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Important SOHO General Meeting



OUR FIRST ANNUAL PUBLIC STATE OF PRESERVATION ADDRESS

AGENDA

STATE OF PRESERVATION ADDRESS
by President Carol Lindemulder
PRESERVATION STATEMENT
by City Councilman Bill Mitchell
PRESERVATION STATEMENT
by County Supervisor Jim Bates

This is a unique opportunity for members to meet with Councilman Bill Mitchell and Supervisor Jim Bates and Members of the SOHO Board.

Through the courtesy of Architect Paul Thoryk, SOHO has been invited to hold this First Annual State of Preservation Meeting at

SOLEDAD FRANCO RESTAURANT, OLD COLUMBIA SQUARE
425 West B (corner of Columbia & B, not far from Santa Fe Depot)
on

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

TIME: 4 PM - Tour of Old Columbia Square
4:30 - 5:15 - Cocktails (no host bar)
5:15 - 6:15 - Meeting
6:30 - Optional Dinner (Banquet Style), \$7.50 plus tax & gratuity
*Menu

Mr. Thoryk is opening his newly restored beautiful building and restaurant especially for this important SOHO function. The restoration of this old structure is monumental and should be seen by everyone.

The dinner is being especially prepared for SOHO's members and friends, so members are encouraged to remain for this special banquet style dinner.

DINNER RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY FEBRUARY 5. Phone in reservations to SOHO, 232-1997, or to Carol at 295-6188 (leave reservation information with answering services, if necessary).

*Menu: Pacific Snapper, Vera Cruz (Fresh filet of snapper, grilled Dorado style, topped with Vera Cruz sauce of tomatoes, onions, capers & wine, salad, hot tortilla, rice & beverage. Wine not included)

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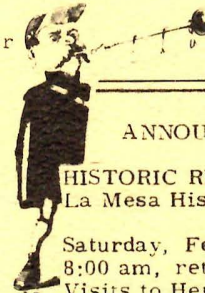
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

As you no doubt noticed, there was no December newsletter. This was the first issue that we missed in years--but it certainly didn't mean that nothing was going on with SOHO. On the contrary! Many important, far-reaching projects were being pursued by our new board and our new president, Downtown Redevelopment, Heritage Park and our future office, the Senlis Cottage, only being a couple.

As your editor, I regret the lapse in news continuity, but hopefully you all received your beautiful Christmas Party invitation, done by Sharon Louise Peterson, and were able to attend the gala event.

I hope 1980 brings us a good news year with lots of action, and I hope to be able to bring you some window on local, state and national preservation activities as they relate to you--our SOHO membership. I'd enjoy hearing from you and having your comments and suggestions for a better newsletter in this year 1980! Best Wishes.

Sincerely,
Carole Frick, Editor



ANNOUNCEMENTS

HISTORIC RIVERSIDE TOUR:
La Mesa Historical Society

Saturday, February 2nd, leaves
8:00 am, returns 6:00 pm.
Visits to Heritage House Museum (Victorian Queen Anne), Mission Inn, includes buffet, and The Riverside Municipal Museum historical collection.
Tour cost \$18.00 by Jan. 23rd.
For information, call Donna Regan or Dorothy Griner at 460-3726.



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The SOHO Newsletter is published monthly. Letters to the Editor are welcomed. Articles and/or photographs of interest to SOHO members and friends are most enthusiastically encouraged!



FROM THE BOARD ROOM

Your Board of Directors has been engaged this year in actively pursuing the preservation of historic structures in Government project areas.

The San Diego Rowing Club building is currently in great jeopardy at the hands of the Port Authority, and is being allowed to gradually deteriorate into the Bay. Board members are meeting with members of the Committee to Save The San Diego Rowing Club to determine what sources of funding, fund-raising and legal measures might be employed to save this structure now on the National Register of Historic Places. At the December Board Meeting it was determined to ask Committee representatives to make a presentation before the Board in January with regard to their plans to save the club. SOHO is being asked to participate in fund-raising efforts for this project.

The Horton Grand Hotel and the Commodore Lyceum Theater owners continue to work with members of the SOHO Board toward preparing an alternate plan to save these structures from demolition in the Horton Plaza Shopping Center Project. In December, the City Council, through the Council efforts of Bill Mitchell, Mike Gotch and Fred Schnaubelt, directed a 45 day extension period to review alternate plans for keeping these buildings on site, and finding some other solution for parking planned on that block. Carol Lindemulder has been a part of the working committee to pursue this, along with property owners and leasees. Council will review any proposal from this group approximately February First.

Your Board, along with Marc Tarasuck and Associates, are continuing to monitor work on the Senlis Cottage in Heritage Park, scheduled to be our SOHO office. Our attorney, Chuck Heilerick, has been reviewing the final lease agreement to be signed by SOHO with the County of San Diego, and we anticipate finalization of the lease sometime in February.

Reports of our Tour activities this Fall indicate we have had unusual success with all walking tours. The Mission Hills Tour was a first on such a large, paying scale and indicated we can pursue this type of tour in the future. Tour Chairman and VP of Education, Cathy Grigsby, is investigating other possibilities to continue an educational program for all San Diego. She is currently with Board direction investigating driving-walking tours which might be made available through the newspapers, as a public service. Also being pursued by Claire Crane are the convention tour possibilities of California Tours which she is turning over gradually to SOHO as an expansion of our tour-fund raising program.

Pat Schaelchlin and Marc Tarasuck were granted permission by City Council to develop La Jolla Heritage Place plans as requested. This project, supported by SOHO, and a private endeavor, will save many of La Jolla's historic cottages to be renovated and rented out as residences.

Updates on all SOHO projects will be given at the General Meeting on Sunday, February 10.

SOHO CHRISTMAS PARTY

Santa didn't show, but nearly everyone else did! And I'm sure I spotted some reindeer checking out the carriage house behind the big tree in the back yard. Britt House never looked more beautiful, and if you could peek through the festive merrymakers you observed giant pots of red poinsettias, candy canes on all the guest bedroom pillows, and little Christmas trees in all the rooms. (Britt House 1887 Bed 'N Breakfast partners, Bob and Dawn Hostick, Mario and Toni Michetti, really made our SOHO party a Christmas to remember).

At one point I spotted thirty people relaxing on the curved staircase listening to the remarkable horn playing of Ralph Dudgeon, part of The Miss Lucy Long Social Orchestra and Quick Step Society who performed in costume at the affair. Just looking at the costumes of guests was a colorful treat in itself. A reporter came in a wine-red suit, Marc Tarasuck wore an early turn-of-the-century western outfit, Pat Schaelchlin wore a gorgeous antique lace stole, Mario Michetti was in a bright red blazer, and those tireless refreshment hostesses were in everything from dirndl skirts to velvet.

Students of the Golden Avenue school, a special class in historic preservation taught by MaryDell Worthington, came early with their parents to view their drawings of Britt House on display in the library room. All of the SOHO members and guests brought platefuls of the most mouthwatering delicacies, and the homemade ornaments which gradually filled the first Britt House Christmas tree were a spectacular collection worth studying. All in all, it was another great SOHO Christmas Party, and Refreshment Chairman Nettie Scarry, with her committee, did a spectacular job. It has been rumored that Britt House would like her to consider a permanent job as party coordinator for their events. Beware Nettie, and Committee members, Gwen McFarland, Sheri Peterson and Sunny Tarasuck, we want to keep you for ourselves.

photos by Med Beauregard

CAROL'S CORNER

YOU DID IT, YOU WONDERFUL SOHO MEMBERS! You showed up in force December 18th to show our City Council one more time that San Diegans care about saving historic structures. You carried signs, but remained quiet and business-like, and Council was forced to grant a 45 day study period to save the Grand Horton Hotel and the Lyceum Theater. As many of you now know, The Lyceum/Commodore Hotel and Knickerbocker Hotel have been declared historic sites by the San Diego Historical Sites Board. The Lyceum and Grand Horton will be considered for National Register inclusion in early February.

For your efforts in coming out to a public meeting when needed I heartily applaud all you wonderful members. Preservation IS ACTION.

We continue to be involved in many areas of preservation throughout the City and County, and many of our SOHO leaders are putting in long hours to this end. But we still have one SOHO problem which needs addressing. We need more active volunteers in several areas. Our Newsletter has a minimal volunteer staff and our Editor, Carole Frick, is expecting in February (which we all think is great!). Donna Regan, Volunteer Program Chairman has combed her files for potential writers/reporters and found little information on any of you out there who might help us out. We are considering having a writing contest with the winners article published, everybody in SOHO being eligible. I would like to hear from any of you with ideas on how to staff our Newsletter, get more people interested in contributing or just working on it. I would also like to hear from any of you about your ideas for a contest, or just your ideas on how to find more of you with volunteer skills. (You all have those!)

Please let me hear from you! Please call me at 295-6188, or send to SOHO, Box 3571, San Diego 92103

I Love You All!
Carol

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Our very own Dr. Clare Crane has several new courses in San Diego history starting the end of January.

Mason Street School house, corner Congress and Mason, Old Town Historic Park. Early San Diego, the early Indian Occupation through Spanish Mission and Mexican Ranchos.

BEGINS: January 29, Tuesday, 9:30 am to 12:30. Slides, guest speakers and trips to sites, meets Tuesdays. REGISTRATION FIRST DAY OF CLASS at Mason Street School.

SAN DIEGO FROM THE GOLD RUSH TO PRESENT, meets Mondays, Old City Hall, 433 G Street, downtown, 9:30 am to 12:30. Slide lectures and walking tours of San Diego's famous areas and buildings. REGISTER. first meeting January 28, Old City Hall.

Classes are sponsored by the San Diego Community College District. For information, CALL 230-2445

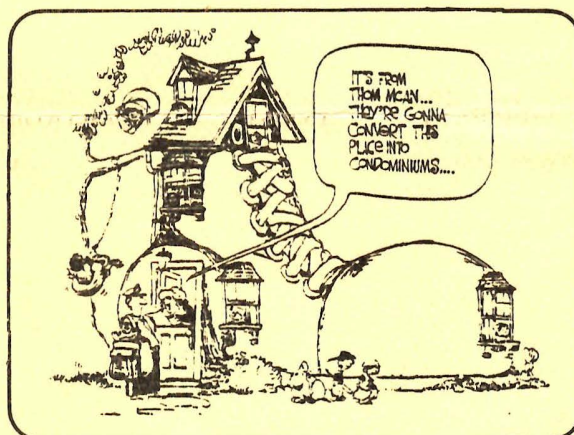
DONATIONS TO SOHO

Over the past fifteen months or so, SOHO has been the recipient of many gracious gifts from its members. These unsolicited monetary contributions play an important part in continuing SOHO's ongoing effort to be at the vanguard in San Diego's preservation scene. We would like to thank publically those generous members who have made contributions:

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As we are involved in the establishment and furtherance of Heritage Park in Old Town, and especially the Senlis Cottage, which will soon house SOHO's office, any gift given toward the restoration and remodeling of the Cottage will be most appreciated. Thanks to all of you again!

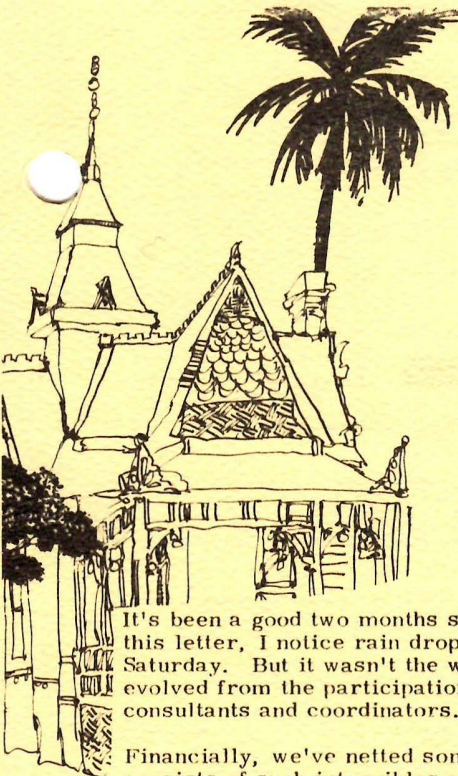
Claire Kaplan, Alice Crittenden & Carole Frick



NEW MEMBERS

Due to a month's hiatus in the Newsletter, we have quite a stack of new members to list this month! Welcome to all of you, thank you for your membership dues, and if any of you are dying to work on the Newsletter--call me at 298-2237 anytime. I'm dying to meet you!

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MISSION HILLS TOUR - A SMASHING SUCCESS STORY! (belated kudos)

It's been a good two months since SOHO's November 10th home and walking tour of Mission Hills. As I sit here writing this letter, I notice rain drops sliding down the window glass and thank my stars we had such gorgeous sunshine that Saturday. But it wasn't the weather that made the day so beautiful; it was the infectious spirit of fun and comradery that evolved from the participation of our 500 guests, walking guides, home guides, hosts and hostesses, homeowners, consultants and coordinators.

Financially, we've netted some \$1600 from the tour. SOHO's real net profit, however, is hard to measure, since it consists of such intangibles as community goodwill, SOHO spirit, community education and awareness of history. Intangible but heartfelt.

The many hours of research, planning and hard work culminated in a successful tour thanks to the following:

EVENT CHAIRMAN Cathy Grigsby	HISTORICAL RESEARCH Pat Schaelchlin, Donna Regan, Bruce Herms	ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTANTS Bruce Dammann, Joan Easley Bruce Herms, Marc Tarasuch	REFRESHMENTS Nettie Scarry, Chn., Cathy Miller, Ellen Lennert, Sunny Tarasuck
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Carol Lindemulder, SOHO's President
Mission Hills residents who readily
contributed historical & architectural
information of their area
Mission Hills Homeowners Assoc.
Mission Hills Congregational Church

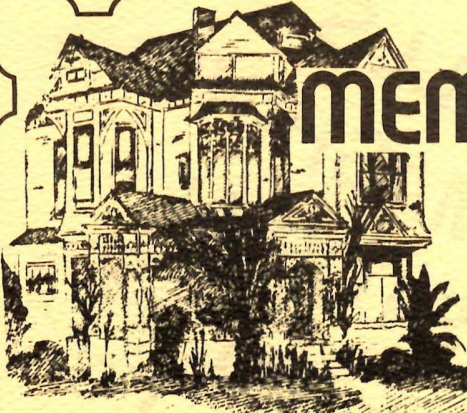
Owners of our seven beautiful open houses
American Youth Hostels for their "Weary
Wagon" van & driver, Janice Recht
Uptown Planners
Bob & Louise Harvey--Whooping Crane Antiques
San Diego City Park & Recreation Dept., for use of Pioneer Park

Walkabouts

Samuel Hamill
Warren Chadwick

Thank you SOHO
Let's do it again!

Cathy Grigsby
Mission Hills Tour Chairman



MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete and return this membership form to:

Save Our Heritage Organisation
Post Office Box 3571
San Diego, California 92103

SOHO depends upon membership dues, contributions, and fund raising activities to support our restoration/preservation expenses. Members receive the monthly SOHO Newsletter and invitations to special events. Gift memberships are available and we will send the recipient a card in your name announcing the gift. Memberships and donations are tax deductible. Please join us!

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Add my name to your Volunteer List _____

I prefer the following types of activities: _____

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