San Francisco Corral – Westerners International

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Please join us on Tuesday, September 25 at 5:30 p.m. for 1968 in San Francisco!

Many events—good, bad, and “unrated”—occurred during the unusual year 1968. It was a time of great unrest and of new ways of seeing things. Lorri Ungaretti will point out some of the many ways this year was unique in San Francisco. She will talk about the Vietnam War, social unrest, assassinations, sports, music, and more. This is not a critical interpretation of 1968, but merely a chronicle of the many events that affected us locally during that year.

Lorri Ungaretti serves as an editor for the publications issued by the San Francisco History Association and the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society. Lorri has authored several books about the history of San Francisco’s Sunset and Richmond Districts.

Meeting Location: Fior d’Italia, 2237 Mason Street, San Francisco

The restaurant provides us with a private room and valet parking. We gather at 5:30 and dinner seating begins at 6:15 p.m. A three-course selection is available and costs $43.00. Please note change in price! RSVP: Send checks and dinner reservations by September 21, 2018 to Judy Van Austen, KOC, 1789 Northwood Court, Oakland, CA 94611; or contact Judy to make reservations. See final page for contact information.

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Round-up! Donations of books, ephemera and other Western-themed memorabilia are needed for our monthly raffle! Your donations will be much appreciated!

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1968 in San Francisco

Janis Joplin in her Lyon Street apartment.

Bobby Kennedy on a cable car during his campaign for President.

San Francisco’s own rock band: The Jefferson Airplane.

The student-led strike at San Francisco State University.

GI’s protest against the Vietnam War.

George Harrison and Pattie Boyd in the Haight Ashbury.
Noteworthy Events

The Mechanics’ Institute – Thursday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. Book Talk – The Browns of California: The Family Dynasty that Transformed a State and Shaped a Nation. Pulitzer-Prize-winning journalist and scholar Miriam Pawel weaves a narrative history that spans four generations, from August Schuckman, the Prussian immigrant who settled on a northern California ranch in the 1850s, to his great-grandson Jerry Brown, who reclaimed the family homestead one hundred forty years later and twice served as California governor. Through the tale of their lives, we gain an essential understanding of California – an appreciation of the state’s history and the importance of the fifth largest economy in the world. Mechanics’ Institute, 57 Post Street, Fourth Floor, San Francisco. Free for members of the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society, the Mechanics’ Institute, and the California Historical Society; $15 for the public. www.milib.org.

San Francisco Civil War Round Table – Thursday, September 20 at 6:00 p.m. Bernie Quinn will be speaking about Berdan’s Sharpshooters, a most unusual Union Army unit. Among other things, they wore green uniforms instead of the usual Army blue. Truman Head was in this outfit, and he put in a claim for eyesight loss from squinting through the telescope. Then he became a customs inspector here in San Francisco. Just what everyone wants, a customs inspector who can’t see much of anything! RSVP with dinner menu choices to norm21748@sbcglobal.net ASAP. United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco. More info: https://www.facebook.com/SanFranciscoCivilWarRoundTable/. (You do not have to be a Facebook member to view the page.)

The San Francisco History Association – Tuesday, September 25 at 7:30 p.m. 150 Years of the San Francisco SPCA. The San Francisco Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has been here for animals and their people for 150 years. Since its founding in 1868, the SFSPCA has initiated innovative programs and services such as the first cageless adoption center, the No-Kill movement, humane education for SF youth, free and low-cost spay and neuter, foster care, animal assisted therapy, behavior and training classes, and the Sido program for pets who outlive their guardians. Sarah Gerrish, SFSPCA staffer and 150th Historical Committee chair, and SFHA member Andra Young, SFSPCA cat volunteer and 150th Historical Committee member, will present an illustrated history of the first 150 years of the San Francisco SPCA. Congregation Sherith Israel, 2266 California Street, San Francisco. Free for SFHA members; $10 for the public. www.sanfranciscohistory.org.
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We also need help here!

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Mark your calendar for the S.F. Corral of Westerners’ meeting dates for 2018: October 23 and December 4.