

NEWSLETTER

S O H O

"BLOCK PARTY"

Saturday, November 17, 7 to 12pm

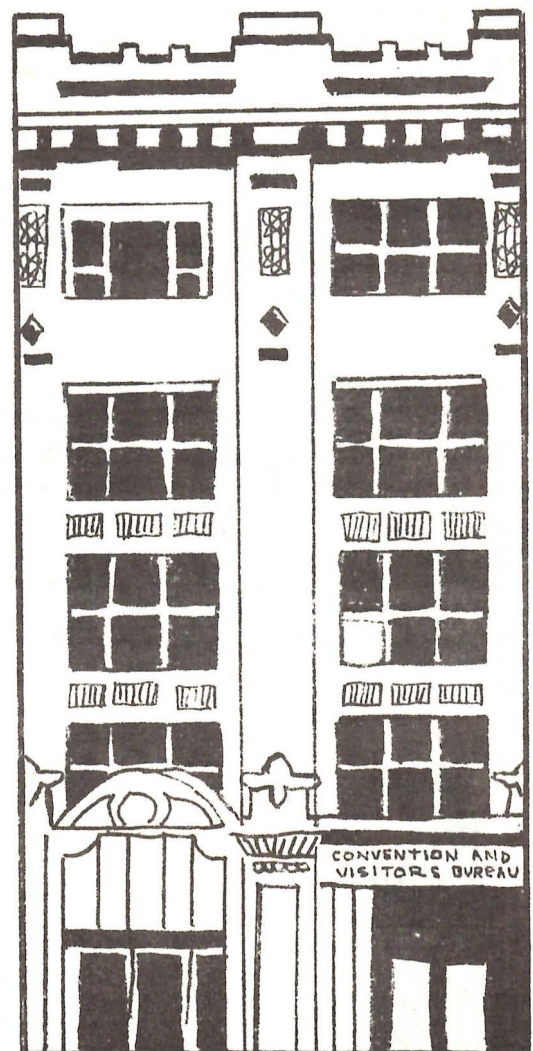
SOHO is having a FANTASTIC FUND-RAISER, a downtown Block Party. The gala party will be in the old Land Title Building, 235 Broadway, the block which is coming down in the center of the Downtown Redevelopment Project.

SOHO's Block Party will highlight downtown redevelopment focusing new attention toward the restoration of downtown buildings. Bob Klaiber, with Central Federal, has seen to it that the old "convention and Visitors Bureau" space be made available, at no charge, for our event. Special thanks are due Central Fed. for this exciting location.

The event will combine a 1915 replica gambling casino, a downstairs cabaret featuring live music, a funky fashion show by "Goodies", the "Honest Sid Gerhart" Ring 76 International Brotherhood of magicians, and many, many more. Food and hearty beverages will also be available, as well as an auction late in the evening. If you want to meet some of San Diego's leading citizens, look under the hat-brims behind the bar.

Admission is 2.50 per person, so come along for the fun, and bring lots of friends. If you want to help call Joan Reilly, event chairman, at 283-2844 right away. We need people to help decorate, and help putting out posters.

COSTUMES WELCOME, 1890's, 1915



NEWLY ELECTED BOARD

Pres:	Carol Lindemulder	295-6188
V.P.:	Terri Recht	453-1626
SECY:	Thelma White	224-7133
Treas:	Bill Cartwright	298-102
Past Pres:	Barry Worthington	

Lynn Kaplan	466-1349
Harry Evans	295-9309
Bruce Kamerling	222-5898
Pat Teaze	298-0118
Kay Nicholas	286-1854
Keith Evans	583-5273
	239-6876

PRESIDENTIAL PREAMBLE

To all new members, a warm welcome to SOHO. To all other "old-timers" my personal 'thank You' for your continued support of Save Our Heritage.

I look forward to an exciting year. This year your Board of Directors has decided to bring historical San Diego to all San Diegans, by means of all meetings and public events. SOHO will also have a number of Historic Bus Tours this year, and we encourage you to participate.

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you something about SOHO today. We have official representation on all the important historic Boards this year, including The Historic Sites Board, The Cultural Heritage Commission, Citizens Coordinate for Century 3, the Old Town Advisory Board, and the Parks and Recreation Board. We have paid all our debts on the Sherman-Gilbert House, which is now the property of the Park and Recreation Department. SOHO is now investigating several new projects, including the leasing and possible purchase of one Victorian, and the moving and restoration of another which could go to Heritage Park for the Bicentennial. We are stronger than ever, with a voice in the community of which we can justly be proud.

But we are poor, in light of all the fine work we have accomplished so far. I will not simply hope, but expect SOHO members to support our activities this year. And I encourage you to test your membership responsibilities in finding new supporters. I ask each of you to consider the possibility of a donation to SOHO, however small, and to consider working on one of SOHO's events this year. We CAN save San Diego's heritage, if we all get out there and try.

Carol Lindemulder



SEPTEMBER ELECTIONS

On Sept. 9, SOHO had a general election meeting, and bring-your-own-picnic-supper, near historic Stockton Point in Presidio Park. Members and friends met on the grass, and even cloudy skies didn't prevent about 100 people from turning out. Robert Ferris, architect and Chairman of the Cultural Heritage Commission, was guest speaker. Rurik Kallis presented a fascinating report with photographs on the restoration of his Victorian home in Lemon Grove. Our special thanks to both of them. Newly elected President, Carol, received a beautiful installation bouquet of roses from members Peter McNames and Robert Miles Parker (founder of SOHO). Upon taking office Carol took Miles up on his challenge of a membership contest, turning in twenty seven new members, and as of this writing Miles Parker has a lot of catching up to do.

C*O*N*T*E*S*T

Your SOHO Board has decided to have a membership contest for all members from Nov. 1 through Jan. 1, 1974. Enter your new memberships with Pat Teaze, membership Chrm., and mark your own name in the corner of the check, slip of paper or membership form, to receive credit. There will be a PRIZE at the end of the contest. For further information call Pat at 286-1854.

TOURS AND MORE TOURS

Make plans now to join us on our December Tours. You have 4 dates to choose from, so there has to be one that's right for you! The dates of the tours are as follows:

Sunday Dec. 2, (12:30 pm
Thurs. Dec. 6, (9:00 am
Sunday Dec. 9, (12:30 pm
Thurs. Dec. 13, (9:00 am

We are expecting many, many people, so DON'T DELAY! Make your reservations today! Other activities of our tour guides include a tour for the Home Economists of San Diego on Nov. 10. If you're interested in training to be a tour guide contact me at 295-9309.

Lynn Kaplan



REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE:

2100 block corner First Ave.
large white Victorian
contact Durrell Williams
realtor

25th & E
enormous Victorian House
price fluctuates
contact Frank Iaco
realtor

SOHO NEEDS ROUND TABLES FOR
THEIR BLOCK PARTY. call
Carol 295-6188

INTERESTED IN GETTING INVOLVED?
WE NEED PETITION-eers!
Call CAROL 295-6188

URBAN AESTHETICS

Citizens Coordinate for Century 3 is one of San Diego's most active groups, with an office in the House of Hospitality. A large umbrella organization, the members are involved in the study, research and affirmative action of everything from Pollution to Transportation.

Larry Ford, our SOHO representative on the Historic Sites Board, has established a new committee called the Urban Aesthetics Committee for Citizens Coordinate. The nucleus of this group will be made up of SOHO members, and they will pursue the idea of overall design-planning for San Diego. Larry proposes that the Committee combine study of Historic Preservation, Height Controls, Design and Density, Urban Embellishment, Parks and Landscaping. The Committee, and through it SOHO, will have the opportunity to act as liason for other historic groups, the community, and City/County Government.

For further information and sign up for the Committee, contact Larry Ford at 583-3557

HERITAGE PARK

Many of you have now seen construction and landscaping on the site of Heritage Park, and as work progresses bids will be let on restoration of the Gilbert House this next month. Bids were originally let in June, but several contractors wanted to get an opportunity for rebid as their schedules were hectic at the time. Bob Ferris, Chairman of the Cultural Heritage Commission has assured me this week that bids will go out again within about six weeks, and restoration on the house should commence soon after the first of the year.

carol

TYPISTS NEEDED

SOHO needs a typing committee to help assemble the materials for the news letter, and to help the mailing committee with mailing stickers. Please contact Maureen Harris, evenings, at 222-6216

HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

SOHO's Historic Neighborhood project, involving the blocks from Fir to Grape, and from First to Front, includes a number of fine Victorians located together in a complete neighborhood setting. It SOHO's hope to involve the owners in keeping up their neighborhood, keeping the buildings in good repair and making the area generally attractive as a living community.

The corner house on Fir and Front is once again for sale and SOHO is investigating the possibility of tennanting it for the owner and obtaining space which might be used for an office and meetings. Harry Evans is at present in contact with owner Mr. Kendall to determine the possibilities of such a proposal.

SOHO is also pursuing the possibility of moving and restoring the Christian House on 3rd between Fir and Grape, and Carol is working on this through Realtor Mr. Ray Cadina.

SHOWER FOR LYNN

SOHO Tour Guides had a gay baby shower for Tour Chairman Lynn at the Villa Montezuma, complete with wine and lunch.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

We would appreciate hearing from anyone interested in participating as a SOHO-st or SOHO-stess at our events. Please contact Claire Kaplan, Hosp. Chairman, 583-4640

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HAPPENINGS

September was an active and exciting month for two of our SOHO Board members. Lynn Kaplan and husband Phillip have a new baby boy named Neal. Lynn tells me he is very helpfull in organizing Tours.

Keith Evans married Donna Dillingham in the Villa Montezuma in September, at a most unusual and very lovely ceremony. The wedding party all wore historic design attire, and those fantastic stained-glass windows shown down on the assembled group making the event very Victorian in feeling.

SOHO congratulates Lynn and Keith.

HOUSE INVENTORY

SOHO needs volunteer researchers to locate and list Victorians, and other significant structures. Members interested in some needed spare-time activity, contact Keith Evans - 239-6876, or Carol - 295-6188. An instruction meeting will be held for those interested.

SOHO also needs carpenters, painters, and emergency caretakers. Contact Keith Evans as above.

24 HOUR HOUSE ALERT NUMBER 239-6876

Please call at once to report any house in trouble through neglect, vandalism, or other emergency. Leave info if recording on, and someone will check it out at once.

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