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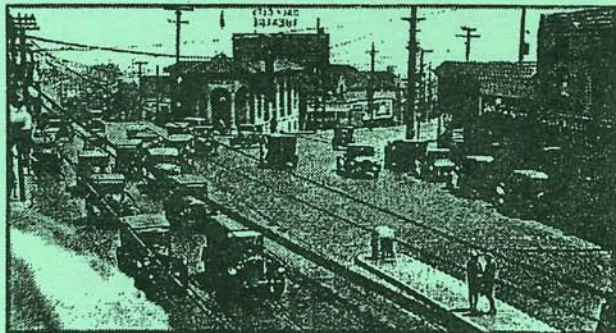
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## "Top-of-the-Hill" Author Is March Guild Speaker

**Bernard Winn**, author of the newest book about Daly City, "*From the Top of the Hill*", will be the featured speaker for the Wednesday, March 15, 7:30 p.m. meeting of the Guild in the multi-use room at Doelger Center.

A member of the Guild, along with his wife, **Audrey**, **Bernard's** home-published description of his life and adventures while growing up in Daly City during the 1920s and 1930s, is a valuable addition for any local history collection of books and information. The 127page volume is heavily laced with vintage photos of the old days, some of which he will show in slide form as an adjunct to his oral presentation. **Mr. Winn** will bring along copies of his book to sell.



THE HISTORY GUILD of DALY CITY/COLMA  
PROUDLY PRESENTS ANOTHER

# HISTORY EVENING!

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 7:30 p.m.**

Jefferson Union High School 1925-1963

**BERNARD WINN**  
Author  
"*From the Top of the Hill*"  
An illustrated trip back in time.

Doelger Center Multi-Purpose Room  
101 Lake Merced Blvd., Daly City

**ADMISSION FREE!**  
Donations Gratefully Accepted ♦ Phone 755-5123 for Information

Priced at \$17.95, the **Winns** generously donate 10% of that price to the Guild treasury. He's happy to autograph copies also. Make great gifts, all year 'round.

## January's Gaggero Salute A Pleasant Program

With the Colma Town Hall filled almost to saturation, Jan. 16's salute to the **Gaggero Legacy** brought out one of the Guild's larger audiences. As an



18<sup>th</sup> anniversary party, it was splendid, with tables groaning and treats galore, from twin birthday cakes to bubbly and yummys for our tummies.

Prime mover & shaker for the afternoon was **Marilyn Olcese**, niece of the late **Anthony J. "Tony Gaggero"**, a three-time Mayor of Daly City and the primary target of the salute. **Marilyn** did a magnificent job of organizing a display of almost 70 **Gaggero Family** memorabilia, and rounding up almost 30 **Gaggero** kin.

Speakers were **Elaine Gaggero Riggs**, **Bianca Caserza**, and **Marilyn**, who shared personal insights to this outstanding pioneer family.

Guild members again contributed wonderfully to the array of drawing prizes, creatively topped by **Joyce Olcese**, the Guild's representative in Carmel, who donated superb flower arrangements nestled with veggies in vibrant hues. And you should have seen the unique mini-choke pin-ons! 'Twas a grand afternoon, & no rain!

Sincere thanks to all who pitched in to make it the success it was, not the least of which is **Pat Hatfield** who set up the 100+ chairs in the main hall.

Nice moments were many, including official "Greetings" from the Town of Colma by Vice-Mayor **Phil Lum**; a blessing by HG member **Fa. John Cloherty** of Holy Angels Church, and a wave from **Ned Crary**, HG member and great-great-grandson

of **John Donald Daly**, who gave his name to Daly City long years ago.

### March 15 Treat Donors

Those signing the Goodie Chart for the upcoming meeting are:

**Elsa Ramos**

**Pat Hatfield**

**Diane Pitto**

**Elsie Tonelli**

**Mary Hutchings**

**Eunice Brabec**

Please consider the above as a gentle reminder. If you must decline, please call the HG secretary. It would be appreciated if treats arrived on a "ready to put on the table" tray. If anyone wishes to help serve, you're most welcome. Thanx.

### Ah, the Memories:

Losing friends is always difficult..the past few months have brought sad news of the passing of HG members **Bernice Cloke** and **Roger Vincent**, among other dear ones.

**Bernice**, bless her, was our "official" mini-museum duster, there with cleaning cloth and Windex for several months until illness curtailed her activity. **Roger** had volunteered to tape our HG speakers for the archives. He passed to a more comfortable world in late December.

**Memorials** have been received recently honoring the following: **Yolanda Hardiman**, from **Chris**



**Graham; Eugene Ivani**, from **Marilyn Olcese**, and other anonymous donors. . A "Memorial Book" is in the works in which to record these thoughtful deeds. Thanks be.

### Election Upcoming

**Betty Schultz**, the HG's ongoing Nominating Committee chair, will be making her report at the March meeting. Suggestions for Board members will be invited from the floor. Elections/installation will be achieved in May. This is your chance. If you'd like to see **new faces** at the podium, etc., buttonhole **Betty**.

### Recent Acquisitions

Keen-eyed members continue to enhance the HG archival collection, among them the following. Thanks to all:

**Russ Brabec**, vintage medicine bottle with graduations; 1970s metal DC pedestrian signal instructions.

**Eve Aiello**, Jefferson High year books, class jewelry from '43-'46, DC election papergoods.

**Marian Mann**, Veterans' Recognition, Top of the Hill, Mission Merchants, and other files re local projects .

**Mark Weinberger**, Lion's Club and Toto's Restaurant memorabilia.

**Bob & Fran Gaggero**, video tape of Jan. HG program re "The Gaggero Legacy."

And, from an anonymous friend of the Guild, the organization has been given a nice supply of the 1978 book, "Gateway to the Peninsula", in paperback. Copies to purchase have been difficult to find. \$15.00 at the **Mini-Museum**.

### Memory Joggers At S'mte Library

In prelude to our March 15 meeting, a special "Top of the Hill" exhibit has been placed in our upstairs showcase at Serramonte Library. On view whenever the facility is open.

In the works: a couple of new filing cabinets are soon to be added to our already-cramped space. Museum volunteer **Russ Brabec** is working on making our files more work-findable.

### About those Dues

Payments of dues for the year 2000 have been arriving by snail mail. It would be nice to hear from the rest of you. At this date, of the 423 yellow card reminders sent, 226 of you have responded. *This is an annual event, and totally necessary if you wish to remain on the HG mailing list.*

### News Notes

- The vintage green **Mission Bell** that has stood for years near the sidewalk in front of the **War Memorial Building** on Mission St. is to be moved north to a more visible

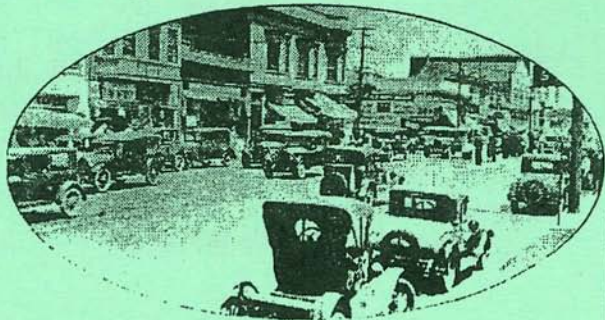


location. It will match the one at the south end of the **Mission Street** business strip, highlighting an entrance monument.

- Re-dedication of Jefferson High School and celebration at the facility brought alums, students, faculty, and a lot of interested folks together. Those of you that contributed to the purchase of JHS Band uniforms back in Sept. 1998 will be happy to know that our \$203 helped and was acknowledged as the Band came marching in, smartly outfitted and playing in JH spirit.
- **Gateway Festival 2000** is in the works. More hands are needed. Guilders **Carol Klatt** and **Marian Mann** co-chair. A Western theme will prevail. Your **History Guild**, as well as **Colma Historical Assn.**, hopes to have display booths both days, June 10-11<sup>th</sup>.

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