Arnold Hano: History Not Always Made by a Committee
presented by Arnold Hano

Arnold Hano has led environmental insight and action in Laguna Beach for more than fifty years. The August 1971 election adopting a city-wide building height limit may be his major accomplishment, but he has been active in many political and environmental battles. Arnold Hano’s efforts have made a difference and he will discuss topics ranging from the difficulty blacks had getting haircuts in Laguna Beach, saving the large pine tree on North Coast Highway between Chiquita Street and Cliff Drive in North Laguna, saving the Chateau building (moved to 1166 Glenneyre Street) and the Casa de Mandigo building (moved to 1750 South Coast Highway), to the participation of women in local government.

As his wife Bonnie puts it, “Arnold’s contribution is that he’s very inventive, develops ideas and galvanizes people behind a cause. And he does that with humor and heart.”

Arnold and Bonnie, their daughter and a puppy arrived in Laguna Beach on September 1, 1955 and moved into a house on Goff Street. Arnold was a free-lance writer and Bonnie a psychological counselor. The Hanos have lived in Laguna Beach since that time except for a two-year period of service in the Peace Corps beginning in 1991.

In addition to writing many columns for local newspapers, Arnold Hano has an array of writing credits related to the sports world, including biographies of Willie Mays, Sandy Koufax, Roberto Clemente, and “A Day in the Bleachers,” which has been continuously in print in paperback since 1982.
Chateau & Casa De Mandigo when on Broadway now Wells Fargo Bank parking lot

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Ye Arch Beach Tavern at 2180 Catalina Street near Moss Street c1910

Pavilion built 1900 in what is now parking lot of Hotel Laguna converted to Art Gallery 1918

Main Beach Pier at Heisler Point Pass Bird Rock Built 1926 Damaged 1939

Main Beach September 1896
President’s Message by Kimberly Stuart

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Tuesday, November 8th from 7:30 to 9:30 P.M.

Please attend the Laguna Beach Historical Society program presented by Arnold Hano. The program is of course free, and will be held at the Laguna Beach City Hall Council Chambers, 505 Forest Avenue. The program will be videotaped and is to be televised on the local Cox Cable channel 30.

Thanks to Gene Felder and Eric Jensen for the September 13th program FDR July 14, 1938 Laguna Movie Clip & New Photos Acquired by the Historical Society. We got to see a video clip of President Franklin D. Roosevelt being driven through Laguna Beach to cheering crowds on July 14, 1938. The Historical Society received the short movie clip (2 minutes long) that was filmed that day by Cecil S. Suddaby donated by his son Bill Suddaby who lives in Sugarloaf Key, Florida. Also displayed were recent images acquired by the Laguna Beach Historical Society thanks to Carolyn Smith Burris, Kip Brown, Duane Allee, Bonnie Runjavac, Charlotte Masarik, R. Miller, and Tom Pulley.

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