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COME ONE! COME ALL! SOHO is having its annual meeting Sunday, September 21 at 4:00 PM. The meeting will be at the Senlis Cottage, SOHO's new office in Old Town's HERITAGE PARK. Bring your family and friends interested in joining us. Bring a picnic dinner. Beverages will be supplied. Business and elections are scheduled at 5:00 PM.

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President: Carol Lindemulder Vice-President: Larry Ford

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MAY BE MADE. TO DO SO CONTACT

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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!



HELP....

As we are about to start a new SOHO year with an office, we are also gearing up for more coordination of volunteers. I recognize that we have not yet reached all of you out there who have at one time or another indicated that you want to work for SOHO...AND BELIEVE ME, WE NEED YOU.!

Because many of you have called or written us about this problem I listing the categories which desperately need to be filled with your volunteer help. Please check the category which might suit your area of interest and I will personally see to it that you are coordinated with others in an area in which you would like to work. You may call 222-3148 to leave your name, your request, and how you may best be reached.

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN maintains files, places volunteers.

EVENT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN schedules and puts on public events

HISTORIAN clips newspapers, collates and files

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE reviews funding, expenses, and new ideas

MEMBERSHIP increases new membership and donations

NEWSLETTER collecting news, writing

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE serving and clean up of SOHO events (note that only a few people are needed)

OFFICE STAFF/SECRETARIAL WORK typing up reports, correspondence, 1 day a week at SOHO's Senlis Cottage

HOSTESSES
2-3 hour shifts for hostessing for tours, and special projects between SOHO and other organizations

TOURS
researchers, guides, andanyone with
an interest in putting together new
and special tours

SOHO TO TOUR REDLAND VICTORIANS

On Saturday, October 25 at 8 AM sharp, a bus will leave Robinson's east parking lot in Mission Valley, heading for one of California's top treasure troves of the Victorian period - Redlands!

With ample time for snapping pictures and viewing the elaborate exteriors of some 20 classic homes, we will then tour the interiors of three of the most notable. Our guide, Dr. Larry Burgess, is the archivist of Special Collections at the notable building, the Smiley Public Library.

Note! Box lunches and beverages will be provided during the tour. We are planning to return to San Diego by 5:15 PM at Robinson's east parking lot.

There is room for 50 tour members. The price is \$18 for SOHO members and \$20 for non-members. Please make out checks to HARRY EVANS and send them to:

Harry Evans 3320 Garrison Street San Diego, Calif. 92106

ALL ABOARD FOR HOLLYWOOD IN SOHO'S OWN AMTRACK CAR - THIS TRIP INCLUDES THE EXOTIC, PSEUDO-EXUTIC, AND ALL THE ELEGANCE AND PZAZZ OF THE 20'S AND 30'S

complementary continental breakfast served on route

TOURS

We'll depart from the Santa Fe Station in San Diego at / AM on Saturday, October 11. Upon arriving in Los Angeles at 9:35 AM, we'll be met by our two busses and journey to Hollywood. Here we'll view the art deco of the Pantages Theatre, take a look at the Stern Barn where the first feature length film was made, and then ride slowly down colorful Hollywood Boulevard.

Next, a visit to the noted Schindler Experimental House (1921-2), a forerunner of the "California Patio House" which was designed as a cooperative dwelling for family and friends. Then on to the Farmer's Market for some midday shopping. (Be sure to bring some money for lunch!)

Time permitting, we will view the third Historic District - a melange of Craftsman Bungalows and Mission Revival styles (now threatened with street widening.) Up into the Hollywood Hills for a visit through Frank Lloyd. Wright's masterpiece - the Ennis-Brown House - constructed (1924) in the Mayan style with ingenious composites of masses and voids, and terraces and parapets. This house, now being restored, is not open to public viewing.

Later we'll travel to Silver Lake - Neutra territory on the right, Schindler on the left. Mr. Giella will guide us through his Schindler home, a hidden delight of the 1930's construction. Mrs. Neutra will show us through their family home - the Research House.

Relaxation from now on. We'll stop at Little Tokyo or maybe Olivera Street - wherever we all decide to dine. Departure from Los Angeles is slated for 8 PM arriving in San Diego at 10:35 PM. For a full day of travel - \$31/per person.

Send check or money order to:

SOHO Attention: Train Tour P.O. Box 3571 San Diego, California 92103

CALENDAR SE

Tuesday, September 2
9:00 AM

Historical Sites Board, City of San Diego
4th Floor, City Administration Building
(1st Tuesday each month)

Tuesday, September 2 Gaslamp Quarter Project Area Committee call 236-5793 for more information

Wednesday, September 3
11:30 AM

Class in San Diego History - (18 week series)
"San Diego: from the Gold Rush to the Present"
Mount Soledad Presbyterian Church/
6605 La Jolla Scenic Drive South
for more information call 230-2445

Monday, September 8
7:30 PM
Uptown Planners
Central Federal Building / 610 Washington
call 299-4832 for more information
(3rd Tuesday each month)

Tuesday, September 9
9:30 AM
Class in San Diego History - (18 week series)
"San Diego: the Spanish-Mexican Era (to 1850)"
Ocean Beach Community School /
4741 Santa Monica Avenue
for more information call 230-2445

Tuesday, September 9 Heritage Park Merchants' Association Heritage Park Restaurant / Old Town (2nd Tuesday each month)

Thursday, September 11 Gaslamp Quarter Association
9:30 AM Meeting for interested volunteers
Association Office / 652 Fifth Avenue
call 233-5227 for more information

Tuesday, September 16 San Diego Historical Society Board
12 Noon Villa Montezuma
(3rd Tuesday each month)

Tuesday, September 16 Gaslamp Quarter Project Area Committee 4:00 PM call 236-5793 for more information

Sunday, September 21
4:00 PM

Soho - General Meeting
Senlis Cottage / Old Town's Heritage Park
Bring your own picnic dinner.
Business meeting starts at 5:00 PM.

Wednesday, September 24 Gaslamp Quarter Association call 233-5227 for more information

Saturday, September 27
9:30 AM

Lecture on Urban Planning "Temporary Paradise"
sponsored by the City Club /
University Club / 7th and A Street
call 235-4041 for reservations

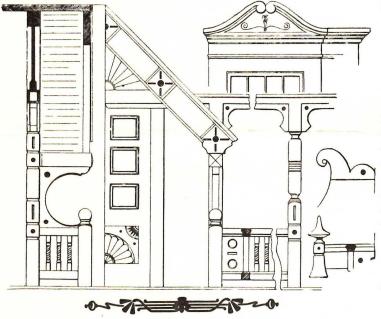


Are you refurbishing an old house? An old building? A barn, maybe? Or a bungalow? Then maybe we can help you. Reflections is starting a new column for all of you do it yourselfers — DEAR FIXII. You can write to DEAR FIXII about your structural problems, like: where to scrounge, how to restore old materials, or simply what to do first. Behind DEAR FIXII there is a panel of people who have probably faced just about everything you're going through — so don't give up or throw out your restoration project. Try writing DEAR FIXII first!

Write: DEAR FIXIT

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IS SAN DIEGO A TEMPORARY PARADISE?

LECTURE SERIES OFFERED

The City Club of San Diego and Citizens Coordinate for Century Three is offering a series of seminars based on TEMPORARY PARADISE, a report prepared by urban planners, Kevin Lynch (MIT), and Donald Appleyard (UC Berkeley). The first of the series, scheduled for September 27, will "look at the special landscape of the San Diego region", pose questions about San Diego's future, and draw attention to the environmental amenities we now enjoy.

Check for dates and locations in <u>Relections'</u>
Calendar section. For information or reservations call 235-4041 or write to: THE CITY CLUB, P.O. Box 9491, San Diego 92109.

Two classes in San Diego History are being offered by San Diego City College for credit. Each class will meet weekly over an 18 week period.

The first, "San Diego: the Spanish-Mexican Era (to 1850)", covers Indian settlements, Spanish missions, Mexican ranchos, and U.S. conquest.

The second class, "San Diego: from the Gold Rush to the present", includes slide-lectures, guest speakers, and field trips featuring S.D. development from 1850 to the present in such explorations as: Heritage Park, Villa Montezuma, Gaslamp Quarter, Balboa Park, and downtown redevelopment.

The instructor for the two class series is Dr. Clare Crane, consultant for the 1979 KPBS-FM radio biography programs, "Twelve Who Shaped San Diego."

Dates and locations of the classes are posted in <u>Reflections'</u> Calendar section. For more information call 230-2445.



MEMORIES OF EARLY LA JOLLA SOLICITED

Get out those diaries of childhood and youth in La Jolla. Awards of \$400.00 for first and \$100.00 for second selection are being offered by the La Jolla Historical Society for essays on memories of La Jolla prior to 1941.

The Historical Society is interested in collecting and preserving the history and nostalgia of early La Jolla, its people, places, and events, through the memories and pictures of those who lived or visited prior to '41.

Requirements for these essays are:

- Paper should not exceed 15 pages; size $8\frac{1}{2}$ "x11"; typewritten and double spaced.
 - -References should be included where possible.
- Accompanying pictures or prints should be indentified and dated where possible.
 - The essay must be previously unpublished.
 - Professional historians are ineligible.
- Essays must be submitted to the La Jolla Historical Society, P.O. Box 2085, La Jolla, 92038, on or before December 30, 1980.

For more information contact Chris Borgan at 453-0282.

IN MEMORIUM

SOHO is saddened by the death of EDNA C. HANSON, a lifetime member of SOHO, and one of our founding members. Her years of devoted service to her community will long be remembered.

NEWS BRIEFS

THE NAVY awarded a contract to Susan Woodridge, an architectural historian from Berkeley in order to determine the fate of the SHORE PATROL BUILDING.THE SAN DIEGO UNION quoted Soho's president Lindemulder, "Should the Navy building be saved and necessitate and (city center) design changes - and they would be major changes - there is no reason that the design cannot be changed to include the LYCEUM and the HORTON GRAND.".... THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVA-TION warned the CITY not to demolish any historic buildings until CCDC financing plans are clearly established.....THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT is in the process of putting together a package of materials to send to the STATE OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION in order to get historic distric certification for the area from Russ Boulevard to F Street and from 24th to 25th. This certification would provide tax benefits as described the 1976 TAX ACT.....The office of Councilman THE GUTCH reports that the City is issuing RFP's - Requests For Proposals - for the development of BELMONT PARK. Proposals may now include SAVING THE ROLLER COASTER. Such proposals, however, will have to include studies describing the structural soundness of that amusement park attraction. Gotch's office reports that this is a softening of the former position of the City Council which did not consider saving the old structure.THE CHART HOUSE is putting together a proposal for the Port Commissioners that would restore the old San Diego ROWING HOUSE. This proposal provides for the authentic restoration and establishment of a restaurant similar to that of the Del Coronado Boathouse and one of the cottages in La Jolla's Green Dragon Colony. The Chart House has restored vintage buildings throughout the United States....THE CARPENTER'S, SHIPWRIGHT'S, AND BUATBUILDER'S UNION LUCAL 1300 are owners of a large, two-story house at 25th and E. The old house is badly in need of restoration and is the subject of controversy. The GOLDEN HILL NEIGHBURHOOD URGANIZATION has been pushing for activity.....GASLAMP CLEAN-UP DAY n coordination with I LOVE A CLEAN SAN DIEGO s celebrated on August 30. It's looking better all the time.....

carol's corner



Another SOHO year is drawing to a close, and it's time for elections. The past year has seen some gains, some standstills and a few losses in preservation. One thing we have all learned over the years is that the longer we can keep a building standing - even in a state of limbo - the better chance we have to preserve it.

Preservation means taking chances, taking up uncelebrated causes, taking financial risks, and eventually even undertaking risks in restoration. Heritage Park was, and still is, full of risk. The Villa Montezuma was a risk. There are risks even in Gaslamp. SOHO, in 1979-80, was involved in many risky causes and we still are: the Roller Goaster, the San Diego Rowing Club Boathouse, and the buildings downtown slated for redevelopment. But with no risk there can be no gain.

As this year ends, I would like to pay special tribute to our board and committee members, who have put in so many, many hours towards preservation. We will be losing some longtime Board members whose hours for SOHO, stretched end to end, would circle the world five times. Cia Barron, Harry Evans, Nick Fintzelberg, Mary Ward, and Cathy Grigsby will be names long famous in the history of SOHO. Fortunately, they will still be around for benefit of sound advice and help when needed.

To the rest of the Board, my personal thanks for your energy and your support: Larry Ford, Clare Crane, Joan Easley, Pat Schaelchlin, Chuck Hellerich, Joe Jones, Matt Potter, Michael Sulliven, Sally Johns, and Bruce Daemons. Without our committee chairmen, the Board might as well fold up its tent and go home! So my added appreciation to: Med Beauregard, photographer; Marc Tarasuck and Ted Foley, Senlis Cottage; Donna Regan, Volunteers; Claire Kaplan, Hostesses; Lee Douglas, Donations; Lois Haselton and Gwen MacFarland, Ways and Means; Alice Crittendon, Membership; Karen Sharpe, Library; and Nettie Scarry, Refreshments.

A special tribute should also be given to Carole Frick, Newsletter Editor, who will be succeeded by our new Editor, Kathy Cogen. While a phenomenal year of educational tours can be attributed to Cathy Grigsby, Bruce Herms, and Jan Kitchell. There are so many other of you who have given such valued time and energy to SOHO and preservation. Thank you. And now our new Editor, Kathy, will have concerns that this President is too long-winded; but I will never have enough space for enough thanks to each of you who has worked so hard!



SOHO depends upon membership dues contributions, and fund raising activities to support our restoration/preservation expenses. bers 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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