

HISTORY CENTER

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

Annual Report 2022

The History Center of San Luis Obispo County was founded in 1953 to be the historical society for SLO County. It collects, preserves and exhibits historic artifacts, records, images, and documents and provides access to its collections in both traditional and digital forms, for research, study and educational purposes.

We believe that an understanding of the past provides the community with an identity and the power to control its future. We commit our purpose to providing the tools and the forum to preserve this history.

From summer camps to elementary classes, from tourists to locals, we are proud to serve the community of San Luis Obispo County, preserving and promoting the history of this very special place. There's nowhere quite like the central coast, and we want to make sure that generations to come know the stories of those who came before them.

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Collections



Our collection is in the best shape in our history. Years of fruitful partnership with Cal Poly and other volunteers has seen tens of thousands of objects receive keyword-searchable descriptions. Our migration to PastPerfectWeb will soon enable the public to access our entire catalogue online.

This year we said a grateful goodbye to Kaylee Scoggins Herring (seen at bottom left in one of our warehouses), our Collections Manager who left to pursue other opportunities. We look forward to welcoming Brittany Webb into this role soon.

Dallidet Adobe & Gardens



Built by Pierre Hypolite Dallidet in the 1850s, the Dallidet Adobe was home to Pierre, his wife Asencion Concepcion Salazar, and their nine children for more than 100 years.

The Dallidet Heirloom Vegetable Garden was installed in 2018, and produces the menu for many of our events. We use the patios – nestled under the trees – to host celebrations of all kinds, from our Spring Fling to Mumtober (seen at left). We transported our guests to Paris without the need for an airplane – our Parisian Luncheon fêted Pierre's French heritage while serving to highlight local artists.

As in all areas of our organization, volunteers really make the difference at the Dallidet. Our 2022 Volunteers of the Year Dave Hannings and Debbie Collins more than deserved the award with their service to our organization. In addition to our fantastic Dallidet Committee team, we also get help from Experience Management students from Cal Poly who help us pull off our special events.



The natural beauty of the Dallidet Gardens is second to none in San Luis Obispo County, and we are proud to have the duty and privilege of preserving it – and sharing the story of the Dallidet family.

From April through October, we offer public access to the gardens on Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4:00 pm – unless we have a private rental. These rentals provide a significant source of revenue to support all of our activities.

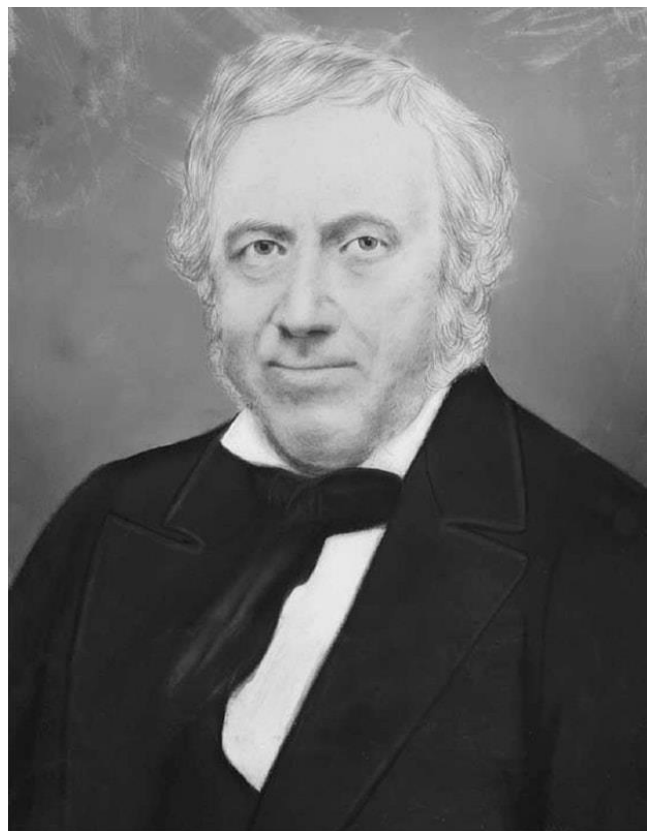
Beyond its value to our local history, and its importance to our organization, the Dallidet is also the space where we are able to try things out and get things done. We participate in the SLO County Farm Trail, which works to educate folks – especially youth – about our county's agricultural past. We produced a 2022 calendar to highlight the flowers, fruits, vegetables, and other plants that make the gardens such a special spot



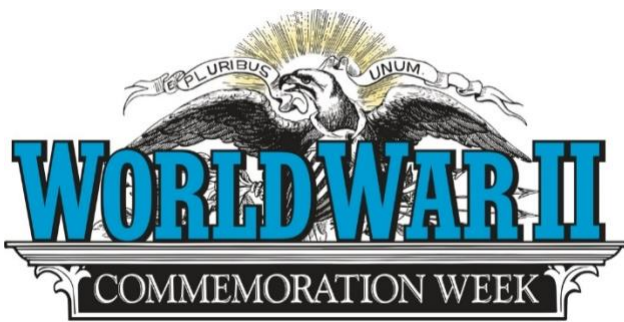
Exhibits and Education



The museum reopened post-Covid in July of 2021, and shortly afterwards saw the opening of our exhibit *L'dor V'dor: Generations of the Jewish Community on the Central Coast*. Seen at left, filmmaker Sky Bergman permitted us to use the portion of her film *Lives Well Lived* that told the story of Marion Wolff. Paul Wolff, right, also features in the exhibit.



We wouldn't let Covid stop our Carnegie Lecture series! September 2021 saw a fantastic team from the Friends of the Adobes in San Miguel talking about the historic Rios-Caledonia, jewel of the north county. December 2021 was the turn of Joe Dana to reflect on the life of his ancestor William Goodwin Dana (seen at right). March 2022 had Major Dan Sebby highlighting the role of Camp San Luis Obispo in World War II. We welcome Jim Gregory in June to discuss the aviators of the Central Coast



April 2022 brought World War II Commemoration Week to the Central Coast, with nine events over eight days looking at the impact of the global conflict on our area – and the influence of San Luis Obispo County on the overall global conflict. We are grateful to all the contributors and attendees that made this event a success.

Finances

Our balance sheet, seen below, ended 2021 with a total of over \$1 million in assets. While we know that markets will fluctuate and crises will occur, we are proud of the fact that the History Center has a strong, stable financial footing and will be able to weather the storms that come – as we have weathered the storm of Covid.

	<u>Dec 31, 21</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · Cash Accounts	
1001 · Petty Cash - Museum	370.00
1003 · Cash on Hand - Museum	80.00
Total 1000 · Cash Accounts	450.00
1100 · Bank Accounts	
1101 · Mechanics Bank Checking	3,499.01
1102 · Mechanics Bank Money Mkt	132,598.73
Total 1100 · Bank Accounts	136,097.74
Total Checking/Savings	136,547.74
Other Current Assets	
1300 · Investments	
1301 · Mutual Fund - Collection #2585	190,638.21
1302 · Mutual Funds - Museum #2616	336,189.88
1303 · Mutual Fund -General Fund #2612	69,585.95
1306 · Endowment - Dallidet # 0619	30,484.50
Total 1300 · Investments	626,898.54
Total Other Current Assets	626,898.54
Total Current Assets	763,446.28
Fixed Assets	
1800 · Fixed Assets	
1802 · Computer Equipment	4,278.55
1803 · Equipment	12,857.74
1806 · Dallidet	274,376.00
Total 1800 · Fixed Assets	291,512.29
1850 · Accumulated Depreciation	-10,788.00
Total Fixed Assets	280,724.29
TOTAL ASSETS	1,044,170.57
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 · Accounts Payable	368.02
Total Accounts Payable	368.02
Other Current Liabilities	
2600 · Rental Deposits	5,000.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	5,000.00
Total Current Liabilities	5,368.02
Long Term Liabilities	
2700 · SBA Economic Injury Loan	25,000.00
Total Long Term Liabilities	25,000.00
Total Liabilities	30,368.02
Equity	
3000 · Unrestricted Fund Balance	808,135.93
3100 · Restricted Funds	
3106 · County Subvention	17,957.03
3115 · Dallidet Adobe Endowment	10,587.50
Total 3100 · Restricted Funds	28,544.53
Net Income	177,122.09
Total Equity	1,013,802.55
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,044,170.57