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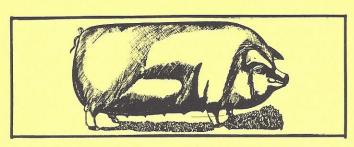
ORIENT AND FLUME FUNDRAISER —

Orient and Flume, Chico's internationally known art glass company, gave Chico Heritage its first business-sponsored fundraiser on Sunday, April 12th. CHA members received invitations to the noon event which featured refreshments, entertainment by the Stolen Moments, and the distribution of 100 of Orient and Flume's peerlessly beautiful eggs. Twenty-five percent of each of the 90 tickets sold will be donated to CHA.

Members Ramona Flynn, Emma Cook, Dorothy Reeve, Roberta Fountain, Pam Herman and Judy Busch provided luscious cookies and ZUCCHINI AND VINE donated the coffee. Special thanks to Judy Busch for organizing the refreshments, Tim Simonds for helping with the set-up and take-down, and John Gallardo for representing CHA.

We are grateful to Doug and Carol Boyd and Melinda Vasquez of Orient and Flume for this wonderful event. Chicoans are justly proud of Orient and Flume and Chico Heritage is proud to be associated with them.





PIG OUT FOR PRESERVATION

Mark your calendars -- it's Pig Out time again -- Chico Heritage's major annual fundraiser! This year it's Sunday, May 17th, and once again at the Little Chapman Mansion, East 12th St. and Nelson.

Starting at 4 p.m. will be croquet matches in summer whites and popcorn and lemonade for the kids. Barbequed ribs and delicious salads will be served from 5-6:30 p.m., followed by ice cream cones for dessert.

Tickets are \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members, and \$5 for children (6-12 years). They may be purchased at Zucchini and Vine and Made in Chico.

Come join us for a Victorian lawn party and support local historic preservation. For information call Jacki Headley at 895-0693.

BOOKS FOR LOAN -

Chico Heritage has three new books in the CHA library available for loan. They are The Window Handbook: Successful Strategies for Rehabilitating Windows in Historic Buildings, The Window Workbook for Historic Buildings and Victoria's Legacy. The first provides technical guidance and a series of brief, well-illustrated window case studies for those planning on rehabilitating windows in historic buildings and the second is a companion publication that covers such topics as energy conservation, historic technology, custom fabrication, repair techniques, government regulations, etc. Victoria's Legacy is a wonderful book donated to Chico Heritage by Nancy Lindahl. This book is a tour of San Francisco's Victorians with a short architectural history of San Francisco. Thank you, Nancy, for your nice gift. If you are interested in borrowing one or all of these books, please call the Chico Heritage office. Now there will be no excuse for not knowing what to do with those old windows, or the background on S.F.'s Victorians!

1987 STATE CONFERENCE ·

Plans are underway for the State Preservation Conference to be held June 4-7 in Coronado. The October issue of *California Preservation* reports the following conference plans:

- * The fabulous Hotel del Coronado will serve as the conference headquarters and 200 rooms at a much reduced rate are being held for us in the historic main building.
- * Entire tracks will be given over to new subject matter -- Archaeology, Main Street, and Technical Preservation.
- * Mobile workshops will study community conservation in Coronado and business and politics of preservation in San Diego's historic downtown Gaslamp Quarter.
- * Saturday evening's main event will be in the Hotel del's stunning Crown Room, and we are holding the line on registration fees. If you have ever wished you could luxuriate at the Hotel del Coronado, this is your chance.

CORONADO: STATE CONFERENCE SITE -

The following article was taken from the October 1986 issue of California Preservation:

Coronado, California, sits at the tip of what is often called an island, but is, in fact, a peninsula off the coast of San Diego. One hundred years ago it was desolate and barren, its only inhabitants being wild jack rabbits. That was before a man of rather extraordinary vision named Elisha Babcock cast an entrepreneurial eye on this unusual locale in 1885 and set about developing it into "the finest watering spot on the Pacific Coast". Working at a feverish pace, Babcock created a resort in just a few months. Hundreds of trees were planted, parks laid out, streets and sidewalks put in place, fresh water piped in and ferry service installed between Coronado and San Diego. The crowning glory, however, was the Victorian masterpiece Hotel del Coronado, which opened in 1888 as the largest resort hotel in the world. Catering to the wealthy, the hotel boasted the largest single installation of electric lights in the nation and provided its guests with every luxury and amenity then available. Gradually, the hotel's registry books would grow to read like a historical "Who's Who", accumulating the names of ten presidents, countless stage and screen stars, artists, authors, and royalty. This designated National Historic Landmark will serve as headquarters for the 1987 California Historic Preservation Conference.

Coronado itself, because of its "grandeur of land and glory of climate", invited visitors to stay on; and thus, many great homes, as well as beach bungalows, came to form the city. The resultant variety of architecture is as much a part of Coronado's charm as is its unparalleled location.

Because Coronado is located next to North Island, which was one of the first naval air stations and still is one of the Navy's most important bases, a

distinctly Navy flavor became part of the life of the city beginning in World War I. The romance associated with those early flying days has endured through the many movies made there and the memory of such aviation luminaries as Charles Lindbergh, Jimmy Doolittle and Amelia Earhart, all of whom spent time there.

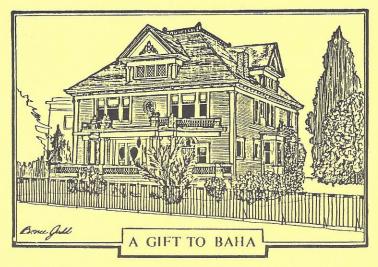
Throughout the years Coronado survived much as it was, guarded by its inaccessibility until 1969. That year the Bay Bridge opened and eliminated the 83year old ferry service. It also brought a huge influx of traffic and a surge in development that resulted in new and challenging problems that this quiet residential and resort community is still trying hard to deal with. The focus of local preservation efforts is on the retention of the character and ambience that have set Coronado apart, the safeguarding, as it were, of the feeling that Coronado still has one foot firmly planted in the past. Last year the city authorized a historical survey, resulting in a list of over 1500 qualifying structures. An ordinance creating a Historical Site Board was also adopted. Proof of citizen belief in, and involvement with, their city's preservation efforts can be seen in the increased membership of the Historical Associationup from 200 to 800 in the last five years.

Despite all the problems facing preservation in the city, there is no doubt that the special magic that has always been Coronado still exists today. The Hotel Del, preparing for its centennial celebration, remains the grand lady by the sea, wrapping its guests in an aura of yesterday. The main street motif of downtown and the residential atmosphere endure as intrinsic parts of this unique resort. For that is, after all, what Coronado is: not just a place to visit, or to hold a conference, but a place to experience, to feel, and to return to time after time. We look forward to sharing it with you.



DUES

Reminder for those of you who haven't yet renewed your membership -- membership is on the calendar year, so if you haven't paid your dues since January, please do so now. We need your membership and participation. Become a part of Chico -- join Chico Heritage Association.



EXTRAORDINARY GIFT

The Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association were the benefactors of a wonderful gift last summer, a beautiful Colonial Revival house. The donor of the home, Miss Alice Greer, never lived in the house but had devoted a great amount of effort to preserve it. Afraid that future preservation of the property could be tenuous because of continuous and often unpleasant development in the neighborhood, Miss Greer offered the property to BAHA. The Berkeley heritage group plans to utilize the home as their permanent office, library and meeting rooms, and as a cultural and historic resource for the community. The president of the the BAHA group, Susan Stern Cerny, stated, "It has always been a "dream" of BAHA to have a real home, which can inspire others to the cause of historic preservation."

MANSION CARRIAGE SHED —

Work has begun at Bidwell Mansion for the construction of a likeness of the mansion's original carriage shed. Tim Simonds, a local contractor and wood worker, is in the process of performing the restoration work. John Glick, a fine local craftsman, has reproduced some of the sashwork needed in the restoration process. The brick structure behind the that once housed mansion the mansion's groundskeeper will remain while the room additions to that building are slated for removal. The carriage shed, large enough to house four carriages, is expected to be completed in late August.

SPECIAL EVENTS ·

The Works of Julia Morgan in Berkeley - Annual House Tour.

May 10th - 12-5:00 p.m.

For ticket information call 415-841-2242

Lecture Series -

An Easterner's Persepective of Vallejo by Bob McCully, Assistant Director of the Vallejo Navel and Historical Museum.

June 11th - 7:30 p.m. -

Heritage House, 419 Farragut Street, Vallejo, CA, 707-644-5551

BOARD OF DIRECTORS -

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NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTED

Nine members were elected to the CHA Board of Directors at the annual meeting held on January 28th. Re-elected were: Louis Poor, our patient and intrepede treasurer; Pattle Hannemann, our untiring newsletter editor; Liz Stewart, former Historic Building Survey coordinator and current membership chair; John Gallardo, former CHA president; Laurence Boag, energetic builder of our CHA office; Emily Newton, former secretary of the Board; and Gary Simmons, updater of city doings.

Newly elected were: Ingaborg Johannsen-Steele, owner of Accentricities and Co-Si-Wo, an ardent and outspoken preservationist and Jerry Powers, new Chico building inspector who recently restored a turn-of-the-century cottage on Olive Street.

We welcome our new Board members and look forward to working with them. Re-elected Board members are deeply thanked for their continued commitment to Chico's preservation.



THANK YOU DOROTHY AND NANCY!

A big THANK YOU to outgoing Board members Dorothy Hill and Nancy Lindahl, both of whom are founding members of CHA and have served on the Board since 1981. We know that they will continue to be involved in Chico Heritage. In fact, Nancy is right now organizing our annual fundraiser, the "Pig Out for Preservation", which was her (and Jacki Headley's) original idea four years ago. (Who else could come up with such an unforgettable name for the fundraiser barbeque?!)

Thank you both for your time, ideas and commitment.

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