



REFLECTIONS

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GENERAL MEETING IN GASLAMP



Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 29th! SOHO is having its general meeting, election and installation of new officers and board members. This year we will be holding the annual event at the historic Golden Lion restaurant in the Gaslamp Quarter.



The Golden Lion has been beautifully restored by the Mortenson family (recent SOHO preservation award winners). You won't want to miss seeing the beautiful stained-glass dome in the ceiling (from the old Elks Lodge in Stockton, California) and the big long oyster bar.



The festivities will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will end around 7:00 p.m. There will be a no-host bar and hors d'oeuvres. There will be a charge of \$5.00 per person. The Golden Lion is located at the corner of 4th Avenue and F Street. Information on the fall home tour in Chula Vista and other upcoming events will also be announced.



The following are the nominations for officers and board members from the SOHO Nominating Committee:

President: Mary Joralmon
Executive Vice President: Joe Jones
Vice President of Governmental Affairs:
Robert Miles Parker
Vice President of Education: Bruce Herms
Secretary: Paula Stober
Treasurer: David Goldberg

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Gary Thomas
Carl Luhman

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Joe Jones
Susan Skala
Harris Evans

(1 Year Term):

Bruce Herms
David Goldberg
Cathy Grigsby



Paula Stober
Bill Bolen
Karen Johl

Alternates:

Sally Johns

Elsie Spangler

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NEW MEMBERS

Dr. Arthur Austin
 Mr. & Mrs. M. A. Marrow
 Howard & Zelda Waxenberg
 The McConaughy House
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 Ms. M. Anais Pugh
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 Mrs. Gail T. Goodwin
 Janet Wilson
 Mr. & Mrs. Alban M. Furniss
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Nancy Roberts & Judy McCutcheon *Co-Editors*

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Gwen McFarland	<i>Executive Vice President</i>
Michael Sullivan	<i>Vice President of Governmental Affairs</i>
Bruce Herms	<i>Vice President of Education</i>
David Goldberg	<i>Treasurer</i>
Nancy Roberts	<i>Secretary</i>

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(Two Year Term)

Michael Sullivan	Nancy Roberts
Mary Joralmon	Karen Johl
Bill Bolen	Bruce Herms

(One Year Term)

Gwen McFarland	Eleanor Bolen
Carol Heepke	Paula Stober
Cathy Grigsby	David Goldberg
Judy McCutcheon	Claire Kaplan

Alternates

David Hutchinson	Pat Schaelchlin
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The SOHO newsletter, *Reflections*, is published monthly. Letters to the editor and contributions are welcome. Deadline is the 15th of each month prior to publication.

LETTERS

TO THE SOHO BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

I have suspected for years that the average member of an activist outfit like SOHO has not had the opportunity to grasp the scope of the work performed by its Presidents. On the chance that I am right in that opinion, I want to compliment Mary Joralmon on her conduct of the campaign to preserve the historic integrity of Horton Plaza Park.

She has literally worked day and night for months on this project and, more importantly, provided the sheer tenacity required to follow through on the countless meetings, the presentation and the materials for it and the hundreds of written and telephonic messages.

I have been one of her associates in this endeavor since the beginning along with Wayne Donaldson who has also been a rock of determination. Thus, she follows in the path of some of her predecessors who have done such great work for our community. SOHO is, and should be, mighty proud of her.

HARRY W. EVANS
 Immediate Past President
 San Diego Historical Society

news briefs...

●The San Diego City Council will be meeting to make a decision on the future of Horton Plaza on Tuesday, October 9. Please write or call your councilperson and urge them to support the SOHO design.

●The recently restored William Heath Davis House will have its grand opening in the early part of October. The Gaslamp Quarter Council will have its offices on the first floor. A museum will also be housed on the first floor and a community room will be located on the lower floor. Interior restoration was coordinated by our own Mary Joralmon and the architect was Marc Tarasuck.

●This will be the last *Reflections* issue for the current co-editors, Nancy Roberts and Judy McCutcheon. We've enjoyed working on the newsletter, but it is now time to pass it on to someone else. If you or anyone you know is interested in helping with the newsletter, please call the SOHO office at 297-9327.

●Volunteers are urgently needed to tend the Senlis Cottage in Heritage Park during the months of September and October to help answer calls regarding the upcoming home tour in Chula Vista. Even if you can only donate an hour here and there, we need you! Call 297-9327 or Betty Smith at 449-0968 to offer your services. GET INVOLVED!

SAM HAMILL TO BE HONORED

Architecture can be deemed the music of the spheres frozen in human-conceived materials, and Samuel Wood Hamill, F.A.I.A., has been the maestro of architectural orchestration of residential homes, schools, libraries, churches, and corporate offices. He is the composer of the original city/county civic center, the San Diego Community Concourse, Veterans' War Memorial Building in Balboa Park, and the original Del Mar Fairground buildings.

His harmonic skill in renovation of many of Balboa Park's Spanish colonial buildings highnotes this architect extraordinaire.

Because of his many contributions to the culture and civic community of San Diego, Citizens Coordinate of Century 3 (C-3), has chosen Sam Hamill as the recipient of its Second Annual Ellen and Roger Revelle Award. The award is to be presented at a banquet honoring Sam Hamill on Friday, October 19 at the Holiday Inn at the Embarcadero. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m.

For reservations, mail your check (\$35/person) payable to Citizens Coordinate for Century 3 to: C-3, 1549 El Prado, San Diego, CA 92101. For further information, call 232-7196 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.



By Claire Kaplan

THE HORTON CONNECTION:

Elizabeth Ann Roberts has just become a member of the Save Our Heritage Organisation. She is a descendant of Mary Emily Horton, the sister of Alonzo Erastus Horton.

Barnabus Horton immigrated to the United States with his wife Mary, in 1635, from Leicestershire, England. They settled in Southhold, Suffolk County, New York.

Seven generations later, Erastus and Tryphema Horton, residents of Union, Connecticut, gave birth to seven children, one at a time. Next to the eldest, Mary Emily was born in 1811, followed closely by her brother, Alonzo Erastus in 1813... to be known in later years as Father Horton, the founder of New San Diego.

Henry Francisco claimed Mary Emily Horton as his bride in Ft. Atkinson, Wisconsin, in 1835. The fifth of their eight children was Charles Francis Francisco. At the invitation of his Uncle Alonzo Horton, Charles came to San Diego in 1869. He was married to Evelyn Harvey (Eva), who was a very close and dear friend of our very own George Marston. Miss Harvey's uncle, John Harvey, was governor of Wisconsin during the Civil War. The young Franciscos made their home in San Diego on Fifth and C Streets; later the site was occupied by the Marston Store.

Their son, Louis H. Francisco, was born in San Diego, and for many years was prominent in civic and political affairs here. He was a candidate for president in 1924, and was known throughout the state of California as the "Golden Rule Candidate." Louis Henry Francisco was Elizabeth Ann's grandfather...the son of Charles Francisco...the son of Mary Emily Horton...the sister of Alonzo Erastus Horton...also known as Father Horton, the founder of New San Diego.

SOHO welcomes Elizabeth Roberts. We appreciate her kindness in offering the copy of her family tree. To say that it is involved is an understatement. It is absolutely fascinating! The many documents she donated are an unlimited source of information. They will hold your undivided attention and are available for your perusal in the SOHO library, located in Senlis Cottage in Heritage Park. You will find it difficult to put it aside once you begin with the begats. We'll be glad to guide you through the generations, with a little effort, with much pleasure.



SOHO HOME TOUR to be in Chula Vista on October 20th

By Bruce Herms

SOHO will be holding its annual home tour in Chula Vista on Saturday, October 20, 1984. Chula Vista is noted for its many "Orchard Houses" dating from the turn-of-the-century. Originally part of the Rancho Nacion, Chula Vista was founded by Colonel Dickenson in the early 1800's. One of the key buildings to be visited on the tour will be the Dickenson-Boal House, a magnificent three-story Victorian designed for Col. Dickenson by the architectural team of Comstock & Trotsche, who also designed the Villa Montezuma and the Sherman-Gilbert house.

Among the other homes featured on the tour will be the Bronson House, a Queen Anne Victorian believed to have been designed by the Reid Brothers, designers of the Hotel Del Coronado; the McCall Victorian;

the Burch Craftsman; and the Dr. Gould Craftsman. John Rojas, President of the Chula Vista Historical Society, will provide an historical perspective and slide presentation at the Chula Vista Women's Club, a delightful Spanish Colonial style building which is targeted for restoration. Refreshments will be available in the garden courtyard.

Transportation to the homes will be by air conditioned coaches. Pick-up point will be announced. Space is limited on this tour. Advance reservations are strongly recommended due to the popularity of the annual home tour. Tour fee is \$10 for SOHO members and \$14 for non-members. Please make checks payable to SOHO. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Also note if you prefer the morning (9 a.m.-12:30) tour or afternoon (1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.) tour.

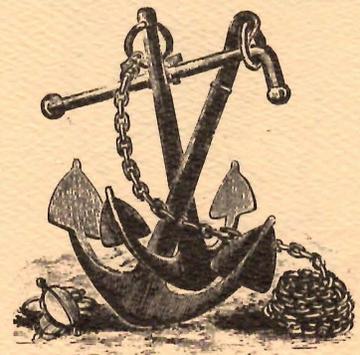
PRESERVATION NETWORK ALERT: S.O.S., Rough Waters Ahead in Senate

Avast ye mates and landlubbers! Hit the decks! Pirates and scallywags maneuvering behind the scenes are threatening to sink an historic shipwrecks protection bill in Congress. After a year and a half of tough negotiations and consensus-building, we cannot allow this fair and balanced compromise to be scuttled.

Having weathered a steady but hazardous course in the House, the legislation should have smooth sailing on the House floor in September. But storm warnings are already posted in the Senate as a hurricane named Paula Hawkins moves north from Florida and places our shipwrecks in imminent peril.

We're asking you, swabbies, to hoist the sails for preservation! Only four weeks are left in this session of Congress. If the bill does not find safe passage this year, it must be reintroduced when a new Congress convenes next year. And there are ominous signs that Congress may be unwilling to consider it again. Don't give up the shipwrecks protection bill now. Your help is essential.

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SOHO ANNUAL HOME TOUR CHULA VISTA

OCTOBER 20, 1984

Yes, I want to go on the Home Tour. Please accept reservations on the

Morning Tour Afternoon Tour

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

For _____ Person(s) SOHO members

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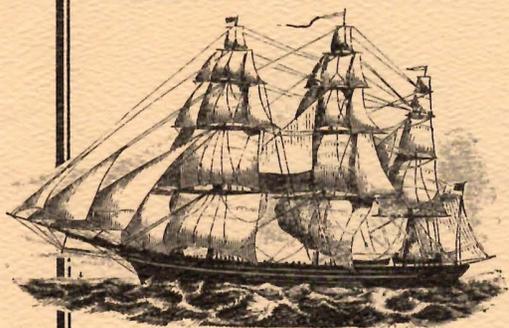
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THANK YOU

S.O.S....

Why save our shipwrecks? Historic shipwrecks are priceless cultural resources and should be preserved as part of the nation's rich maritime heritage. These underwater archeological treasures are threatened by commercial exploitation because they receive no protection under the maritime law of salvage. Irresponsible excavation of these historic wrecks has already destroyed countless irreplaceable artifacts valued not only for their monetary worth, but also for their historic and cultural significance. Such uncontrolled salvage has irreparably damaged many sites, ruining the educational and recreational benefits they hold for archeologists, sport divers, and the general public.

The legislation protects the rights of archeologists to study, the rights of recreational divers to explore and the rights of commercial salvage companies to operate legitimate businesses by contracting with states for their services. Call or write your congressional representatives today to support H.R. 3194.



Star of India to Sail

The San Diego Maritime Museum is pleased to unfurl the exciting plan to sail the Star of India in late 1984. The continuing donation of new sails for the historic, square-rigged sailing ship and a growing public enthusiasm has led the Maritime Museum to attempt to sail her again. She last sailed on July 4, 1976, to an enthusiastic response from over 500,000 spectators on America's 200th birthday.

According to Maritime Museum President John Hamrick, "It has been the wish of many members of our community and elsewhere to see the Star of India return to sea once again, and they have urged the Maritime Museum to consider this. In response to this widespread interest, we have decided to sail her in November 1984, contingent on a successful fund raising campaign. We are excited about the prospect."

Fund raising is a major consideration in enabling the Star of India to sail in 1984. The donation of two new sails dedicated on April 12, 1984, by Colonel and Mrs. Theodore R. Tate, followed the grant by the San Diego Community Foundation for three sails. An order for two additional sails has been placed due to further donations. The magnitude of the project for sails alone accounts for the fund raising goal of \$200,000. In July, Senator James Mills donated the new inner jib. The addition of this new sail brings the total of her new sails to six with two more on order through the generosity of additional donations. Nineteen new sails are ultimately required.

The November sailing would be a one day event designed to enable her to be viewed under sail by her many friends. "It is our intention to film various shiphandling evolutions as a document on the sailing of a square-rigged ship," said

Maritime Museum Trustee Captain Carl G. Bowman, who will be in command of her preparation and sailing.

The Star of India has been visited by many people from this country and from countries around the world. One of her main purposes is to serve them by being maintained as an example of the culture of the people who built, owned, and sailed in her as crew or passengers. By viewing the Star of India, a better understanding can be gained of her multi-faceted heritage.

The Star of India was launched on November 14, 1863, at Ramsey Isle of Man. Her working career lasted until she was retired in 1923. She is the oldest iron-hulled merchant sailing ship afloat and can boast of 21 around-the-world voyages. She is 205 feet long at her waterline, her beam is 35 feet, her tonnage is 1197, and her mainmast measures 124 feet, 8 inches from the deck to the top of the mast.

The bark-rigged Star of India has been homeported in San Diego since 1927. She was joined by the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat Berkeley and the 1904 steam yacht Medea in 1973. These historic ships and the many exhibits on board comprise the San Diego Maritime Museum, which is a non-profit organization and does not operate with any tax support.

If you would like to help sail the Star of India, any support you may be able to provide, no matter how modest, will be deeply appreciated. You may send your tax-deductible contribution to: Star of India Sailing & Preservation Fund, Maritime Museum Association of San Diego, 1306 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101. For further information, call David Brierley at 234-9153.



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Corporate	\$50	Single	\$15

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San Diego, CA 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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