

# REFLECTIONS

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### PRESERVATION ALERT

#### Raise The Roof For Preservation

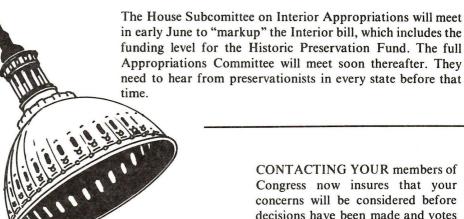
#### **ACTION NEEDED:**

House and Senate begin appropriations mark-ups in June--Call or write your Representative and Senators. Ask them to support the \$30 million for the Historic Preservation Fund in FY83. Tell them that funding the states and the National Trust is the most cost-effective means of preserving our heritage and assuring the utilization of the 1981 preservation tax incentives. Tell them what preservation is doing in the district or state to create jobs, brighten our cities and towns, stimulate private investment. Ask them to talk to members of the Appropriations Committee about the need for funding for preservation. Ask them to keep you up-to-date on funding developments.

#### 100% CUT!

A ZERO appropriation for the Historic Preservation Fund in FY1983 was proposed in the Administration's budget released in early February. In other words, no money for the state programs or the National Trust next vear!

This proposal makes no sense. The national historic preservation program is a model federal-state-private partnership. The states carry out critical activities for the federal government, such as National Register nominations, federal project reviews and tax act certifications. This is an excellent example of the decentralization sought by the President. The National Trust saves and protects historic properties, helps local groups and individuals save their community's heritage, and is a national voice for preservation.

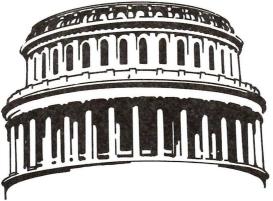


Congress now insures that your concerns will be considered before decisions have been made and votes have been taken.

#### Some Hints:

If you write a letter, letter should be legible or typewritten--discuss only one issue per letter--keep your letter short, only one (maybe two) pages long--state what you are writing about in the first sentence--don't assume your Congressman is wellformed on preservation issues: "President Reagan has recommended zero dollars for historic

preservation. We want the Congress to restore the appropriation, as you did successfully a year ago."--send a copy of your letter and your response to the Preservation Coordinating Committee.



HELP PRESERVATION SURVIVE!

## JUNE CALENDAR

Tuesday, June 1 2:00 p.m.

Port Commission 3165 Pacific Highway

Tuesday, June 1 7:00 p.m.

Uptown Planners S.D. Trust, Mission Hills

Tuesday, June 8 Noon S.D. Historical Society Villa Montezuma

Tuesday, June 15 7:30 p.m.

SOHO Board of Directors SOHO Office, Heritage Park

Wednesday, June 30 1:30 p.m.

Historical Site Board City Admin. Building



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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!

### Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

To Bruce Herms who works so hard for SOHO and all h. co-workers--the Victorian Bus Tour May 8th was a definite hit. We thank you--we appreciate you--and we love you!

Claire Kaplan Volunteer Chairperson

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Dear Nancy:

Arthur and I just wanted to drop you a note sharing our good news with all our SOHO friends.

Our second son, Lucien Emile Augustus Frick, was born into this realm on Thursday morning, April 29, 1982. He weighed a healthy 7 lbs, 13 ozs, and it looks as though we have a real ladies man here with black hair and blue eyes. Watch out!

Needless to say, we are pleased beyond words, and now maybe the mom can now get back to SOHO projects!

All our best, Arthur and Carole Frick

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Editor's Note: The Crittenden's have a new grandchild, Andrew Tobias Sinclair, born May 24, 1987 congratulations!)

# Gaslamp Tours

Because of the growing popularity of Saturday historic walking tours through the Gaslamp Quarter, the Gaslamp Quarter Association plans to expand their tour program and extend Association office hours.

Beginning Saturday, June 5, 1982, the Gaslamp Quarter Association office at 652 Fifth Avenue will be open Saturdays, from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. This is in addition to the regular 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. office hours, Monday through Friday.

For further information, call 233-5227.

# SOHO Workshop Picnic Scheduled

Come celebrate summer at our SOHO family picnic June 19 starting at 1:00 p.m. in Sally John's Pt. Loma garden at 1062 Albion.

This will be very informal, but people will be available to talk about the plans and projects you want in SOHO's future.

We will especially be discussing the upcoming Restoration Workshops. Many of you have expressed interest in this, and now you will be able to give your input for the items to be included on the agendas.

The picnic will be potluck; bring either salad, bread, chips, main dish or dessert-enough for 6 to 8 people--plus your own utensils and dishes. Wine and beer and soft drinks will be provided by SOHO.

Take Rosecrans to last stop light, turn right on Talbot, go over the hill, turn right on Albion. Go in the backyard, through side gate. (1062 Albion)

If you plan to attend, call Mary Joralmon at 297-9327 and leave a message. She will return your call promptly.

# Gaslamp Public Hearing On Redevelopment

The San Diego City Planning Commission has set a Public Hearing to consider adopting a redevelopment plan for the Gaslamp Quarter Planned District.

The Planning Commission will consider this matter at a public hearing on Thursday, June 3, 1982 at 10:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, 12th Floor, City Administration Building, Community Concourse, downtown San Diego.

The Planning Commission can recommend to the City Council that the plan does or does not conform to the City's Progress Guide and General Plan and whether or not the City Council should adopt the redevelopment plan.

The notice was sent to all owners of property within the area being considered as a redevelopment projec. Any person may appear before the Planning Commission at the public hearing and be heard in support or in opposition to the proposed redevelopment plan. Further information may be obtained by communication with the Planning Department at 236-5770.

# Thanks To All For May 8th Tour

The May 8th SOHO bus tour in honor of National Preservation Week was a grand success. All four buses were sold out. Everyone came back from the tour thoroughly delighted.

Special appreciation is extended to the owners and occupants of the various buildings that were visited. Without their interest in preservation and their hospitality to SOHO and our participants these tours would not be possible. We also thank the many volunteers who have helped us so much to make this tour a success by giving so generously of their time, energy and creativity. Many thanks to all of you from Bruce Herms, Tour Chairperson, Michael Sullivan, president, and the board of directors!

#### Cooperating Persons & Organizations:

Backesto Building
Britt House
Gaslamp Association
Golden Hill Antiquarian
Long-Waterman House
Louis Bank of Commerce
Quartermass-Wilde House
Russel Rex, A.I.A.
Heritage Park Merchants

Mr. Bud Fisher
Mrs. Dion Hostick
Ms. Peggy Roth
Bob & Margaret Summers
Parker Industries, Inc.
Donald Reeves, A.I.A.
Mr. Silverman & Assoc.
Mrs. Jeanie Rex

#### Special Arrangements (Chairperson: Claire Kaplan)

Alice Crittenden Jan Kitchel Sally Johns

Mary Joralmon Nancy Roberts Michael Sullivan

#### Guides, Docents and Hospitality

Joe Jones Jan Kitchel Carol Lindemulder Mary Dell Worthington **Dorothy Griner** Clare Crane Betty Smith Eileen Cross Caroline Turner James Easly Kathy Davies Dian Joralmon Caroline Foushee Anne Dring Dorothy Muth Linda Pearce Morrie Keech Lance Jones Jane Jones Judy McCutcheon

Cathy Grigsby Pat Skidmore Bruce Herms Annabelle McKinney Maureen O'Donnel David Goldberg Donna Regan Margaret Ham Phil Ham Jody Jenne Grace Van Buren Vel Landi Eleanor Bolen Bill Bolen Maxine Jones Dorothy Cleary Ruth Padgett Arlene Waters Robert Klauschie Betty Elwell

#### Special Guests:

Supervisor Roger Hedgecock, Supervisor Jim Bates, Marc Tarasuck, A.I.A., Karen Johl, Robert Miles Parker, Community College Band.

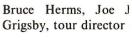


The Amtrak anxiously awaits its SOHO passengers.

Tickets please, and



SOHO members excited about their trip.







SOHO members will get up early on a Saturday morning for a great SOHO tour!

velcome aboard!

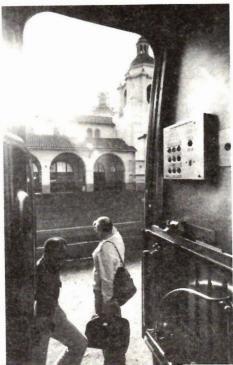


ones, and Cathy nd tour guides.





Joe Jones and Bruce Herms check for any stragglers before departing.



# Friends of Library Centennial Planned

The San Diego Public Library System celebrates its 1882-1982 centennial this June and July. One hundred years of service to the community--growing from a small Carnegie grant building to 29 branches and a bookmobile, all offering up-to-date facilities for recreation to research.

On Friday and Saturday, June 25 and 26 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. the Friends of the San Diego Public Library will present a Centennial Book Fair at the Community Concourse to raise money for the hard-pressed libraries. SOHO members are asked to contribute books they no longer need, or boutique items. They can be dropped off at any branch library, earmarked for the centennial. If donor tax deductin acknowledgment for substantial amounts is needed, do include your name and address for response. What is raised will be matched by the San Diego City Council.

On Saturday, July 24 a block party is planned from 1 to 4 p.m. at the 8th and E Streets Main Library downtown--with music, entertainment, refreshments, and tables with organizational literature. Anyone interested in becoming involved may call 276-2788 or 566-3275 for further information.

# La Mesa Historical Society To Have Ice Cream Social

La Mesa's 70th Anniversary will be featured at this year's Ice Cream Social to be held Sunday, June 13, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the McKinney House located at8369 University Avenue in La Mesa.

Photo exhibits will show the community at the time of incorporation, and special exhibits inside the house will include costumes from the period (1908). Entertainment will be provided by fifteen members of the City Guard Band, who will play marches, waltzes, polkas, and patriotic airs popular in the early years of this century. (SOHO members will remember the grand performance this band put on at our 4th of July picnic last year). The City Guard Band will play from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. with intermissions.

For lunch there will be available barbequed chicken, potato salad, cole slaw, baked beans, chili, hot dogs, and of course lots of ice cream. In addition there will be sales of baked goods, white elephants, plants, and items made by the "Quilters." For further information, call Dorothy Griner at 460-3726 or Pat Kettler at 463-0197.

# Historical Society Hosts Concert Series

Sunday afternoon concerts are presented the first Sunday of each month at 3 p.m. by the San Diego Historical Society. The concerts which are open to the public at no charge are held alterntely at the Villa Montezuma, 1925 K Street, and the Serra Museum in Presidio Park as follows:

July 11\*

Allegro Quartet

Villa Montezuma

August 1 San Diego Chamber Brass Players Serra Museum, Terrace (brass quintet)

September 5 Villa Montezuma Woodwind Quintet (chamber music)

October 3 Serra Museum the Orion Duo (classical quitarists)

November 7 Villa Montezuma Peregrin (flute and guitar)

\*Due to the July 4 holiday, the July concert will be held on the second Sunday of the month. For further information call 239-2211 or 297-3258.

# **Book Now For Rolls-Royce Tour**

The La Jolla Historical Society is sponsoring its Fifth Annual Rolls-Royce Tour on Saturday, July 31, 1982.

The tour will leave from St. James Episcopal Church at 10:30 a.m. The group will be driven in ten classic Rolls-Royces to the Hotel Del Coronado for luncheon and no-host cocktails. In the afternoon a leisurely tour of Coronado will precede the return trip. Arriving in La Jolla a stop at a beautiful home for champagne will mark the conclusion of the memorable day's outing.

Early reservations are encouraged since the tour is limited to forty guests. A donation of \$35 will secure a place on the tour.

Reservations may be made by sending a check to the Jolla Historical Society, P.O. Box 2085, La Jolla, 92038, or by phoning 454-3754 or 459-5335 on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

# Welcome New Members

James & Geraldine Burke Margie Busher Barbara Elder Robert & Loretta Dunn Barry & Julie Schafer Stephen & Inez Herald K.A. Seinknecht Sally Gross Carol Ayers Mary Jane Gibson David Hutchinson Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lossing Catie Somers Rita Johnson Nancy Pitts Cdr. & Mrs. Robert Turney Ann McQuerter J. Michael Bowen

### Preservation News Bits

Through a long-term lease with a limited partnership, Historic Richmond, a nonprofit preservation group in Richmond Virginia, appears to have secured the future of Richmond's old city hall, a Gothic-style structure built in 1893. Having moved into a new city hall in the 1970's the city no longer needed the old one. So it recently sold the building--and the adjacent streets--to the state, which already owned most of the surrounding property.

Fearing the state might demolish the building, preservationists persuaded city officials to lease it to Historic Richmond for 50 years, with a "direct assignment" to Old City Hall Associates, a limited partnership. The direct assignment gives this arrangement the effect of a sublease between HR and OCHA. The partnership, which plans to renovate the building and convert it into a restaurant, bank, and office space, expects to be able to use the 1981 tax benefits, including the 25% rehabilitation tax credit.

Why didn't the state lease the hall directly to the partnership instead of using HR as the middleman? According to Mike Gold, HR's director, this arrangement gives his organization exterior design controls and, in case of default, permits the property to revert to HR rather than to the state. The long-term lease enables a nonprofit organization, the state, which owns but can't use the tax benefits, to pass them through to investors who can.

# When You're In Los Angeles

Next time you make a visit to L.A., stop by the Los Angeles Conservancy to see what is happening in preservation in the L.A. area. The Conservancy is a very active preservation group and also have many tours and activities scheduled throughout the year. On Sunday, June 13 they will be conducting a bus tour presented by the Glendale Historical Society viewing examples of stone architecture popular in the Foothills in the 1920's. For further information on the tour call (213) 242-7447.

The Conservancy is currently involved in preservation of the following endangered landmarks: The Garden Court Apartments in Hollywood, the Lugo Adobe in Bell Gardens, the Uniroyal Tire Factory in the City of Commerce, the Loyola Theater in Westchester, the Variety Arts building, downtown LA, and the Santa Monica Land and Water Company, Pacific Palisades. They are also monitoring the Central Library and Pan Pacific Auditorium. Many SOHO members have family and friends in L.A. Tell them about the Los Angeles Conservancy—their dedication to historic preservation is the same as SOHO's. They are located at 849 South Broadway, Suite 1225, Los Angeles, CA 90014.

### **Donations**

General:

Ed & Vel Landi
Robert and Dorothy Cleary
Tom and Mary Ann Wheeler
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lossing
Michael Lovett
Cdr. & Mrs. Robert F. Turney

For Temple Beth Israel:

Sunny Tarasuck Lee & Moris Douglas in honor of the wedding anniversary of Claire and Joe Kaplan.

Thank You All!



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 the recipient a card in your name announcing the gift. Memberships and donations are tax deductible. Please join us!

#### MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

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