech he gave in January 1984; a copy of a poster urging voters to reelect him for mayor; an invitation to his campaign kick-off reception for reelection; an invitation to a breakfast he hosted; and one newspaper article that briefly mentions him.

Lazz, Mary Jane – she was Assistant City Manager of Thousand Oaks in the early 1980's. File contains just one profile about her as a city official.

Leary, Vicky – she was mayor of Agoura Hills in 1986. Leary's file consists of one article about her interest in her family's history.

Legget, Joseph – he was president of the Janss Investment Corp. in the 1970's and 1980's. File includes 8 news items that mention him in relation to business and/or city affairs; and 1 letter he wrote to the editor of the *News Chronicle*.

Leonis, Miguel – he was a Basque sheepherder who settled in Calabasas during the 1870's. His home was restored and preserved as a historical monument (The Leonis Adobe). The Leonis file contains the following: Thomas Eidson's draft of an article he wrote about Leonis for *Westways* magazine; and a brief news item about the "Friends of the Leonis Adobe."

Lewis, Joseph – he was a lima bean farmer in Ventura County. When he first came to the county in the late 1880's, Lewis rented land to plant the beans. In 1906 he bought 8,200 acres of the old Guadalupe land grant in Camarillo and started his own ranch. The Lewis file includes the following: 3 biographies on Joseph F. Lewis; 2 copies of a map indicating Lewis's ranch; 1 map of Ventura County's old ranchos; one *News Chronicle* article about the more recent developments on Lewis's former holdings in Newbury Park; and 2 pages of handwritten notes. This file also contains part of an article about Agoura pioneers which mentions Minnie and George Lewis, but their connection to Joseph F. Lewis is undetermined.

Lewis, Robert – in the 1980's and 90's he served the city of Thousand Oaks as a planning commissioner, a city council member, and mayor. Lewis' file consists of 3 news items about him (including a profile of his life) and a political advertisement urging voters to reelect him to the city council.

Lidster, Cora Stevens – she moved to Thousand Oaks with her family in the mid 1940's. In 1947 Cora and her sons Merle and Darryl started the Art Barn, a place that offered art classes (the first being ceramics) and hosted local art exhibits. The Lidster file contains the following: a newspaper photograph of Cora and some Art Barn students; a news article about Cora; a news article about Darryl and his greenhouse experiments;

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obituaries for Cora and Merle; and correspondence with Fern Sleezer regarding her requests to local libraries for more information about the Lidster family.

Linn, Grafton (Bud) – he was Thousand Oaks' first YMCA Director in 1963. His file contains one news item mentioning him as a candidate for Grand Marshall of the 1965 Conejo Valley Days celebration and one page of handwritten notes.

Lloyd family – Ralph Lloyd of Ventura was involved in oil development during the early 1900's. Lloyd Corp controlled some large real estate and agricultural holdings, including property north and northeast of Ventura. The Lloyd file contains one news item about the Lloyd Corp.'s decision to sell some of its Ventura County holdings.

Longenecker, Tina – she participated actively in community affairs related to the Conejo Valley school district. In 1985, Longenecker campaigned for a seat on the Conejo Valley school board. Her file includes one news article profiling her as a candidate and a political advertisement from her campaign.

Longtin, James – he served as Thousand Oaks' City Attorney from 1973 to 1981. The City Council fired him in October 1981 and a lengthy controversy ensued after he filed an appeal. Longtin's file contains 18 news items about him, all but 2 pertain to his dismissal.

Lossmann, Ed – he was a resident of Thousand Oaks who made a living by creating Western costumes for movies, television, and Disneyland. His file contains 3 articles about him: 1 feature story about his unique job; a brief article mentioning him as a regular customer at Du-par's Restaurant; and his obituary.

Ludwig, Daniel – he was the creator of Westlake Village. In 1963 his company, American-Hawaiian Land Co., bought 12,000 acres of the old Albertson Ranch and turned it into Westlake. His file is rather small and contains just 3 brief news items on him.

Luedtke, Luther – he was selected for the position of president for California Lutheran University in 1992. File consists of one article about him and his hopes for CLU's future.

Lynch, Jim – he was a builder who came to the Conejo Valley area in 1960. During his career he sold real estate in Thousand Oaks. File contains only 4 pages of handwritten notes. These notes briefly refer to the Hunt family. Lynch knew that Howard Hughes' bodyguard lived in a house near the Hunt home.

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MacMillan, Donald – he was Ventura County's assistant building inspection chief in the 1960's. This file contains one article about the time when the Conejo Valley Contractors' Association fired MacMillan and his supporters asked that he be reinstated.

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McClintock, Tom – McClintock was a Thousand Oaks Republican who served the California State Assembly from 1982 to 1992. He represented the 36th District, which included Thousand Oaks and several other Ventura County communities. The McClintock file consists of the following: 3 pieces of political literature; 1 political advertisement from the *News Chronicle* endorsing McClintock's reelection; 19 newspaper articles about him and the various policies he advocated as a politician; a newspaper opinion piece written by him; and 2 editorials about him.

McClure, H. Elliot – McClure served as a board member of Conejo Valley Audubon starting in 1976 and while part of it he held such positions as Conservation Chairman and Field Trip Chairman. His file contains 2 photocopied pages from an issue of the *Conejo Valley Roadrunner* that summarizes his life achievements and names him "Birder-of-the-Month."

McCord, Clara ("Pam") – she was a Conejo Valley resident who first arrived to the area in 1923. McCord participated in several community organizations, including the Conejo Valley Art Association, the Community Concert Association, and the Historical Society. Her file contains an article about a donation she made to the Art Association and her obituary.

McCoy, Charles – he was involved in various business affairs in Ventura County, including retail merchandising in Hueneme and farming in Simi Valley. File contains one photocopied biography.

McCracken, James – he served five years as general director for the Southeast Ventura County YMCA. His file contains one newspaper article about his longtime involvement with this organization and his plans to retire.

McCrea, Joel – Joel McCrea was a Hollywood actor best known for his cowboy roles in Western films. At the advice of his friend Will Rogers, McCrea purchased his own ranch in the Tierra Rejada valley between Simi Valley and Thousand Oaks in 1933. McCrea and his wife, actress Frances Dee, raised their 3 sons on the ranch. In the 1960's the McCreas donated some of their property to the local YMCA and sold other portions to housing developer Harris Goldberg. The following is a description of the 4 files dedicated to Joel McCrea.

Folder #1 – This file consists entirely of biographies and newspaper information. It contains the following: one biography for Joel McCrea and one biography for Frances Dee from *The Film Encyclopedia*; and 8 news items pertaining to Joel McCrea, including his obituary.

Folder #2 – The file includes a feature article on McCrea by Tom McCann; an original copy of the February 1972 issue of *True West* magazine, which contains a special article on McCrea; a photocopy of the 1972 *True West* article; an original copy of a brief note written to McCrea from Tom Murray; an original and photocopied page of some brief notes from a personal interview with McCrea; and less than half a page of handwritten notes.

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Folder #3 – This folder is about the history of Joel McCrea's ranch property. It includes: a 6-page typed report prepared by Patricia Allen which provides a very complete history of the property dating back to the 1860's; 3 maps outlining boundaries of the property under those who owned it during the 1890's and early 1900's; 1 map of the Tierra Rejada area; 1 copy of an ad from the Simi Land and Water Company, the company that first sold the property in Tierra Rejada to Americans (c. 1890); 2 copies of an ad for Simi Valley properties (c. 1900?); and a copy of an article announcing McCrea's land donation to the YMCA.

Folder #4 – This file contains photocopies of title deeds for the Joel McCrea ranch property and adjacent properties. See McCrea Folder #3 for a complete description of ownership history for the region. Includes copies of: the Dumortier deed from 1890; the Weyseur deed from 1890; a court deed from 1896 (as a result of Dumortier's death); a deed to the Petit/Laurent party from 1896; a deed recording the Weyseur sale to A. Levy from 1900; a deed granting 16 1/2 acres to the Petit/Laurent party from 1900; and Joel McCrea's deed from 1933.

McDonald, Christina – she was an educator, curriculum specialist, and author. McDonald spent many years serving the El Rancho Unified School District in Pico Rivera, California. Her connections to the Conejo Valley include membership in California Lutheran University's Urban Board and the Thousand Oaks chapter of the American Scandinavian Foundation. File has: a 6-page typed paper about her life; a list of her activities in the Conejo Valley area; a copy of a resolution to honor her from the city of Pico Rivera; a copy of a resolution to commend her achievements from the California Legislature; a copy of her membership certificate for the Pico Rivera Bicentennial Commission; and a spiral-bound book she contributed to called *Our City: Pico Rivera*.

McDonald, Penny – local artist and daughter of actor Clete Roberts. In 1995 she served as chairwoman of Thousand Oaks' Fifth Annual Visual Arts Show. File contains one drawing she made in the 1980's plus a news article about the Fifth Annual Visual Arts Show.

McGee, Margie – her fellow Thousand Oaks neighbors knew her as the "Bird Lady". McGee's file contains one article about how she started raising birds as a hobby.

McGillis, Donald & Joan – Donald was a Thousand Oaks physician. Joan served as chairman of the board of directors of the Conejo Recreation and Park District in the 1960's. Their file includes one article about Joan's Woman of the Year honors for 1966.

McGillis, Kelly – she spent her youth growing up in Thousand Oaks before moving away to pursue a career in acting. Her parents were Donald and Joan McGillis. (See entry above.) Kelly McGillis' file includes the following: one page photocopied from an actors' encyclopedia which lists the films she has appeared in; a feature article about her from *People Weekly*; and one *News Chronicle* article about journey "from Conejo to Hollywood."

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McGowan, Fred & Millie – Millie contributed to the cultural growth of Thousand Oaks in terms of music. The McGowan file contains one article about Millie's Dona Triunfo honors for 1967.

McGrath Family – The McGrath clan's presence in Ventura County dates back to 1876 when Dominick McGrath came from Ireland with his wife Bridget to farm in Oxnard. Since then the family has grown considerably. They have contributed to the county in diverse ways, such as in farming, business, law, and religion. The McGrath file contains the following 3 news items: 1 about Robert McGrath's entrance into the priesthood; 1 about a McGrath family reunion; and 1 feature *L.A. Times* article about the family's legacy in Ventura County.

McKee, Ron – he was a painter as well as president of the Westlake Village Art Guild. McKee's file consists of one news story about his accomplishments as an artist.

McKenzie, Scott – McKenzie owned a large piece of beautiful landscape property between Thousand Oaks Blvd and Colt Lane. He bought the land from Emma Huston. (Her file entry is above.) McKenzie's file contains a typed letter addressed to the Thousand Oaks Planning Commission from local historian Patricia Allen. Ms. Allen was concerned that some of the oak trees near McKenzie's property line would be destroyed if developers on adjacent property erected a retaining wall.

McSorley, Mac & Ila – the McSorleys were Thousand Oaks residents and Ila worked in the community at Meadows Elementary School. Their file is very slim; it contains one *News Chronicle* article about them plus some handwritten notes on small pieces of paper.

Mahan Family – this family's history in Ventura County dates back to 1867 when John and Rebecca Mahan started a ranch in Camarillo. The couple helped to establish Camarillo's Pleasant Valley Baptist Church. John and Rebecca's descendants have contributed to their community through ranching, the mercantile business, and volunteer service. The Mahan file contains one newspaper article about the family's legacy and a reunion they held in 1983.

Main, Janet – she worked as a volunteer at the Stagecoach Inn Museum. Her experience taught her much about cleaning and storing personal items. Main was also an avid gardener. Her file consists of the following: one brief news item about her extensive 200-plant garden; 2 pages photocopied from the June 1974 issue of *Sunset Magazine* which feature her garden; and an article from the *News Chronicle* in which she provides tips on preservation.

Malmquist, Diana – she has served Thousand Oaks as a member of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Conejo Valley Historical Society. She also served as chairman or coordinator for several community activities, including the city's annual Fiesta del Triunfo Ball. Her file contains one article about her award as woman of the year for 1982-83.

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Margolis, George – he was a Simi Valley politician and a former army private. His file contains 3 news items. The first two are about a primary election he lost for the 21st Congressional District in 1984; the third is about a military report stating that he impersonated an Air Force officer for several years.

Martin Family – The Martin family was connected to Newbury Park's Hays family through the marriage of Luella Hays and Simon L. Martin. File includes a genealogy table listing Luella and Simon's children, a brief news item about the couple's son Roy, and 3 small pieces of paper with handwritten notes. See the Hays family folders for further information.

Martin, Strother – he was an actor who appeared in numerous movies and television shows. File contains a pamphlet prepared by Agoura's Las Virgenes Library which is a brief biography of his life and describes the library's memorial book collection named in his honor.

Mathias, Darian – she was an actress born and raised in Thousand Oaks. She appeared in several television shows during the 1970's and 1980's, such as "The Kid with the 200 IQ." Mathias's file contains one feature news article on her from the *News Chronicle*.

Masci, Felix & Barbara – Felix Masci was a Thousand Oaks attorney, and his wife Barbara was a member of the Thousand Oaks Inner Wheel Club. The Masci file includes the following: a news article about Felix's decision to resign from his appointed post as planning commissioner and a copy of the Inner Wheel Club's newsletter from July 1984.

Massey, Scott – In 1963, Massey bought the old Howard Ranch situated in the Wildwood area of Thousand Oaks. By this time the ranch consisted of 10 acres, including a house and a brick cistern for storing water. The Massey file contains: one page of typed notes from a 1978 interview with Massey; one page of typed notes about the cistern; and one page of handwritten notes. Please refer to the Hill family and Howard family files for further information.

Matthiessen Family – Fredrick William Matthiessen Sr. was a resident of La Salle, Illinois. He purchased over 8,400 acres of property lying partly in Ventura County and partly in Los Angeles County. This property was later inherited and occupied by his son Fredrick William Matthiessen Jr. around 1920. Matthiessen Jr.'s estate included much of the Lake Sherwood area south of Thousand Oaks. The estate site has been referred to as the old Potrero Ranch, the Matthiessen Ranch, Kentucky Park, the Las Turas Lake Club, and most recently the Sherwood Country Club.

File #1 – This file contains mostly biographical information about Fredrick W. Matthiessen Sr. The following materials can be found inside: a letter from Patricia Allen to the La Salle Public Library in which she requests some information; a response letter to Ms. Allen from the La Salle Public Library; 2 biographical sketches of Matthiessen Sr., 5 photocopied pages from a history of La Salle which mentions Matthiessen's community contributions; 2 photocopied pages from a book about La Salle which talks about Matthiessen State Park; and some handwritten notes on lined paper and note cards.

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File #2 – This file contains information pertaining to F.W. Matthiessen Jr., his property, and the Lake Sherwood area. It includes the following: one article from the *Los Angeles Times* mentioning Matthiessen Jr.'s purchase of a replica stagecoach for his estate; a few brief news items about activities on the estate and a type written transcription of these news items; a lengthy court document regarding Matthiessen Jr.'s claims on his inheritance; an insurance policy form from 1973 which mentions Matthiessen Jr.; one pamphlet and one booklet describing the Las Turas Lake Club; 2 maps of the Las Turas Lake Club; a brief memo to the Thousand Oaks Library about one of the maps; and one short news item about an incident in the Lake Sherwood area.

Maulhardt family – the presence of the Maulhardts in Ventura County dates back to 1886 when farmer Heinrich Maulhardt bought 125 acres of land on the Oxnard plain. Heinrich's descendents continued farming the same plot of land long after his death. The Maulhardt file contains one article commemorating the 100th anniversary of this family's historic farm.

Maxwell, Robert – businessman, attorney, and member of Ventura County's Republican Central Committee. In 1985 he ran for Harbor Commissioner. Maxwell's file contains one piece of advertising for his 1985 campaign in the form of a postcard.

Maxwell, Thomas – professor of anthropology and sociology at California Lutheran University from 1965 to 1986. Dr. Maxwell was also curator of archeology and ethnology at the Stagecoach Inn Museum. Furthermore, he studied genealogy of the Chumash Indians, a native group that once lived in the Conejo Valley. Dr. Maxwell's file consists of 2 *News Chronicle* articles that highlight his career.

May, Cliff – an architect who designed homes located throughout the world, but perhaps he was best known for his home in Southern California. May was considered the "grand master" of the Indigenous California Style, a ranch house style that rose in popularity after World War II. He designed several homes in the Conejo Valley, including one for Mrs. Edwin Janss. His file includes the following: a photocopy of an entry on Cliff May's ranch-house style form, a book about Los Angeles architecture and landscapes; a 1-page typed transcription of notes obtained in a 1987 interview with Cliff May; and one note card containing handwritten notes.

Mayo, Virginia – an actress who made her first movie in 1944. She began her career with an aunt who taught drama. Eventually she married one of her leading men, Jack O'Shea. File contains a 'Star Free Press' article dated February 24, 1985.

Meade Family – Jockey Dennis Meade won big in the Kentucky Derby and then developed a local business, "Jockey Meade's" later known as the Meadowbrook Inn (see also under the Local History Vertical File, Business section). Wally Meade was a local sign painter. The file contains newspaper articles on various members of the family.

Meehan, Francis (Dr.) – Dr. Meehan has an impressive literary background of literary effort. He has taught at St. Mary's College, UC Berkeley, and UCLA. He and wife at

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Lake Sherwood for many years enjoying nature and the outdoors. Their home was known as Casa della Madonna. It became a tradition over the years that Francis would deliver an Easter message at the lake. The congregation sat in their own boats to see the sunrise, and the music was provided by the blackbirds and bullfrogs. His file contains newspaper articles by Ethel Nixon and research done by Pat Allen.

Meek, Earl – In 1979, Earl was named Don Triunfo by the Conejo Valley Historical Society. His volunteer efforts have touched every corner of Conejo life – education, energy, medicine, business, historical preservation, planning, and public broadcast. His file contains a News Chronicle article dated 10/7/79 which describes his contributions in more detail.

Mendelssohn, Marvin – In 1979, Marvin Mendelssohn ran for the Conejo Valley School Board. There was a discrepancy between his application which stated that he had graduated from Cooper Union Institute in New York with a Master's Degree of Business Administration. Since that school has never offered such a degree, Mendelssohn had to make a public apology. He was later questioned about his work history which conflicted with the information found in a News Chronicle investigation. In his file are 8 newspaper clippings in June, 1979 about his campaign troubles.

Middleton Family – Miss Sarah Lea Middleton, a native of Fresno, was the wife of William Ratsler of Ventura County and she was the mother of Anthony Cooper Middleton and Thomas William Middleton. These two Middleton siblings of the mid-1800's are described in excerpts from text of Ventura County history. Anthony Cooper Middleton was born in King City, CA in 1863 to Thomas and Sarah Middleton. He spent his life in farming, ranching, and livestock. He used modern methods to manage his properties and was well thought of by the business and farming communities. He and his wife were proud parents of 10 children. The older boys worked on the land and assisted in the operation of the ranch. Thomas William Middleton had notable success as a farmer, stock raiser, and businessman – largely in Ventura. He and his brother Anthony worked together to manage the Russell farm until 1900.

Miller, Robert (DVM) - practiced veterinary medicine for 28 years in the Conejo area. He treated almost every type of animal during his career. He wrote the book in our collection, "Most of My Patients Are Animals," in which he describes his first 10 years practicing vet medicine on a variety of exotic, barnyard, and household animals in the Conejo Valley. James Herriot, author of "All Things Bright and Beautiful," wrote the introduction to Miller's book.

Mills, Howard W. – 1832-1919. Mills was one of three men who bought land in the Rancho El Conejo in 1871. from the heirs of Jose de la Guerra. Mills sold that land just a few years later after a severe drought in 1880-82. There are three files, Mills Family, Mills Family (2) and Mills Family (3). Contents include articles on Mills and his family by Patricia A. Allen and the Stagecoach Inn, copies of transcripts of the Mills correspondence, photocopies of original correspondence, family tree information, copies

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of news articles, copy of death certificate, copies of photographs, copies of information in books. It also includes original Pat Allen handwritten notes and correspondence.

Monroe, Marilyn – handwritten note by Beth Needham about an oral account of Marilyn living with the Dougherty family on TO Blvd. and working at a café across the street from Jungleland – Lion Farm Snack Bar. Dougherty and Monroe were married from 1942-1946. Newspaper articles about MM and fan histories of where she lived. Note, none of the articles include information on her stay in Thousand Oaks.

Montgomery, John – 2nd District Ventura County Supervisor. Text of 20 year of Cityhood tribute. 1983 reprint of Bob Holt column on Montgomery.

Morrison, Bob – Co-owner of Thousand Oaks Liquor, and longtime resident of Thousand Oaks 1937-2014. News articles, obituary, article about youthful car accident 1949, Pat Allen notes (few).

Morrison, Norman – Oakdale Market and post office. mostly Pat Allen handwritten notes (unclear).

Mothersbaugh, Alice – Announces plans for the Conejo Valley Historical Society's 1980 Triunfo Ball.

Muller, Rudolf (Rudy) & Anna – elephant trainers who worked together from the 1920s, emigrated to the US from Germany in 1922, and started working at the World Jungle Compound / Jungleland in 1946. Includes obituaries for both of the Mullers, and a list of photographs donated by the Muller family to the Library.

Murdock, David – articles on David Murdock, Hidden Valley resident, owner of Ventura Farms, and famed real estate magnate.

Murry, Thomas M. – a hostage on TWA Flight 847 in 1985. The file includes news clippings from during and after his captivity.

Murk, Gertrude (Gertie) – small article on Murk receiving a life membership to the Conejo Valley Garden Club in 1971. Handwritten notes (Pat Allen) about her life, including that her father helped build the pedestal for the statue of liberty. Ran a lunchroom at the Stagecoach Inn (1920-22?)

Musgraves, Wanda – article about the owner of Conejo Steno and Printing in Thousand Oaks being named Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year, 1974.

Musick, Marge – article from 1987 on her work with the Youth Employment Service of the Conejo Valley.

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Nadeau, Remi – photocopied chapter from *The Mountains to the Sea*. His daughter Mary married James H. Bell, who ran the Stagecoach Inn (Bella Union Hotel) in 1897.

Naumann, Gottfried, H., Rev. – local Lutheran pastor, Archivist for the Southern California district of the Lutheran Church, and genealogy researcher. Various items related to his family history and some genealogy books he discovered.

Needham, Beth – Beth was active in local affairs, especially the Stagecoach Inn, the library, Conejo Valley Days, etc. She was named Woman of the, among other awards for her service in the community. Spouse of Doc Needham. There are two files with clippings, letters, awards, and a little booklet on hand crafting. File two contains research projects Beth did for city historian, Pat Allen, including handwritten notes, typed articles, and a Doc Needham / Brown Realtors calendar.

Needham, Dawson Henry (D.H.) “Doc” – Real Estate agent, local Chamber of Commerce member, President of the YMCA, and realtor with Janss Corp. Doc Needham was also very active in the Conejo Valley Historical Society and the Conejo Valley Days committees. Spouse of Beth Needham. He had a high profile with local activities and was named Man of the Year. Born in Montana in 1922, he came to Thousand Oaks as the division manager of Corning Glass in 1960, he passed away in Texas in 2005. The file contains clippings, letters, awards, and certificates.

Nesen, Robert D. – news clippings, letter and map with information about Nesen’s residence near Lake Sherwood, and flyer from the Oldsmobile dealership in Thousand Oaks. Nesen was a manager of the dealership and also headed the Ventura County Nixon for President drive. He held government appointments under both Nixon (Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Financial management) and Reagan (Ambassador to Australia).

Newbury, Egbert Starr – Local pioneer, and first Conejo area post master. Egbert Starr Newbury bought land in Thousand Oaks in 1872 applied for a post office in 1875, and stayed in the area until drought forced him out in 1877. Folder 1 has news clippings and a typed history by Pat Allen about Newbury Sr. and the post office. Folder 2 has research materials, including: Correspondence, news articles by Newbury for the “Signal” and the family history/genealogy. Folder 3 has the Newbury family tree and handwritten genealogy information. Although Newbury Park is named for Egbert S. Newbury, Newbury himself lived in Thousand Oaks, near the later site of Jungland.

Newton, John & Oattie – Original owner of Newton Oaks 1928, aka Redwood Lodge / Conejo Lodge. File contains handwritten notes and typewritten summary. More information in Redwood Lodge file. Edward C. Newton built the lodge in 1928 for his son, to get him away from bad influences in Los Angeles. John was a 32nd degree mason. Newton Oaks closed about 1934-35, and John K Newton died in 1936 at a Los Angeles VA Hospital of pulmonary tuberculosis. The property was not sold until 1944 when the Winklers bought it.

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Nixon, Ethel – Early area librarian, store owner, journalist for local newspapers. Three files: articles about her, research, and articles written by her. Ethel Forbes b. 1885 Iowa, married George R. Nixon 1917. Moved to TO in about 1944, librarian 1946-62 and in 1948 started writing for the Oxnard Press Courier. (See also her scrapbook in Local History Storage, and photos in LHP file) Files include census grids, notes from Pat Allen, obituary, copies of her column “Roamin Round Conejo”etc. Notes Ethel made an appearance on the Tonite show with Johnny Carson when she was 99, in November 1984. Ethel died at 100 in 1986.

Nixon, Thomas Forbes – Owner operator of Nixon’s Store on TO Blvd., 1961-62
Honorary Mayor of Thousand Oaks, amateur actor in Conejo Players. Son of Ethel and George, b1922 d2013. 1940 census sheet, newspaper articles.

Nodacker Family – Henry Nodacker came to TO in 1937 (1940 deed to property) owned several businesses, including the Rock House Cafe, previously had a apartment house in LA. (includes some notes about John Newton/Newton Oaks) Handwritten notes include that the Newton property was used for bootlegging. More information in the Rock House file under Restaurants in the Local History Vertical Files.

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O’Brien, Robert – two news clippings about O’Brien who was director of building and safety in TO from about 1970. Prior to his work with the City, O’Brien was a professional singer and actor.

Olivas Family – one 1985 article on the family descended from the builders of the Olivas Adobe in Ventura.

Olsen Family – one of the original Norwegian Colony families that settled near the campus of present day CLU in 1892. Nils and Ellen Olsen moved from Norway to the US, in 1886 and 1885 respectively. Initially they lived in Santa Barbara; a group of 5 families bought adjacent parcels in the Conejo and started moving there in 1890. File includes a history written by Gerry Olsen and May Rydberg in 1997, a chart of the Norwegian families, news clippings about the family, a list of family members moved from the Olsen cemetery in 1957, and death certificates (copies) for Nils and Ellen.

Olson, Jon B. – Associate Director of Development at Cal Lutheran, 1970. News Clipping about the appointment of Olson to CLC.

Olson, Raymond – President of Cal Lutheran College from 1963-1971. News Clippings, including and extensive 1964 article about him in the Ventura Magazine, and an obituary from 2006.

O’Neill, James – Director of two Ventura County GAA airports. News clipping about him from News Chronicle, 1986.

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Ortega Family – pioneer family of Rancho Las Virgenes, 1801-1833. Typed history by Bob Edberg for the LV Historical Society.

Ota, Suzanne – Thousand Oaks City Clerk. News clipping from 1982 about the resignation of Suzanne Ota less than two years after becoming the second City Clerk of Thousand Oaks.

Otto, Jane – prominent TO resident, news clipping about her new position with the Lawrence Agency.

Outland, Charles – Ventura history author. News clippings about his book on the St. Francis Dam disaster, his work as Ventura County Historian, copy of letter from Pat Allen to Outland, obituary 1988. Pamphlet, Charles Outland Collection – bibliography of books in the Ventura County and City Library.

Oxford Family – Oxford family ran the Thousand Oaks Meat Locker. News clipping from 1960 and handwritten notes by Pat Allen.

Oxnard Family – pioneer family of Ventura County. News clippings on Benjamin, history of Oxnard city.

Oxx, Isobel – of Oxx & Associates. News clipping, 1985.

Ozab, Phil and Marcella – Ozab was a manager for SCE and local booster. News clipping from his election of Man of the year.

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Palmieri, Victor – Janss Corp president, Coordinating Council on Urban Policy under Governor Brown (1963), Coordinator for Refugee Affairs under President Carter, and local personality. News clippings about events and lifetime.

Parks, Marie deWinstanley – Thousand Oaks poet laureate. File includes news clippings, obituary, typed history by Pat Allen, original letters, and the text of many of her poems, along with her song “God of Conejo” which was variously the Conejo School song and the official song of Thousand Oaks.

Patterson, Kerry – Industrial Specialist for Janss Corp. 3 copies of press release on his promotion.

Pauley, Ed – president VCEA, vice president of Janss Corp, real estate executive, temple president Adat Elohim. File contains press clippings, brochures, and other materials related to his career.

Pealer, Florence M. – painter, also owned early restaurant, the “Green Tree Inn” on TO Blvd. She bought the property in 1926 from Janss. The property had a color covenant.

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Pealer's African-American partner, Charles Henderson built the restaurant and some small houses on the property, and worked as the cook for the Inn. When the business faltered in 1933-34 Janss foreclosed on the property. Henderson and Pealer lived together for over 30 years. In 1940 and 1950 census they owned a farm in common. File includes census information, copies of news articles, memorial booklet, deed for the property purchased from Janss, showing the color covenant.

Pederson Family – one of the Norwegian Colony Families, the Pedersons donated the land that would be developed into California Lutheran College, later California Lutheran University. Lars and Karn Pederson, and their children, Peder, Richard, Anna, and Lawrence. Files include a family file, one on Karn (the matriarch of the family) and a large envelope from Eloise Cohen. Obituaries of family members, news clippings, historic resource inventory form, script for a video history at CLU, letters, article in Norwegian translated to English.

Percy, Richard Gird – head of Ventura County Pioneer Museum. File includes, obituary, news clippings, and handwritten notes. Born in Saticoy in 1889, died 1983. He and his brother owned Percy Nursery, which provided pine and pepper trees for local roadways, including L.A. Avenue in Simi – Ventura about 1916. Copies of draft cards, military POW information for Richard G. jr. “Dick.”

Perkins Family– File on early Oxnard Electric Light and Water Co. manager and rancher, David T. Perkins and son Charles, who started managing the family ranch in the Las Posas area in 1912. Charles married Lucy Kelley (not of the Newbury Park Kelleys) in 1901. File includes copies of biographical information from early Ventura Co. History and Biography books.

Peterson, Frank – Oxnard Harbor District chief, LA Deputy Mayor, and Thousand Oaks resident. Includes obituary and memorial booklet.

Peterson, Karen – Woman of the Year, Thousand Oaks 1968. Article on her selection as woman of the year.

Petit, Justin – early Ventura Co. pioneer. File includes biography from Gidney book, and application for historic status of family home. Son married into the Camarillo family.

Philbrook Family – Pioneer Conejo family, Ignatius Philbrook ran inn at Triunfo Corners in 1880s. File includes handwritten notes, typed history by Pat Allen, copies of: Census 1880 CA, land cert. Illinois 1857, post master appointment 1883-1891.

Phillips, Frank (Capt.) – Francis Whaleben b. 1905 PA, d. 1963 CA. copies of census information, news clippings, copies of photographs, and oral history transcript from Phillips. He was the son of a circus performer, Madam Jewel (Bertha Borrow Whaleben, who was with the Hagenbeck Circus, and died in the 1918 circus train disaster. Frank joined the Main circus when he was just 15, and became the main trainer for Leo the Lion

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a few years later, touring with the Lion for MGM in 1928. Los Angeles Zoo trainer and movie animal trainer in the 1930s and 40s Jungleland trainer, as well as touring with circus acts in the 1950s and 60s.

Pickens, Slim – Louis Burt Lindley, Jr. 1919-1983, actor, rider, local Thousand Oaks and Westlake resident. File includes two obits at his death in 1983, and a 1982 article about his health. See also - LHP Collection has images of him riding in a local horse competition. Pat Allen note indicates she believed he was older than the article states given her mother and his were acquainted, and Pat knew Slim growing up.

Pohl, Dora – Woman of the Year, 1972. File contains one news clipping of her election as woman of the year by the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Pohling, Dick – salesman for Westgate estates – Erbes Ranch. File includes one sheet of notes handwritten by Pat Allen.

Polanco, Jose – Early pioneer of the Conejo, one of the first Spanish grantees of the Rancho El Conejo. File includes handwritten notes from Bancroft history. 1803 Grant to Polanco and Ignacio Rodriguez. The land was worked by Rodriguez, but Polanco concentrated on his interests in Los Angeles. In 1822 Polanco's half of the Rancho was awarded to Jose de la Guerra.

Politi, Leo – news clippings about Politi, a Los Angeles artist and childrens literature author who visited the Conejo Branch library several times and provided original artworks housed in the Book Arts Collection.

Powers, Cathy – worked for the Thousand Oaks Library at one time. File includes news clipping and typescript of letter to the editor

Powolny, Frank – photographer who lived in Newbury Park. File includes obit and news clipping about his work as a still photographer for 20th Century Fox. One of his most famous photos was a well-known poster pose of Betty Grable.

Price, Emma Lee – Conejo Valley Genealogical Society Librarian. File includes a single 1988 news clipping.

Prince, Frances – former Thousand Oaks City Councilmember and mayor. File includes obit, news clippings, handwritten notes, typed notes from the Conejo Future Foundation, typescripts for speeches.

Pruitt, Craig – email notes from Pruitt about the Pruett / Pruitt family in Thousand Oaks, including involvement with Jungleland. Census printouts for Dallas Pruitt (Craig's father). Pruitt sent a DVD (in the Local History Collection) with a copy of "Danger is my Business" a documentary short which includes Jungleland footage.

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Q

Quinn, Velma – first City Clerk for Thousand Oaks. File includes news clippings, obit, retirement announcement, typed speech.

R

Ramsey, Elmer – former director of Cal Lutheran’s Orchestra. File includes brochure from 1972, and several news clippings.

Reagan, Ronald – former US President, California Governor and celebrity. File includes small book from 1984, news clippings related to local appearances, letter from Reagan’s presidential assistant 1984 stating they couldn’t identify any films/TV episodes Reagan did which may have been in Thousand Oaks.

Randolph, Gordon – Local businessman and philanthropist, file includes two news clippings related to him.

Rattray, Vivian – Local resident, handwritten transcript of an Oral History interview, focused on Conejo School in 1947.

Reilly Family – Early Hidden Valley pioneer family 1870s-80s. File includes map of property, lists of sheriffs (includes William H. Reilly), handwritten notes, news clipping.

Reuwer, David P. – Candidate (unsuccessful) for City Council, 1982 file includes sample ballot only.

Reyes Family – pioneering family in the Triunfo / Agoura area. Includes four files on translation of 1840 document deeding Triunfo to Antonio Reyes, family data sheet, Juana Reyes 1818 m. to Maximo Alanis, news clippings, letter, Reyes Adobe in Agoura, pages copied from books, historic landmark forms for multiple properties, chain of title copy, copies of Spanish language documents, maps, and handwritten notes. The files include related family lines.

Rindge Family – Malibu settlers. File contains photocopy of part of memoirs written by Frederick Rindge, and a 1986 issue of “Pepperdine People” with an article about “The Adamson Legacy” Rhoda Rindge Adamson.

Ristuben, Peter – Cal Lutheran Dean interviewed as a part of the TO 20 celebration. File contains typewritten notes.

Roach, Ginny – News clipping from her election as Conejo Woman of the Year, 1971.

Robb, Ray – Founder of oldest continuously owned Thousand Oaks business – File contains only his obit.

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Robbins, Jack – Veterinarian for Conejo Ranch racetrack. File contains a single incomplete news clipping 1957.

Roberts, Clete – local resident and actor's obituary. Part of his collection was housed in the American Radio Archive now at UCSB.

Robertson, Debby – Librarian, single news clipping about her new job at Simi Library, she had previously worked at the Thousand Oaks Library.

Roche, Hugo & Eleanor – News clippings from Hugo Roche's being named Conejo man of the year, Eleanor volunteering at hospital.

Rodriguez Family – Ignacio / Ygnacio Rodriguez, one of the pioneer owners of the Rancho El Conejo in 1803. File includes copies of documents, handwritten family trees and research notes, news clippings, tracings of various property transfers.

Roemer, Father Donald P. – local St. Paschal Baylon priest who was convicted of sexual abuse of minors in the church and sentenced to probation. News clipping from two 1983 articles.

Rogers, Will – Stage personality, file includes handwritten notes, news clipping.

Rooney, Mickey – Actor and Westlake resident and musician wife Jan. File includes press clippings.

Roos, W.D. – Supervisor of local Pacific Telephone office, knew Janss Family, file has handwritten notes.

Roper, Russell T (Casey) – local fireman, retired 1967. File includes original and copy of newspaper article by Donna Fargo.

Rosiejka, Richard (Dick) – local businessman and City Council member. File includes TO20 data sheet. See also Conejo Through the Lens photos.

Roth, Harvey – Administrator for CRPD, and arts council member. File includes news clippings from his award as Conejo Man of the Year, and Don Triunfo award.

Roth, Louis – Lion tamer and animal trainer born in Hungary 1883. Copies of census sheets, declaration for naturalization, other documents, news clippings, charge of bigamy. At one time he was married to Mabel Stark and another woman, Mercedes. Roth worked at Goebel's Lion Farm off and on over the years.

Rothschild, Wilfred & Janet – Film maker in the silent era and rancher came to Conejo in 1941, Erbes Road property, part of which was donated to create the Old Meadows Center. News clippings, typed history, 1984 obituary, transcript of oral history.

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Rubens, Barney – Rancher, Running Springs Ranch 1954-1962. File includes typed history, two pages handwritten notes.

Rubenstein, Stephen – local businessman, Chamber of Commerce member. News clippings, text of speech.

Rouce, Tweedy – Edith “Tweedy” Camarillo Rouce, Conejo School teacher in the 1930s. Typescript of interview, handwritten notes.

Ruggerio, Angelo – Los Robles golf pro, file includes obit.

Ruiz, Jose Gabriel – early pioneer and descendants. Copy of biography in “History of Ventura County” handwritten and typewritten notes about Jose and descendants. Owned Rancho Calleguas 1800s, died in 1900. Sons Artie (Arturo) Ruiz, Tom (Tomas) Ruiz stayed in Ventura area. See also 7 copy photos in LHP file01469-1473.

Rundell, Eli – one-time proprietor of Stagecoach Inn? Stage driver, and developer of Santa Barbara, Goleta and Ventura. File includes biography from Guinn book.

Runnion, Guy (Woodrow) – local personality and newspaperman. File includes obituary, news clippings, copy of self-published book of poems, text of speech given in his memory.

Russell Family – early pioneering family, owned most of what is now known as the Westlake Village. Andrew D. Russell 1846-1926 purchased the newly subdivided land in 1881 with his brother H.M. (Hannibal)1848-1890. He and his wife Abigail raised their children Eleanor, Harvey, Joseph, Bessie, Hubbard and Merrill on the Ranch. Hannibal had tuberculosis and did not marry or have children. In 1925 the Russell Ranch was sold to William Randolph Hearst, but it continued to be ranched by the Russells. Joe Russell Sr, and Joe Russell, Jr. would manage the land through three changes of ownership – Russell to Hearst, Hearst to Albertson, Albertson to American-Hawaiian. Four folders with news clippings, copy of land deed, copies of sections of books, typed speeches, and handwritten notes from interviews.

Russell, Kurt – actor and local resident. File includes photocopies from TOHS Lancer Legend of 1968, showing Russell in Varsity Baseball team, brief biographies, clippings. Russell’s parents Bing and Louise moved to TO in the 1960s when Bing (1926-1973) was working on a Western series as a stuntman and character actor.

S

Schaeffer, Madge – Thousand Oaks City Council Member. File contains mostly news clippings from her career as councilmember.

Schaffner, Irving – local medical doctor, came in after Dr. Parks had his accident. Built first hospital in TO. Funded KGOE. File contains handwritten notes.

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Schillo, Frank & Marion – Frank and Marion were founding members of Manna House. Frank Schillo was a Thousand Oaks City Council Member, file contains 5 news clippings from 1984-1992. Marion Schillo was active in the League of Women Voters as well as Manna, news clippings from 1983 and 1986.

Schmitz Family – Copy of family entry from Gidney History of Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Ventura Counties, California.

Schoneman, Jerry – Press Release from Realtors RM News announcing that Schoneman is the owner of Landmark Realtors in Thousand Oaks, and is a Certified Marketing Management Broker. 1977.

Schur, Don – Thousand Oaks City Council Member, and Mayor. Clipping from the 1980 Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce Business News, re his “State of the City” address.

Scott, Irene – Thousand Oaks resident and Conejo School teacher since 1930. News clippings, letters to Pat Allen, interview notes from Pat Allen.

Scuria, Carlos – Rotary member, Honorary Mayor and Thousand Oaks City Council Member. Extensive clipping file dated from 1960 to 1994, bulk between 1960-1967.

Seaver, William S. – Teacher, Superintendent of Schools, and Don Triunfo of 1982. News clippings from various points in his career 1982-1993.

Senate, Richard – author of ghost hunter books about the Ventura County area. One news clipping about his career, 1986.

Serra, Junipero – news clippings, mostly from 1985-87 surrounding the movement towards sainthood for mission founder Padre Serra. Two additional clippings from 1964 commemorative medal release.

Sexton Family – genealogy, family history for early Ventura family. The Sexton nursery in Ventura raised pampas grass, later they were in citrus farming. Gidney entry on Joseph and Henry Sexton, unidentified article on Harle M. Walker who married Elizabeth Sexton. Birth announcement for Walker great-great grandson, Michael James McKernan in 1974. Includes extensive family tree.

Shaffer, Donald – One news clipping from his 1964 run for Thousand Oaks City Council.

Shane, Irwin – Westlake Village City Council Member. News clippings covering his career, 1976-1981.

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Sheridan, Solomon – Ventura historian, reporter and proponent of the Rincon and Maricopa highways. News clippings and sections from books related to his career and involvement in highway development.

Shield, Harold J. – news clipping from his involvement as a witness in a grand jury trial about a real estate transaction in Newbury Park, 1961.

Shoup, Robert – news clipping about head football coach at CLC (now CLU) 1962-1978.

Silva Family – Early Ventura pioneer family headed by Antone A. Silva from San Jorge (St. George) Portugal (Azores Is.). File includes elementary school family history, biography from Gidney, transcript of oral history of Rose Souza, copies of various legal documents.

Simone, Joseph R. – Chamber of Commerce president who was under investigation for embezzling funds while Hemet C of C president. File includes news clippings and resignation 1982.

Simonson, Leslie – Conejo Valley Teacher of the Year. File includes application form, work on history of Chumash pamphlet, notes from Pat Allen.

Sisson, Charlotte – Ventu Park resident 1920s, one page of handwritten notes by Pat Allen. Printouts of 1920, 1930, 1950 census.

Skei, Rorie – local drought-tolerant plant gardener, two clippings of news articles about drought tolerant gardening.

Slavin, H.E. & Helen – Obituaries for local residents Sporty and Helen Slavin who portrayed Santa and Mrs. Claus for many years in Thousand Oaks. Helen's parents Robert and Hazel Winkler at one time owned the Redwood Lodge.

Smith, Ethel May – obituaries for Ethel Smith, local resident, and early librarian, she and her husband owned an early gas station on the Conejo Grade. See also photographs in the Local History Photograph Collection.

Smith, Jake – Camarillo area rancher and farmer, portion of article from 1949 newspaper clipping found in the "Silva Scrapbook" (not held in this collection).

Smith, Jerome (Smitty) – candidate for City Council, news clipping from 1964.

Smith, Lawrence – local resident and retired CVUSD board of trustees member. News clipping from 1975 Man of the Year award.

Smith, Marvin – first director of the Thousand Oaks Library. File includes copies of photo contact sheets, 1983 news clipping.

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Snodgress, Gloria – TO Library Foundation chair, Ventura County Civil Services commission member, and owner of Copymat stores. File includes news clipping, and copy of oak tree dedication ceremony invitation.

Sosna, Marvin – long-time editor of the News Chronicle, file includes news clippings of some of his columns, typed speech for opening of library.

Sparks, Warren – Chamber of Commerce member, file includes single sheet form with his reply to a request for a historic memories log for the City's 20th anniversary.

Speirs, Jack & Hazel – early Lake Sherwood residents ran a lunch counter at the lake for a time. He also was a script writer for radio and Disney. News clippings include 1940s article, and some from the 1980s.

Stairs, Olin F. "Olie" – City Council candidate 1964. File includes one news clipping.

Staley, Richard – Thousand Oaks City Attorney 1982-83. File includes news clippings about his bid to become City Attorney in 1982, and his accident and critical brain injury in 1983 and recovery progress. Does not include article about his replacement by Mark Sellers in 1985.

Stallworth, Earl G. – Notes from Pat Allen's interview of Stallworth in 1974. Owned property around Thousand Oaks, bought the Wilbur property in 1944 when the Wilburs sold out. Describes the Wilbur vineyards, changes in ownership of the properties from the Willbur ranch to the 101. Mentions the airstrip at Moorpark and TO Blvd was built in 1946.

Stannard, Frederick – Fred Stannard published the Chronicle before it was merged with the Conejo News. Man of the year, 1966. News clipping from the event.

Stark, Mabel – Tiger trainer, see also the Jungleland Trainers file. File includes: Notes from Pat Allen and JB, copies from book chapters related to Stark, News clippings from 1916 to 1968 (her death).

Stein, Carol – woman of the year, 1980, news clippings from the event.

Stephens, Thomas "Bert" – Ventura County law enforcement officer, first to take the county civil service exam in 1944. Obituary and retirement news clippings.

Stiles, Wilbur – pioneer rancher and proprietor of Ventura Soda Works. Two copies of the article on him in "Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura Counties" by Gidney.

Still, Henry "Hank" – author, T.O. Planning Commission member, Rotary President, member Chamber of Commerce. File includes two sheets of notes by Pat Allen, "List of Books" and a list of community involvement, copy of news article, "Henry Still to leave

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planners, along with a single sheet of carbon paper, used (appears to be unrelated letter from Pat Allen to Treasurer General 1981 re an insurance claim.)

Stillwell, Kurt – local baseball player, news clippings about his career in the major leagues, 1984-1993.

Stollmack, Irving (Benjamin Irving) – Postmaster at Triunfo station 1925-1936. Ran the post office and small grocery at Triunfo Corners. In 1936 he was convicted of receiving stolen goods as a part of a Los Angeles area theft ring. He later moved to the Miami area of Florida in the 1940s. File includes news clippings of the arrest case, his daughter's visit to TO in 1981, copies of census pages and postmaster assignment, hand written notes by Pat Allen.

Storke, Charles A. – 1966 candidate for Congress 13th district seat in Santa Barbara and Ventura County, won Democratic nomination, lost race to Teague, the incumbent. News clippings from the 1966 race.

Strathearn Family – single article on the Simi Valley pioneer family history, 1988. (article incomplete), short family tree for Robert and Mary (Lamb) Strathearn, 1888.

Strong, John – Circus man, file contains one brief news clipping, 1993. Strong was one of many circus folk who wintered in Thousand Oaks. He was one of the last to maintain that tradition, staying here in the 1960s.

Suffern, Norman – transcript (typed) of oral history interview, 1993. Lake Sherwood resident from 1934.

Sullivan, Kathleen - Library employee since 1982, news clipping of interview with her in 1991.

Switzar, Simon – local architect who had internationally famous designs. Switzar Lane is named for him. File contains single news clipping from 1964 article about his work.

T

Talley, Frank – lived in Hidden Valley, member John Birch Society, owner of Talley Corp. File includes news clippings about the hazardous waste contamination of the Newbury Park location of Talley Corp, flyer from the sale of the Talley Ranch.

Talley, Robert “Bob” G. – local pharmacist (owner Talley's Pharmacy) and bishop of the Conejo Valley Church of Latter Day Saints. File contains two news clippings one from his successful bid to be a City Council member, and his 1967 resignation after a fall in which he broke both arms.

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Tapking, John – County planning director, City Council member. File includes news clippings related to his work on the planning commission, form for recognition in 1964, copy of handwritten letter regarding the Majestic Oaks roster, 1984.

Teague, Charles – Ventura pioneer, and Santa Paula farmer. File contains copy of article in “California History” March 1986.

Teague, Milton – son of Charles, citrus farmer in Santa Paula. File contains copy of his obituary, 1986.

Tellez, Hector – local architect known for designing eateries: Lupes, Orlando’s, Casita Valdez, Sizzler. File includes single news clipping from his 60th birthday, 1986.

Tenney, Willard – local man retired to Thousand Oaks in 1957, active in Golden Age Club and United Methodist Church. File contains single article about dealing with losing his sight.

Thomas, Frank – local man famous for running against established political candidates for high profile seats. File contains two news clippings from 1985 and 87 campaigns.

Thompson, Dixey W. – Ventura pioneer farmer b. 1839, d. 1903, purchased farm from Filipe Lorensana in 1865. File includes copy of page from Gidney, handwritten note from Pat Allen, copy of 1865 tax assessment on property, copy of 1900 census.

Thompson, George N. – Pastor and his wife from Thousand Oaks. File contains single news clipping about legal run-in in Inglewood, 1966.

Thompson, Thomas “Tommy” – writer, screenwriter. File includes three news clippings about the career of Tommy Thompson, screenwriter for Bonanza, author of several novels, and photographer’s assistant.

Thorsen, Roy – President of the Thousand Oaks Library Foundation, file includes several copies of a typed biography of the new president in 1988. Not mentioned are his history as a child performer (tap dance), and that he is married to actress Margaret O’Brien.

Thornton, Charles B. “Tex” and Flora – Chief executive of Litton and weekend rancher and his wife at home on their horse ranch in Hidden Valley. File contains single article on the couple from 1974.

Townes, Fred – local businessman and millionaire. File contains two news clipping about the local benefactor, and his 90th birthday.

Truesdell, John and June – married authors, with books optioned for movies. News clipping about them by Ethel Nixon, 1948.

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Tuttle, Harold and Gladys – owners of Tuttle Ranch, designed by John Beyer in Hidden Valley. House was sold to John Brown and then Dean Martin, among others. Handwritten notes by Pat Allen, news clippings.

V

Vallee, Rudy – Radio star, this library was once home to his personal archives, they have now moved to the University of California at Santa Barbara. This file contains news clippings from Vallee’s appearances at Moorpark, arrival of the collection at the Thousand Oaks Library,

Van Brunt, George – early resident, knew the Janss family. File contains only sketchy notes from a phone conversation with Pat Allen.

Vanegas Family – early family in area near Ojai. File contains one news clipping from 1987, interview with descendant Ramon “Monte” Vanegas. Jose Vanegas was mayor of Los Angeles in 1781.

Vejar Family – early family in Agoura area, in Los Angeles area 1804. File contains typed notes of Nancy Tyson from her research 1975, Tyson letter to Pat Allen 1976, handwritten notes by Pat Allen, letter from Roy Vejar 1971, copy of a drawing of Vejar Station (stage stop), “Chain of Title” photocopy of document for Reyes Adobe park.

Verna, Paul – Local resident and LAPD officer killed during an attempted traffic stop. File includes obituary and several news clippings.

Vickers, Gladys – early resident of Ventura. File contains handwritten notes of Pat Allen, only a few of which touch on the Vickers family. Oral history account of various early residents of Hidden Valley area.

Volk, Tom – Ventura County Property Administration Agency director. File includes two news clippings from when he resigned his post in 1985, and a card to Pat Allen announcing his retirement party.

Vollmer, Dixie – Local resident and past president of the Conejo Valley Historical Society. File includes several news clippings, including of the year she was awarded Dona Triunfo, and her memories of growing up in the area.

Vorrath, Jacqueline – Lake Sherwood resident. File includes handwritten notes from Pat Allen about oral history.

W

Waite, Henry W. “Tex” – Resident of Hidden Valley and Ventu Park, trained horses for Janss Family, and others. File includes census pages, obituary. See also LHP photos of him digitized on Flickr.

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Walsh, Raoul – Simi Valley resident, silent movie actor, and later movie director. File includes obit from News Chronicle, 1/2/1981.

Ward, Orland “Tex” – General Manager of the Conejo Parks and Recreation District from 1968-2006. News clippings from 1983, 1986, and 2006.

Ward, Verne Miller & Anna W. – Operated resort at Seminole Hot Springs from about 1919 to 1959 in the Agoura area. File includes obituary for Verne and handwritten notes from interview with Pat Allen. Daughter Ora Weiss was owner (with her husband) of Oakdale Market after Morrison sold out, about 1940s.

Wadleigh Family – Pioneer farming family who lived at the Janss Ranch from the 1880s. Orville and Gertrude Wadleigh had Dacy Gertrude Wadleigh Fazio on the Conejo Ranch in 1891. Much of the content focuses on Dacy. File contains obituary of Fazio, handwritten notes about the family and pages from on the family from Gidney.

Warner, David – property administrator for Janss Corp. File contains single news clipping about his appointment.

Weber, Ben – Local artist, file contains two news clippings about his Bohemian art studio, 1968 and undated.

Whiteside Family – Pioneer family of Hidden Valley. The data fills 6 files, including a correspondence file. Files include family data sheets and census page copies, tracing the genealogy of the family. Reference sheet to family photo at LHP00992. Olney and Ellen Whiteside were the first of the family to purchase property in Hidden Valley, in 1874. The Alexander Whiteside property was sold to the French family about 1924. The Whitesides were the earliest LDS members in the Hidden Valley area.

Whizin, Arthur – founder of the Whizin plaza in Agoura also owned 300 acres adjacent to Paramount Ranch. Art Whizin came to Agoura from Los Angeles in 1949, also claimed to have named Ladyface Mountain. File includes several news clippings.

Widmark, Richard – actor and Hidden Valley resident. File includes page of handwritten notes, and copy of News Chronicle Parade issue from 2/22/1987.

Wigley, Mary Lou – Deputy Director of the Thousand Oaks Library, file contains news clippings from her departure in 1992 to join the South Pasadena Library.

Wilbur, Jesse B. & Catherine Mills Craig – came to Thousand Oaks in 1923, and built the Wilbur adobe, Wilbur Road is named after them. File includes prints from the U.S. Census, news articles, original handwritten letter from Catherine Craig Wilbur, and typed and handwritten notes from Pat Allen. See also photographs LHP00634-637, and LHP00643, and on Flickr.

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Wilcox, Walter – worked on local sewer building and was involved in Toastmasters. File includes typed response to request for a historic story about Thousand Oaks for the 20th anniversary of the City.

Williams, Lee – Councilmember, in founding City Council. File includes typed response to request for a historic story about Thousand Oaks for the 20th anniversary of the City.

Williams, Paul – Famous African American architect who designed the Camelia Hill Ranch House in Hidden Valley. File includes news clipping about a tour, after his death in 1980, of some of the famous homes he designed, a copy of the historic resources form for Camelia Hill Ranch house, obituary.

Wilson, Wayne – machinist for Frank Talley who later became a real estate agent. File includes transcribed notes from an oral history taken in 1981.

Winkler, Robert & Hazel – owners and operators of the Redwood Lodge from 1942-1947. File contains the obituaries of Hazel in 1973 and Robert in 1983

Worthley, Freeman & Ginger Osgood – artists in Thousand Oaks. File includes newsclippings about the artists and a page of handwritten notes from Pat Allen.

Wright, Lou – Local Simi resident, and member of the Ventura Heritage Board. The file includes single sheet of handwritten notes from interview with Pat Allen, 1971, 2 census printouts 1900 and 1920.

Y

Yost, Eddie “King Karlo” – Jungleland trainer of big cats. File includes single news clipping about his training a mountain lion.

Z

Zeanah, Elois – Thousand Oaks City Councilmember. File contains single news clipping from the time of her election to City Council.

Zukowski, Jaime – Thousand Oaks City Council candidate 1992. News clipping from her run for City Council.

Zuniga, Martha – owner of Lupe’s Restaurant on Thousand Oaks Blvd. File includes news clippings and obituary from her death in 1997. Zuniga Ridge is named for her.

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