



# REDLANDS CHRONICLES

February 2014

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## The History of the Arrowhead Springs Hotel

Monday, February 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.  
Assembly Room at A.K. Smiley Public Library  
125 W. Vine Street

Mark Landis is a freelance columnist for the Inland Newsgroup and has written local history articles for more than ten years. Mr. Landis has written a book on the 150-year history of sanitariums, hotels, resort facilities and spring water at Arrowhead Springs in the foothills of the San Bernardino mountains.

Named for the huge natural arrowhead landmark on the nearby mountainside, Arrowhead Springs is a preserved oasis of hot and cold flowing mineral springs. The 1939 luxury hotel and many other facilities remain on the property today as reminders of the resort's long and colorful history. Landis will chronicle its history from the development of the first crude sanitarium built by D.N. Smith in 1864. The hotel was a favorite haven for Hollywood's greatest stars, as well as politicians and several tycoons of industry.

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## Old House Group Meeting

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.  
240 Grandview Drive



Grandview Drive was not constructed until the late 1920's, a loop street next to Bow B, off Summit Ave. The new style for this desirable area was Spanish Revival or Mediterranean. A successful paving contractor, Herbert Lienau, had a stucco and tile roof house built there for himself by Gordon Donald. In September, 1928, the Daily Facts recorded that Mr. Lienau's house would cost approximately \$9,500 and would be 2-story with 8 rooms. Some of the many early owners might not recognize the house as it is today.

Many changes were made to further enhance this residence- the enclosure of a porch, addition of a swimming pool, kitchen remodel, etc. But the most commanding change was made in 1991 by local architect Leon Armantrout, as he added a circular tower for long-time owners Paul and Jean Fisher. In 1995, the Brubachers bought this lovely home and have been enjoying it since then. Elaine is most kind to invite our group to see her home, and enjoy the superb view. In the spirit of previous owners, she is looking to the future, and may even ask for your suggestions for new projects!

# A Letter from your President...

On January 27<sup>th</sup> the Society held its monthly General Membership meeting at the A.K. Smiley Public Library featuring a panel of speakers who reflected on their lives in Redlands during the 1950's. The program was titled *"Growing up in Redlands in the 1950's"* and the panel shared with our members interesting stories of the citrus industry, school life, their favorite teachers, what they did for fun and the places that they missed the most. We thank our January panel of speakers for taking us back to the 50's and for packing the house.

It is time again to renew your annual Society dues. Your dues for 2014 are **\$30.00 for an individual/family**. Dues to the Society provide each member with informative monthly programs, opportunities to tour Redlands historic homes through the Old House Group and a newsletter that is informative and also serves as a reminder of the many opportunities you have each month to participate in the Society. In addition, we have levels of sponsorships that also include your annual membership dues: **\$50.00 Donor, \$100.00 Patron, and \$250.00 Corporate Underwriter**. In 2014 a **Corporate Underwriter Sponsorship** includes your name or your business name to be listed prominently in each newsletter for the entire year. We thank each of our members for their continued support of the Society and for helping us achieve our mission of educating the community on the many historic resources in the Redlands area.

In the month of February we will feature three separate events for our members. The first event will be the Historic Summit Avenue walking tour, a first time tour of the Society. The Summit Avenue tour will be held on Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. On February 24<sup>th</sup> the Society will hold its monthly General Membership meeting at A.K. Smiley Public Library and will be a presentation on **"the History of the Arrowhead Hotel"** featuring local author Mark Landis. On February 26<sup>th</sup> **The Old House Group** will meet and tour of a beautiful Spanish home owned by Elaine Brubacher. Please look inside the February newsletter for additional information on each of these upcoming events.

I look forward to seeing you at one of the many events that we have planned for our members in the future.

*Bill Blankenship*

The Historical Society would like to welcome the following new members:

Carol Carranza, Jerusha Faragher & Eric Holman, Angela Keller, Thomas McClung, Eileen Vander Linde, Karen Watkins, and Perry Wiggins & Michael Barnes



## It's Time for Dues

Individual/Family	\$30.00
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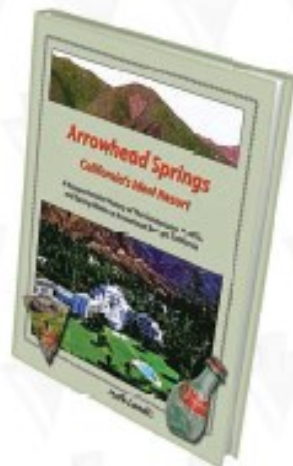
Arrowhead Mountain, near San Bernardino.



# Arrowhead Springs California's Ideal Resort

Mark Landis, Author/Presenter

**T**his program chronicles the fascinating 150-year saga of the sanitariums, hotels, resort facilities, and spring water at Arrowhead Springs, in the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains. Named for the huge natural arrowhead landmark emblazoned on a mountainside, Arrowhead Springs is a beautifully preserved oasis of hot and cold flowing mineral springs. The 1939 luxury hotel and many other facilities remain on the property today, standing as amazing reminders of the resort's long and colorful history.



Upcoming book to be  
released Christmas 2013



This unique documentary features numerous rare photos and memorabilia that weave together the history and legends of Arrowhead Springs, and its famous spring water. The audience is visually transported from the development of the first crude sanitarium built by D.N. Smith in 1864, to the magnificent hotel at the site today. The hotels were a favorite haven for Hollywood's greatest stars, as well as politicians, and tycoons of industry.



The Infirmary, circa 1864



The first hotel, circa 1884



The third hotel, 1926



The fourth and current hotel, 1939 - present

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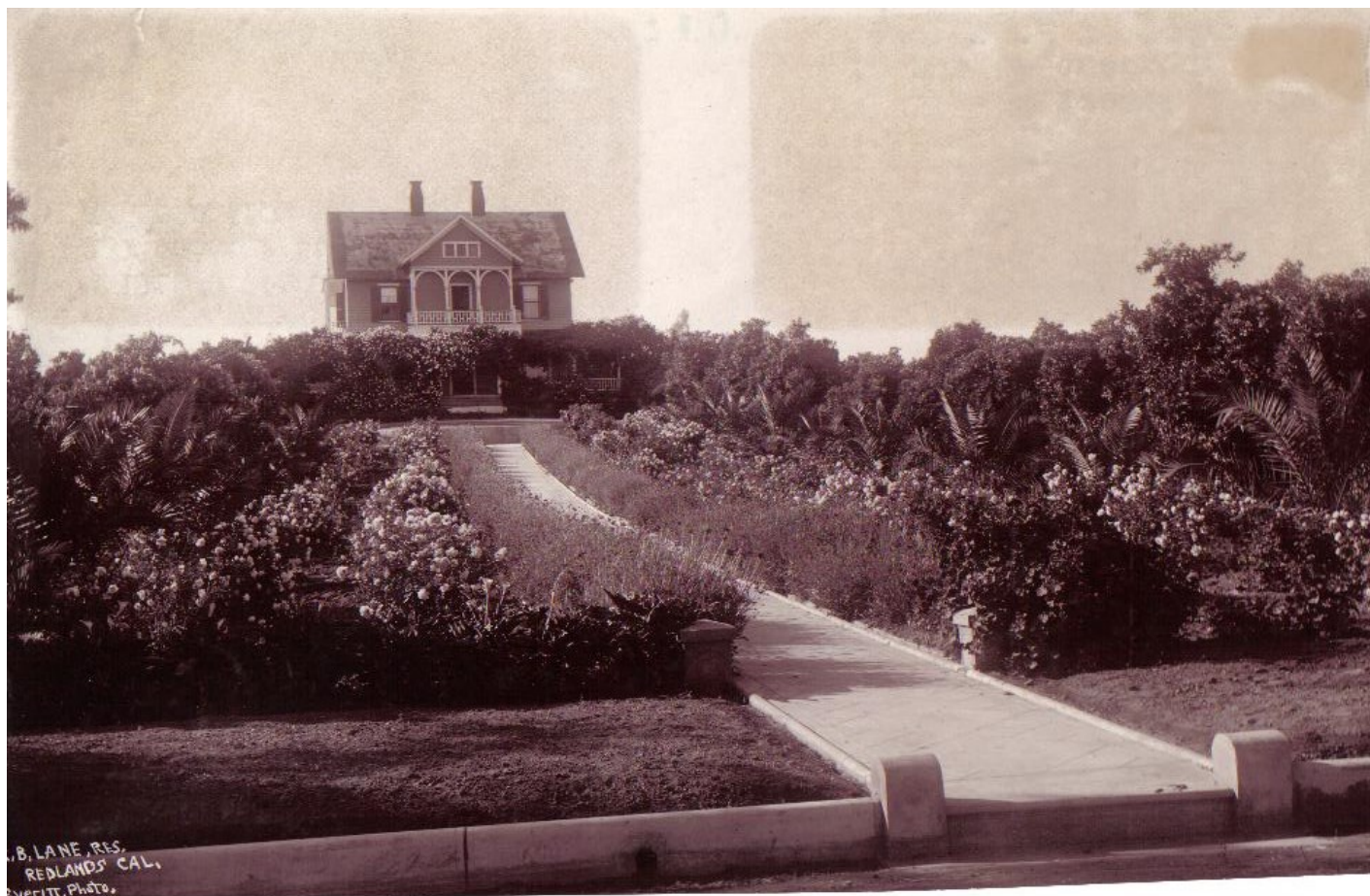
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### UPCOMING EVENTS

February 15	Summit Avenue Walking Tour 10:00 a.m., "Summit Point" 451 Summit
February 24	History of the Arrowhead Springs Hotel 7:00 p.m., AKSPL Assembly Room
February 26	Old House Group 6:30 p.m., 240 Grandview Drive



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Rollin B. Lane home showing walk from W. Crescent Avenue