SOHO'S
Fourth
Annual
Train Tour

SANTA FE DEPOT, SAN DIEGO.
HISTORY OF EARLY PASADENA

What is now Pasadena once formed part of the lands of Mission San Gabriel, founded in 1771. In 1835, during the Mexican period, a portion of the Mission lands was granted to Juan Marine as Rancho San Pasqual. By 1859 the Rancho was owned by Benjamin D. Wilson and Dr. John Griffin.

During the 1870's, accounts of California's warm and healthful climate and fruitful lands were being published in the East. In 1873 a group of people in Indianapolis, wishing to resettle in such a climate, formed the California Colony of Indiana and sent Daniel M. Berry to search for a suitable site. Following Berry's favorable report, he and several other Colony members, joined by people in Los Angeles, organized the San Gabriel Orange Grove Association. In December of 1873 they purchased 3,962 acres of the Rancho for $25,000. By early 1874 streets were laid out and lots planned, and soon the 27 Association stockholders were building houses and planting grain, citrus orchards, and vineyards. They named their settlement "Pasadena", supposedly a Chippewa word meaning "Crown of the Valley". In 1876 about 2,500 acres of Rancho land adjoining this property were subdivided and were quickly considered part of Pasadena.

The slowly growing community was incorporated in 1886, partly to enable the city to outlaw its one existing saloon. The completion of a Pasadena-Los Angeles railway link in 1885 and the California land boom of the late 1880's quickened development. Its climate and scenery made Pasadena a popular resort, with large hotels such as the Raymond (1886) and the Green (1890) being built to accommodate vacationing Easterners. Business expanded and mansions went up along Orange Grove Boulevard. In 1890, the Valley Hunt Club sponsored the first Tournament of Roses, which in early years included sports such as chariot races. Throop University, which was to become the California Institute of Technology, was founded in 1891. In 1893 Professor Thaddeus Lowe built up nearby Echo Mountain the only electrically-powered incline railway then in existence. By 1900 Pasadena, regarded as a most desirable vacation and residential community, was a city of 9,000.
SOHO'S TRAIN RIDE INTO YESTERDAY

SATURDAY     MAY 3, 1975

SCHEDULE

Depart San Diego  7:00 AM
Arrive Los Angeles  9:35 AM

Tour Plaza Area  10:00 AM
Board Bus  10:40 AM

Lunch at San Antonio Winery  11:00 AM
Depart Winery  11:50 AM

Tour Gamble House  12:30 PM
Tour Pasadena Historical Society Museum  1:40 PM

Bus Tour, with stop at El Molino Viejo  2:45 PM

Return to Plaza. Free time for dinner  -- 7:45 PM

Return to Station  7:45 PM
Depart Los Angeles  8:10 PM
Arrive San Diego  10:45 PM

**Lunch and dinner not included in price of ticket. Dinner is available in Chinatown, Little Tokyo or Olvera Street. SOHO does not provide transportation from these areas to Union Station.

**Be at Union Station by 7:45 PM to board train for return trip to San Diego.