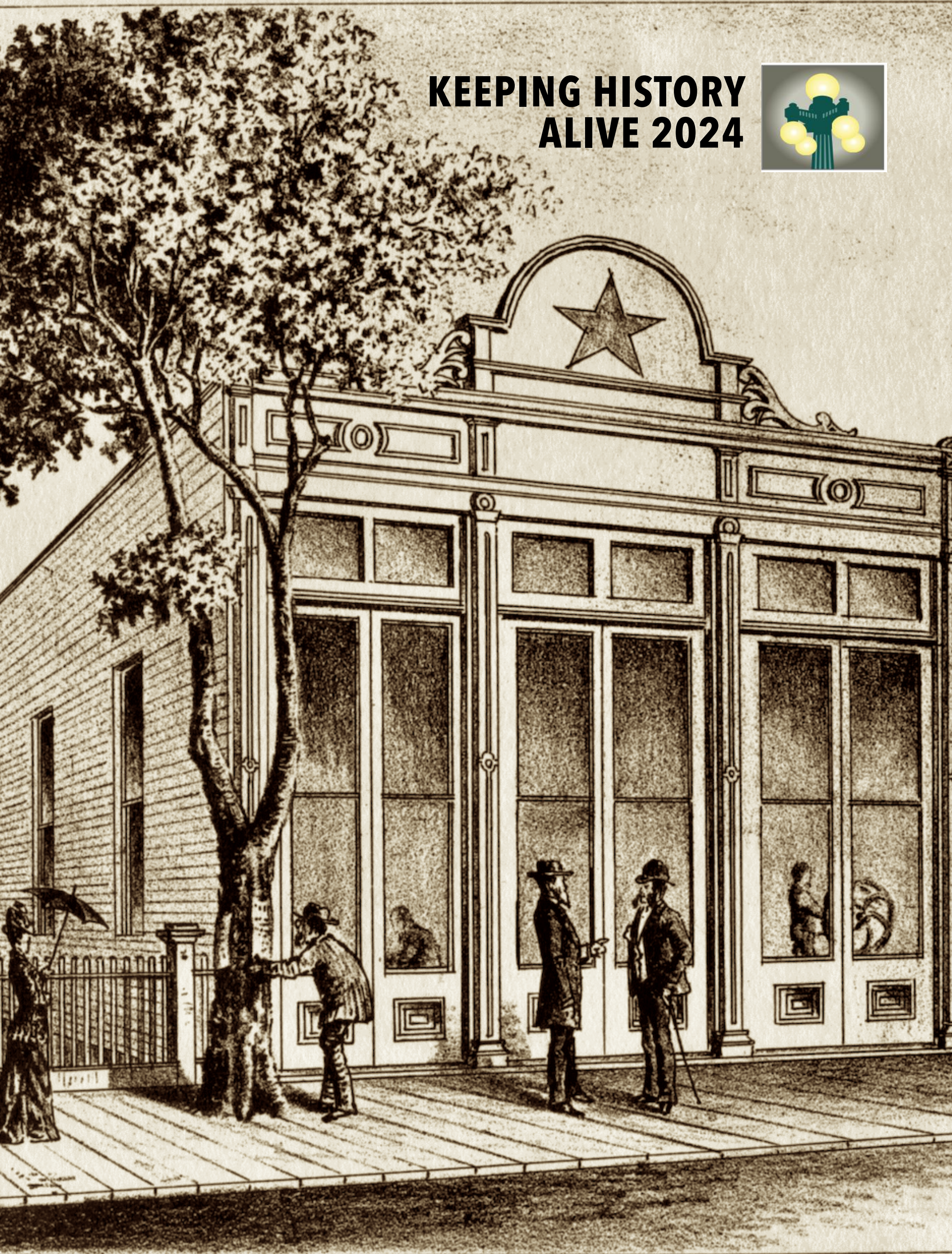


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Kathleen Coelingh
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THE STAR AT
150 YEARS

Four former and one current Star editors shared stories about working for a small-town newspaper. While new distribution channels keep popping up, St. Helenans still look forward to their weekly Star.



Jesse Duarte
Editor: 2006-2024



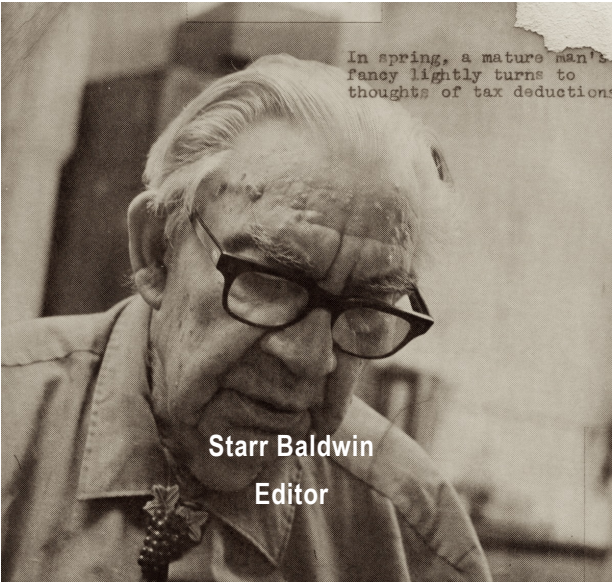
Reid Sams
Editor: 1985-1988



David Stoneberg
Editor: 2006-2020



Jim Gordon
Editor: 1980-1984



Starr Baldwin
Editor



Dan Evans
Publisher

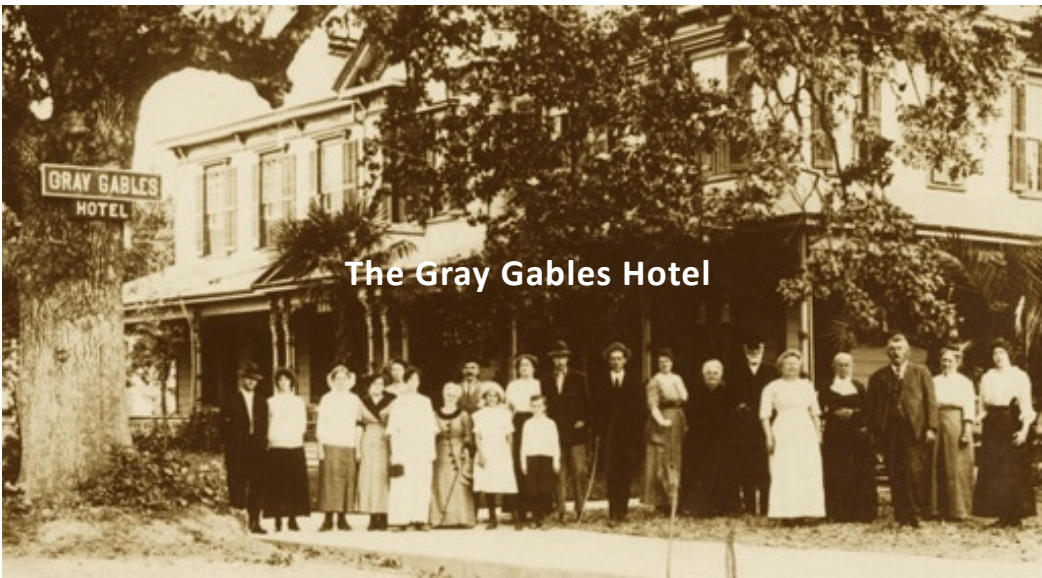
CITY OF IMMIGRANTS EXHIBIT

We focused on the diaspora of settlers who arrived in the St. Helena area between 1820-1920. They immigrated for many reasons, including the Gold Rush. Many came to strike it rich, then settled down in the area. They fled prejudice and oppression and arrived desperately poor. Most brought the skills they learned in their homelands and they were united in their desire to create safer, more prosperous lives.

DINNER AT THE MUSEUM FUNDRAISER

Our summer fundraiser officially has become an annual event. We served up a paella dinner, wine and a Flamenco guitarist. Thanks to generous donations from our community, our silent auction was a success. Proceeds from this event will help us continue to provide our popular lectures and events.

Mark your calendar for next year’s event: July 26, 2025. Share a glass of wine and dinner with your neighbors and support the preservation of the St. Helena area’s rich history.



The Gray Gables Hotel



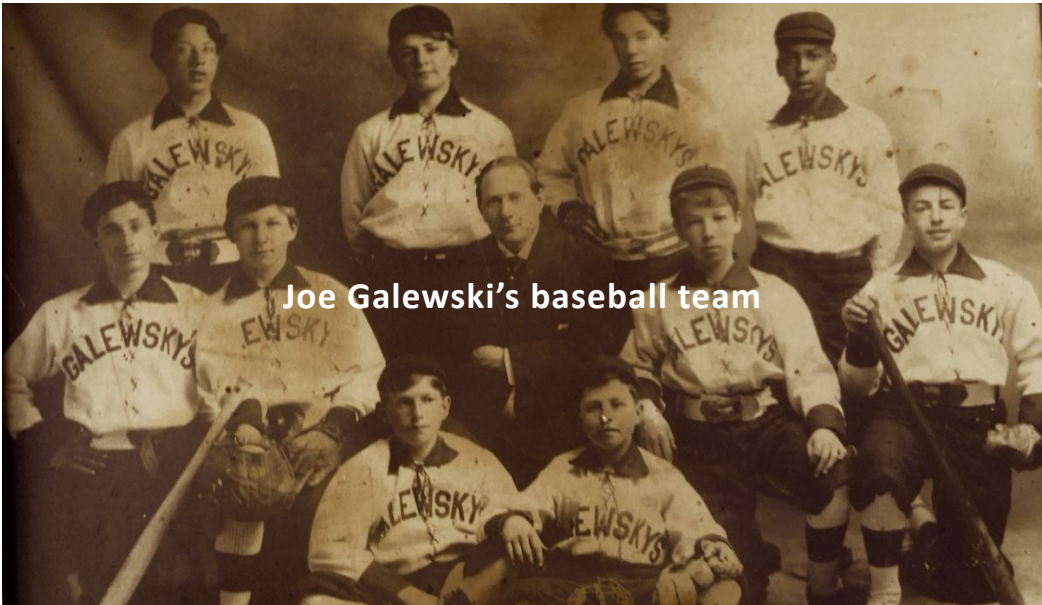
New immigrants arriving at Ellis Island

SPIRITS OF ST. HELENA CEMETERY
DISCOVERY WALK

Through Their Eyes: A Century of Veterans’ Stories 1845-1945. The Historical Society partnered with St. Helena Drama to reenact stories from the lives of heroic veterans buried in our cemetery. They fought in the Mexican-American War, Spanish-American War, the Civil War, World War I and World War II.



The Bear Flag Rebellion. Pioneer families had endured long, dangerous journeys to get to California and were ready to fight the Mexican government to stay here. The men sneaked into Sonoma to capture General Vallejo in what became known as the “Bear Flag Revolt”, declaring the California Republic.



Joe Galewski’s baseball team



The historic merger of the Lewellyn and Taplin families

Greetings to all of our members and supporters:

- It's time to take a look back at what we've accomplished over the last few years. We've:
- Built a museum that showcases area history dating back ten thousand years to the Wappos.
 - Staged two major exhibits
 - Upgraded our equipment to include microphones, chairs and a lectern, thanks to donations and City grants.
 - Produced quality programs about people and events that highlight area history.
 - Established important community partnerships.

With our dedicated team of hardworking volunteers, we can continue moving forward. But we can't do it without your help.

Our goal for the next year is to become part of the wave of heritage tourism—those who want to continue to learn about the rich history of St. Helena. Your donation will help us keep our doors open and fulfill our mission.

Thank you from the entire St. Helena Historical Society team,
Bonnie Thoreen, Kathleen Coelingh, John Sales, Kathy Carrick, Stephen Taplin, M.D., Helen Nelson, Nancy Caffo, Pam Wieben, Steve Ericson.



BEHIND THE GATES:
HISTORICAL GARDEN TOUR 2024

This was our first garden tour in more than 20 years. We teamed with Napa Valley Landmarks for a beautiful Saturday afternoon in May. There were nine homes on our tour, each with its own historic garden.

Farmstead was one of the homes on our tour.



IT'S EASY TO DONATE

We're an all-volunteer, 501(c)3 organization. SHHS relies on grants and donations to sustain us. Every contribution helps underwrite our programs and keep our doors open. Donate online at shstory.org/donate Or use the envelope provided. **Tax ID#: 30-0087096.**

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