

85th ANNIVERSARY SLATED

Plans are underway for the celebration of the 85th ANNIVERSARY of the incorporation of the City of Daly City in March of 1996. Our meeting will be on Wednesday, March 20th, whereas the actual vote for incorporation was March 18, 1911.

Two faithful members of the Guild, Esther and Hartley Appleton, were dubbed King and Queen of Daly City for the 75th Anniversary in 1986, and we are sure that they will bring out their sashes and official paraphernalia to note another 10 years of Daly City progress.

NUM-A-NUM NAMES

The following nice people have volunteered refreshments for the upcoming January 21st Birthday Party at Colma Town Hall.

Ann Papia
Fran Bullard
Esther Appleton
Angela Uccelli
Elinor Charleston
Patricia & Lou Craviotto

Hospitality Chair Mary Hutchings will contact you before the meeting as a last-minute confirmation. If you have any problems, etc., Mary's number is 756-0864.

COLLECTION ADDITIONS

And still come the goodies rolling in from members and friends:

Russ Brabec - DC Record excerpts re water services and establishing the post of City Manager.

Marlene Sheridan (via Marilyn Olcese) - Jeff Hi 1942 handbook; print of school; program from 1st annual Folk Dance (DC Rec Dept. project, 1950)

Marilyn Olcese - Top-of-the-hill Xeroxes; San Mateo Times clip re Henry Doelger, July 1994.

Gil Doyle - Gellert house deed, 1933, signed by 3 Gellerts, later developers of Serramonte.

Bunny Gillespie - Plastic glasses from Cow Palace, 1970 program pages, 1995 glossy cowboy pic.

Ken Gillespie - Colma Noodlefest wineglass, souvenir with logo.

Walter and Betty Schultz - Lucite-enclosed miniature booklet (3"x4") of Serramonte Del Rey apartments bond issue, Series 1985-A.

Daly City Hall - Pictures of DC people and events; groundbreakings, retirement and testimonial activities, reorganizations; DC 75th Anniversary proclamations from Tom Lantos (U.S. Congress), California Legislature; DC Council Official Resolution.

Don Manning - 1966 election mailers; Xeroxes of Thornton Beach area, 1921 (oversize in mailer tube).

ROTARY CLUB VISITATION

Invited to speak at the Daly City Rotary Club recently were Bunny and Ken Gillespie, who told the story of the filming of the "Ghost Blimp" segment on "Unsolved Mysteries" from a couple of years ago.

The Guild now has three new members. We just happened to take some applications along, and so we welcome to membership Joseph Peter Simini and Niel and Melanie Hildebrand!

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GUILD PARTY AT COLMA TOWN HALL, January 21st

HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYBODY!

If you're not too pooped out from all the festivities of the 1995 holiday season, you'll make a very, very special entry in your 1996 datebook for our ANNUAL MEMBERS' BIRTHDAY PARTY, which will be held on Sunday afternoon, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., JANUARY 21st!

Our gathering spot will be in the beautiful council chambers of Colma Town Hall, at the corner of El Camino Real and Serramonte Blvd. Space is limited, you know, so get there in plenty of time to get a seat.

Guest speaker at our annual Colma meeting will be **BOB BENEDETTI**, chief of the **Colma Volunteer Fire Department**, which has been protecting their community since 1925. Chief Benedetti has led the department since 1986, and will celebrate his 10th anniversary in March.

There is nothing distracting going on that day...Super Bowl isn't until the next weekend, and Hula Bowl isn't any great shakes on the 21st. There will be our usual great refreshments, including **CHAMPAGNE** and **BIRTHDAY CAKE!**

And, one of our very entertaining members, **ERNIE BLOOM** will make a very special appearance at the party. We won't give any advance details...but, prepare to giggle and guffaw!

There probably were received in many households certain quality items that might be brought to the **January meeting** to add to the prize exhibit for the raffle. Such contributions are very welcome, increasing the participation and interest.

We usually have a super list of prizes, and we welcome more. Bring along something that you won't mind being lovingly taken away by a new owner. We thank you in advance for your generous contributions.

Remember, this is a **MEMBERS ONLY** party, but...you can jern at the door if you ain't currently a member.

Our dues are the least we know of for an organization as snazzy as we are... starting at \$3/yr. for seniors, only \$5 for individuals, and \$8 for family memberships.

DUES ARE DUE!

GUESS WHAT? Dues are due. Oh, don't act so surprised! It happens in January...has for 14 years! Treasurer and Membership Chair **Roz Babow** (oh, what a gem she is!) encloses your membership card and a return envelope in this mailing. Select your category, make your check out, and send it in. Easy? Sure it is!

Over the years the response to the system has been marvelous. Our members

are both prompt and generous, and the financial structure of your Guild continues to be healthy and happy. Many thanks in advance for your prompt and generous replies!

THE THIRD CHANCE

As a sidebar to the above dues story, there is a good number of names on the roster that were originally added during sign-ups at fairs such as Victorian Days in the Park, the Noodle Festivals, or the Gateway Festivals.

Most of the signees became members. Some did not, however. We have kept the names on the mailing list for the past two years. Since the cost of such inclusion has been going up, and with no dues monies coming in, **IF THERE IS A RED DOT ON YOUR ADDRESS LABEL**, and there is not an indication of interest on this 3rd year of receiving a membership reminder, we regretfully must take those names off the roster.

And we do hope that they may enjoy the bulletins and the activities of the Guild in the future by joining.

HAPPY NOVEMBER POTPOURRI

Our **November 15th** meeting was a very pleasant affair. The attendance was down, though, a normal diminution that we lay to the darkness of the year. Many members don't like going out at night when the night is really night.

A good number of items were selected for emphasis in display, including school diplomas and other memorabilia from **Irene Dalton**, former Dunks St. resident, racing silks from the **John Marchbank** collection, as well as family pictures of the racing scene at Tanforan racetrack, a color print of the duel between **Broderick** and **Terry** in 1859, probably gleaned from the tab section of the **San Francisco Examiner**.

Also of interest was a splendid collection of **Tony Gaggero** memorabilia, highlighting the career of the former mayor of **Daly City** (1948-49 and 1952-54). These were donated by **Robert Gaggero**, son of **Tony**, and cousin **Marilyn Olcese**, who brought **Robert** to the Mini-Museum with the contributions.

Old City Hall records from 1942 showed the CPA report, including a projected fee of \$100 to \$150 for preparing the upcoming audit. Wow!

Prizes for the raffle were brought by the following good souls:

Georgia Esteves - 18 boxes of mint candies, to be raffled at various meetings of the Guild.

Mary Hutchings - Walnuts and Blue Nun wine.

Marilyn Olcese - Two purses, Merlot wine, picture frame, fancy trivet, potholder.

Betty Schultz - Stony Ridge white zinfandel wine.

Bob Salazar - Handcrafted refrigerator magnet. Disney character.

Ace ticket hustlers were **Walter Riney** and **Hartley Appleton**.

Refreshments were donated by **Helen Asplund**, **Angela Uccelli**, **Evelyn Franco**, **Rosa Veronello**, **Mary Chiappari**, **Marilyn Olcese**, **Mary Hutchings**, **Bob** and **Enid Williams**, and served in splendid manner by **Mary**, **Marilyn**, **Bob** and **Enid**. Oh, what a super gang!

COUNTY ASSOCIATION DOCENTS

The **San Mateo County Historical Association** is conducting a series of Docent Training Lectures at three locations operated by the Association, the **San Mateo County Museum** at San Mateo College, the **Woodside Store** in Woodside, and the **Sanchez Adobe** in Pacifica.

A panel of excellent guest speakers on the general history of the three locations and specialists on geographic portions of the County will act as the trainers, in addition to Association staff members.

Sessions are to be held on **Saturday** and **Sunday**, **February 3** and **4**, and **Saturday**, **February 10th**. Further information may be obtained by calling **Mitch Postel** or **Lisa Dolehide** of **SMCHA** at 574-6441.