**From our Executive Director...**

2019 is only half over and already we have been blessed with some awesome grants and new exhibits. I THANK the Virginia and Alfred Harrold Foundation from whom we received $55,000 for plumbing! Having good working bathrooms and plumbing does not sound very exciting! For the museum it is essential part of daily operation, serving over 20,000 visitors in 2019. If you can imagine in our 93 year old building, the plumbing was deteriorating! The Grant allowed us to replace the original sewer line, repair the fire sprinklers, remodel the bathrooms, replace the waterlines and a few other plumbing issues! Our bathrooms are now ADA compliant and family friendly with a baby changing area. We also thank Rick Clemmons and the Plumbing Doc crew for their work while staying within our budget, and bringing our building into the 21st Century.

In February our newest exhibit opened, The Augmented Reality Sandbox aka iSandBox. A hi-tech interactive sandbox that makes learning science fun! I THANK Carol Bowman, Pat & Tim Elam, Sarah & Julie Lorenzen and PSAAPG Foundation for their donations to allow us to acquire this great new learning experience!

“**Our mission is to educate, engage, and inspire our community, to explore the wonders of science, through enrichment activities, exhibits, and special programs.”**
Do you shop on amazon.com? Well switch on over to Amazon Smile. This is a program where for every purchase made on www.smile.amazon.com, the company with donate 0.5% to a non-profit of your choosing! It’s as easy as going to www.smile.amazon.com, sign in, then choose Buena Vista Museum of Natural History and Science, and shop away!

This dinner was celebrating 24 years of the museum being a science resource for our community and our volunteers who make it happen.

The installation of new officers commenced that evening. The Museum has a great team of volunteers that keep the museum going! In 2018, over 6,596 hours were donated and according to the national Volunteer value of $24.69 per hour = $162,855.24. This is a substantial contribution of time and talent to BVM. We thank the Volunteers who can be found working in all areas of the museum. At the front desk, greeting visitors, answering phones, library, office, repository, Paleo lab, cleaning the glass on cases, mopping the floors, Teaching and helping with Summer Camp, Docents, creating exhibits, painting, repairing displays and building maintenance. All these volunteers continue to allow us to serve the Bakersfield community as a science educational resource.
CHECK OUT OUR NEW UPDATES!

We Love our Volunteers!

With our volunteers the museum is able to achieve great things!

Janitor's Closet
Certificate from Rep. Kevin McCarthy for the iSandbox!

Playing with the iSandbox
Sleek new Bathrooms
Presents

SUMMER SCIENCE CAMP!

Sponsored by our friends at Chevron

7 Fun Filled Weeks of Science Activities!

Here are 2019's years topics!

CSI, Junior Detective, Sharks, Dinosaurs,
Weird Science, Kitchen Science, Physics,
Rocks and mineral and much more.

Starting June 10-August 1

Sessions run from 8am -12 noon

All materials and snacks are provided.

For more information and registration

www.buenavistamuseum.org
2019 SCIENCE SUMMER CAMP

Attention 1st through 6th graders!! The museum is offering a variety of Science sessions designed especially for you. 7 Weeks, 14 different fun filled grade appropriate sessions exploring the world of science and history. (Space is limited to 24 students per session.)

June 10th -13th Dino Week! 1-3rd and 4th -6th grade The Big, the Bad, and the Ugly! Everything you want to know about Dinosaurs and their prehistoric world!

June 17th -20th Archaeology/Anthropology 1-3rd and 4th -6th grade Learn how Ancient people and Native Americans lived, what they ate, how they cooked and survived!

June 24th -27th Junior Detective/CSI 1-3rd and 4th -6th grade Learn to problem solve using the forensic techniques that the police and other investigators use to solve the mysteries of crimes stories!

NO CAMP JULY 1st-4th Come by and see us at our Fireworks booth Target Parking lot East Hills

July 8th -11th Things That Move 1-3rd and 4th -6th grade A fun week learning about rollercoaster, rockets, Cars, Robots and more!

July 15th -18th Shark Week! 1-3rd and 4th -6th grade The Big, the Bad, and the Ugly Sharks! Everything you want to know about Sharks!

July 22nd -25th Kitchen Science: 1st-3rd Have fun with science experiments using household items you can find in your kitchen!

Weird Science: 4th-6th grade Have fun with science experiments with neat stuff around the house!

July 29th – Aug. 1st Rocks and Minerals 1-3rd and 4th -6th grade Learn about the wonderful rocks and minerals in how they form, grow and much more!

Sessions run Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon.
Cost - $90.00 (Members of the BV Museum discount $85.00) per student/per session.
Mid-morning snack, Camp T-shirt and all class materials included.
For more information call 661-324-6350.
BV MUSEUM 2019 SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Name: __________________________ Age: _____ Grade in fall: _____
Address: ______________________ Zip: ________________
Parent/Legal Guardian: __________________________
Day Time Phone: _______________ Cell: _______________
Email Address: __________________________
Are you a BVM member: yes / no Students T-Shirt Size: S / M / L Child or Adult

Please sign my child up for the following session(s). 1st -3rd 4th -6th
JUNE 10th -13th DINOSAUR WEEK! ______ ______
JUNE 17th -20th Archaeology/ Anthropology ______ ______
JUNE 24th -27th CSI/ Jr. Detectives ______ ______
JULY 8th -11th Things That Move ______ ______
JULY 15th -18th SHARK WEEK! ______ ______
JULY 22nd -25th Kitchen Science (1st -3rd grade) ______ ______
      Weird Science (4th -6th) __________________________
JULY 29th -AUG. 1st Rocks and Minerals ______ ______

TOTAL SESSIONS ______ x $90.00 (BVM MEMBERS $85.00) TOTAL DUE $ ______

Payment must be made at time of reservation: (Please make checks to BVM)
Amount: $______ Type of payment: ___Cash ___Check ___Credit Card (MC or Visa)
Name on Card: ______________________________________
Account #: __________________________ Exp. Date: __________
Signature: ________________________________

Emergency Information: Please list Medications, allergies, or other limitation:

Child’s Doctor: __________________________ Phone: __________________________
Emergency Contact Person & Relationship: __________________________ Phone: __________________________

Release of Liability and Emergency Care Authorization

In consideration of my child’s participation in the BUENA VISTA MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY’S (BVM) Summer Science Camp, I agree to assume all risks connected with that participation. I further agree to release BVM, its directors, employees, and volunteers from any and all liability for personal injury, death, or property damage connected with my child’s participation. BVM staff is authorized, in case of emergency, to obtain any and all necessary medical assistance for the above mentioned person and is authorized to give such assistance or treatment in the place of the undersigned. I have read and agree to all the terms and policies.

I also authorize the possible use of my child’s name and/or photograph for any education and/or publicity purposes related to BVM.

Parent/Guardian Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

CANCELLATIONS MUST BE MADE AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRIOR TO START OF SESSION TO RECEIVE FULL REFUND

MAIL, Fax COMPLETED FORM TO: BVM 2018 CHESTER AVENUE, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93301 661-324-6350 Fax 661-324-7522 e-mail Buenavistamuseum@gmail.com for more info and additional forms www.sharktoothhill.org
July 1st -4th: Come by and see us at our Fireworks booth Target Parking lot East Hills Mall on Mall View Rd.
July 4th: Museum Closed
July 6th: FAMILY DAY! First Saturday of the Month is Family Day. 2 Adults and up-to 6 kids only $20!
July 8th -11th: Summer Camp! Things That Move 1-3rd and 4th -6th grade A fun week learning about rollercoaster, rockets, Cars, Robots and more!
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July 18th: $2 Day All day, all ages only $2!
July 20th: 50th Anniversary of the Apollo Moon Landing
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August 3rd: FAMILY DAY! First Saturday of the Month is Family Day. 2 Adults and up-to 6 kids only $20!
August 3rd: 10:30 AM “Just for Kids” Come join us for this Science Enrichment program for kids and parents.
August 15th: $2 Day All day, all ages only $2!

September
September 7th: Weird Science Night For Adults! Join Weird Scientist Dave Hanley for a fun filled night of science experiments, watch things explode and learn how and why? It truly is a must see! FOR ADULTS ONLY.
September 18th – 29th: Kern County Fair Display and Booth! Please, Stop by the BVM’s Educational display and Booth in Building 1 the Albert S. Goode Auditorium.
September 18th – 29th: During KC Fair days the Museum will be operating on a short hour schedule: Wed, Thurs, Friday 9am-1pm, Saturday 10am-1pm, Sunday Closed.
September 21st: Smithsonian Day! Free admission with coupon.

October
October 25th & 26th: Night at the Museum: Flashlight tour in the dark, where your own imagination feeds your fears!

Join us on September 21st for Museum Day!
Get free admission to the museum on September 21st by going online and download tickets at https://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/museum-day-2019/
Tickets will be available as of August 15th.

Reptile Club of Bakersfield
Meets every Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm. Meetings are held at the Buena Vista Museum of Natural History and Science

Kern County Science Alliance
Meets the first Monday of the month at 7:00pm. Meetings are held at the Buena Vista Museum of Natural History and Science
Have you Heard?! In addition to your regular museum membership benefits, your membership with BVM now includes Passport to ASTC offering an additional 600 Science Centers World Wide. For more information visit www.astc.org.

Help support the museum and the local reptile club by visiting out Fireworks Booth in the East Hills Target parking lot!

July 1st through July 4th

Our Wish List!

Monthly Wishes

- Case of Paper Towels
- Gallon of Windex
- Copy Paper
- Post it
- Pens & Pencils

Building Fund

In 2015 the museum made a bold move and with the community’s support raised enough money to put a down payment on the building we call home. We traded a lease payment for a mortgage. The mortgage payment is a large chunk of our budget and we have set a goal of paying it off early. A building fund has been set up so that this goal can be achieved allowing us to provide additional programming. All donations big or small are greatly appreciated!
Your Contributions Makes All This Possible!

BVM is looking ahead to an exciting goals and growth we have planned, and we want you to be a part of our future! Current goals include developing a rich menu of in-house programming to offer visitors during regular museum hours, and revamping our website to be more informative and user-friendly than ever! We are also currently seeking sponsorship for new, kid-friendly, high-tech exhibits!

BVM's average year operating expenses are about $184,000 per year, or about $15,335 a month, or approximately $500 per day. No donation is too small; whether your able to give a few dollars or even spare pocket change, in the end it all adds up! Your continued support is what enables the museum to serve our community by offering such a rich variety of educational programs for children and people of all ages.

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Name________________________E-mail ________________________________
Address__________________ City_________________ State____ Zip __________
Phone:_____________________________ Cell:______________________

_____ Enclosed is my donation for the General Operations in the amount of $ __________
_____ Enclosed is my donation to Sponsor A Day at the Museum for $500
    Date: ________________ or In memory of: _______________________
_____ Enclosed is my donation in support of many Educational programs $________
_____ Enclosed is my donation in support of Exhibit Acquisitions and improvements $________
_____ Enclosed is my donation in support of Building Fund Improvements and Mortgage $_____
_____ I would like to pledge on a monthly basis $__________
_____ I would like to receive pre-addressed monthly pledge envelopes
_____ Please charge the above amount to my
    credit card #____________________________
    Name on Card ______________________ Expiration date__________
Signature__________________________________________________________

Please contact me at Ph # _________________________Best time to call__________

_____ I would like to be a volunteer. Please send me an application and more information.

Please mail to BVM, 2018 Chester Ave, Bakersfield, CA. 93301 USA Or call 661-324-6350
many THANKS to those who support us in so many ways!

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