House of Lithuania

House of Pacific Relations, International Cottages, Inc., Balboa Park, San Diego, California

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LITHUANIAN POTLUCK 1 P.M.

Monthly Meeting Follows

At 2 P.M.

GUESTS ALWAYS WELCOME

Saturday, October 10, 2009

Allied Gardens Recreation Center

GARDENS ROOM

5155 Greenbriar Ave., San Diego

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IN BALBOA PARK

The House of Lithuania will be hosting the Hall of Nations from Noon to 4 p.m. on October 27, the Fourth Tuesday, which is a Free Museum Day for the following museums:

San Diego Air & Space Museum
San Diego Automotive Museum (last admission 3:45pm)
San Diego Hall of Champions
House of Pacific Relations International Cottages -- Hall Of Nations

Note: *San Diego Air and Space Museum's Da Vinci exhibit requires a separately priced ticket.*

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HOUSE OF LITHUANIA: A CULTURAL OUTREACH

When the Lithuanian-American Club reorganized as the House of Lithuania in 1974, it took on a new role.

The International Cottages in Balboa Park were built by the City of San Diego for the California Pacific Exposition, held 1935-1936. The exhibit was built in the hope of encouraging peace and harmony between Nations. During the years of World War II, the buildings were taken over for military use. After WWII, the City again took charge, the Houses were reopened and its mission enhancing cultural relations.

The House of Lithuania in 1974, under the leadership of Titus Samys, who was also President of the House of Pacific Relations, took on a new role. That mission, stated on The House website, says:

> ***The House of Lithuania was created to provide cultural and educational outreach about the culture of the nation of Lithuania to the community of San Diego, and to increase the community's awareness, knowledge and appreciation of that culture.***

In 1974 the nation of Lithuania was not independent, but joined the House of Pacific Relations as a culture with its own history and language. It has shown through Food Booths, Lawn Programs of music and dance, and cultural exhibits, of books and artifacts, that there was still a Lithuania. It is the expectation that the House has expanded the knowledge and appreciation of Lithuania by San Diego citizens and Balboa Park visitors.

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Membership Information

For information about the House of Lithuania, please contact Francesca Williams, 858-395-5168 http://www.house-of-lithuania.org or visit the House of Pacific Relations site: http://www/sdhpr.org