

What All Happened At the 2019 Rendezvous

The Los Angeles Corral of the Westerners held its 2019 Rendezvous at the Royal Oaks Retirement Community in Bradbury on October 19th, where Sheriff Jim Macklin and his wife Amy moved earlier this year. First, if you weren't invited, you would not have been there. Here is the invitation:



Complimentary valet parking at a Westerners event?! Isn't this a little upscale for even the Los Angeles Corral? But this is Hollywood, right?



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Therese Melbar—everybody's favorite Registrar of Marks & Brands—greeted folks as they arrived.



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Those attending appreciated vintage cars parked on Memory Lane. Ken Mallory, the owner of this 1930 Model A, a resident of Royal Oaks and a veteran of the Battle of the Bulge and other battles in Europe during World War II, swapped stories with member Steve Baker, official historian of the neighboring City of Monrovia.



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History Professor John Dillon, the Publications Editor for the Los Angeles Corral, inspected a truck even older than his father's old pick-up.

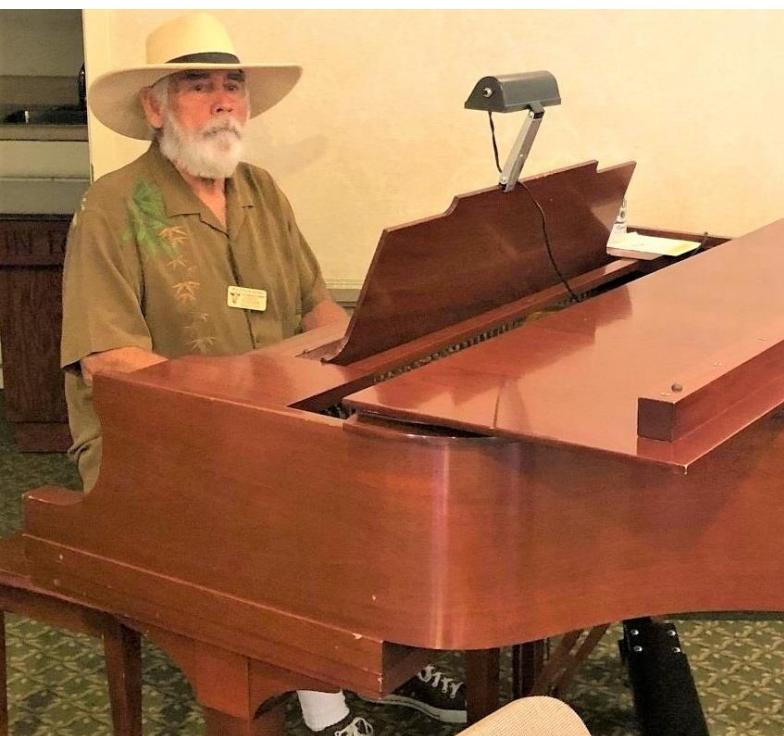


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Multi-talented Gary Turner, trained as a classical pianist, improvised at length on the piano, as members and guests arrived. Notice the classical shoes he was wearing!



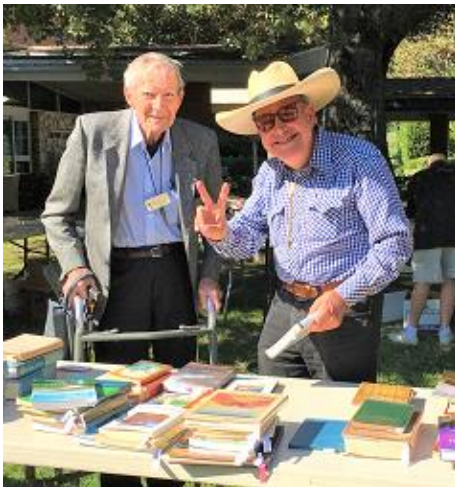
Then Gary joined his wife Vicki as the Liquidity Wranglers behind the bar fulfilled the thirsts of member Ed Riegler, Sheriff Jim Macklin and Charlotte Fries.

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And, of course, the book and art sale at Brian Dillon's Oak Tree Marketplace was another major feature of the Rendezvous!

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Dick Doyle and Jim Olds browsed and bought.

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Guest Miriam Carter & member Paul Clark discussed how to stack books.



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Patti & Bill White & Barb Little held a spontaneous Book Club meeting.



Alberto Raygoza from Royal Oaks gave Pete & Charlotte Fries a guided tour of the Royal Oaks facilities and Amy & Jim Macklin's new apartment home there.

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Amy at her ease at Royal Oaks.



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Alisa Narkmanee from Royal Oaks squeezed in some book browsing between conducting tours for Westerners and guests.



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Dave Gillies & Bill Warren discussed technology while Barb Little & Ann Rittenhouse discussed manicures.



John Selmer & Pete Fries ruminated.

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Self-serve gourmet BBQ beef brisket and chicken by Royal Oaks Chef Rose Ludwig. And, oh, the desserts!! Chocolate cake with rich chocolate frosting and Princess cake with Marzipan frosting and cream filling! And, then, leftovers to take home with the help of the Royal Oaks servers.



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Chef Rose Ludwig, formerly faculty member at the *Cordon Bleu*.

With servers Cindy, Eduardo & Mandy, what you want is what you get!



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First, we ate.



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Then, we talked.



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Then, we smiled for the camera.



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Then, we smiled some more!



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The Trail Bosses and Sheriff Jim Macklin designated Past Sheriff Bill Warren as an Honorary Member of the Los Angeles Corral and as the Honored Guest of the 2019 Rendezvous!



Sheriff Jim Macklin presented the Westerners International “Coke” Wood Award for Best Article to Brian Dillon. This was Brian’s eighth “Coke” Wood Award but the first time he won first place.

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WI Representative Brian Dillon presented the Westerners International Danielson Award for Best Presentation to Paul McClure.

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Brian Dillon also presented the Westerners International Second Place Cowboy Poetry Award for Best Presentation to Gary Turner. (Abe Hoffman won first place but was not present to receive his award.)

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The Banjo Buddies provided a variety of old-time tunes and the permission to sing along. The Westerners responded heartily!



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Banjo Buddie Nancy added the down-home touch on a couple of songs with her washboard and midget harmonica!



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And all were headed for home by the time the sun set! “Ridin’ down the Canyon to watch the sun go down . . .”



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