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Bowers Museum Has Golden Re-Opening

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True, you can't take it with you, but you're still going to want to get ready for the "Gold Rush" opening at the Bowers Museum!

You'll want to say "I was there!" when everybody's talking about the thrill of being among the first to see approximately 300 exquisite gold works created by skilled South American artisans before "Columbus sailed the ocean blue, in fourteen hundred and ninety two (1492)."

And there's more. Besides this "blockbuster" exhibit of Pre-Columbian artistry, when the Bowers Museum re-opens to the public on Sunday, Oct. 18, it also gives Santa Ana the distinction of having the *only* museum in the United States that concentrates on the cultural arts of the Americas, the Pacific Rim, and Africa, according to Museum Director Dr. Peter Keller.

World-wide attention

Keller, whose vision was to transform this lovely, but formerly limited facility, into one capable of attracting and displaying world-class collections of the fine arts of indigenous peoples, is proud to re-open the museum on this keynote of success with what is reportedly *one of the largest shows of pre-Columbian gold ever to be seen in the United States*. The exhibit also includes 50 pieces of pre-Columbian pottery that will help the viewer understand the cultural meaning of the gold works, and the context in which they were used. A number of ceramic works and stone objects will further illuminate the significance of this artistry to its indigenous creators.

Museum officials praise the Museo del Oro in Bogota, Columbia for having been "particularly cooperative in lending extremely valuable objects of unprecedented artistic and historical importance. The exhibition will also be unusual in the sheer number of works to be displayed and in the number of large pieces to be included. Many of the objects chosen have never been exhibited before, even at the Museo del Oro."

And this "Tribute to the Gods: Treasures of the Museo del Oro" is only one of the premiere collections that has been drawing the attention of the cultural arts community world-wide. Other opening exhibits on display in the new 14,000 square foot special-exhibits gallery will include "Masterpieces of Chinese Art: The Chang Foundation Collection," from

Taipei, an extraordinary selection of Chinese ceramics, porcelain, and paintings including works by the three most important Chinese painters of the early 20th century.

Permanent exhibits excel

Yet exhibits from the Bowers' own permanent collection, including "Power and Creation: Africa Beyond the Nile," are equally deserving of recognition, not only for their quality but also for the unique and remarkable way in which they are presented.

It is to Curator of Exhibits' Paul Johnson's credit that he has placed the exhibits "Hall of the Sacred Games"; "Visit of the Shaman: Song of the Priest"; "Hall of Inscriptions"; and "Tomb of the Maya Lord" against such artistic backgrounds that it is impossible to miss the significance of the artifacts in the societies of their creators.

Johnson, a 20-year employee of the Museum, proves himself a treasure in his ability to create exhibits that further the Museum's guiding philosophy that "learning about peoples through their arts will lead us to a greater understanding of ourselves, and a fuller appreciation

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From the Chang Foundation Collection



Grand Re-Opening-- Museum guests' walk through the new courtyard area of the remodeled and expanded Bowers Museum of Cultural Art, leaving the new restaurant at left and moving towards the main entrance at the top right. The expansion added 52,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space, shops, offices, and the restaurant. See the article at left for the full story. Photo by Claire Curran

Recycling Due in '93

Early next year, Santa Ana residents will join the ranks of a growing number of Californians having their garbage recycled for the good of the environment. The trash will be picked up at the curbside or business site and then taken to a Materials Recovery Facility (commonly called MRF) where it will be sorted. All recyclable materials will be sold or composted; material that cannot be recycled will be taken to the landfill.

The program results from the implementation of the California Integrated Solid Waste Management Act, Assembly Bill 939, which requires each city to divert 25% of the solid waste generated and taken to County landfills by 1995, and 50% by the year 2000.

Solid waste from single family homes and industrial accounts are expected to be recycled first. Based on preliminary plans, residents will be asked to separate newspapers and to bag lawn and shrubbery clippings. Trash from multi-family residences and commercial accounts is expected to be recycled in late 1993 or early 1994.

The City of Santa Ana is presently negotiating with Great Western Reclamation, our present waste hauler, regarding these programs and refuse rates. Precise start-up dates and costs of the recycling program have not been determined.

An education and public information program was initiated earlier this year. Great Western Reclamation has hired a recycling coor-

dinator, Rachael Evans, to handle most of the public education activities. An bi-lingual, informational hotline has recently been installed to provide the public with news and assistance (558-1928).

Future activities include the production of a video for broadcast on the community cable channel and the distribution of informational brochures on source reduction (how you can reduce your trash), recycling centers, and composting. Additionally the City will be working with the County of Orange and other cities in the development of a public school curriculum relating to recycling issues.

Additional details will come through the media, in your bimonthly water/refuse bill and through your neighborhood association. For more information, please contact: Information Hotline - 558-1928. Great Western Reclamation -- 558-7761. Public Works Agency -- 565-4048.

Santa Ana Trash Make-up

- Residential Single Family --
- 84,000 Tons in One Year
- Paper -- 31.5%
- Plastics -- 5.2%
- Glass -- 3.7%
- Metals -- 4.7%
- Yard Wastes -- 28%
- Organics -- 15.8%
- Disposable Diapers -- 5.2%
- Other -- 5.9%

Based on a 1990 City Study

VIEWPOINT

The Newer Santa Ana

Another year has gone by as *Eye on Santa Ana* celebrates its 3rd Birthday. Birthdays tend to make one reflect on where we are today and where we're going, and this one is no exception.

We blow out the candles on this year's cake as we see the grand re-opening of the world-class Bowers Museum of Cultural Art. Work is soon to begin on a multi-million dollar renovation and expansion of the Santa Ana Zoo. And let's not forget the plans for the Discovery Science Center to be built in just a few years next door to the Bowers.

Not only that, but the arts community is stronger than ever with the Orange County Crazies recently moving to the restored Pacific Symphony Building downtown. The new Rhythm Cafe brings another concert venue to offer non-country competition to our award winning Crazy Horse Saloon. Our local theater companies, Way Off Broadway and Alternative Repertory Theatre, are stronger than ever.

And who would have thought that a theme restaurant as renown as Planet Hollywood would pick "little ol' Santa Ana" for their West Coast debut.

As for shopping, MainPlace/Santa Ana still wows shoppers and Downtown's Fourth Street is packed and as busy as ever. Honer Plaza has become the beautifully renovated Bristol Marketplace.

We now have four "proud-as-punch" neighborhoods sponsoring historic home tours where once there was only Historic French Park's.

Speaking of organized neighborhoods, where once there were only a few, now we have some 34.

And while the picture isn't completely rosy with the issues of crime, gangs, and urban decay still being major flaws needing to be dealt with, we *are* working on a better city. Santa Ana is 300,000 residents -- men, women, and children -- who want *and deserve* a city that's moving forward instead of backward; one that's working hard to deal with our problems and one that's working hard to accent and improve upon our positives.

That's why it's important to stay positive, looking for the positive in new ideas and suggestions; cooperate, with people we like and those we don't like as much; and stay involved, because together, we're moving mountains.

Your 29 Cent Opportunity

On pages 9 and 10, there is a very important chance for you to speak your mind to city, community, and neighborhood leaders: the *Official Eye on Santa Ana Reader Survey*.

We want to know how you think the City is doing and also what your concerns are. The results will be distributed to those same leaders, who want to know how you think (and anyone else who requests it).

You hear enough from us, we want to hear from you! Please don't miss this opportunity to let us know how you feel.

Vote on November 3

Your vote is your voice. Let it be heard!

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Our Community Newsletter

Eye on Santa Ana is a quarterly production of the residents of the City of Santa Ana through the Neighborhood Communications Linkage Committee in cooperation with the City's Neighborhood Improvement Office. Publication months are January, April, July, and October.

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The letter below was in response to a recent editorial in the *Orange County Register*. While the letter was never printed in the *Register*, we felt it deserved to be published as a counterpoint to their original comments. - gdb

Orange County Register

To the editor:

The nearly 4,000 employees and 48,000 students of Santa Ana Unified School District were dealt an extreme disservice by this morning's editorial on schools. I want to address three issues that you touched on.

One of the tenets of propaganda is to repeat the myth, the theory being that the more it is repeated, the closer to truth it becomes. Your editorial cited, as if true, a study stating that SAUSD has the highest dropout rate in the nation. I can't imagine anything more ludicrous. We don't even have the highest dropout rate in Orange County.

The federal study claims that we have a 36 percent dropout rate. On the other hand, California's Department of Education will tell you that we have a 24 percent dropout rate -- a vast difference. A lot of people have worked hard to reduce this rate by 41 percent in the last six years and to deny that fact is insulting.

We are very clear that our dropout rate is not where it should be -- or where it should be -- or where it's going to be, but we've been commended by the State Department of Education for the incredible gains we've made. In the 1985-86 school year

we were distressed to learn that our dropout rate was 41 percent. The board of education, teachers, administrators, and volunteers from the

community have worked hard to cut that nearly in half.

We have a Stay in School program that takes nearly 200 professionals from the community into classrooms to talk to students about their personal stories, goal-setting, decision-making, and the need to stay in school.

We have after-school tutoring programs at many of our schools to provide a littler extra help and, quite simply, a quiet place to study.

We have a school/business partnership program that involves approximately 140 businesses of all shapes and sizes in ongoing relationships with schools.

And those are only a few of the efforts designed at keeping students in school. The commitment to education in Santa Ana is high.

As for claiming in your editorial our schools are "rife with violence," you simply haven't checked your statistics. Although we are the largest school district in Orange County, the state's school crime report (from the Department of Education) regularly shows our rate is below the county average. In the category "armed attacks on students," we are at the very bottom. Because areas around schools may be in tumult, we work hard to make schools a refuge. I can't remember a serious incident on one of our campuses.

Last fall, the *Los Angeles Times* printed an article contrasting students' neighborhoods with the school atmosphere. Referring to one of our intermediate students, the reporter wrote:

"For children like her, school is a safe haven, a place where gang attire is outlawed, gates and fences keep out the bad guys, and teachers and principals serve as protectors against violence...School acts as an emotional and psychological safety valve, allowing students to just be children and set aside their ordinarily street-wise demeanor."

SAUSD's board of education stands behind a clear set of expectations for behavior and consequences for misbehavior. Principals and teachers adhere to a discipline policy designed to ensure that school is a place for learning. Students and their parents are advised of the rules, then rules are enforced. The result -- campuses that are clean, orderly, and safe.

And yes, bilingual education occurs within our educational system. But it is not "inflicted" on them, nor does it "retard the learning of English" as you wrote.

A couple of years ago the student member of the state board of education was a young lady named Maryela Martinez. She came to this country as a non-English speaker and now attends Harvard. McFadden Intermediate is a nationally distinguished school and was one of the most ethnically diverse schools honored in Washington D.C. for that recognition. Many of that school's students learned their English in Santa Ana.

Bilingual education simply allows for students to progress with their academics in their native language while they learn English. Statistics show that reinforcing skills in the native language permits a transfer of that knowledge to application in English. Our goal -- and their goal -- is to learn English.

Additionally, the California School Boards Association acknowledges exemplary educational programs with Golden Bell awards. Since 1983, Santa Ana Unified has been honored with 25 of these awards. That's more than any other district in the state has received.

Santa Ana has many challenges. Not all of our non-English-speaking children come to us in kindergarten. They come into the system all across the grade levels and many are illiterate in their own languages. Many of the parents in our district work two jobs, and families may join forces to afford living quarters. But we have the best teaching corps I've ever seen and we have the full support of the city and the business community. We have students who learn and achieve despite odds that might overwhelm many of the adults you know. We haven't licked all our problems, but we know what they are and we are working diligently on them. And we're making progress.

Let's look at the truth of what's going on in Santa Ana and not the myths that some tend to perpetuate. Let's applaud, not insult, the teachers and students who do an incredible job. Education is alive and well in Santa Ana and I'm proud to be a part of it.

Sincerely,

Rudy M. Castruita, Ed.D Superintendent

Home Sweet Home

A lottery will be held for the opportunity to purchase one of two newly constructed homes located at 301 and 303 So. Orange Ave. in Santa Ana. The homes are 1800 square feet in size, with three bedrooms, two and on-half baths, a family room, and a two car attached garage. Each home is styled with Victorian appeal. The sales price of each home is only \$178,678.

The City's Community Redevelopment Agency and developer Paul Del Valle, Inc. is providing this opportunity to families who will live in the homes and have a total income not exceeding 120% of Orange County median (i.e., a family of five cannot exceed \$68,280/yr.).

The lottery will be held on Saturday, October 17th at 10 am. Applications, additional requirements, and other information can be obtained by contacting the Housing Division at 667-2251.

Retiring Postmaster

Orange County's first Hispanic letter carrier retired recently, but after working for the U.S. Postal Service for 46 years and rising to the rank of head of the Santa Ana division, we think Postmaster Hector Godinez is entitled to some time off.

Godinez, a Santa Ana resident, was in charge of some 11,000 employees in over 105 postal facilities in Orange, Los Angeles, and Riverside counties. He began as a mail carrier in 1946 and rose through the ranks to be appointed postmaster of Santa Ana in 1961 by then-President John F. Kennedy. That appointment was "the high point of my career" according to Godinez.

In 1986, he was appointed to the head of the Santa Ana division, a region encompassing a large chunk of Southern California. He worked to make the division the leader in productivity and efficiency. Last year, the division was awarded the best workplace environment in the Postal Service's western region. Recently, with another reorganization of the postal service, he would have had to relocate to the San Francisco area. That move entered into his decision to retire and stay local.

Godinez has been very active in community service projects in Santa Ana (especially with children). He intends to remain active despite the retirement.

The Post Office's loss will be Santa Ana's gain.

Election 92, part 2

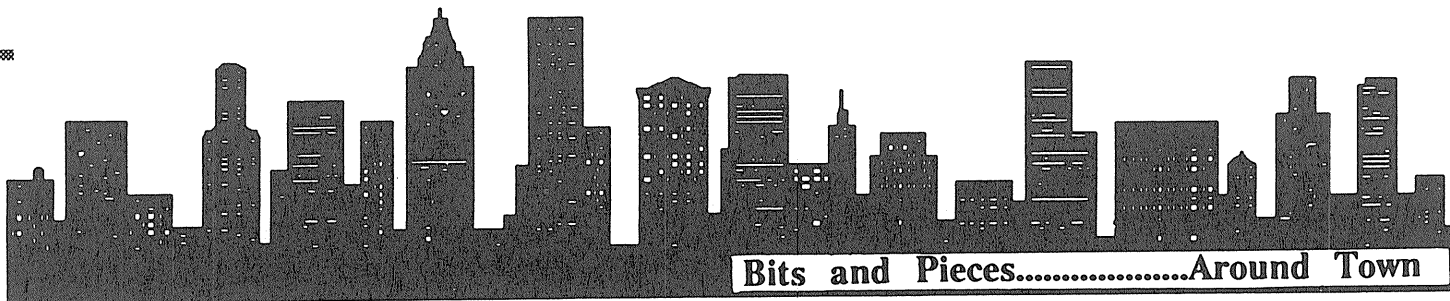
KOCE channel 50, Orange County's local public television station, will be presenting "Election '92", a series of half-hour specials featuring all of the local candidates of the assembly, state senate, and congressional races for November's election.

In addition, the final show will feature a discussion of two ballot issues -- Proposition's 165 (Welfare and the Budget) and 166 (Basic Health Care).

The series will air at 8 am and be repeated at 6:30 pm. Once again, it will be produced by Emmy Award-winning newsman Jim Cooper.

The series broadcast dates are as follows:

- Oct. 19 -- 67th & 68th Assembly
- Oct. 20 -- 69th & 70th Assembly
- Oct. 21 -- 71st & 72nd Assembly
- Oct. 23 -- 33rd & 35th State Senate
- Oct. 27 -- 45th & 46th Congressional
- Oct. 28 -- 47th Congressional
- Oct. 30 -- Prop. 165 and 166.



Bits and Pieces.....Around Town

Hot-Line for Kids

These days, both Mom and Dad usually work in most households where school-age children are present. And even the most "grown-up" child can experience some anxiety about being home alone.

Those nice people at Western Medical Center/Santa Ana have set up a hot-line called Phone Friends for children to call during the afternoon if they're in trouble, lonely, or just need to talk to someone.

Someone's on the line from 3 to 6 pm each weekday. The number is 953-KIDS.

Neighborhood Speaker

The C.O.P. citywide general meeting will be held at the City Hall Council Chambers on Wednesday, October 14 at 7 pm.

The program will focus on Task Forces and include a talk by Jody Siegner, a leader of the West Adams Neighborhood Association in Los Angeles.

All residents are invited to attend. This speaker may prove to be very beneficial to Santa Ana neighborhood associations on how to accomplish problem solving.

Parking will be validated.

Election 92

-- Local Forum

If you'd like to know more about the candidates for Santa Ana mayor and council, wander on over to "Meet the Candidates Forum" on Wednesday, October 21, at the City Council Chambers, 22 Civic Center starting at 7 pm. All of the candidates are expected to attend and will answer questions posed by the moderator.

For those who don't care about seeing the candidates in person, the forum will be broadcast live on Comcast Cable channel 3. The show will be re-broadcast at another later date prior to the election itself.

The event is non-partisan and organized by two neighborhood associations, Bristol Manor and Floral Park, who both deserve a lot of credit for staging it and for arranging to have it televised.

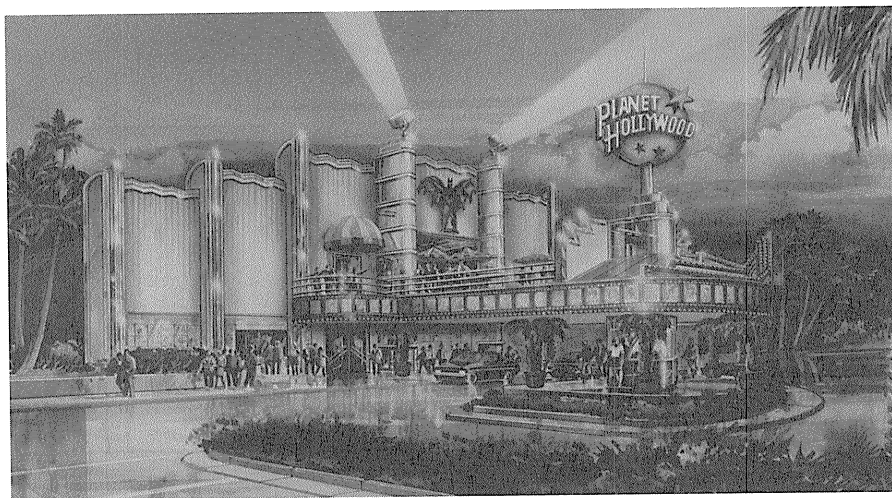
No Time for Shopping

Why are people showing up in shorts and sweats at MainPlace over an hour before the stores open?

No, Nordstroms isn't having a huge sale. The Pacer's Club, a group of early morning walkers, are zipping along the upper level of the mall for health and fitness (and a bit of social contact). One lap is just less than a mile in length.

The group meets at 8:30 am, Monday through Friday. New walkers are welcome.

Just show up or call the mall at 547-7800 for more information.



New Planet to Debut -- Work is progressing seven days a week to open Planet Hollywood by the end of October. The 10,000 sq. ft. movie-themed restaurant, located in South Coast Plaza Village at Sunflower and Bear, will seat 250 when completed and include a second story outdoor balcony for diners. The decor of the inside will include original movie memorabilia set in a Hollywood-set style environment. The Santa Ana location will mark the west coast debut of the infamous New York restaurant whose financial backers include Sylvester Stallone, Bruce Willis, and Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Free Vaccinations

A coalition of public and private organizations is working to have all Orange County children immunized against communicable diseases by their second year.

On Saturday, October 10, from 9 am to 4 pm, these Santa Ana locations will offer free shots to children:

- Corbin Community Center, 2215 W. McFadden Ave.
- Delhi Center, 542 E. Central Ave.
- Garfield School, 820 Brown St.
- Grant School, 333 E. Walnut St.
- Health Care Agency, 1725 W. 17th.
- St. Ann's Church, 1324 S. Main St.

Saving Lives

Did you catch the story last month about a fire in Santa Ana that began in one home and spread to a second? The blaze destroyed both homes leaving 12 people homeless, but alive, thanks to a \$10 device and a \$2 battery -- their fire/smoke detector.

The first family was alerted to the blaze by their detector. They safely fled their house and were able to warn the family in the second. All of the adults and children were able to escape serious injury or death thanks to that smoke detector which worked just the way it should.

We're going to assume that you have a detector in your home. But, when was the last time you replaced the battery.

If you can't remember, it's time to spend two bucks and change it.

Please don't put it off. Think about those twelve people who survived without a burn and how thankful they are their detector worked.

Dates to Remember

(see the Community Calendar for more information)

- Sat-Sun, Oct 10-11 -- Washington Square Home and Garden Tour
- Wed., Oct. 21 -- Candidates Forum
- Fri-Sun., Oct 23-25 -- Boo at the Zoo
- Sat., Nov 14 -- Fall Large Item Recycling and Trash Collection
- Sat., Dec 5 -- Times Orange County Holiday Parade
- Sat., Dec 12 -- Childrens Winter Holiday Party

Kiwanis Help

Sierra Intermediate and the Youth Learning Center received some financial help from the Santa Ana Kiwanis Club recently to help defray the costs of Sierra's student planning book and YLC's literacy program supplies.

Each year the Kiwanis donates money and services to organizations in the community which show a need. Their motto is "we build," and the major emphasis this year has been young children.

Other projects the Kiwanis have donated time and money to this year have been the Boys Scouts, March of Dimes, S.A.U.S.D. science fair, the Carl Harvey School, and the new "Barrier Free" Park being developed at Thornton Park.

The Kiwanis are now accepting requests for programs for their 1992-93 budget year. You can contact them through: Santa Ana Kiwanis Club, P.O. Box 1256, Santa Ana, 92702.

If you'd like to help the Kiwanis raise funds for the specially designed playground equipment for the "Barrier Free" park, call George Upton at 542-4298.

Apples for Books

All facilities of the Santa Ana Public Library, including the Main Library, Newhope and McFadden branches, and Bookmobile services are participating in Mott's Library Program which provides new books and materials in exchange for proofs-of-purchase of its apple juice and apple sauce brands collected by the library. Each proof is worth 25 cents.

Due to the shrinking budgets at the municipal, state, and federal levels, in which fewer books can be purchased, the Santa Ana Public Library is urging the community to bring their proofs-of-purchase to any of the library facilities to help support their effort to purchase additional books for the residents of Santa Ana.

If you want to help, you'll have to act fast: the program ends at the end of November.

If you can't make it into the library, you can send the proofs to the S.A. Public Library, 26 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, 92701.

Call Margaret Owens at 647-5287 if you have any questions about the program.

Book Sale Benefit

While we're on the topic of the Santa Ana Library, there's going to be one heck-of-a book sale to benefit the library on Tuesday, November 17 between 10 am and 3 pm.

Organized by the Centennial Chapter of the Friends of the Santa Ana Library, they will be featuring thousands of paperbacks, hardcovers, magazines, and even some records and tapes. The sale will be located by the fountain in Civic Center Plaza between the main library and City Hall.

At 11:30 am, you're not going to want to miss the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing Band from El Toro who will entertain you while you are sorting through a bibliophile's delight.

They'll even have cookies on sale, courtesy of Mrs. Fields in MainPlace.

If you buy in advance, the Friends are selling a pre-sale card worth \$3 in credit for only \$2. These cards may be available in the libraries but can also be obtained by calling Davis at 667-3905 or Kitty at 832-0746.

Creating Wellness

If you've been diagnosed with cancer or are the friend or family of someone who has, you'll want to check into the programs of the Wellness Community-Orange County. The organization offers discussion and support groups as well as special seminars to help create a wellness consciousness in fighting or dealing with cancer.

In October, Jim Walker of Stress Management Technologies returns to share techniques in stress reduction. Classes are held regularly in Yoga, relaxation, and visualization, in addition to monthly extended family discussion groups.

The Wellness Community-Orange County is a non-profit organization affiliated with the other Wellness Communities throughout the country. There is never a charge for any of their programs. They're located at 1924 E. Glenwood Place and their phone number is 258-1210.

Hear the Rhythm

Santa Ana will be debuting a new concert venue come Oct. 31 when the Rhythm Cafe opens with headliner Los Lobos. The club, located at 3503 S. Harbor Blvd., will seat over 500 and will feature national level musicians in rock, jazz, comedy, and rhythm and blues.

The owners completely renovated the previously closed Hamptons (and the Harlequin Dinner Theatre before it). The club will include a restaurant and a full-service bar.

For more information on upcoming shows, call 556-LIVE

Senior Matinee

Last issue, we let you know about Western Medical Center's monthly discount lunch and a movie for seniors 50 years and older. For \$1.99, these "youngsters" can enjoy a full meal in Western Med's cafeteria and then relax and take in a good movie.

On October 31, the movie is *Casablanca*; November 21 features *East of Eden*; and *It's a Wonderful Life* is shown on December 19. Just show up at 1 pm at the cafeteria (1001 No. Tustin Ave.) or call 835-5555 for more information.

By the way, Western Med is even springing for the popcorn (but bring your own tissues for the sentimental parts).



New Community -- First phase construction for restaurants, shops, and 346 new homes should begin in early 1993 for MacArthur Place, a 66-acre development at the corner of Main and MacArthur. The sprawling community will include 93 townhouses, 253 one and two bedroom condominiums, retail and restaurant sites, a park, and an entertainment center with space for a fitness center and cinema. The development will include enhanced pedestrian paving throughout the lushly landscaped and sculpture appointed open areas.

Summer Stock

A new non-profit organization has been established as an outreach to local youth providing affordable or free musical theatre training in voice, dance, acting, lighting, and costume design.

Santa Ana Summer Stock hopes to begin classes early next year and expects to perform "Hello Dolly" next summer using some of those same class members.

In order to raise funds, they'll be presenting *Rodgers & Hart, A Celebration* on October 19th and 26th at 8 pm at Elizabeth Howard's Curtain Call Dinner Theatre, 690 El Camino Real, Tustin. Tickets start at \$15. For information, call 730-0702, ext. #3.

Tapes for Education

Once again, Ralphs and Lucky Supermarkets are offering to trade educational and sports equipment to our local schools for your register receipts.

If you shop at those stores and you'd like to help out Santa Ana schools, save your receipt tapes for your area school. If they aren't collecting them (you can call them to find out), you can send them directly to the school district who will make sure they get redeemed.

When you get enough of them to stick in an envelope, send them to: Public Information Office, SAUSD

1405 French St.,
Santa Ana, 92701.

The Ralphs program is on until December 17. Lucky's continues to March '93.

With today's severe budget cuts, every little bit can help. And this sure is an easy way to do it.

Senior Legislature

At the end of October, Senior Assemblywoman Marcella Surowic of Santa Ana returns to the State Capitol to help convene the 12th Annual Legislative Session of the California Senior Legislature (CSL).

The CSL acts as an advocate for older Californians and develops a legislative platform that is presented to the regular state legislators for their information and action.

Each senior legislator writes a legislative proposal based on the needs of older people in their community.

Surowic will be bringing a proposal to enact legislation dealing with the study of flammability problems with adult sleepwear -- both to study it and to develop an effective standard towards flame resistant standards.

If you'd like to talk to her about issues affecting seniors, call her at 543-7514.

Y's Buys

The South Orange County YWCA has opened up a thrift store at 1408 N. Main to benefit the YWCA's Transitional Housing programs and services for homeless women and children.

The decor and environment of the store sets it apart from a routine thrift store, giving it an upscale feel.

The store will provide some of the women living at the YWCA job skills in the retail business as well as help to build their self-esteem.

Donations of gently used clothing, furniture, collectables, antiques, and appliances are needed to help keep the store stocked.

Call 543-8771 for more details.

Flying High

As soon as President Bush finished his speech at the Republican convention last August, over one hundred thousand balloons poured down from the ceiling of the Astrodome. Confetti was tossed and pyrotechnic displays made the event an extravaganza attendees would not soon forget.

By the time the convention was through, Santa Ana based Balloon Art by Treb had used over a quarter of a million balloons and almost 5 tons of confetti. This was the second time the company had done a Republican convention, having orchestrated a similar celebration four years before.

The office manager, Myrna Charters, even quipped to a reporter, "We got George Bush elected then, so why not use us again?"

Balloon Art by Treb is known for their exciting presentations, having provided balloons and effects for Super Bowl half-time shows, Academy Awards shows, and even Elizabeth Taylor's birthday party at Disneyland.

Boo at the Zoo

Calling all Goblins, Ghosts, and Ghouls! You're invited to a *spooktacular* night at the Santa Ana Zoo as the Friends of the Zoo sponsor "Boo at the Zoo," a safe, fun Halloween festival for the entire family.

There'll be trick-or-treat stations throughout the entire zoo with special decorations in the "haunted" children's barn and Koi pond. The Education Department's spooks will be presenting a "creepy crawl" animal show and more in their "ghostly" theater.

"Boo at the Zoo" will take place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Oct. 23 to 25 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Tickets are \$3 per person in advance and \$4 at the door. Advance tickets may be picked up at the Zoo's gift shop Call 953-8555 for more info.

Community Pride

Cambio Property Management, managers of the Fairview Villa Apartments at 811 S. Fairview, decided to treat their residents to a day of food and fun on Saturday, October 10, but it started to snowball into a big Community Pride Day event.

Besides displays by the police and fire departments (including "Barney" the talking police car and the chance to climb aboard a fire engine), participants will have free health screenings, be entertained by Mexican folk dancers, learn about first aid, and discover the treasures of the Bookmobile.

Co-sponsors and participants in the day include the City Library, Boys and Girls Club, American Red Cross, "R" Ranch Market, Orange County Public Health, Watts Health Mobile, and Great Western Reclamation.

Early Records Wanted

The Santa Ana History Room at the Santa Ana Public Library opened over 15 years ago on the recommendation of the City's Cultural Heritage Committee. It contains hard-to-find books and other materials on Santa Ana, as well as the history of Orange County and its other cities. Fortunately, information has been passed down to them from many of the pioneer and early families who arrived in this area from many parts of the United States.

In our own time, families have come to the City of Santa Ana from many parts of the world and have made it their home. The Santa Ana History Room would like to add to its collections more information on these peoples -- their families, their business, their lives. The material can take many forms: photographs, diaries, correspondence, business histories, family histories, scrapbooks, or clippings.

If you or someone you know would like to donate material, or if you have any questions, please contact Anne Harder at the Santa Ana History Room on Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday from 2 to 6 pm. The telephone number during those hours is 647-5280. At other times, leave a message at 647-5251.

Upcoming Kid Events

The Santa Ana Public Library presents special activities for children at least once a month. All children's activities are free.

Spooky Story Night -- Enjoy a family evening of spooky stories and fun. Tues., Oct. 20 - Newhope Branch - 7 pm, Wed., Oct 21 - McFadden Branch - 7 pm, Tues., Oct. 27 - Central Library - 7 pm

Children's Book Week -- Books, games, and a very special Disney movie will be presented as the Library celebrates Children's Book Week. Times are for the showing of the Disney film. Tues, Nov 17 - Newhope Branch - 3 pm, Wed., Nov 18 - McFadden Branch - 3:30 and 6 pm, Thurs., Nov 19 - Central Library - 3:30 pm

Santa's Workshop -- Make your own holiday gift wrap, card, and more! All materials are provided. Tues., Dec 8 - Newhope Branch - 3:30 pm, Wed., Dec 9 - McFadden Branch - 3:30 pm, Thurs., Dec 10 - Central Library - 3:30 pm

The Newhope Branch is located at 122 N. Newhope, 647-5792; the McFadden Branch is at 2627 W. McFadden, 647-5790; and the Central Library is at 26 Civic Center Plaza 647-5258.

Parade's Coming, Don't Miss The Float

It may seem early, but float decorating for the 1992 Times Orange County Holiday Parade has already begun! They're cutting, and painting, and creating California's other parade.

Maybe you didn't know, but the Times Orange County Holiday Parade builds floral floats just like the other one, too; not as big, but more fun! And you won't have to worry about getting lost in the fields of mums, roses, and other flowers.

Volunteers are invited to call 571-4260 to obtain information regarding decorating times.

Groups are especially encouraged to participate in float decorating and can "adopt a float" which they'll be responsible for decorating (and given a special mention on KCAL - channel 9 - on parade day.

The parade floats are conveniently located at the official float facility in Santa Ana. Parking is free, and decorating is fun! No special talents are necessary, decorating can involve everything from painting to cutting flowers to pasting petals.

Be a Parade Flower Power Gal or Guy. Call 571-4260 and tell them you want to be a float decorator!

Clothing, Security, and Curfews

by Diane Thomas, S.A.U.S.D.

Safety first. It's one of the top priorities of the Santa Ana Unified School District.

"The Board of Education and administration are in total agreement that we must ensure a safe and secure campus environment so that learning can remain our top priority," said Dr. Rudy M. Castruita, superintendent. "To help accomplish this, the Board recently approved a dress code that clearly spells out appropriate clothing and grooming for school. In doing this, the Board and administration have taken a strong stance against gang affiliated clothing. Eliminating the kind of statement made by these clothes will help create a more positive school atmosphere."

The following are some prohibited items: Cutoff shorts Club jackets, sweatshirts, belts, and/or other apparel displaying emblems, initials, and/or insignias which are not affiliated with the school or school sponsored activities. Coats, jackets, sweatshirts, T-shirts, and/or hats which display any professional or collegiate affiliation.

Additionally, each school will prohibit the following: The use of obscene or gang-related gestures; the wearing of apparel or combination of items of gang-related apparel; the wearing of apparel with personalized names, nicknames, or other personal reference; the wearing or possession of gang-related jewelry or accessories; and/or any style or manner of grooming which, by the nature of its/their color, arrangement, trademark or any other attribute, disrupt school operations, are generally accepted as obscene or vulgar by the community at large, have references to alcohol, drugs, other harmful or controlled substances, display offensive language or symbols (i.e., words or symbols that portray images and/or are suggestive of sexual, racial, ethnic, or other similar references), present an imminent danger of injury to persons or property on or near school property or at a school-sponsored activities or are associated with a gang/group whose pattern of criminal or other anti-social activity causes the potential for the disruption of a safe, secure, and peaceful environment on the school campus or at school-sponsored activities.

Parents will receive more detailed information from individual schools. If you have questions regarding certain clothes, please call your school.

"We count on parents as our partners in education," said Dr. Castruita. "Thank you for helping us in this effort to maintain a positive campus atmosphere."

In a related safety matter, Santa Ana Police continue to enforce the City's curfew law which has penal-

ties for parents as well as young people. In the first six months of implementation, 107 people have been arrested for curfew violations.

Police Chief Paul Walters explained that curfew enforcement has been an important tool in reducing community problems, but that overcrowding at juvenile facilities and an increase in more serious criminal conduct by minors lessened court prosecutions. To remedy that, members of the Police Department's gang detail met with the Juvenile Court presiding judge and agree to issue citations, as appropriate, to minors violating this ordinance.

This means that minors violating curfew and their parents will have to appear before a Juvenile Traffic Court commissioner and that \$50 fines will follow. The fine and court appearance will help bring parents into the process and increase their level of responsibility, said Chief Walters.

Reflecting a growing concern for the safety of young people, local Assemblyman Tom Umberg is considering proposing legislation that would establish a statewide curfew.

In Santa Ana, enhance prosecution will be sought for repeat offenders and minors on probation. This will include prosecuting parents in adult court for curfew responsibility and for contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Curfew exists between 10 pm and 6 am. Santa Ana's municipal code states that no minor "shall loiter, idle, wander, stroll, or play in or upon the public streets, parks, playgrounds, or other public grounds, public places or public buildings, places of amusement or entertainment, vacant lots or other unsupervised places or on private property without the consent of the owner."

This does not apply to a minor accompanied by a parent, guardian, or other adult. It also does not apply if a minor is on an emergency errand or legitimate business directed by a parent, guardian, or other adult.

Police officers don't plan to "issue tickets to everyone under 18 who's out after 10 pm," said Lt. Bob Helton. "The gang unit is the primary enforcement unit on this. They are applying the intent judiciously to focus on those locations that are frequently problems."

The code states that parents are responsible for seeing that their children do not violate these provisions. Lt. Helton pointed out that lack of knowledge of the code is not a defense for any violation.

Police Department representatives are available to meet with community members regarding the curfew issue. You may call the Police District Commander at 647-5050.

Roles for Volunteers

Education is everybody's business. That's been a philosophy of Santa Ana Unified School District for some time. Education is responsible to the students and to you, the public, for providing a quality program. Because of the importance of education, you are invited to roll up your sleeves and get involved in the process as a volunteer. Here are some ways you can participate.

Opportunities for Business

Dollars for Scholars

A national non-profit organization, Dollars for Scholars provides a structure for school districts to establish fundraising programs for scholarships. It will also donate a maximum of \$2,000 in matching funds to an individual school. All SAUSD high schools have Dollars for Scholars programs. In cooperation with the University of California at Irvine, the District has also established a chapter for SAUSD's seven intermediate schools. Fundraising activities have included a golf tournament, raffle, and luncheon. For more information, contact SAUSD's Secondary Division at 558-5521.

School/Business Partnerships

Individual schools and local businesses form partnerships to benefit each other in ongoing relationships. Together, businesses and school representatives choose goals for their partnerships and activities to achieve those goals. Business participation may include career education, facility tours, after-school tutoring, scholarships, attendance incentives, and recognition of student achievement. For more information, call the Public Information Office at 558-5555.

ROP Job Fair

The Regional Occupation Program hosts an annual job fair for graduating seniors. Businesses participate by sending representatives to interview potential employees, providing information about their industries and by hiring students. To participate, call the ROP office at 558-5558.

Opportunities for Individuals

Career Beginnings

Coordinated through Rancho Santiago College, the program identifies 100 average students (high school juniors) each year who are con-

sidered at risk of dropping out of school. Business people are matched with students to act as mentors and give guidance in setting educational and career goals. Mentors and speakers are frequently needed. Call the Career Beginnings office at 564-5413.

Parent Groups

Each SAUSD school has a parent group which organizes various activities including fundraisers and student recognition. Some of the groups are the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), Parent Faculty Organization (PFO), School Site Council, and, in secondary schools, the Parent, Teacher, Student Associations (PTSA). Each school also has a School Advisory Committee which discusses issues that are presented at District Advisory Committee and Bilingual District Advisory Committee meetings. Call your neighborhood school for more information. To obtain school telephone numbers, call 558-5501.

Stay in School

Professionals are assigned to speak to either eighth- or tenth-grade classes twice a month for a semester. The goal is to encourage students to stay in school, finish their education, and plan a career. Call the Stay in School coordinator at 241-6444.

DATE Advisory Committee

The District's Drug, Alcohol, Tobacco Education (DATE) Prevention program is an extensive approach to increase awareness of risk factors that can lead to students' use of drugs and alcohol. It also includes prevention strategies. The DATE advisory council meets six times per year. Call the DATE office at 558-5782.

Career Fairs

Every school in the District holds an annual career fair. If you're interested in speaking to students about your job, the necessary preparation, and its benefits, call your neighborhood school. Telephone numbers may be obtained from 558-5501.

Classroom Volunteers/Tutors

Elementary, intermediate, and high schools utilize volunteers. Most Santa Ana schools have after-school programs that provide tutoring or simply a supervised place to do homework. If you'd like to help, call your local school.


*Washington Square
Home and Garden Tour
October 10 & 11, 1992*

Washington Square is proud to announce its second neighborhood Home and Garden Tour. This exciting event will take place on **October 10 & 11, 1992** between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

The Washington Square Home and Garden Tour will be featuring homes throughout the neighborhood, ranging from the 1920's to the 1950's. Each home will have its own unique distinction in architectural features, such as sculptured ceilings, hardwood floors, french windows, lush landscaping and gazebos. And as a special treat, we will also be displaying a variety of vintage automobiles throughout the tour.

Tickets for the Washington Square Home and Garden Tour are available now for the special price of just \$6.00 for presale tickets and \$8.00 on the day of tour (Senior Citizen discount tickets are \$6.00). For more information please call (714) 262-7907 or (714) 550-7058.

The Home Tour starting point will be located at: **1060 W. Washington Avenue**. Please come this address first to buy your tickets and pick-up your Home Tour Booklet.





A Golden Mask From the Treasures of the Museo del Oro

Bowers Calendar

October 17 -- Saturday

Special membership preview -- all members are invited, includes tours, music, hors d'oeuvres. 6 to 9 pm. Call 567-3600 for membership information.

October 18 -- Sunday

Grand Reopening: "Rediscover the Bowers" -- free museum entry to the general public, includes entertainment and kids activities. 9:30 am to 5 pm.

Special Opening Exhibits

Tribute to the Gods: Treasures of the Museo del Oro. Three hundred pre-Columbian works of art fashioned from gold and other artworks in stone and ceramic from the Museo del Oro, Bogota Columbia. Held in conjunction with the Columbus Quincentenary, this exhibit pays tribute to the artistic mastery of the pre-Columbian goldsmiths.

Chinese Art: Masterpieces of the Chang Foundation, Taipei. The exhibit contains masterpieces of Wu Changshuo, Qi Baishi, and Fu Baoshi, three of the most important painters of the early 20th century; a selection of superb Chinese ceramics from the Han to Qing Dynasties; important Chinese stone carvings; and, a small exhibit on the artifacts of the artist and scholar, and their role in Chinese civilization.

Realm of the Ancestors: Arts of Oceania. Explores the powerful arts of the Australoids and Austronesians, the early residents of New Guinea, Australia, islands of Melanesia, and the people generally known as Polynesians. This exhibit comes from the Bowers permanent collection.

Power and Creation: Africa Beyond the Nile. This exhibit exposes the power and diversity of sculpture and other art forms originating in the diverse nations of the Sub-Saharan areas of Africa.

Eye on Santa Ana would like to thank the Bowers Museum of Cultural Art, Dr. Peter Keller, and especially Brian Langston for their immeasurable help in the preparation of this section.

Rediscovering the Bowers Museum

Fog-shrouded valleys and fields of orchids welcomed the Bowers Museum group as they flew over the Andes. Stepping out of the helicopter at Colombia's most famous emerald mine, they were handed miner's picks. "What you find is yours," said Colombia's Minister of Mines. Everybody got a quick mining lesson from Dr. Peter Keller, executive director of the Bowers and international expert in gems (especially emeralds). They started digging, and laughing, and digging some more. Back at the beautiful colonial hotel in Bogota, they displayed their finds and the shared experiences became a common memory.

The group, which included Fellows of the Bowers Museum, was in Colombia to conclude the final negotiations for the Museum's opening exposition -- the largest show of pre-Columbian gold ever to visit the United States.

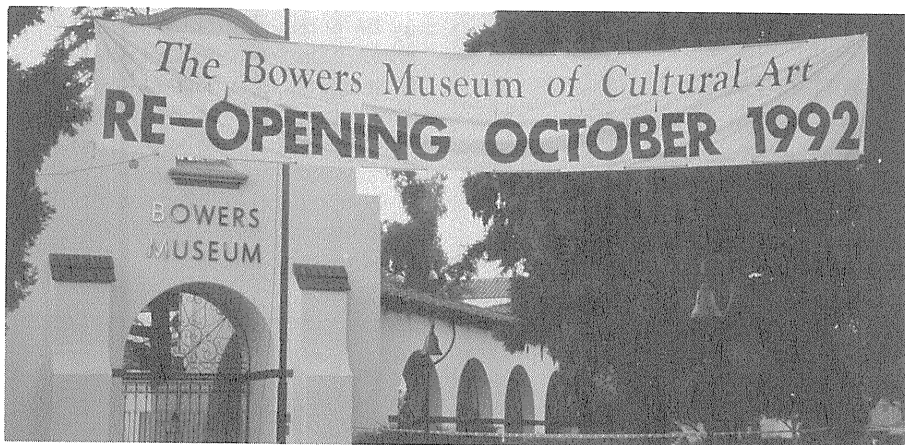
The Fellows are a distinguished group of people who support the museum's exhibits, collection, research, and programs. In return, the Bowers offers unique and exclusive access to the best the museum has to offer, including enriching cultural experiences and exotic travel opportunities like this trip to Colombia.

This is only one example of the emphasis the Bowers places on education, which is one of its primary functions. The museum has aggressively created programs which offer engaging, stimulating experiences for learners of all ages, including special programs for teachers and students.

The Bowers is particularly proud of its commitment to area schools. Even during construction, the museum's education programming remained active with frequent special events and exhibitions at satellite locations, sometimes using the Mobile Museum, a 40-foot "museum on wheels."

Over 100,000 students annually will encounter world cultures through innovative programming which brings students to the museum and exhibits with thematically-linked objects and teaching aids to the classroom. Museum docents play one of the most important roles in the museum's emphasis on education when they present hour-long programs to groups of up to 60 students.

For more information about the innovative and unique educational opportunities available through the Fellows and other museum programs on and off-site, please contact Dr. Janet Baker, Director of Education, at 567-3679.



Bowers Golden Opening

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of the marvelous diversity of the world we live in today."

In this case, our understanding about the peoples who crafted these cultural arts is most effectively facilitated by Johnson's beautiful, artistic presentation of the artifacts in context to the lives of the people who created and used them.

Johnson's unique display cases, all created on-site, also are patented. The Museum is accepting commissions to construct similar custom cases for exhibits in other galleries.

The Bowers also now displays one of the largest collections of sculptures from renowned native American artist Alan Houser, including an intriguing "universal mysterious figure" which gazes into the Leo Freedman Galleria from the serene Harris Sculpture Garden.

Houser, an 85-year-old member of the Apache Nation, was recently

awarded the Presidential Arts Medal, and has a sculpture in the Rose Garden of the White House.

\$12 Million well spent

The magnitude and significance of these inaugural collection is eloquent testimony to the success of the Bowers' three year renovation and expansion program, which has provided the energetic and dedicated Director with the space, appropriate display, and security features necessary to command such world-class exhibits.

And Keller, formerly a Director of the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles, has capitalized handsomely on the opportunity over the past year.

"The Bowers is blessed to have a Director who is not only academically knowledgeable about the fine arts of indigenous peoples but one who also has the talent to present exhibits that will interest the public," explains the Museum's Public Rela-

tions Coordinator Brian Langston.

Effective partnership

Yet equally remarkable is the new private/municipal corporation partnership between the City of Santa Ana, which has owned the museum since 1936, and the private, non-profit Charles W. Bowers Museum Corporation, which was formed in 1987 to manage and govern the museum, that makes it all possible.

"The museum will continue to be owned by the City of Santa Ana," explains Langston, "but over the next eleven years the Corporation will be responsible for making the Bowers self-supporting through earned revenues, memberships, and donations.

This includes the Museum's celebrated Fellows Program, whose members are invited to accompany the Museum's Director and other renowned academicians on trips that are not only educational but also present unique opportunities for the Fellows and Museum staff to negotiate and plan future exhibits.

Other resources which are expected to generate excellent revenues include David Wilhelm's bistro restaurant, which will provide fine dining and catering services for museum patrons and guests; the Gallery Shop, which contains an eclectic selection of distinctive objects gathered from around the world, and rental of many of the Museum's own facilities such as the Conference Center, Galleria, Courtyard of the Governors and Historic Veranda, and the Education Center Meeting Room, all of which provide

a distinctive environment for conferences, dinners, gala parties, and television/film locations.

Blends past with present

It is virtually certain that Charles and Ada Bowers never imagined the glorious future ahead for the distinctive Spanish-style facility created in 1936 from their bequest.

Yet the Bowers has not forgotten its roots in its early collections, which were largely devoted to the local history of Orange County. In addition to maintaining the history rooms on the first and second floors, which house a variety of artifacts important to the history of Orange County and to the cities of Santa Ana, Orange, and Anaheim, another accomplishment of the Curator of Exhibits is his imaginative design of buttresses to hold floodlights that illuminate the beautiful, intricately painted and carved ceilings in this original part of the Museum, which also have been meticulously cleaned and restored.

And it is to the credit of Newport Beach architect George Bissel that he was able to approximately triple the museum's size to almost 60,000 square feet of modern, functional space that also incorporates the gracious beauty of the Spanish-styled architecture that has made Bowers Museum a beloved area landmark. Doubtless the bell tower, the Courtyard of the Governors, and the Historic Veranda will continue to be the site of romantic weddings, receptions, and provide the background for innumerable photographs as they have since 1936.

What the Bowers Museum Mission Means to the World

By Catherine C. Cate

Every organization has a mission statement, and the Bowers is no exception.

"The Bowers Museum of Cultural Art is dedicated to the preservation, study, and exhibition of the fine arts of indigenous peoples."

But what does that really mean? What is "cultural art"? What is "fine art"? Are they the same, or different? Why is it important to preserve, study, and exhibit them? And exactly who, or what, are "indigenous peoples."

Brian Langston explains, "The Bowers is not a traditional European art museum, where the objects are displayed as art for art's sake."

"In fact, there are many cultures in the world that create exquisite art, but they have no word for "art" or "artists" in their language; it is not an activity separate from their daily lives; it is part of every creative effort."

"The Bowers Museum focuses on the fine art of indigenous peoples, which means that the objects we display were beautifully created by the natives (indigenous peoples) of a certain culture or region to serve a specific purpose. But it was also designed and decorated to communicate something about their beliefs. It helped define and maintain their place in the cosmos...in nature. In that sense, it is "cultural art."

"The fine arts of indigenous peoples is a specific kind of art that tends to have the power of religious and political significance, which is why curator Paul Johnson's exhibits are so brilliant."

"This art defines a group and helps to make it cohesive; as he places it in context that makes it meaningful to the viewer. When you look at this art in the context of Paul's exhibits, you understand its role...its power...in the lives of the people who created it."

But why is it important to understand the role these cultural arts played in the lives of indigenous peoples? There are several reasons. First, the term "indigenous" means "native." The Bowers Museum focuses on peoples indigenous to the Americas, the Pacific Rim, and Africa.

And, as we all know, many peoples who are "native" to a specific region are now entirely or virtually extinct. So the only knowledge we have left of them is what we can gain from studying their art. In fact, we all are decedents from some "indigenous peoples," so when a culture is lost, it is the culture of our ancestors -- a part of ourselves.

The Bowers Museum is a "living bridge" between those living and lost cultures.

Our cultures.



Going for the Gold -- As a volunteer holds up the lap marker, bicyclists jockey for position in the seventh annual Golden City Grand Prix bicycle race held in downtown Santa Ana. Over 100 riders from Sacramento to Guadalajara, Mexico competed for the trophies and prizes. The event was held as part of the annual Fiesta de Independencia celebration in September.

Hidden Treasure Found in Santa Ana

Located at the four high schools in Santa Ana is a program known as "Project Workability." Jointly funded by a federal grant and the State Department of Rehabilitation, "Workability" allows high school students in Special Education Classes the opportunity to obtain job skills while completing their education.

Each high school, as well as two other special education schools have a Job Training Assistant who is responsible for placing students at various work sites within the community. Since each student's skill level is different, all go through an extensive screening process to ensure appropriate placement. Needs of the employer are matched with students' abilities. When necessary, a job coach is brought along to ease the student into their position.

During the school year, Workability students are taught such skills as filling out applications, proper dress and hygiene, mock interviewing, use of public transportation, and how and where to look for a job. This year they began using a technique called "Dragnet," where groups of 6-10 students along with two JTAs and a job coach canvas the community for jobs. By showing students all they need to do is ask, many students were able to find jobs on their own.

"Project Workability" promotes self-esteem and provides students with an on-going support system. However, there are also many benefits for the employers. Through grant funds, students are paid for 30-100 hours of training. During the training phase, students are considered employees of Santa Ana School District, so the employer is not responsible for insurance or workman's compensation benefits. Students are also monitored on a weekly basis to ensure that any problems or concerns can be dealt with immediately. Another important benefit is that the students involved in the program are eager to please and therefore are dependable and responsible employees.

Let's take a look at how one student and employer benefited from the program. Teneda Hayes, is a 17 year old from Mitchell Special School. When she first entered the school she was quiet and withdrawn. Then something wonderful happened, a manager at Miller's Outpost in Westminster opened her store as a training site for Project Workability. Because of her love for clothing, Teneda was placed at Miller's, three days a week, 2 hours each day. As time went on Teneda began to initiate conversations and her appearance as well as her self-esteem improved. With time employees began to look forward to Teneda's help. Minor tasks were taken care of, leaving them to help with customers.

So you see, there is "Hidden Treasure" in Santa Ana and you too can reap its rewards. If you'd like to become involved with Project Workability or would just like more information, please contact Barbara Cooper at 567-4941 or Robert Warren at 241-6442

Favorite Local Businesses

Bud's Meat Hut

by Catherine Cate

As my husband Steve and I recently indulged in two of the finest T-bone steaks we have ever grilled over charcoal and mesquite, a thought occurred to me that momentarily spoiled my appetite; one day I'm going to drive past the northwest corner of Ross and 17th Streets and there's going to be a "Closed" sign in the window of "Bud's Meat Hut." Or maybe a "For Sale" sign. Because I know that everything changes, and one day this must, too.

After all, owner Bud Rowe celebrated his 70th birthday in 1990 -- in fact, he threw himself an all-out bash at this home to which he invited over 200 of his regular customers, including judges and attorneys, F.B.I. and Secret Service agents, members of the Santa Ana Police Force (on which his sons Dennis and Richard have served as reserve officers), as well as all us other lower profile folks. (I admit that I missed the occasion, but Bud shared some of the left-over prosciutto with me later that week!)

This friendly, funky, neighborhood butcher shop/deli has been a trustworthy landmark in our lives since we moved into the little duplex at 1722 N. Ross, just two doors north, in 1977. At that time, it was "The Butcher Block," owned by Bud's son, Dennis, and run by Dennis and his mother, Virginia.

And "Bud's Meat Hut" had been an established business at 1307 N. Main next to "Trader Joe's" since 1969. But in 1985, "Trader Joe's" wanted to expand, and Dennis wanted to explore new horizons, so Dad bought Son out, and "Bud's Meat Hut" relocated and continued to prosper at 503 W. 17th St.

The place is busy from 8 am to 5:30 pm, Monday through Friday, and 'til 3 pm on Saturday. It's packed during the lunch hours with area business people picking up delicious deli sandwiches...beef, port, pastrami, turkey, egg and tuna salad, meat loaf, and more...all made on the premises. (And what Bud sells as "half a sandwich" almost feeds two in these calorie-conscious times.) Oh yes, they also cater, with huge trays containing all the fixin's to make your own deli sandwiches.

Like most people, our eating habits have changed since 1977: less red meat; more poultry and fish. But one thing never will change as long as Bud Rowe stands behind the counter cutting prime sides of beef and pork into steaks, roasts, and ribs:

We will buy red meat only from Bud's!

(Do you have a favorite local business: someplace special because of the people who own it or who work there? If you can write it down in 300 words or less, we'd love to read it and maybe even print it in the next issue. Please include your phone number with all submissions. Send all materials to Local Business, Eye, P.O. Box 2422, Santa Ana, 92707)

CAFE de California

CAFE de California was organized to advocate for the civil rights of Hispanics employed within the California state government. They're committed to resolving the under-representation and underutilization of the Hispanic talents within state service.

CAFE is also committed to ensuring that the Hispanic community at large gets the public services they need. CAFE de California's immediate and long-range efforts are focused toward improving the voice of Hispanic men and women in our cultural, social, and economic environments. Through these efforts, the group believes that the right to equality and justice will belong to the future generations of Hispanics.

Currently, the organization has over 1,200 members in 15 chapters throughout California. Many members, active in their respective communities, are viewed as experts in the areas of personnel, affirmative action, bilingual services, training, and community involvement.

The Orange County Chapter meets on the first Thursday of the month at 6 pm at 2550 Redhill Ave., Santa Ana. For additional information, call Rick at 744-2924.

Mid City

The next general meeting will be held on October 1 at Glen Martin Elementary School at 7 pm. The meeting will feature Fran Williams who is running for City council in November's election.

The neighborhood is raising funds to provide meals for the poor and homeless for Thanksgiving and Christmas through cook book and candy sale and with raffle tickets.

The neighborhood is trying to get Assemblyman Tom Umberg to speak at a future meeting.

Thornton Park

The neighborhood association is in the process of obtaining permission from residents to paint the block wall on the south side of Warner from Pacific to Rait.

Three times a year, the neighborhood holds a general meeting featuring speakers from various City agencies. They meet at Jefferson Elementary School on the third Tuesday of September, January, and April. The steering committee meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

French Court

The warm summer weather and progress toward cleaning up the Willard Neighborhood brought an increase in problems to the neighborhood. The French Court Neighborhood Association spent the summer working with police and code enforcement to combat graffiti, noise, trash, overcrowding, drug dealing, and gang activity. To help alleviate many of these problems, members of the association are working on a parking plan similar to the permit parking in Washington Square and the no overnight parking in Willard.

Work has begun on the realignment of Penn Way to the old railroad right-of-way along the east border of French Court. This new four lane road will have a landscaped median and extend from 17th St. to the Regional Transportation Center on Santa Ana Blvd. The construction is being done as part of the Interstate 5 widening project.

Saturday, October 17 will be the 2nd Annual French Court Neighborhood Clean-up with KRLA Oldies Radio broadcasting live. Court referred community service people will assist the neighbors with trash pick-up and graffiti removal. Dumpsters will be available for large items. Everyone is invited to come listen to the oldies and enjoy the hot dog and soda stand.

Sandpointe

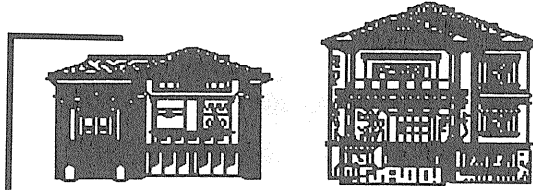
California State Assemblyman Tom Umberg spoke at the September general meeting about the recent state budget, future jail construction, speed trains, and elephant rights.

Sandpointe joined with the S. A. Police Department in an ambitious program to mobilize residents and implement Community Oriented Policing to help address the current neighborhood conditions.

Neighborhood paint parties continue with great success in reducing graffiti and beautifying the neighborhood.

New officers were elected. Former chairman Jim Walker stepped down after 5 years of leading the neighborhood into the well organized group it is now. New officers include Hank Kaim, chairman; Scott McKee, co-chair; Lyle Templeton, treasurer; and Sylvia Clark, secretary.

The November general meeting will be held on Nov. 12 at 7 pm at the MacArthur Intermediate School.



In Our Neighborhoods

Bristol Manor

Bristol Manor is co-hosting this years candidate's forum which will be held on Wed., Oct. 21 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers. Hope to see you all there!

The neighborhood has been involved in the "Tool Borrowing Program" offered by the City to help upgrade neglected properties.

A neighborhood potluck picnic is scheduled for Sat. Oct. 17 at Memorial Park. All residents are invited and encouraged to come.

Bring a dish of your choice!

Portola Park

The usage of Portola Park was the topic of primary concern at the Sept. meeting of the neighborhood. Park Superintendent Mike Lopez was guest speaker and spoke about the uses of the park and how to control the abuses that occur.

All the articles in the newsletter about keeping your property up might just be working. Indications from residents suggest an improvement in property maintenance, both from home painting and from general upkeep.

Neighbors have been alert lately as two cases of "crimes in progress" were called into the police. In one case, a person was arrested for burglary. In the other, the crook got away before the police could show up.

Wilshire Square

Volunteers will bring their paint brushes, hammers, and elbow grease to W.I.P. some fences into shape in October. The "Wilshire Improvement Project" is patterned after last spring's "Christmas in April" where volunteers worked on several homes needing fixing up and painting.

Wilshire Square residents who participated decided to bring the idea back to their own neighborhood. As a pilot plan, W.I.P. will first tackle the job of straightening out some deteriorated fences on several streets. Project Chair Dave Rudge has been mobilizing volunteer craftsmen and women and expects a good turn-out on Oct. 10.

The neighborhood held their annual block party in September, closing down the 1200 block of So. Birch for food, soft drinks, games, and a lot of good natured fun. Prizes were given to local kids for the water balloon toss, shoe kicking, and carnival games. The neighborhood picked up the cost of the hamburgers and soda. Residents were asked to bring a sidedish to share. The Garden Club gave away beautiful potted geraniums and even sold some iris' to raise funds for a street beautification plan.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Oct. 17. Wilshire Square will hold their fund-raising garage sale from 8 am to 2 pm at 1330 S. Broadway. Items are donated by residents and proceeds go toward neighborhood projects including the newsletter and block party.

Plans are being set for this year's progressive holiday dinner/ meeting. Residents move from appetizers at one house to a main course at another to desert at a third.

This annual event is always one of the neighborhood's favorites (probably because they like to eat and be merry).

Saddleback View

About 30 residents were taken on a tour of the facilities of the *Orange County Register* recently. The tour was led by Tom Grochow, assistant to the general manager at the *Register*.

The neighborhood is much quieter since the closure of Sixth St. at Mc-Clay and of Eastside at the Santa Ana Freeway. Drive-through traffic has been eliminated. This restructuring is part of the expansion of the *Register's* plant.

The next neighborhood meeting will be held in November at a date and place to be announced.

Floral Park

The neighborhood is co-sponsoring, (along with Bristol Manor), the "Meet the Candidates Forum" on October 21st to be held in the City Council Chambers from 7 to 9 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Plans are underway for the first annual Floral Park Home and Garden Tour on April 24 and 25, 1993.

Eight homes have already been selected in addition to a number of resident's gardens. The tour will include a collectables sale, arts and crafts sale, and a showing of classic cars.

The neighborhood will be sponsoring a "Photo with Santa" charity event during December, with a portion of the proceeds designated for a specific charity. Photos will be inserted into paper sleeves creating a Christmas photo card.

Election of new officers will be held at the November meeting. Any neighborhood resident interesting in serving on the board should contact Michele Morrissey at 836-7028.

Neighborhood meetings are held the second Monday of each month at Santiago School. Everyone is welcome with voting privileges confined to residents of the neighborhood.

Historic French Park Association

Three guest speakers from the Police Department explained the Police Oriented Policing program to the membership of the neighborhood. at the organization's quarterly meeting in September.

New officers were elected for the 1992-93 term. Diann Marsh and Debbie McEwen will serve as co-presidents, Kelly Hall as vice-president, Michael Brajdic as treasurer, and Linda Phillips as secretary. Twelve additional members were chosen to serve as the Executive Board.

The association is planning a Victorian House Tour for April 3 and 4, 1993. Janice and John Gothold will serve as co-chairmen.

Bristol/Warner

A number of neighborhood residents are concerned about the increase in curb cutting the City is doing to put in wheelchair ramps.

They feel funds would be more prudently spent on public safety, in particular the police department.

Neighborhood Information

For information about particular neighborhoods or about organizing your neighbors into one, contact the City's Neighborhood Improvement staff at 667-2260.

Washington Square

Gorgeous weather was the topping for a well attended (425 WSNA residents) Fourth of July block party. The neighborhood even held their first ever Washington Square Association Bicycle parade.

The Washington Square Traffic Mitigation Plan was voted on by balloting of individual home owners to decide whether to make permanent the phase 1 traffic plan. The plan was overwhelmingly approved for permanent installation. The neighborhood has noticed an improvement on the quality of traffic within the neighborhood and less required police activity.

The neighborhood will be hosting their second Washington Square Home and Garden Tour on Sat. and Sun. Oct. 10 and 11. The homes were built between the 1920s and 1950s. See the ad in this issue.

The neighborhood publishes a quarterly newsletter for its 650 members. If you'd like to receive it, you might want to become an associate member for \$10 per year. For information on that or on advertising in the publication, call 262-7907.

Neighborhood Communication Linkage Committee

"Comm-Link" has been modifying its format lately. Along with the election of officers, a planning committee was elected to set direction and agendas for the main group.

Sandpointe's Jim Walker was re-elected chairman with Eastside's Rita Corpin elected as co-chair. Planning committee members elected include Morning Sunwood's Bill Grant, Northwest's Kathi Jo Brunning, French Court's Jim Marquez, Sunwood Central's Al Carney, and Wilshire Square's Guy Ball.

The September meeting brought Delores Otting (with a Costa Mesa refuse company) to speak about issues regarding Santa Ana's trash removal contract. Also proposed by-laws were introduced for consideration and voting at the next meeting.

In August, City staff recapped the status of various programs of interest to the neighborhoods. Jim Lindgren spoke about the pushcart and rental inspection programs. Norm Canchola updated the attendees on the Weed and Seed Program.

Historic Resources Review Committee

The Historic Resources Review Committee has finished reviewing all buildings over fifty years old in the North Broadway/North Main District and the Museum District.

Slides of each building were shown, their architectural value discussed, and their historical background researched. The significance of each building was evaluated. The Washington Square Neighborhood will be the next to be evaluated.

The fourteen members of the Review Committee represent several historic neighborhoods and historical organizations in Santa Ana. They were appointed by the City Council to serve for two years. Anyone interested in attending the committee meetings, which are held on the first Tuesday of each month, may call Diann Marsh at 541-2441.

Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society

The Society will be holding their first Halloween themed social event entitled "Haunted Santa Ana" and held on Sat. Oct. 24 at 7 pm. The evening will start at the Howe-Waffle house talking about the spirited side of Santa Ana and then continue to the Historic Patton House which has been decorated as a medieval monastery.

If you'd like to partake of the fun, call 855-4539, ext. 55 for a recorded message.

Plans are also underway for the Society's annual Candlelight Progressive Dinner offering diners to take in 5 historic spots as they enjoy various courses of food.

For more information on this, call 547-9645 and leave your name and address and phone. They'll send a flyer as soon as it's available.

Community Oriented Policing (C.O.P.)

The C.O.P. citywide general meeting will be at the City Hall Council Chambers on Wed., Oct. 14 at 7 pm. The program will be on Task Forces by Jody Siegner, a leader of the West Adams Neighborhood Association in Los Angeles. This may prove to be very beneficial to Santa Ana neighborhood associations on how to accomplish problem solving. All residents are invited.

The Central District is pleased to announce that the new police substation is open for business at 1212 So. Bristol, #4. Their phone number is 647-6700. Senator Seymore recently visited the substation and toured the area targeted by the Weed and Seed Program.

The C.O.P. Association will sponsor a Police Appreciation Day on December 4th. If anyone would like to help in showing appreciation for our police department, please contact Dee at 543-2834 for more information.

PTA

Throughout Santa Ana, many schools have Parent Teacher Associations (PTA). This organization is not just for parents and teachers. Any adult who cares about children and their future can join.

The PTA is not primarily a fund raising organization, but, rather, advocates for children's health, safety, education, and even their parent's education.

Presently, many PTA's are helping school libraries by providing funds for new books, building their selection for their students.

Consider joining the PTA in the school near your home. Your membership shows your support of the philosophies and efforts of the national PTA also. When you join your local group, you become a member at the state and national level too.

AYSO Season Opens

The Santa Ana stadium was filled with excitement and color as over 500 Santa Ana youth, ages 5-18, marched in the "parade of teams," marking the opening of Santa Ana's American Youth Soccer Organization fall soccer season. With coaches, assistant coaches, and team parents on the field along with the teams assembled in uniform for the first time, they formed a rainbow of unity.

All the families and volunteers in the soccer league work together to make Santa Ana AYSO a positive and highly rewarding experience, not just about learning and playing soccer but developing friendships and

bringing residents of Santa Ana closer together.

The soccer season runs into December with 39 teams competing in Santa Ana and neighboring cities. McFadden Intermediate School is the home field for Region 517. Come see the fun and excitement of AYSO soccer any Saturday.

Volunteer referees are needed. If you'd like to get involved, being a referee gives you the "best seat in the house." AYSO training and uniforms are provided. Call 556-AYSO for more information.

Santa Ana Merged Society of Neighbors

Congressman Dana Rohrabacher was the guest speaker at SAMSON's August meeting.

His subject was illegal immigration and its cost to taxpayers. Rohrabacher also spoke about the negative aspects of bilingual education and various bills before the legislators regarding immigration and the border patrol.

Girl Scouts

This is the time of year when Girl Scouts all around Santa Ana are selling calendars and nuts. Troops use these funds for their activities so selling these products really mean a lot to the girls.

The calendar is a product of Orange County and each month has pictures of active Orange County Girl Scouts. There are so many Santa Ana Girl Scouts, you might just see someone from your neighborhood. This is the third year the Girl Scouts have been selling nuts. There are several varieties available; mixed and toffee coated are two.

If you don't know a Girl Scout to order from, call the Orange County office at 979-7900 and ask for Connee Valle. She can direct you to a local troop. In addition to presales, several troops plan to set up sales booths outside some of the local stores.

Emblem Club

Under the auspices of the Supreme Emblem Club of the U.S.A., Santa Ana Emblem Club #530 was organized in 1982. It's made up of women who are related to, or friends of, members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, dedicated to performing charitable acts in their communities and to bear true allegiance to the Constitution and Flag of the U.S.A.

Under the current leadership of Mrs. Thomas Wilkie, Dolores, as President, the Santa Ana club is following the above precepts. They are dedicated to programs such as drug awareness, literacy, and education. They've distributed many coloring books to schools in the area to teach first graders to "say no to drugs."

The members of the Emblem Club have given scholarships to teachers who wish to teach in the D.A.R.E. program.

The Emblem Club has contributed funds to local causes such as homes for battered women and children, Oralingua School for the Hearing Impaired, and schools for exceptional children. The Santa Ana club also contributes to state and national Emblem scholarships and charities.

They welcome new members who are related to or sponsored by Elks members. Information on membership may be obtained by calling the Santa Ana Elks Lodge and leaving your name and telephone number. Their membership chairman will contact you.

Women's Club

Organized in 1900 to promote the advancement of education and community, the Woman's Club of Santa Ana continues to operate under the direction of Mrs. John Shanafelt, Jr., who was honored at a recent President's Tea.

In addition to its many philanthropic works, the Club furnishes opportunities for fellowship and recreation for its members, including bridge socials, crafts sections, canasta sections, and bridge tournaments. Club meetings are regularly held on the first Tuesday

of each month with luncheons or teas and a fine schedule of entertainment arranged by Mrs. Kenneth Merigan, program chairman.

Guests are welcome but reservations for luncheon must be made with Mrs. Ruth Hauser by calling the club house number (558-9712)

Membership is open to women of Santa Ana and surrounding communities, who are interested in assisting us in promoting our purposes.

Mrs. James Alderson, membership chairman, may be reached through the club telephone at 558-9712.

TOOL BORROWING

Would you like to fix something around the house or launch into a small home improvement project, but can't afford the tools you need to do the job. Well, the City may be able to help you. Neighborhood Improvement Program has implemented a "Tool Borrowing Program" designed to let residents who don't have tools or can't afford them, the opportunity to "borrow" them. The resident first fills out a simple application form to determine eligibility (at or below 120 % of median income). Then a City staff person will distribute a voucher worth \$25 towards the rental of tools at several convenient rental yards -- Shipley's, Knippers, and McKinney Rental Centers. The voucher can also cover part of the cost of a trash dumpster from Great Western Reclamation. The program has been in operation for several months now and has been working very well. If you'd like further information or an application form, call Andria Gagliano at 667-2274.

Your chance to be heard!! Eye on Santa Ana Reader Survey

Your opinions will be passed on to our city mayor and council, city staff, and community leaders. We've tried to make the survey easy to fill out. If you want to add any comments, jot them down on another piece of paper and send it along. **Please send it to us soon!**

1. How long have you lived in Santa Ana? _____ yrs.
() I don't live here
2. Do you work in Santa Ana?
() Yes () No
3. If you have children, do they attend Santa Ana public schools?
() Yes () No () No children.
4. Which area of Santa Ana do you live in?
() North () West () East () Central () South
5. Do you live in an organized neighborhood?
() Yes () No () Not sure
6. If yes, what neighborhood? _____
7. Have you ever gone to a neighborhood meeting?
() Yes () No
8. In your opinion, do you live in a () low, () medium, or () high crime area?
9. Do you feel residents of a neighborhood should be able to limit pass-through, non-neighborhood traffic into their neighborhoods through the use of cul-de-sacs or one-way exits?
() Yes () No.
10. In the last few years, do you feel () more, () the same, or () less positive about the future of Santa Ana?
11. Name a few positive things about the city
12. What are you most proud about in the city?
13. Name a few negative things about the city

Catherine's City

Santa Ana -- New York ???

by Catherine C. Cate

One comment summed it up: "This feels like New York!"

Where? What? When? Why?

In Santa Ana????!!

Yes, indeed! There was an indisputable feeling of sophistication in the air. A feeling this is what Santa Ana was meant to be. And an air of optimism this is what Santa Ana can become.

Where? At Trattoria Ciao, the trendy little restaurant cum art gallery at 216 W. Third St. -- right in the heart of downtown Santa Ana!

What? The opening of the international art show "Different Medias," a collection of colorful paintings, tapestries, and terra cottas representing approximately a dozen artists from Argentina, Mexico, and the United States.

When? At the reception on a Thursday in September that opened the show curated by art consultant Eleanor Blumenfeld (and continues to October 31).

Why? To give all those lucky enough to know it was happening first chance to enjoy the best works before they're all claimed by appreciative collectors.

It was the kind of evening when it was hard to avoid talking with your mouth full. There was so much to say, so much to see, and so much to sample among the delicious hors d'oeuvres prepared by the talented Trattoria chef Monica Scagliarini (now, *that's* Italian!)

For those smart enough to plan to have dinner in the charming Trattoria, it was a triple home run: good food, good art, and a steady stream of good friends, neighbors, and business associates stopping by to say "Hi!" between bites.

But for all, the vibrant art was a visual treat, from the handwoven tapestries of Sylvia Feinstein to the eloquent works of the expressive colorist Manuel Claro Bettinelli of Buenos Aires and the idealistic reveries of Daniel Scott, who admits, "This is the way I would like to see the world."

And although a number of the exciting creations were spoken for by the end of the evening, there will always be plenty to see between now and October 31 -- and of course plenty of great pasta, pizza, and a variety of other delicious dishes, including the sinfully rich Italian dessert "Tiramisu."

So, if you do nothing else during October, make it a point to enjoy an evening of good art and good food at la "Trattoria," right down on Third Street, between Broadway and Main (across from a convenient parking garage).

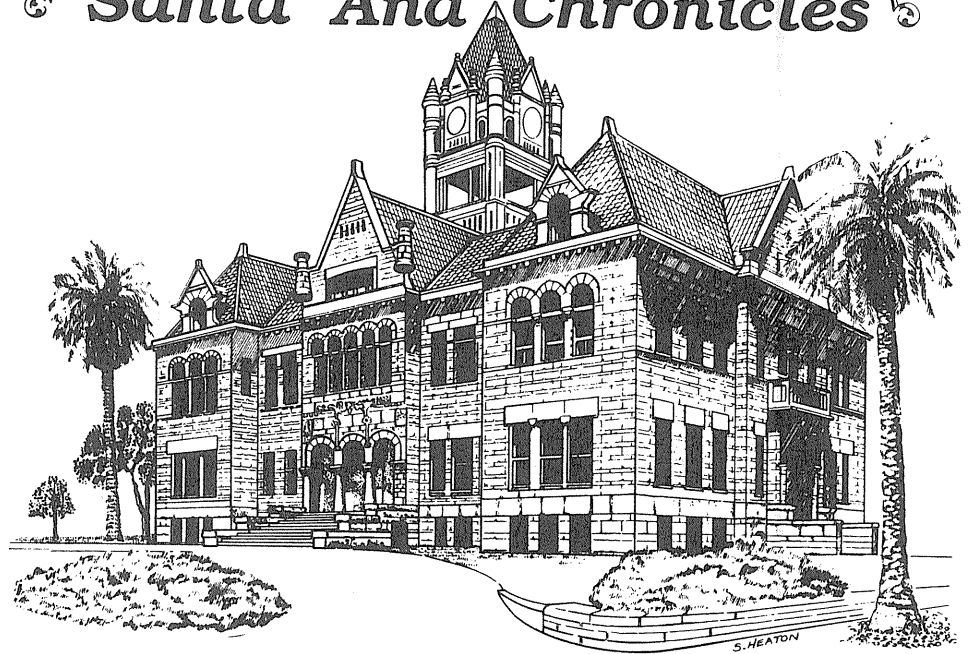
Ciao!

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14. What areas would you like to see the city government focus their efforts?
15. If there is one thing in Santa Ana you'd like to see improved over the next five years, what would that be?
16. Have you ever visited any of Santa Ana's attractions (i.e., S.A. Zoo, Bowers Museum, Discovery Museum, etc.)?
() Yes, occasionally () Yes, once or twice () No
17. Have you ever gone to any of Santa Ana's cultural activities (i.e., Alternative Repertory Theatre, Way Off Broadway, O.C. Center for Contemporary Art, O.C. Crazies, Ballet Folklorico)?
() Yes, occasionally () Yes, once or twice () No
18. Have you ever gone to any of the Santa Ana home tours?
() Yes, occasionally () Yes, once or twice () No
19. In the last few years, have you ever shopped in the Downtown area (around 4th St.)?
() Yes, occasionally () Yes, once or twice () No
20. Have you ever had contact with a city employee or official (other than police or fire)?
() Yes, occasionally () Yes, once or twice () No
21. If yes, what department(s)? (i.e., Planning, Parks & Recreation, Public Works, Finance, Council Services, Neighborhood Improvement, etc.) _____
22. If yes, was the person (check as many as appropriate)
() courteous () helpful () informative () businesslike
() friendly () not helpful () rude () other _____
23. Have you ever seen or met your mayor or councilmembers at any type of event or meeting?
() Yes () No
24. Are you aware of the new, large scale developments proposed for the north and south ends of town (the Shimitzu project across from Main Place and MacArthur Place at the corner of Main and MacArthur near the 55 Fwy.)?
() Yes () No
25. How do you feel about their effect on the city?
() Positive growth () Negative growth () No opinion
26. Are you registered to vote?
() Yes () No
27. Do you plan to vote in the November election?
() Yes () No

Cut out this survey and mail it to: Eye Survey, P.O. Box 2422, Santa Ana, CA 92707.

Santa Ana Chronicles



Historic Orange County Courthouse

by Diann Marsh

In October of 1979, the imposing red sandstone Orange County Courthouse was closed because it was seismically unsafe. With budgets tight, the building faced an uncertain future due to concerns about the amount of money needed to not only strengthen the building but also to restore both its interior and exterior.

Today, as the result of a lot of hard work by many people, the grand old building has been restored and is the scene of renewed activity. The ground floor is the new home of the Orange County Archives. The second floor, with its white and blue ceramic tile hall, recently reopened as the site of the marriage licence bureau, a chapel, and two hearing rooms. The third floor, reached by a grand double staircase with marble treads, now houses a museum of county history, the county Historical Programs Office and the beautifully-restored Courtroom No. 1. It is fitting that the building has now become the Orange County History Center.

The courthouse was built twelve years after Orange County separated from Los Angeles County on June 4, 1889. On July 11 of that year, Santa Ana was selected over Anaheim and Orange to become the County Seat. Court was held in rented buildings throughout the Santa Ana business district. William Spurgeon sold the land for the courthouse to the County in 1893, but it took several more years before the building was to become a reality.

Richardson Romanesque in style, the building was designed by C. L. Strange, an architect and former building supervisor from Los Angeles. It bears resemblance to the style of courthouses seen in many mid-western cities and towns. The formal design, massive Arizona red sandstone walls and Temecula granite base, created a sense of order and importance befitting a county courthouse. The roof is made of metal, painted to look like red clay tiles. A metal cupola topped the building. The cupola was painted to resemble the red sandstone of the rest of the building. On November 12, 1901, the new courthouse was opened with an all-day celebration.

The 1933 Long Beach earthquake caused several changes to be made in the Courthouse. The cupola sustained enough damage that it was decided to remove it. The gable ends and sandstone turrets fell. The sandstone in the gable ends was replaced by stucco and finials replaced the turrets. In later years the building's interior was changed considerable to accommodate new uses. The white and blue tile in the halls was removed, false ceilings installed, the antique light fixtures removed, and the stairs carpeted. With an eye to historical accuracy, the interior has now been completely restored to its former beauty.

Through the years, many dramatic cases were played out in the courtrooms on the top floor. Among them was the Overell and Gollum trial in 1947. Beulah Overell and Bud Gollum were accused of killing her parents by blowing up their yacht in Newport Harbor. The trial lasted for five months and was the constant topic of conversation.

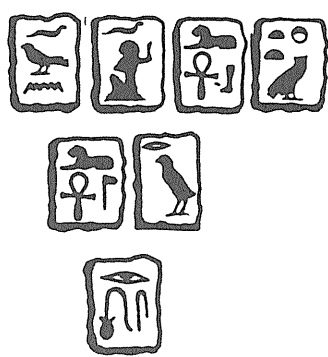
The rich woods, ornate carved judge's bench, elaborate chandeliers, and high ornamented ceiling have made the Courtroom No. 1 the scene of many movies and television programs. In 1915 the courthouse provided the set for the silent film, *The Flying Torpedo*, supervised by D. W. Griffith.

In 1978 a T.V. mini-series entitled *Studs Lonigan* was shot in the courtroom. Henry Fonda and Lindsay Wagner were among the stars of the many television movies that have been filmed at the courthouse in recent years. It continued to be used frequently for both educational and commercial films. The building and grounds have become a popular place for weddings and receptions.

The Courthouse has received many honors. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the building is also California State Landmark No. 837. There are few other historic courthouses in California that can match its unique architectural character. Recently the county completed a new parking lot at the rear of the building, facing Civic Center Drive. Bordered with ornamental retaining walls and beautifully landscaped, the parking lot contains the "footprint" of the original Gothic-turreted county jail, outlined in concrete. On November 12, the completely restored building will have a grand reopening and you are all invited to share in the celebration.

The Courthouse Museum is open from 9 am to 5 pm on weekdays. The Old Courthouse Museum Society conducts tours of the Courtroom No. 1 and the Museum on Tuesdays. Call 834-5560 for further information. Membership in the Society is \$5 a person and \$10 per family. Their address is 211 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Santa Ana, 92701.

The courthouse illustration was drawn by Sandra Heaton.



Mummy Loose in South Coast Area

Beware! A mummy is loose in Orange County and it has a mind for murder. No need for area detectives to fear, it's part of "Murder in the Mummy's Tomb," the latest installment of interactive dinner mysteries set in South Coast Plaza Village. The show plays every Saturday evening and for one price offers dinner, champagne, and the opportunity to work beside Sherlock Holmes.

The "Village Mysteries" run anywhere from three to six months and feature the most involving murder mystery action in Southern California. Guests visit an actual recreation of a mummy's tomb, brought back from Egypt by the evening's despicable villain/victim, Professor King Challenger. The tale of the murder of an archaeologist while on expedition unfolds in "The Explorer's Club" where the audience sips champagne and is introduced to a cast of fascinating and bizarre suspects.

The suspense continues as guests move to any one of five award winning restaurants in the Village, where a choice of entrees is offered, unlike the typical banquet fare served at most mystery dinners. Suspects and detectives mingle among the guests during this time, supplying clues, answering questions, and bantering with amateur detectives.

After the meal everyone regroups for a conclusion filled with twists and turns and a satisfying conclusion in which Holmes unmasks the culprit. An award is given to the "Master Detective" (maybe you!) of the evening. Later, audience members share coffee and dessert with the cast while going over the evening's events.

"Play Mystery for Me," the producers of "Murder in the Mummy's Tomb," also perform at private functions, corporate parties, and fund raisers. A special Christmas production is already in the works. For information on current or future productions call 675-9726 or (310) 988-0374.

Arts Council Celebrates Fourth Birthday

The Santa Ana Council of Arts and Culture is celebrating its four year anniversary this November. The Council is made up of 20 diverse Santa Ana based groups all of which are involved in either the visual, performing, or cultural arts.

According to Don Cribb, founder and president of the council, a number of dramatic events have taken place since the organization's inception. Bowers Museum will celebrate the opening of its \$12 million expansion this month, The Discovery Museum and Science Center is planning a \$37.5 million facility next door to the Bowers on North Main St., and the Orange County Crazies have settled in their new home -- a 150 seat theatre in downtown Santa Ana where they share space with the Pacific Symphony Orchestra.

"These are just a few of the exciting results of the Santa Ana Council of Arts and Culture's efforts," Cribb said. "There's more on the boards. Santa Ana could emerge as 'THE' arts capital of the county by the end of the century."

Slated to open in the next few years is the Shimizu project, located

across from MainPlace shopping mall which will include a 300-seat live-performance theatre within its stylish multi-use office/retail/residential development.

Besides the work of Cribb and the Arts Council, it has taken the support of the City of Santa Ana, especially Bob Hoffman and Cindy Nelson in the Redevelopment Department and Jeff Rice in the Planning Department, as well as political leadership such as the mayor and several councilmen. The growth of arts in Santa Ana has also taken community leaders such as Jim Walker, Tim Rush, Jim Kendricks, and others to support this mission.

An artist's village, located in the Downtown area and co-existing with the existing business community, will now be the center of the Council's attention, with an artist studio live/work project, planned for a now vacant Downtown parcel, as the keystone. "We're intent on creating an environment for the creative individual," Cribb explained.

If you're interested in the Council, its projects, or its activities, call Don Cribb at 558-6150.

Cultural Calendar

Bowers Museum of Cultural Art

2002 N. Main St. -- 567-3600

Opening exhibits include "Tribute to the Gods: Treasures of the Museo del Oro," "Chinese Art: Masterpieces of the Chang Foundation, Taipei," "Realm of the Ancestors: Arts of Oceania," and "Power and Creation: Africa Beyond the Nile." For more information, see the feature article in this issue.

Special Grand Reopening on Sunday, Oct. 18 from 9:30 am to 5 pm with free museum entry to the general public.

Alternative Repertory Theatre (ART)

1636 S. Grand -- 836-7929

Continuing until Nov. 14 is "Antigone," an ancient classic of a lone woman with integrity fighting for the honor of her dead brother.

The heart-warming holiday classic, "A Christmas Memory," a loving recollection of a young boy's friendship with an elderly cousin, returns Dec. 11 - 24.

Way Off Broadway

1058 E. 1st St. (in the Advertising Arts Building) -- 547-8997

"Tales of the Lost Formicans," a fascinating look at the 20th century middle class Americans who are in advanced stages of alienation as seen through the eyes of "aliens," continues through Nov. 8.

Orange County Crazies

115 E. Santa Ana Blvd. (Pacific Symphony Building) -- 840-1406

"Raiders of the Lost Orange" begins on Oct. 24 and continues to Dec. 12 as this improvisational group takes a comedic "bite out of the big orange."

Orange County Center For Contemporary Art

3621 W. MacArthur Blvd., Space 111 -- 549-4989

Opening on Oct. 21 will be a show of works by Gomez Flores, Elena Siff, Lorraine Serena, Alfred Ramirez, and Elizabeth Jennings. The artists' reception will be on Nov. 7 and the show will continue until Nov. 20.

A group show of Orange and L. A. County artists will open on Dec. 2.

Caged Chameleon Gallery

2103 N. Main St. -- 836-5137

Call the gallery for information on their upcoming shows.

Murder Mystery Dinner

South Coast Plaza Village -- 675-9726

"Murder in the Mummy's Tomb" -- as you travel from restaurant to restaurant (and there are five in all), participate in an interactive mystery thriller featuring Sherlock Holmes, a mummy's tomb, and you.

Rhythm Cafe

3503 S. Harbor Blvd. -- 556-LIVE

Opening night for this new concert venue is Oct. 31 at 8 pm featuring Los Lobos. Call for other future shows.

Crazy Horse Steakhouse and Saloon

1580 Brookhollow (off Grand and Dyer) -- 549-1512

Offering the finest in country entertainment including upcoming shows by the Marshall Tucker Band, The Kingston Trio, Eddie Rabbit, Mickey Gilley, Charlie Daniels Band, and the Gary Morris Christmas Show.

The Crazy Horse also features complimentary country dance lessons on Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday nights in their saloon.

New Orleans Jazz Club of Southern California

Holds monthly jazz sessions on the first Sunday of every month at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge, 212 Elk Lane (off 1st St.). The public is invited.

Call 664-1408 for further information.

Orange County Performing Arts Center

600 Town Center Dr., Costa Mesa -- 556-ARTS

Direct from Madrid, Ballet Nacional de Espana, performs Spanish dance in all its expressive and explosive best from Oct. 6 to 11.

Hal Holbrook performs his award winning portrayal of "Mark Twain" on Fri., Oct. 30.

Pacific Symphony Orchestra

Events held at the Orange County Performing Arts Center - 474-4233

P.S.O. presents the second concert of its 1992-93 Classic Series. Carl St Clair will conduct the orchestra in Beethoven's "Choral Fantasy" and other pieces. Nov. 11 and 12 at 8 pm.

Joel Grey, the Oscar and Tony Award-winning star of "Cabaret," performs with the P.S.O. on Nov. 13 and 14 at 8 pm.

Rancho Santiago College

17th at Bristol -- 564-5600

Theatre - Phillips Hall Theatre

"The Three Musketeers," the Alexander Dumas classic comes to life as the adventures of D'Artagnan and his three musketeers unfold in a rousing, rollicking, romantic adventure from Oct. 1 - 11.

"The Boys Next Door," is a funny, yet touching play, focusing on the lives of four retarded men who live under the watchful eye of a sincere, but increasingly despairing social worker. The play runs from Nov. 12 to 21.

Music - Phillips Hall Theatre

The annual Big Band Jazz Concert will be held on Nov. 22 featuring a variety of jazz performed by three RSC jazz ensembles and a professional guest band (to be announced).

Art - Fine Arts Gallery

"Interactive Stories: Bookworks and Beyond," features three artists, Terry Braustein, Sue Ann Robinson, and Beth Thielen, who use books in sculptural ways. The show opens with a reception on Oct. 27 and continues to Nov. 20.

Dance - Phillips Hall Theatre

The advanced student choreographers and faculty showcase their works in modern, jazz, and tap in their annual Student/Faculty Dance Concert from Dec 4 - 6.

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For more information, call Terri Eggers at 647-2246

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Send your upcoming cultural events to Eye on Santa Ana by December 12 to be included in our Winter issue.

Community Calendar

October

Oct 4 (Sun)-- The Episcopal Service Alliance invites you to a tea to meet artist Jeff Horn at an exhibition of his charcoal portraits from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at First United Methodist Church, French St. and Civic Center. Call 953-9170.

Oct 4 (Sun)-- The Trouble Shooter's Antique and Collectible Roundup returns to the City Shopping Center in Orange. Nearly 700 exhibitors will sell everything under the sun that one might collect. The event runs from 9 am to 3 pm and costs \$3.

Oct 10-11 (Sat-Sun)-- Washington Square Neighborhood proudly hosts their second Home and Garden Tour from 10 am until 4 pm. The event features a number of unique houses built in the 1920-50's with distinctive architectural features and accents. Tickets are \$8. Call 262-7907.

Oct 10-11 (Sat-Sun)-- The 3rd Annual So. Cal. Jazz Fest returns to the Santa Ana Elks Lodge, 212 Elk Lane (off 1st St.) with the some of the best jazzmen this side of the Mississippi. Sponsored by the New Orleans Jazz Club of Southern California. Call 664-1408 for more information.

Oct 16 (Fri)-- Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale at the Santa Ana Senior Center, 424 W. 3rd St. from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Come early for the best handcrafted bargains and don't forget to visit the baked goods table for some home-made taste treats. Call 547-5671 for information on reserving a table to sell your handmade craft items.

Oct 17 (Sat)-- Breakfast with the Beasts starts early Saturday morning with a light breakfast of muffins, fruit, juice, and hot chocolate. Then it's on to the sights and sounds of the Zoo with a guided tour finishing at the Children's Zoo as you help the zoo keeper feed the animals their breakfast. This workshop is designed for adults and children (over 3 years) and meets from 8:30 to 10 am. The fee is \$15 for a parent/child pair; \$7.50 per additional person. Call 836-4000 for reservations and more information. Also held on Nov. 14.

Oct 17 (Sat)-- A tribute to TV great Steve Allen will be held by Rancho Santiago College at 7 pm

at Phillips Hall, RSC, 17th at Bristol, with a book signing at 5:30 pm. For advance tickets (\$10 each) or more information, call 564-5661.

Oct 21 (Thurs)-- Everyone's invited to the "Meet the Candidates Forum," a special, neighborhood sponsored, non-partisan forum featuring the candidates for the offices of mayor and council in this year's election. It'll be held at 7 pm in the City Council Chambers at 22 Civic Center and will be telecast live on Comcast Cable channel 3.

Oct 23-25 (Fri-Sun)-- The Santa Ana Zoo presents "Boo at the Zoo," a fun-filled Halloween festival for the entire family from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Tickets are \$4 at the door, \$3 in advance. Call 953-8555 for more information.

Oct 24 (Sat)-- The quarterly meeting of the Society of Hispanic Historical and Ancestral Research will address the issue of the connection between Europe and the Americas and the original colonizers of the latter. Held without charge at the Orange Family History Center, 674 S. Yorba, Orange from 8 am to noon. Call 773-1510.

Oct 24 (Sat)-- "Animal Handling" at the Santa Ana Zoo provides exposure to and contact with small mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and birds native to this area and others. This workshop meets from 10:30 to noon at costs \$15 for each parent/child pair, \$7.50 for each additional person, and \$10 for a single youth over ten years. Call 836-4000 for reservations and more information. Also held on Nov. 21 and Dec. 12.

Oct 24 (Sat)-- The Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society shows the more spirited side of the city with a Halloween themed "Haunted Santa Ana." The event begins with a short presentation at the Dr. Howe Waffle Mansion, 120 Civic Center Dr. between 7 and 9 pm and continues to the historic Patton House for a less serious, festive affair. Donations are \$10 and includes snacks and beverages. No costumes or high heels please. Call 855-4539, ext. 55 for a detailed message.

Oct 28 (Wed)-- A "Starting Your Own Business" seminar will be held by the Orange County Chapter of Service Corps of Retired Executives Association and the U.S. Small Business Administration

from 8:30 am to 3:45 pm at the County Services Center, 1300 S. Grand, Bldg. C, Room 208. A \$20 fee includes coffee and materials. Call 836-2709 for reservations. Also held on Nov. 25.

Oct 30 (Fri)-- Witches and ghosts of the senior persuasion are invited to attend a Halloween Party starting at 11:30 at the Santa Ana Senior Center, 424 W. Third St. Come in a costume of your choice 'cause there will be a contest for scariest and funniest. Event includes ghostly entertainment and bewitching refreshments. Call 647-6540.

Oct 30 (Fri)-- It's time for all you seniors to get creative at a Halloween Costume Party and Dance at the Southwest Senior Center, 2201 W. McFadden, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. You're not going to want to miss the costume contest, pumpkin decorating contest, entertainment, and refreshments. Call 647-5306 for more information.

Oct 31 (Sat)-- Seniors 50 years and older can enjoy a discount meal and a classic movie (Casablanca) for \$1.99 at Western Medical Center, 1001 N. Tustin Ave. starting at 1 pm. The popcorn is free. Call 953-3502 for more information.

Oct 31 (Sat)-- Little witches, ghosts, and goblins between 5 and 12 can participate in turn of the century tricks and treats (and lots of games) at a Victorian Hallow-e'en Party at the Discovery Museum from 2:30 to 4:30 pm. The 1898 Kellogg House will be authentically decorated for the festivities. The fee of \$10 per "ghostly guest" includes craft projects and refreshments. 540-0404.

Oct 31 (Sat)-- Kids are going to have a lot of haunted (but safe) fun at the "Halloween Happenings" at several City recreation centers. From 5 to 9 pm, activities will include game booths (ghost toss, witches caldron, ring around the coffin), haunted house, costume parade, and free Halloween treats. Centers participating include El Salvador, Jerome, and Memorial. Call 571-4225.

Oct 31 (Sat)-- MainPlace/Santa Ana becomes a happy haunting ground for children of all ages with complimentary treats from MainPlace merchants from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Halloween bags are also available while supplies last. 547-7800.

November

Nov 3 (Tues)-- Election Day -- Time to stop the talking and put democracy in action - vote!

Nov 4 (Wed)-- A free seminar "How to Protect Your Million Dollar Idea," is being presented by John Connors, a patent attorney, at 6:30 pm at the Orange County Bar Association, 601 Civic Center Dr., West. Also held on Dec. 2. Call 542-6833.

Nov 7 (Sat)-- Free flu shots for seniors will be provided courtesy of Western Medical Center/Santa Ana in front of their hospital at 1001 N. Tustin Ave. from 9 am to noon. Call 835-3555.

Nov 7-8 (Sat-Sun)-- Enjoy romantic and scenic Catalina Island with an overnight trip organized by the City's Community Services Department. Play for two days under the warm, blue sky of a Pacific paradise. The \$99 per person (double occupancy) includes a room at the waterfront Hotel Metropole. Call 571-4253 for more information.

Nov 8 (Sun)-- The American Red Cross offers an Earthquake and Disaster Preparedness Class with information and instruction on what to do before, during, and after an earthquake or other disaster. The class is held at 600 N. Parkcenter Dr. from 1:30 to 3:30 pm and will also be offered on Dec. 6. Spanish language classes are offered on Nov. 19 and Dec. 9. The \$5 fee includes a copy of a earthquake and disaster preparedness guide. Call

835-5381 for more information.

Nov 14 (Sat)-- "Breakfast with the Beasts" starts early Saturday morning with a light breakfast of muffins, fruit, juice, and hot chocolate. Then it's on to the sights and sounds of the Zoo with a guided tour finishing at the Children's Zoo as you help the zoo keeper feed the animals their breakfast. This workshop is designed for adults and children (over 3 years) and meets from 8:30 to 10 am. The fee is \$15 for a parent/child pair; \$7.50 per additional person. Call 836-4000 for info.

Nov 14 (Sat)-- New Hope Community Church, 424 S. Newhope St., is having a craft bazaar from 8 am to 5 pm. Applications are also being taken (deadline is Oct. 31) for crafty people who wish to sell their wares. Call Judy at 775-5756.

Nov 14 (Sat)-- The City sponsored Large Item Recycling and Trash Collection returns with trash bins located at 6 sites throughout the City. Seniors and disabled may schedule curbside pickup if you call Great Western at 558-7761 before Nov. 12. Bin locations include Santiago, Rosita, El Salvador, Memorial, and Centennial Parks as well as the City Yard at 730 E. Warner. Not accepted for collection are oil, paint, and other chemicals; concrete; dirt; or tires. For more info, call 565-4007.

Nov 14 (Sat)-- The Discovery Museum presents "The Proper Pantry," a journey back to turn of the century living at 9:30 am at the museum at 3101 W. Harvard St. Call 540-0404 for more info.

Nov 17 (Tues)-- A book sale to benefit the Santa Ana Public Library will be held near the fountain in Civic Center Plaza, between the library and City Hall from 10 am to 3 pm. The 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing Band will offer a free concert starting at 11:30 am. For info, call Kitty at 832-0746.

Nov 19 (Thurs)-- The Southwest Senior Center invites seniors to join in a dinner of thanks, music, and a fabulous Thanksgiving turkey meal at the center, 2201 W. McFadden, from 5 to 9 pm. Call 647-5306 for more information.

Nov 20 (Fri)-- Santa arrives at the west entrance (near the food court) of MainPlace/Santa Ana. Join the fanfare for Santa's grand event. Santa will be available for photos and visits immediately following his arrival at this Hollywood style set in Robinson's Court. First 500 kids to visit Santa will receive a free gift. 547-7800.

Nov 25 (Wed)-- Come join others in a luncheon of thanks, music, and a fabulous Thanksgiving turkey dinner at the Santa Ana Senior Center, 424 W. 3rd St., at 10:30 am. Reservations are a must. Call 647-6540 for more information.

Nov 29 (Sun)-- The biggest, little computer swap meet you've ever seen returns to the parking lot of Advanced Computer Products at 1310 E. Edinger from 8 am to 2 pm. Admission is free. Hundreds of vendors offer great deals on all sorts of computer and accessories.

December

Dec 3-4 (Thurs-Fri)-- A Holiday Art Sale featuring pottery, crafts, drawings, paintings, and photographs produced by the art faculty and students at Rancho Santiago College, 17th at Bristol, will be held at the Art Gallery (Fine Arts Building) from 10:30 am to 5 pm and 6:30 to 10 pm on the 3rd, 10 am to 4 pm on the 4th. 564-5600.

Dec 5 (Sat)-- The Times Orange County Holiday Parade returns along a new parade route in the South Coast area. Over ninety parade units will take spectators on a voyage of the world with the theme of international discovery. Parade begins at 10:30 am. Info - 631-6712.

Dec 5 (Sat)-- The Discovery Museum presents "The Victorian Woman," a journey back to turn of

the century living at 9:30 am at the museum at 3101 W. Harvard St. Call 540-0404 for more info.

Dec 6 (Sun)-- The All-American Boys Chorus brings their enchanted sounds to MainPlace Santa Ana's central court at 12:30 and 3 pm for a free holiday concert. 547-7800.

Dec 12 (Sat)-- Enjoy a special holiday festival when the grounds of the Santa Ana Zoo will be transformed into an alpine village bustling with holiday cheer and strolling carolers. Of course Santa Claus will be there with special treats for the kiddies. The event will be held from 3:30 to 6 pm and is free with Zoo admission.

Dec 12 (Sat)-- The Children's Winter Holiday Party returns for the 8th year complete with Santa's village, free stockings to all the good little boys and girls, entertainment, and a variety of ac-

tivities. Hosted by the Recreation and Community Services Agency, the event will held at the Santa Ana Stadium, Civic Center and Flower and there is no charge. Call 571-4258 for more information.

Dec 12 (Sat)-- The Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society invites you to their Victorian Candlelight Progressive Dinner featuring courses at 5 historical sites. Dinner begins at 6 and 7 pm and costs \$15/members, \$20/non-members. Call 953-4049 for reservations and information.

Dec 18 (Fri)-- Take a break from holiday shopping at the Discovery Museum's Holly Berry Tea. Enjoy scones, tea sandwiches, tasty pastries, and a selection of fragrant teas in a charming Victorian Christmas setting. Seatings are limited, reservations are required. Call 540-0404 for more info.

Deadline for our Winter issue is December 17. Be sure to include a contact phone number for the public.