

THE LAGUNA BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

LAGUNA BEACH LIFE | PAST PRESENT FUTURE

NEWS AND UPDATES FOR THIS MONTH:

- NEW WINTER HISTORICAL PROGRAM AT THE SUSI Q
- WE WELCOME YOU ON HOSPITALITY NIGHT

The History of The Laguna Beach Free/Community Clinic

Presented by Dr. Korey Jorgensen

**Tuesday, December 6th
Susie Q Community Center
7:00-8:30 pm**

The Laguna Beach Free Clinic first opened its doors at 422 Glenneyre Street in 1970. In the beginning the idea met resistance but a group of dedicated and caring individuals persisted until their vision became a reality. Over 50 years later their vision continues to meet the medical needs of patients in its own building on 3rd Street.

Please join us as Dr. Korey Jorgensen's speaks about the work and history of the Laguna Beach Free/Community Clinic. His career with The Laguna Beach Community Clinic (LBCC) started in 1972 when he was serving in the Navy Medical Corp. Korey was stationed at the El Toro Marine Base, now the site of the Great Park in Irvine. The clinic had the support of many young doctors from the base.

Dr. Korey served the clinic with Dr. Bill Anderson, and it was Bill who recruited him to volunteer with LBCC. The relaxed feel in the clinic was partly because it was free, and partly because it was such an exciting mix of patients.

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The office of The Free Clinic on Ocean Avenue:
Courtesy Douglas Miller, Photographer

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A Message from our President

KAREN LAGREW, PRESIDENT

The Laguna Beach Historical Society programs held at The Susi Q Community Center support our mission statement of disseminating knowledge about the history of Laguna Beach to those within our community and beyond. Jane Petty Janz is our program coordinator.

In our next program you will learn how a group of caring, dedicated individuals worked together to provide free, much needed medical services to individuals starting in the early 1970s.

I find it hard to believe that once upon a time medical costs were so much less that you could simply drop in to a local clinic and receive free help, no questions asked, no fee required.

Curious as to how that was possible?

I invite you to join us in listening to Dr. Korey Jorgensen, Laguna Beach Free Clinic's first Medical Director tell the story of the little clinic that is still going strong today and recently celebrated 50 years.

Today we have so many ways folks can give back to our community, in fact we recently participated in the first LoveLaguna Beach citywide volunteer event.

It takes volunteers to keep an organization going, and thriving. We always welcome new volunteers.

We are in need of regular and substitute docents who give three hours a month on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday afternoon to open the house and welcome our visitors from 1-4:00 pm at The Murphy Smith Bungalow.

Karen Lagrew

The Healthcare Agency paid the expenses for reproductive health services, such as cancer screening, infection screening and treatment, birth control pills, and condoms.

Its patients were typically young people who lived in town or near town. Had these folks not been able to come to LBCC, many would have gone without care, or delayed getting it. The site of Anastasia Café was the second location in a funky little house with a living room/waiting room and fireplace. A dental chair was staffed by a licensed dentist, and the medical services by licensed physicians and nurse, often from the Marine Base. Because of severe space constraints, privacy in the examination room was more of an aspiration than a reality so it was discrete to keep your eyes averted.

The move of LBCC to its current Third Street location was a huge factor in its financial viability, initially. The purchase of the building strained the clinic's financial reserves, and the build-out was more expensive than expected.

The clinic's relationship with UC Irvine was crucial in stabilizing its finances, but the extraordinary funding for our HIV Treatment program became another stabilizing influence. The Ryan White Grant was created by our Federal government to address the unfolding disaster of AIDS in our nation, and it helped pay for my HIV treatment program at LBCC. People with AIDS in the early 70's knew they would die of it, for sure. Now that there is safe and effective medication, people on treatment can expect to live a normal lifetime.

The history of The LB Free Clinic/Community Clinic as a community based solution will be presented on Tuesday, Dec. 6th. at The Susi Q, adjacent to its current location.

Docent and Board Member

Meet-Up



We are so grateful and appreciative of our **volunteer docents**. They keep history alive by opening our doors and greeting visitors. In October, we celebrated the work of all of our volunteers at the bungalow as we connected with lunch and fun conversation.

Bungalow Happenings

Friday, December 2nd: Laguna Beach Hospitality Night

We will be participating in Hospitality Night again this year and the bungalow will be open at 6:30 pm. We will be serving small bites and drinks. Please stop by and say hello and sit by the fire for a bit. Or just stroll by and listen to our fabulous musician on the porch, courtesy of Johanna Ellis.

May 2023:

May is Laguna Beach's annual heritage month sponsored by the city of Laguna Beach and the Heritage Committee featuring historic downtown walking tours and seminars. This coincides with the **100-Year Celebration of The Murphy Smith Bungalow**. Stay tuned for more information over the following months!

Ed Interviews "our Ed"

Former President, Ed Storke has a voice made for radio. On October 8th he was interviewed by local morning host Ed Steinfeld of the show "Mornings with Ed" as part of a focus on local non-profits through the Chamber of Commerce of which we are members.

Details:

Visit KXFM 104.7
<https://www.kxfmradio.org/>

To listen to "our Ed" Storke's recorded show click on the tab PROGRAMS and then Mornings with Ed.



ED STORKE - LB HISTORICAL SOCIETY - CHAMBER CHAT...

Ed Storke joins us for a conversation....

Mornings with Ed, Podcast

October 7, 2022

0:00



Jane as a toddler playing in the sand at Bluebird Beach

Board Member SPOTLIGHT

Jane Petty Janz

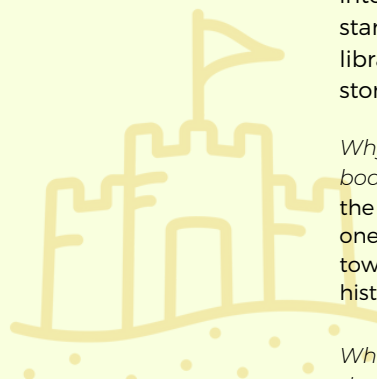
Jane is a third generation Lagunian. Jane's grandfather Nick Isch arrived in 1895 and his daughter, Kitten Isch is Jane's mother. Jane is a Laguna Beach High School alumni class of 1952. She is the author of [Naming Laguna Beach](#).

Why did you choose to serve on the board?
I went to the first meeting when it was formed and I joined. I always had an interest in Laguna history and had just started reading the old newspapers at the library. I grew up on hearing early Laguna stories.

Why do you think your position on the board is a good match for you? I serve on the board because I think Laguna Beach is one of the most wonderful and unique towns that I've ever lived in. The unique history of Laguna needs to be preserved.

What is your favorite part of working with the LB Historical Society?

Being around people who share the same interests.



ARCHIVAL NEWS

Kristine Pollard McManus recently dropped by to donate items from her grandmother's collection and to converse with archivist Laurie Sanders and member Jane Janz. The McManus family, a well-known name in the early days of Laguna Beach were artists, athletes and educators.



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