



The WESTERNERS

Los Angeles Corral Roundup

Wednesday, August 14, 2024,

Almanson Court - 700 South Almanson St, Alhambra, CA 91801
Social Hour at 5:00 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM

“A Brief Culinary History of the Los Angeles’ Farmers Market”

Brett Arena, Archivist for A. F. Gilmore Company



Brett Arena is the archivist for the A.F. Gilmore Company, owner of the Original Farmers Market. As such, he manages an eclectic collection of artifacts, photographs and documents that reflect the varied activities of a particularly dynamic and historic enterprise. A Los Angeles native, Mr. Arena grew up with an appreciation of local history and became a high school history teacher after receiving degrees in Journalism and History from Cal State University Northridge. After receiving his Masters in History from the same institution, he embarked on a career in archives management, working for seven years at St. Vincent Medical Center, L.A.’s first hospital, before coming to the A.F. Gilmore Company in 2006. There, he collects, preserves, organizes and displays the historical records of one of Los Angeles’s most enduring and significant companies, as well as managing its business records. In this capacity, he has become familiar with the development of the company, which in its unique way reflects the history of key Southern California industries such as agriculture, oil, entertainment and, of course, retail.

Future Corral Events

Our next Roundup will be on September 11, so we are trying to tie our program to an appropriate topic. If you have any questions or ideas, please call Jim Olds, Deputy Sheriff, at 310-489-0462. The annual Rendezvous will be in October and is being planned by Sheriff Mark and the Trail Bosses.

Hear a Good Talk Lately? Suggestions for future programs are always welcome.

Contact Jim Olds at (310) 489-0462 (cell) or jolds2@icloud.com with your ideas and program topics.

Dinner Fees, Reservations & Meal Choices

The Roundup Dinner Fee is \$45. Almansor Court has ample, convenient and free parking.

For August: The **dinner choices** for the Roundup are **Sliced Top Sirloin Steak, Salmon, or Pasta Primavera**. Salad and dessert (brownies with ice cream) are included.

Please choose your entrée and make out your check for \$45 to “Westerners, Los Angeles Corral,” or submit your payment online as EARLY AS YOU CAN but no later than one week before the Roundup date. Almansor Court needs the meal count no later than one week before the Roundup. Just visit our website (www.lawwesterners.org) and go to the *Members Only* tab.

Click on the *Roundup Store* option and follow the instructions. The password is oldjoe. Walk-ins can be served, but entrée choices will be limited to what is on hand. The “late price” is now \$50.00.

If you are paying by check, mail it to Michele Clark, Registrar of Marks and Brands at 226 ½ Beacon Ave South Pasadena, CA 91030-1702. Late reservations or questions may be addressed to Michele via Email at mclark216@earthlink.net or by telephone (626) 822-1522.

Brand Book No. 26, by Frank Brito

Brand Book 26 has been published, and will be available for sale at the Round Up. *Cost is only \$25.00, cash or check.*

Travel Assistance to Our Fellow Members

Please keep in mind that some of our members can no longer drive or are uncomfortable driving on the freeways at night. If such members live in your area, please get in touch to see if they would come with you to the Roundups. Call Michele Clark, our Sunshine Wrangler, at (626) 822-1522 if you need a ride.