

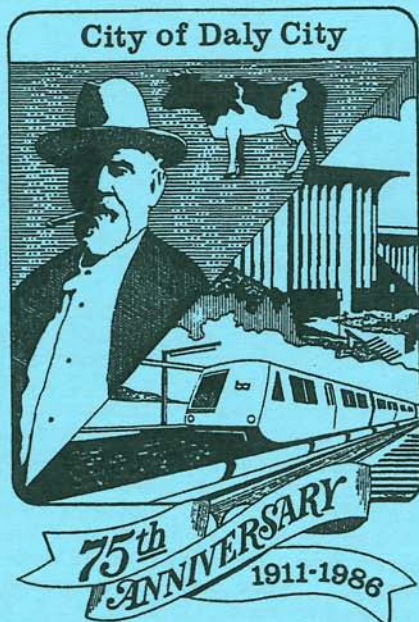
75 Great Years...Plus 10!

It's hard to believe that 10 years have passed since Daly City celebrated its Diamond Anniversary of incorporation. On our 85th Birthday, then, we will meet at 7:30 p.m., March 20th, in Doelger Center.

In such recognition, our upcoming meeting will recall the delightfully-crowded calendar of events that were highlighted back in 1986, at that time 75 years after the slim margin of voter approval to become an incorporated entity, 138 to 136.

Councilman Albert Teglia will be our speaker, the sole remaining member of the Daly City Council who was on the board in 1986. Al, an enthusiastic Guild member since its inception, will flash us back to the planning and consummation of the many events that made up the Diamond Jubilee, and the changes that have occurred in Daly City in the past 10 years.

This will be another fun meeting, and members and friends are invited to



THE HISTORY GUILD of DALY CITY/COLMA
PROUDLY PRESENTS ANOTHER

HISTORY EVENING!

WEDNESDAY, March 20th, at 7:30 pm

Diamond Anniversary
Plus 10!
with
Councilman
ALBERT TEGLIA

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

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bring any souvenirs or memorabilia for the display tables. A highlight of the evening will be the presence of the selected King and Queen of Daly City for the Diamond celebration, Hartley and Esther Appleton, complete with sashes, tiara, badges, etc., that testified to their reign 10 years ago.

1986 was the year when the Guild adopted by-laws, elected officers, and began to meet on a regular basis. Previous to that time, meetings were held from 1982-1986 on an ad hoc basis, as particular speakers were available, and through the overseeing of the History, Arts and Science Commission of the City of Daly City, and with the assistance of grant-funding.

The photo collection was in the midst of being catalogued, a process that had been greatly augmented by Mike

Wilson of City Hall, on a volunteer, lunch-hour basis. The fledgling Guild had been given the challenge of preparing a slide show to be unveiled at the Black Tie Dinner at the Lake Merced Golf and Country Club. From the collection of photos a brief history outline was created, skillfully made into slides by Neil Fahy, and on-site, updating pix were taken around town to bring a "now and then" flavor to the series.

This will be a very special meeting, with lots of names and events that brought a real sense of unity to a city that grew from a bare, two-vote approval in 1911 to the over-100,000 current population, a hundred-fold increase.

Birthday Party in Colma Was a Real Rouser

All we can say is, "If you weren't there, you missed a heckuva party!" We're talking, of course, of our recent Guild birthday bash at Colma Town Hall last January 21st.

The afternoon was blessed with super weather, no play-off football competition, an overflow attendance that strained the Council Chamber capacity of chairs and space!

There was food galore, bubbly refreshments, raffle prizes that made a delightful lineup on the big Council table, and a wonderful history of the Colma Volunteer Fire Department by Fire Chief Bob Benedetti. We couldn't have asked for a more exhilarating atmosphere in which to celebrate the 14th birthday of the Guild.

Everybody was there, and we mean everybody! Three of Colma's council members were present to bring greetings on behalf of the township, City Manager Frances Liston, County Supervisor Mary Griffin, Daly City Councilman Al Teglia, former South City Mayor Emanuele Damonte, E Clampus Vitus Grand Humbug Geno Fambrini, Jefferson Union High School District Board President Betty Schultz, former DC Councilman and Mayor Bill Schumacher.

Starting off the festivities was a rousing rendition of "Dear Old Colma" sung to the tune of "Oklahoma!" by the audience, with poster-size lyrics displayed by Guild members.

The food table was beautiful to behold, with special goodies that spelled "gourmet" in every way. Hospitality Chair Mary Hutchings and her committee, Bob and Enid Williams and Marilyn Olcese, received great platters of fine finger-foods to display, highlighted by two splendid birthday cakes. Champagne was dispensed by Russ Brabec and Bob Ivani, in an effervescent manner.

Chief Benedetti's presentation was superb, with a carefully-crafted timeline history of the origin, expansion and accomplishments of the Volunteer Fire Department that has safeguarded Colma and environs for scores of years. Names, dates, equipment, anecdotes of personalities, quirks, dangers, sacrifices came tumbling out in warm, affectionate manner from the genial leader of the pack.

In the audience, nodding approvingly, were Guild members and members of the CVFD Paul Guisti, Les Balestra and Colma Mayor Dennis Fisicaro, who had brought special greetings from the Town official family, along with Helen Fisicaro and Mary Brodzin.

The refreshments were brought by Ann Papia, Fran Bullard, Esther Appleton, Angela Uccelli, Elinor Charleston, Pat and Lou Craviotto, and Joyce Olcese, up from Carmel. There were other foods brought, but there was such a hubbub we're sure we missed some of the generous donors. For any and all whom we didn't write, thanks, thanks, thanks!

Sterling service in selling raffle tickets was performed by Fran Bullard and Walter Riney, while Roz Babow and Betty Schultz staffed the registration end of the Council table to take dues from those who were due.

Raffle prizes galore were drawn from the pot by Mary Griffin, who gave lucky winners choices from the lineup that forested the front of the table. Donors of prizes included Fran Bullard (Tuscan candy and Aplets and a decorative birdhouse), Bunny Gillespie, (three books), Georgia Esteves (four boxes of chocolate treats), Marilyn Olcese (two bottles of wine), Freddie Olcese (the Olcese dog, who gave McDonald's certificates), Mary Hutchings (cookies), Mark Weinberger (travel book and post-cards), Bob Salazar (handmade Disney

character refrigerator magnets), and also from Marilyn Olcese (decorative beads and Italian cookies).

There were other donors of items such as wine and cosmetics from mystery folks whose names we simply didn't get. Many thanks to all who purchased the tickets and those who brought prizes.

Of great help in setting up and relocating the 100 chairs that we used, were Neil Fahy, Leroy Larsen, Dick Larsen and Don Manning. Every bit of food was eaten, and for the first time since we've been enjoying the hospitality of Colma Town Hall there was no leftover food to take down to the police.

The total attendance was somewhere about 130, but with standees moving in and out of the Council Chambers there probably were closer to 150. It was a grand, ebullient party, made possible by the combined efforts of so many, many people. Happy birthday to us all...we deserve it!

Cookie Donors for March

Cookies have been volunteered by the following nice people for the upcoming meeting at Doelger Center on 20th of March:

Mildred Eschler
Bianca Caserza
Pat Hatfield
Elsie Martin
Helen Nelson
Leonila Alvarez

Hospitality chair Mary Hutchings will phone you as a last minute reminder shortly before the meeting. Thank you all for your generosity. Mary's telephone number (should there be a problem) is 756-0864.

History Guild Seeks Former Miss DC Titlists

Lovely ladies of Daly City, Colma and Broadmoor, who once held the title of "Miss Daly City", are being sought for our History Evening program scheduled for Wednesday, May 15th, at Doelger Center. Starting with Janet Watson in 1955, the contest was presented by the local Chamber of Commerce.

The current phone numbers and/or local addresses of former winners are

sought, and members who might have such information are urged to inform the ladies about the upcoming program, or call Program Chair Bunny Gillespie at 755-5123.

Arby's Donates 14 Pictures

In the photo collection now are 14 16"x20" framed pix that for the best part of five years were hung on the walls of Arby's Restaurant in Westlake.

For the most part the pictures represented early-day Daly City and the how the area which is now Westlake looked prior to its development and in its building stages.

Arby's went out of business recently in Westlake, and the company reps called us to offer the pictures, beautifully-framed, for our own purposes. We are delighted to receive them, recalling the interesting project of selecting the originals from the photo collection, and writing the captions affixed to the pix.

The series will remain intact, to be titled "The Arby's Collection", and so identified when shown as a set or parts of such. Because of the heavy framing and glass we will only be able to show the pictures one at a time at the Mini-Museum, and remove after each Tuesday open hours.

When there are other opportunities (such as streetfairs, etc.), we will show the pictures as appropriate. Sincere appreciation is expressed to Mr. and Mrs. J.B. McGuire of Arby's for their interest in our Daly City/Colma history activities and their generosity in donating the pictures to our Guild.

Colma Historical Assn. Presents Plaque to Us

The Annual Meeting of the Colma Historical Association was held on February 4th at Colma's Town Hall. As with our Colma meeting, there was a fine attendance, great food, fabulous raffle prizes, an excellent program and a most encouraging report on the progress of the CHA, including the delivery of a former SP semaphore signal, which will look great along side the Colma Station when relocated.

Our Guild, through the Gillespies, was honored by the Colma group for assistance and counsel during the early months of formation. A beautiful, inscribed plaque was awarded, one of a series of recognition awards to the very ardent supporters of expanding organization by their re-elected founding president, Pat Hatfield.

The program was centered about the Union Cemetery in Redwood City, featuring a narrative history and the representation of a Union Civil War soldier, telling of his life.

New Equipment for the Guild

We are grateful to Patrick Sweetland of the City Manager's Office, City of Daly City, for his splendid cooperation in the acquisition of certain materials for Guild and City Historian use, especially in audio-visual equipment for use in 3rd grade school visitations.

A small budget was adopted for such "wish list" equipment, based on relationship of the Guild as an arm of the History, Arts and Science Commission and the City Historians as appointees of the City Council.

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