

President's Message

Our June meeting represents my final official act as Council President. It has been a rewarding year. My only regret is that I've not come to know more of our members during my term.

I happily leave you in the very capable hands of Lynn Gardner who will be taking the reins next year. Lynn and the rest of the board will continue to deliver to our members the interesting and thought provoking programs for which our council is known.

As has become our tradition, our June program will be a light departure from the usual education-laden programs we usually present. I encourage you to partake in what should be both a fun and interesting program. For the comic book collectors among you, it's time to locate that first edition Superman or Spiderman comic and discover that your modest investment and foresight have now made you financially independent.

I would be remiss if I concluded this column without thanking the current board for their efforts and contributions this year. I also have to thank Bonni Hendricks for her contributions to our council. We truly could not do it without her (and this column – and newsletter would probably never be completed on time without her frequent reminders to me that my deadline has passed). Have a great summer. I hope to see you on the 18th.

- Kevin Gahagan

You're invited on a FIELD TRIP!

Please join us for a special field trip to Bonhams & Butterfields for a behind-the-scenes look at the auction business -- plus roundtrip transportation and dinner. Stephen Turner and his Bonhams' associates, including leading appraisers regularly seen on the "Antiques Roadshow," will host an engaging and informative evening. Scheduled from 5:30 - 9 pm on Wednesday, June 18, the event features a guided tour of the facility, displays of highlights in various specialty areas (such as Art & Antiques, Jewelry, Natural History, Toys, Wine and more), guest speakers in various appraisal areas, and a review of the appraisal and liquidation process that occurs when a client passes away and estate assets are put up for auction. You will leave with an understanding of how Bonhams, one of the world's

largest and most prestigious auction houses, can help you address your clients' needs. If you wish, you are also welcome to bring an antique or collectible to discuss with the experts during the evening's "Antiques Roadshow"-style presentation.

The event is open to associates and family members, but there's a limit of only 55 attendees. Please make your reservations early so you don't miss out.

The bus will depart promptly at 5:30 pm from the Acalanes High School parking lot. Take the Pleasant Hill North exit from Hwy. 24, go one block to 1st stoplight. Acalanes High School is on the corner on the right.

If you plan to attend and prefer to use your own transportation, PLEASE let us know so we can plan accordingly.

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Wednesday, June 18, 2008

**Bonhams and Butterfields
220 San Bruno Avenue
San Francisco
415.503.3222**

**Bus departs at 5:30 PM from
Acalanes High School
Lafayette**

Cost: \$40.00 dinner

Reservations and cancellations must be received by Monday, June 16th at 1:30 p.m. to be assured of a reservation. Please send your check in the enclosed envelope today! or call Bonni at:

925.686.4819

**Next Meeting
September 17, 2008**

**On Behalf of the Board of Directors
Have a Great Summer!**