



Pinole **Historical** Society

E-News

May 2 Annual Meeting

Digging Up History: Artifacts from the Outhouses of Pinole

Veteran artifact collector Sonny Jackson will show us an assortment of his local collectibles and postcards, providing insights on how and where to find these objects.

The public is invited to this FREE event on Friday, May 2, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in conference rooms 2A and 2B of the Kaiser Permanente Medical Office Building, 1301 Pinole Valley Road. Refreshments will be served.

Sonny's exploits have yielded many interesting items, some of which will be on display at the meeting. He's been a generous supporter of the society, sharing with us his voluminous postcard collection, one of which, a scene of the Four Corners taken around 1900, is displayed above.



This will also be our annual meeting, at which PHS members vote for members of the board of directors.



WE'RE BACK AT THE PINOLE FARMERS' MARKET

The Pinole Historical Society is back at the Pinole Farmers' Market.

Our sixth season begins Saturday, April 5. We'll be selling our books, postcards, greeting cards, magnets, and American flags every other Saturday through the end of the year.

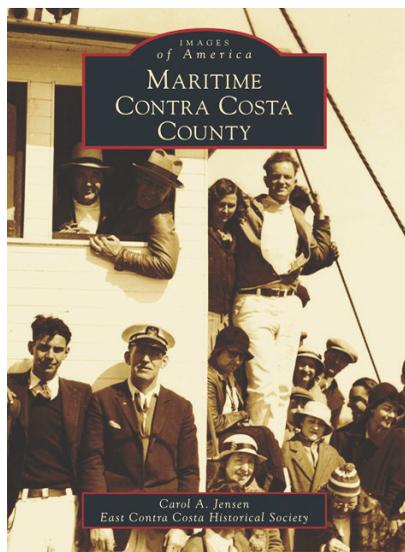
Please stop by and say hello — and take home a free newsletter.

The Pinole Historical Society promotes awareness and appreciation of history through preservation and education, and chronicles the city's heritage for current and future generations.



WELLS FARGO PINOLE MURAL VIDEO ON OUR WEBSITE

Click this link: www.pinolehistoricalsociety.org/PinoleMural.mov



PHS adds new Arcadia book to list of offerings

The PHS has the latest Arcadia “Images of America” title in this region, *Maritime Contra Costa County*, for sale.

Written by Contra Costa Historic Landmark Advisory Committee vice president Carol A. Jensen, the book presents the county’s vibrant maritime history through images drawn from the Library of Congress, California State Library, San Francisco Historical Photograph Collection, Contra Costa County archives, and

important local historical society collections.

You may order it from the PHS using the form on the last page of this newsletter, or see us at the Pinole Farmers’ Market on May 3, 17, and 31.

About the author: Carol A. Jensen is a member of the California Historical Society, Contra Costa County Historical Society, East Contra Costa Historical Society, and John Marsh Historic Trust.

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www.PinoleHistoricalSociety.org info@PinoleHistoricalSociety.org

(510) 724-9507



SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PHS BY BECOMING A MEMBER IN 2014

For only \$30, you can help the PHS accomplish its mission of bringing the history of Pinole to our residents through exhibits at the Pinole Library, Pinole history programs in schools, Pinole Community TV programs, Walking tours of downtown Pinole, the Veterans' Day event in Fernandez Park — and you'll have the satisfaction of helping promote and preserve Pinole's history for future generations.

**JOIN THE PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY (OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP)
AND HELP PROMOTE AND PRESERVE THE HISTORY OF OUR CITY.**

Please mail the membership application today!

Pinole **Historical** Society

2014 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(PINOLE RESIDENCY NOT REQUIRED FOR MEMBERSHIP)

**PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, AND SEND CASH OR YOUR CHECK,
TO PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, P.O. BOX 285, PINOLE, CA 94564**

MEMBERSHIPS ARE FOR THE 2014 CALENDAR YEAR (EXCEPT LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS)

NAME (each member): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL (please!): _____

CIRCLE ONE: Annual-new (\$30) Annual-renewal (\$30) Business (\$50) Life (\$150)

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: [] Cash \$ _____ [] Check # _____ \$ _____

DATE PAID: _____

PHS VIDEOS ON CITY OF PINOLE WEBSITE

Miss one of our history programs on Pinole Community TV? Don't despair. The city's website has a dedicated section devoted to PINOLE HISTORY on its "Videos Online" page.

You can view the numerous PHS programs right on your computer. Go to the city's

website www.ci.pinole.ca.us/about/videos.html and scroll down to PINOLE HISTORY.

You'll find our interviews, Veterans Day programs, George Vincent's two walking tours of historic downtown Pinole, and the very fine PCTV-produced, 12-part series based on the Historic Walking Tour brochure. It's great TV!

PHS SEEKING FAMILY FILMS FOR HISTORICAL ARCHIVE

Got film? The Pinole Historical Society is embarking on a major project to archive the city's history. We want to establish a permanent, digitized collection of Pinole's history.

Do you have film of past Holy Ghost parades, Pinole Valley High School Homecoming parades, Memorial Day or July 4 parades?

How about important athletic events, such as a high-school football, basketball, baseball, softball, or volleyball games?

Perhaps you have film of an important event that took place in Fernandez Park, or a ribbon cutting or an event that has a place in Pinole's history — such as the 1958 flood?

We're looking for any video or film you have — VHS, Beta, camcorder, DV tape, 8mm, Super 8mm,



16mm, 35mm, motion picture.

Nearly everyone has taken home movies. That makes everyone who has taken film a historian.

We want to collect, digitize, catalog, and preserve old movies on DVD (and whatever formats are to come) to exhibit, educate, and entertain.

The PHS will share these videos on a film archive that we will establish, similar to the The Pioneers Film Archive on YouTube created by the California Pioneers of Santa Clara

(www.youtube.com/sccpioneers).

Film connects with the past in a unique way. It's immersive, educational, and entertaining. It's a way to get young people interested in history.

Got film? Please contact us at info@pinolehistoricalsociety.org. We'll return your film; we just want to borrow and digitize it.

PHS BOARD MEETS MAY 14 AT SENIOR CENTER

In addition to our quarterly general membership meetings, the Pinole Historical Society Board of Directors meets monthly on the second Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Pinole Senior Center.

Our members, and the public, are invited to attend these board meetings and speak on any item that is discussed.

Our next meeting is May 14.

2014 quarterly meetings at Kaiser continue on Friday evenings

The 2014 quarterly membership meetings of the Pinole Historical Society will be held Friday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in conference rooms

2A and 2B of the Kaiser Permanente Medical Office Building, 1301 Pinole Valley Road.

As always, we will have an interesting program for you at each meeting.

The remaining 2014 meeting schedule is: May 2 • September 5 • November 7

Upcoming events

FRIENDS OF THE PINOLE LIBRARY

Presents

It's Not Your Ordinary Book Sale!

Saturday, May 3, 2014

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This huge used-book sale opens at 9 a.m. for Friends members and 10 a.m. for the public. The sale ends at 5 p.m. Membership applications are available at the door. Friends members receive a 10% discount throughout the day.

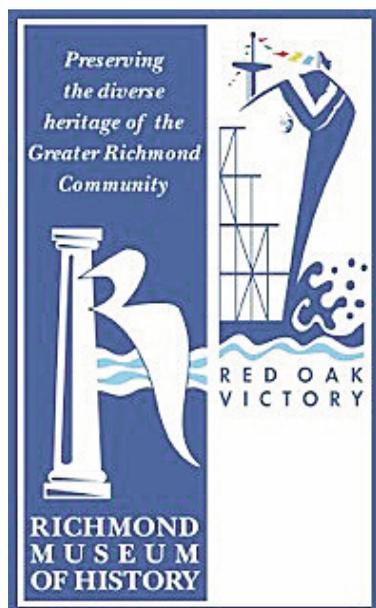
Thousands of donated books in excellent condition will be available. The sale features:

- More than 30 categories
- More than 30 popular-author collections in individual boxes
- Easy-to-find favorites, including audio books, DVDs, VHS tapes, CDs, games — and our special Teen Table.

The Pinole Library
2935 Pinole Valley Road
(510) 758-2741



'The Bookworm'



RICHMOND MUSEUM OF HISTORY QUILT PROGRAM EVENT MAY 18

The Richmond Museum of History, 400 Nevin Ave., Richmond, is having a program on Sunday, May 18, from 2-4 p.m., related to the Quilts of the Home Front exhibit!

Call (510) 235-7387 for more information about upcoming programs and exhibits.

Program: A conversation about story quilts with renowned quilter Mary Mashuta. The program is free with a \$5 admission fee for the Quilts of the Home Front exhibit.

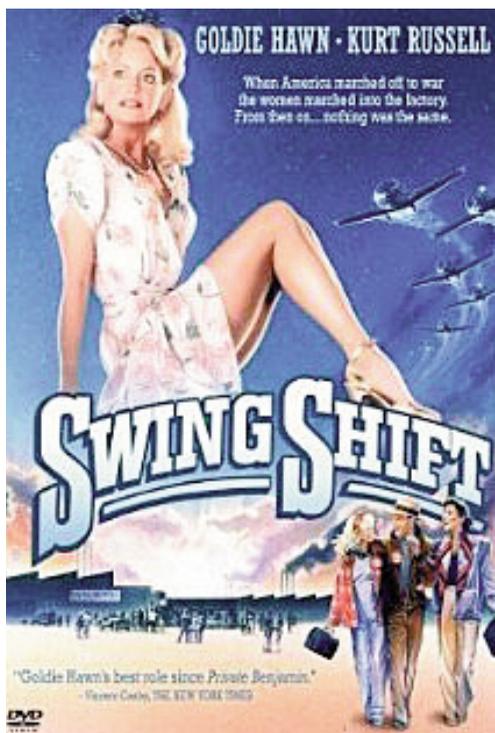


HISTORY EDUCATION FOR FOURTH-GRADERS

Pinole Historical Society co-founder George Vincent conducts a fourth-grade Pinole-history program at St. Joseph School on April 30.

The PHS has been doing these programs in Pinole elementary schools since 2009.

“Swing Shift” concludes World War II home front film festival



A May 15 showing of *Swing Shift* (1984) will conclude the National Park Service (NPS) and the Richmond Museum of History’s “Third Thursday Historic Film Series” aboard the SS Red Oak Victory, the beautifully restored cargo ship built in Richmond during World War II.

Starring Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell, *Swing Shift* is the story of California aircraft workers supporting the war effort and finding romance on the home front.

The Red Oak Victory, is located in historic Shipyard #3 at 1337 Canal Blvd., Berth 6A, in Richmond. For directions, call (510) 237-2933 or visit www.ssredoakvictory.com/contact.htm.

Boarding begins at 6:30 p.m. and the film begins at 7 p.m. There is a donation of \$5 to board the ship and enjoy ship exhibits prior to the film. Please note: the ship is not ADA accessible. Visitors must be able to climb the gangplank (40 feet of stairs with railings) and steep steps once aboard.

Remember to dress warmly, as it can be chilly aboard the ship.



PINOLE SPRING FESTIVAL 2014

Presented by: *Pinole Community Television*
in partnership with
Pinole Youth Foundation & Senior Foundation

Sunday, May 18th
10am-5:30pm
Fernandez Park, Pinole

• **Live Music**

Jun Simundo Band 12:30 PM
Harvey and the Wallbangers 3:15 PM

• **Pet Parade 1:30 PM**

Contact pinolepetparade@yahoo.com
For information and to enter

• **Community Performances**

• **Pancake Breakfast**

Pinole Senior Center 8:30am-10:45am

• **Food, Craft, & Business Vendors**

• **Pinole Youth Foundation
Kids Carnival Area**

• **Beer & Wine Patio**

Proceeds

to benefit PCTV

Admission to the Park is Free

For more information, contact Dave Snell
(510)741-3862 dsnell@ci.pinole.ca.us

PCTV
Pinole Community Television





City of Pinole
Recreation

**The best things are
happening in YOUR
neighborhood!**

Celebration of Wine

Tasting

Saturday June 14, 2014

1-4:00PM

Pinole Senior Center



We will be celebrating
local wineries and wine makers

\$25 per person includes entry,
souvenir wine glass, 2 flights*

*additional flights available for purchase
Sponsored in-part by PYF

www.CelebrationofWineTasting.brownpapertickets.com

Pinole Youth Foundation Open House Fun & Games

Saturday June 28, 2014

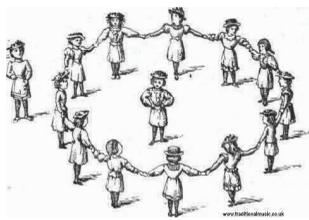
10-1:00PM

Pinole Youth Center

FREE

Come out for a day of
fun and play with the
Pinole Youth

Foundation and Youth Commission



Wise Ol' Storytelling

—a Storytelling Concert

Saturday May 31, 2014

2:00-4:00PM

Pinole Youth Center

Share an afternoon of awe and wonder for
children of all ages.

This will be an interactive family event!

Tickets available at the Door.

Suggested donations \$8 for

adults \$5 for

children



Sponsored in-part by PYF &
Storytelling Association of California

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR
TODAY!**

Upcoming Children's Day Camps

Spring Break April 7-11, 2014

Summer Camp begins June 9th, 10 weeks of fun!

Limited spaces are available for Registration

City Wide Garage Sale

Put your families Garage Sale on the City –Wide Map\$

Saturday, June 21, 2014

10am-3pm

\$20 per listing



[http://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/live/news/
garage_sale.html](http://www.ci.pinole.ca.us/live/news/garage_sale.html)

RECREATION@CI.PINOLE.CA.US

CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, JUNE 21st

10:00am – 3:00pm

Sponsored by the Pinole Senior Center

\$20 to register your garage sale

REGISTRATION BEGINS 3/31/14

REGISTRATIONS DUE BY 5/30/14

Info or to register
(510) 724-9802
seniors@ci.pinole.ca.us
www.ci.pinole.ca.us/recreation
Pinole Senior Center
2500 Charles Ave
Pinole, CA 94564

Your trash may be someone else's treasure! Register to list your garage sale on a map that will be available online and in print form at all City facilities, as well as circulated through local shops, businesses, and restaurants. In turn for registering and supporting us, we will support you by taking care of all the advertising. Do your spring cleaning, host a garage sale, and maybe even find some treasures of your own!

Help us spread the word by emailing your HOA, neighborhood group and friends plus feel free to post your own flyers. **You keep all of the proceeds from your own sale!**

Come shopping and find your own treasures while supporting recreation programs in Pinole. Garage sale map and registry will be available at www.ci.pinole.ca.us/recreation and at City facilities starting June 9.

Not a Pinole Resident? Don't have a garage? Limited table space available inside of the Pinole Senior Center! Pinole Senior Center members can register for a table beginning 3/31/14. Non members can register beginning 4/7/14.

Pinole Citywide Garage Sale Registration Form

SATURDAY, JUNE 21st, 10am – 3pm

Sponsored by the Pinole Senior Center

Registration forms are due May 30th by 4pm by mail or drop off to:

Pinole Senior Center

2500 Charles Ave., Pinole, CA 94564

Registration not accepted without \$20 payment. Make checks payable to City of Pinole.



Name _____

Street Address/Sale Location _____

Nearest Cross Street _____

Phone _____

Home

Cell

Email Address (please include if you would like to review your listing prior to publication)

Sale Description: Maximum of 20 words describing the items for sale and any other details about the sale (such as a fundraiser for a charity, snacks available, etc.). Descriptions will not be changed or edited. Use back of form if needed.

Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front
National Historical Park

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior



DISCOVER THE HOME FRONT

ROSIE THE RIVETER

VISITOR EDUCATION CENTER

**10:00 a.m. Ribbon
Cutting**

*Various programs
throughout the day*

**Web:
www.nps.gov/rori**

**Phone:
510-232-5050 Ext. 0**

EXHIBITS UNVEILED MAY 24 2014

**1414 Harbour Way South
Richmond, CA**



REAL STORIES

PERMANENT INSTALLATIONS



PROGRAMS

**Tours
&
Events**

MAY 2014

All tours and programs take place at the Visitor Center unless otherwise noted.

SUNDAYS:

Women, Get a War Job!

5/4, 5/11, 5/25 at 2 PM (45 minutes)

Learn about the WWII media campaign that called women to "do their part".

MONDAYS:

Dogs for Defense

5/5, 5/12, 5/19 at 1 PM (45 minutes)

Learn about how thousands of American families not only lent a hand to the WWII war effort, but lent four paws as well, by donating their family dogs to assist soldiers on the front lines and on the home front.

Opposing the "Good War"

5/5, 5/12, 5/19 at 2 PM (45 minutes)

What happened to the conscientious objectors during WWII?

TUESDAYS:

"Of Lost Conversations": Ranger Talk by Betty Soskin

5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27 at 2 PM (45 minutes)

Ranger Betty Soskin discusses her experience as a young African American woman during WWII.

For directions and information: Call 510-232-5050 x0 or visit www.nps.gov/rori

Visitor Center open daily, 10:00am – 5:00pm at 1414 Harbour Way South, Richmond, CA.

(Visitor Center is located behind the historic Ford Assembly Building – through the security gate).

WEDNESDAYS:

Wartime Playtime: Toys and Games in WWII

5/14, 5/28 at 2 PM (45 minutes)

Docent Brad Bunnin will discuss how American children played their way through WWII, often with kid-sized uniforms, toy guns, model airplanes and ships.

Richmond Bus Tour with Ranger Betty Soskin (RESERVATION ONLY)

5/7 (Tour Full) and 5/21 (Tour Full) (2 ½ hours)

Board the bus with ranger Betty Soskin to visit key park sites while reflecting on African-American home front experiences. Space is limited, reservations are required: call 510-232-5050 x0 for start time and location.

THURSDAYS:

Who Will Care For The Children?

5/1, 5/15 at 1 PM (1 hour)

Join a ranger for a tour of a WWII-era preschool classroom exhibit. Learn about the innovative programming of the Richmond child development centers, and the vital role of federally-funded child care in the home front effort. Tour meets at Maritime Child Development Center: 1014 Florida Avenue, corner of Harbour Way. RSVP: lucien_sonder@nps.gov

Blossoms and Thorns

5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22, 5/29 at 2 PM (45 minutes)

Docent Flora Ninomiya screens the documentary "Blossoms and Thorns", and shares her childhood experiences in a WWII Japanese American internment camp.

Historic Films Aboard the Red Oak Victory Ship: Swing Shift (1984)

5/15 at 7 PM (2 hours)

Starring Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell. California aircraft workers support the war effort and find romance on the home front. \$5 donation to board ship. Location: Shipyard No. 3, 1337 Canal Blvd., Berth 6A, Richmond, CA. For info and directions: 510-237-2933.

FRIDAYS:

Rosie Meet and Greet!

5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30 from 10 AM – 12:00 PM; 1:00PM to 2 PM

Most Fridays, a group of civilian WWII docents share their stories in an informal setting at the Visitor Center. Here is your chance to ask the experts about life and work on the WWII American home front.

For directions and information: Call 510-232-5050 x0 or visit www.nps.gov/rori

Visitor Center open daily, 10:00am – 5:00pm at 1414 Harbour Way South, Richmond, CA.

(Visitor Center is located behind the historic Ford Assembly Building – through the security gate).

Friday Cont.

Rationing for the Home Cook

5/2, 5/16 at 2 PM (45 minutes)

During WWII, Americans were asked to sacrifice in support of the troops, and this was evident daily at the dinner table. Learn about rationing and share a sweet treat invented by wartime cooks.

SATURDAYS:

"Of Lost Conversations": Ranger Talk by Betty Soskin

5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/31 at 2 PM (45 minutes)

Ranger Betty Soskin discusses her experience as a young African American woman during WWII.

Celebrate the new exhibits at the Visitor Education Center

MAY 24th, 2014

Ribbon Cutting at 10 AM

Please join us for the unveling of our new, permanent exhibits at the Rosie the Riveter/World War II Home Front National Historical Park Visitor Education Center. The ceremony begins at 10:00am in front of the visitor center. Various ranger programs and tours of the exhibits will be offered throughout the day. (times to be announced on the 24th).

The San Francisco Bay Trail has a 25th year anniversary in 2014. After the visitor center exhibits ribbon cutting, officials from the San Francisco Bay Trail will be celebrating this milestone in front of the visitor center.

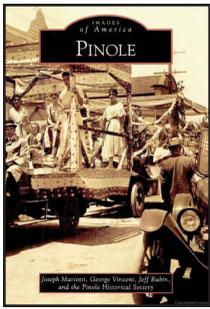
Seating for both ceremonies will be limited, so arrive early if you would like to reserve a seat. The Assemble restaurant will be open by 9am to sell coffee and pastries. The visitor center is directly next to the water of the San Francisco Bay, and the ceremony will be held outdoors, so please prepare for cold and windy weather.

For more information, please call (510) 232-5050 x0.

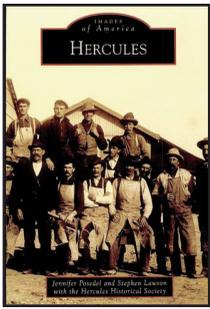
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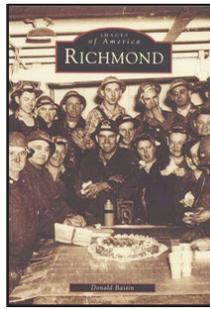
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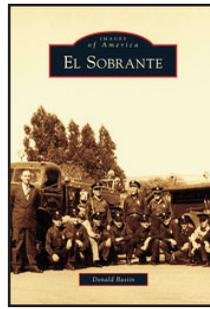
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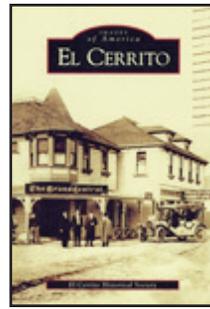
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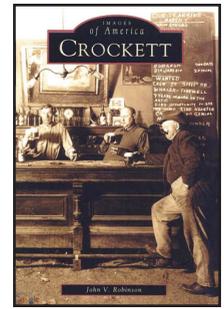
Richmond



El Sobrante



El Cerrito



Crockett

LOCAL HISTORY BOOKS AVAILABLE FROM THE PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

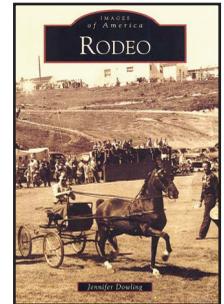
The Pinole Historical Society has Arcadia Publishing books about Hercules, Richmond, El Sobrante, El Cerrito, Crockett, Rodeo, Martinez, Port Costa, and Maritime Contra Costa County. And, of course, we have plenty of Pinole books in stock.

You may purchase one or more of these books from us at the Pinole Farmers' Market—we'll be there every other Saturday through the end of December.

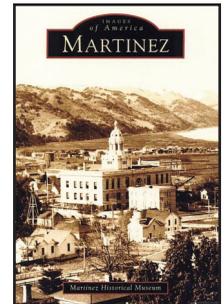
The Pinole, Hercules, Richmond, El Sobrante, El Cerrito, and Maritime Contra Costa County

books retail for **\$24**, including 8.75% sales tax. The Crockett, Rodeo, Martinez, and Port Costa books are **\$22**, including 8.75% sales tax.

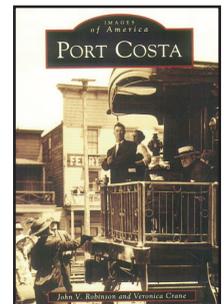
Or, you may order one or more by mail and we'll ship them to you. Send your order to **Pinole Historical Society, P.O. Box 285, Pinole, CA 94564**.



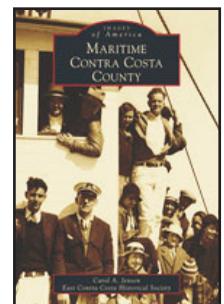
Rodeo



Martinez



Port Costa



Maritime

Name _____ Phone () _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

of Pinole books @ \$27 (book, sales tax, postage) _____

of Hercules books @ \$27 (book, sales tax, postage) _____

of Richmond books @ \$27 (book, sales tax, postage) _____

of El Sobrante books @ \$27 (book, sales tax, postage) _____

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of Maritime Contra Costa County books @ \$27 (book, sales tax, postage) _____

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of Port Costa books @ \$25 (book, sales tax, postage) _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Please mail your check for the total amount due, payable to Pinole Historical Society, to:

PINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, P.O. BOX 285, PINOLE, CA 94564