

Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society News

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

ANNUAL DINNER--FEBRUARY 20TH
SANTA ANA ELKS LODGE 7:00 p.m.
PROGRAM: THE FRENCH MANSION

MAY COMPANY GRAND OPENING
APRIL 18TH 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

HISTORIC FRENCH PARK HOUSE TOUR
APRIL 28 AND 29TH
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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ORANGE COUNTY HISTORY CENTER / OLD ORANGE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Exciting plans for the Orange County History Center on the first floor of our neighbor to the west, the Old Orange County Courthouse, are well on their way to becoming a reality. The temporary buildings behind the Old Courthouse have been removed and the ground cleared. An 80-space landscaped parking lot will take the place of the temporary buildings. This parcel was once the site of the turreted Old Orange County jail, whose resemblance to a Gothic fortress could not be missed. The current plans call for the "foot print" of the jail to be outlined in a different material than the rest of the parking lot.

The restored Courtroom No. 1 rooms and the O. C. History Museum, on the 3rd floor of the Old Courthouse, are often used as a setting for movies and T.V. productions because of their strong visual and historical character. The Orange County Historical Programs office, under the direction of Rob Selway, occupies the remainder of the 3rd floor.

Soon the second floor will be revitalized for the marriage licence bureau and other offices. The first floor will become the Orange County History Center, with the Orange County Archives, the Orange County Historical Society, and the Pacific Coast Archaeological Society as tenants. Together with the First American Title Historical Library, the Santa Ana History Room, the Dr. Waffle House, and the many historic buildings and homes, Downtown Santa Ana could become an important center for the study of Orange County's rich history.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Dr. Howe-Waffle House is one of the treasures of California's past, and of its present, thanks to the dedication of the members of the Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society. As the house begins its 102nd year, we reaffirm our goals:

To maintain the S. A. H. P. S. as an organization committed to historic and community preservation.

To keep the Waffle House as a valued resource for historic information in Santa Ana.

The new year promises to offer challenges. In 1990, we were burglarized and discovered that our outdated burglar alarm system needed to be replaced with a new modern version. The new system alerts a central station which sends out a patrol officer and also calls one of our board members.

In order to make the yard more useful, we will be installing a fence between the parking lot and the back yard. Further, we need to complete the landscaping to reflect the vitality of the membership of the S. A. H. P. S.

To accomplish our goals, we need your help. Your donations make all the material improvements and aesthetics possible, but it is your time that is most valuable and appreciated.

Board meetings are usually held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Howe-Waffle House. Please join us.

Tours are given on the 3rd Saturday of each month between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Please consider becoming involved in our docent program.

With your assistance, you can continue the good work begun so many years ago by Adeline Walker.

George Heaney, President

OUR CONDOLENCES

The Executive Board of the S. A. H. P. S. would like to express its condolences to Scott and Nancy Morgan and Euphemia Kookan on the loss of Scott's mother. She and Mrs. Kookan, who is Scott's grandmother, have been most supportive of our organization and its activities during the past several years. We are sure that all of you join us in our concern for Scott, Nancy, and Mrs. Kookan.

FRENCH PARK HISTORIC HOME TOUR APRIL 27TH AND 28TH

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The S. A. H. P. S. will again participate in the third historic house tour being planned by the Historic French Park Association. The Dr. Waffle House will open for touring, as will seven homes in the French Park Historic District.

We will be asking your help as docents to staff the Dr. Waffle House during the tour hours both days. Please help us support this important event.

ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION AWARD

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST 920 North Main Street

One of the finest Gothic Revival churches in Southern California, the First Church of Christ Scientist has been beautifully maintained throughout its 69-year history. Constructed in 1922-23, the building is centered around the large two-story Sanctuary, ringed with Gothic-style stained glass windows. The colors of the glass change as the sun hits it at various times of the day. An expansive entrance hall, Sunday School rooms, and offices surround the sanctuary. Gothic arches, an architectural form developed in the 11th century, are used extensively throughout the building. Gothic architecture has long been a favorite style for churches.

The First Church of Christ Scientist has a long history in Santa Ana. It was organized in this city in 1899, as a branch of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ Scientist of Boston, Massachusetts. The congregation first met in the Knights of Pythias Hall in the Old Spurgeon Building, a forerunner of the current Spurgeon Building. In 1904 the church incorporated and moved to a temporary location on Sixth Street. On June 20, 1908 they purchased the Old Presbyterian Church. The lot for this building was acquired in 1916 and ground was broken for the new facility in 1922. Completed in 1923, the building cost approximately \$100,000, considered quite a sum in the early 1920's. It has changed little since it was built and is beautifully maintained in the midst of a large manicured lawn.

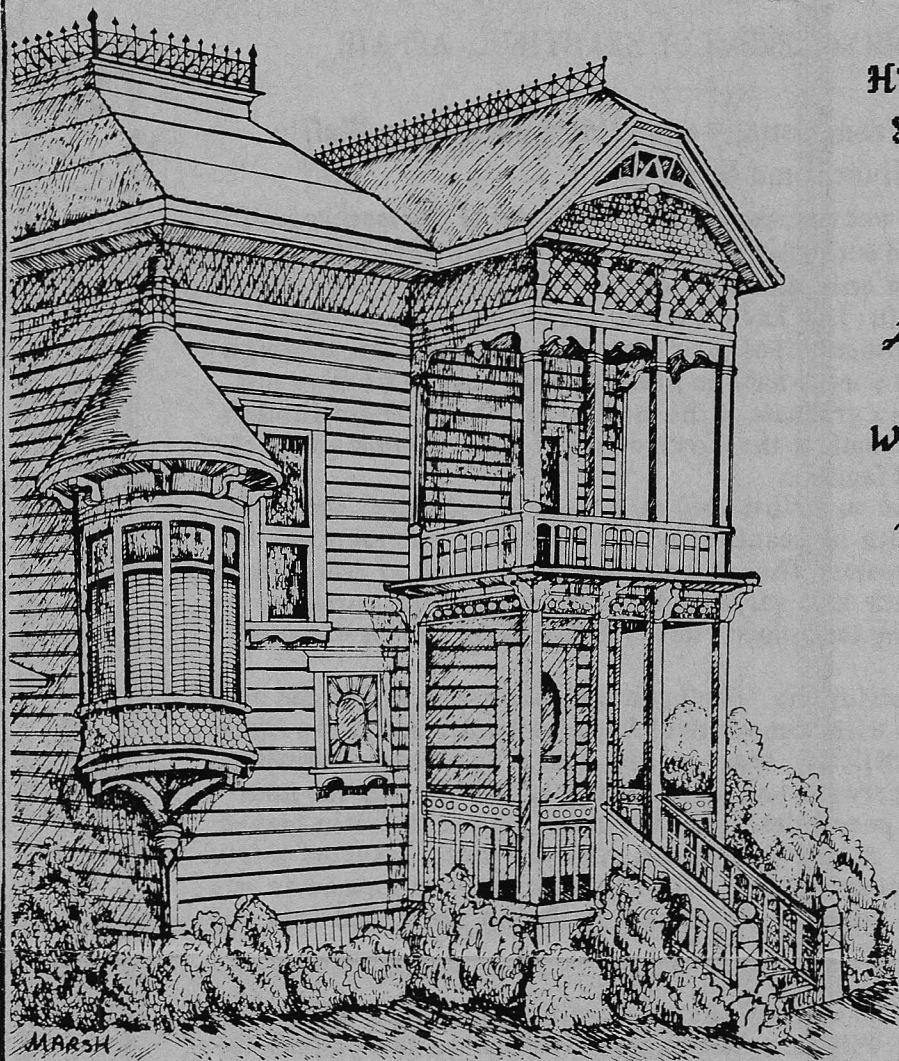
The S. A. H. P. S. wishes to congratulate the congregation of the First Church of Christ Scientist for its diligence and sensitivity toward the preservation of this fine Santa Ana landmark.

TUSTIN AREA WOMEN'S CLUB SANTA ANA GARDEN CLUB

We have again been awarded a check for \$100 from the Tustin Area Women's Club and Santa Ana Garden Club. We wish to thank these two groups for their continued support. After the installation of the new fence and the exterior of the house is painted, we will begin our new landscaping. Both Dr. Waffle and Mrs. Walker enjoyed gardening and would have appreciated this donation.

Gretta Kent, a long-time and valued member of S. A. H. P. S. has served as liaison between the organizations. Many thanks to Gretta, the T.A.W.C. and the S. A. G. C. for their continuing interest, caring and support.

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The French Mansion, Ninth and Bush, Santa Ana

SANTA ANA HISTORICAL PRESERVATION SOCIETY

ANNUAL DINNER

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

7:00 p.m.

Santa Ana Elks Lodge*

\$15.00 per person

GUEST SPEAKER:
EVALENE PULATI

" THE HISTORIC FRENCH MANSION "

The French Mansion was one of the most beautiful and ornate Queen Anne mansions in Orange County. Evalene took slides of the house and its interior before it was demolished over 20 years ago. She is an expert on the French family, one of Orange County's most prominent pioneer families.

R. S. V. P.: Marsh at 541-2441 or Becker at 544-8769

*The Elks Lodge is behind the Saddleback Inn on First Street
across from the side of the Santa Ana Zoo (212 Elk Lane)

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WAFFLE-LACY WEDDING CEREMONY BEAUTIFUL AFFAIR

Plans carried out Differently From Usually Seen. Miss Genevieve Waffle Handsome Bride

The Waffle home on Bush Street was the scene last night of one of the most beautiful and artistic weddings ever carried out in Santa Ana. The principals were Miss Genevieve Waffle, youngest child and only daughter of E. D. Waffle, a pioneer of Santa Ana, and Mark Lacy, only son of Dr. J. M. Lacy and also one of the oldest residents of the city. Both young people have spent all of their lives here. Miss Waffle, although born in Arizona, came here when a mere babe in arms, and Mr. Lacy is a native son of the Golden West. Miss Waffle is a graduate of the local high school. Their nuptials, therefore, were of great interest, both to their own circle of warm friends and to the friends of these old and respected families.

Dr. Willela Waffle planned and superintended all the artistic details. The lovely home was just as it always is, with its beautiful potted plants and bouquets of roses here and there throughout the rooms. The only addition was a bank of sword ferns in the bay window in the library and garlands of lacy ferns on the curtains. In front of this window, the ceremony took place, Rev. J. H. Garnet of the First Baptist Church officiating.

The bride was a sweet and beautiful one. Her brunette beauty was enhanced by a dainty gown of white mousseline, with trimmings of Duchess PPoint lace, and a filmy veil. She carried a bouquet of delicate begonia blossoms. She wore something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue. At 8:30 p.m. the hour set for the nuptials, as the young people descended the stairs, Prof. C. A. Gustin played Mendelssohn's wedding march. At the foot of the stairway were stationed thirty white-gowned little maidens, Sunday School pupils of the bride, who formed an isle with ropes of smilax from the stairway, through the dining room and into the library. This feature was a surprise to Miss Waffle and was one of the prettiest of the occasion.

Little Miss Helen Josephine Huff carried the ring on a white velvet pillow and following came her sister, Ethel Willela, scattering rose petals in the path of the bride. Unattended the young couple stood, while they took the vows which made them man and wife.

About sixty relatives and close friends witnessed the ceremony, after which hearty well wishes were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lacy.

The wedding gifts were many and handsome and were displayed in the living room. The flat silver was all given by the family and there were exquisite pieces of china, cut glass, and odd silver.

The garden was transformed into a veritable fairyland. It was all canvassed in and lighted with myriads of electric lights. Here the guests were served, the color scheme being pink and green, the china even carrying out the design. A delicate pink blossom and sprays of maiden hair trailed about the dainty linen. The center was occupied by the wedding cake and the bride's cake, which was cut by her. On each of these rested clusters of begonias.

When the bride went upstairs to don her traveling gown, she tossed the bouquet below to her young lady friends. It fell in four sections, one containing a thimble for thrift, another a needle for industry, a third a dime for wealth, and the last a gold ring for matrimony. The portions were secured by Misses Lula McPherson, Flora Harrison, Fanny Peabody, and Fanny Lacy.

The going-away suit was of new blue broadcloth, worn with a black hat. Mr. and Mrs. Lacy left the house in a carriage and if rice means aught, there was plenty of it. Their destination was not known. They will be at home to their friends about the middle of October on Twenty-third Street, Los Angeles, where Mr. Lacy is assistant manager for the Western Electric Supply Co.

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INVITES YOU TO

MAY COMPANY'S MAIN PLACE/SANTA ANA

PREVIEW SHOPPING DAY AND CHARITY BENEFIT

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 1991 9 A.M. - 10 P.M.

*May Company is celebrating the opening of its new store at the Main Place/Santa Ana.
They are giving*

*an opportunity to raise thousands of dollars as part of a special preview celebration
in their store before it actually opens to the general public.*

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

We have been selected as one of several groups participating in the sale of \$5.00 admission tickets to May Company's PREVIEW SHOPPING DAY AND CHARITY BENEFIT. For each ticket sold by our organization we keep the \$5.00 as a contribution. The more tickets we sell, the more money we raise. There are also several bonuses offered, such as a \$2,500 bonus check to the organization that sells the most tickets.

A SPECTACULAR DAY OF CELEBRATION AND SAVINGS AT MAY COMPANY'S NEW STORE IN MAIN PLACE/SANTA ANA

13 HOURS 9 A.M. - 10 P.M. (SO EVERYONE CAN ATTEND)

EVERYONE THAT BUYS A TICKET GETS:

- A DISCOUNT COUPON BOOKLET WITH EIGHT DISCOUNT COUPONS GOOD THROUGHOUT THE STORE
- AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SPECIAL SAVINGS THROUGHOUT THE STORE BEFORE IT OPENS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC
- A CHANCE TO WIN A \$500 SHOPPING SPREE (ONE WINNER EVERY HOUR)
- PRIZE DRAWINGS THROUGHOUT THE STORE
- DELICIOUS REFRESHMENTS SERVED THROUGHOUT THE DAY
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
- FREE GIFTS
- BALLOONS AND FUN FOR ALL

To Order Tickets

Fill Out The Order Blank Below And Mail With A Check Or Money Order To: **S. A. H. P. S.**
Or Call: **Connie Becker 544-8769** For More Information **120 Civic Center Dr. West**
Santa Ana, CA 92701

MAY COMPANY'S PREVIEW SHOPPING DAY AND CHARITY BENEFIT

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Number of tickets ordered _____ @ \$5 each. Amount enclosed \$ _____

Please make check payable to:

Allow one week for your tickets to be mailed to you. Thank You!

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WELCOME YOU TO
MAY COMPANY'S MAIN PLACE SANTA ANA
PREVIEW SHOPPING DAY AND CHARITY EVENT
THURSDAY APRIL 18, 9 AM - 12 PM

May Company is pleased to announce the opening of the Main Place Santa Ana
at 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 18, 1991.

At 9:00 AM, we will have a special preview shopping day for our customers.
We will have special offers on many items to the general public.

HEARTS FOR THE HOME

We have selected our top 10 items for the Hearts for the Home event. These items will be available for a limited time only. We will have a special display of these items in the Main Place Santa Ana. We will have a special offer on these items. We will have a special offer on these items. We will have a special offer on these items.

A SPECIAL LUNCH DAY OF CELEBRATION AND SAVING AT
MAY COMPANY'S NEW STORE IN MAIN PLACE SANTA ANA
IS PLANNED FOR 12:00 PM. THE EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO ALL.

ENTER TO WIN A TICKET TO

A SPECIAL LUNCH DAY OF CELEBRATION AND SAVING AT
MAY COMPANY'S NEW STORE IN MAIN PLACE SANTA ANA

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MAY COMPANY CELEBRATION

The May Company has invited us to join in the celebration of their grand opening at Main Place on April 18th from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. You will find a ticket order blank included in this newsletter. We sincerely hope you will join us at the event. Our organization gets to keep the entire \$5.00 donation.

Each participating group has agreed to provide 10 volunteers to act as hosts and hostesses during the event. There will be four three-hour shifts during the day, so you can sign up for the shift that is most convenient for you.

Connie Becker has been working with the May Company as our representative. She has plenty of extra tickets and will also be signing up the volunteers. Please call Connie at 544-8769 if you have any questions, need tickets, or can work a three-hour shift. This is an interesting, novel and easy way for our organization to raise money and we are sure the day will be fun and exciting.

VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Victorian Candlelight Tour/ progressive dinner was a big success. All of the houses were beautifully decorated for Christmas and the food was delicious. The first course was served at the Dr. Waffle House, courtesy of George Heaney, Rob Rusby, and Judy Moore. The 1883 Chilton House offered a variety of salads prepared by the Marshes and Saliy Vining. Honey-baked ham, au gratin and whipped potatoes, green bean casserole, and rolls and butter were served in the Social Hall of the 101-year-old Episcopal Church of the Messiah. Connie and Max Becker, Judy Moore, Todd Walsh, and the Wrights prepared and served the food. Janice and John Gothold opened their lovely Craftsman home for dessert. Their son, who is a chef, prepared four fancy Victorian

desserts, all a big hit with the crowd. Several guests came in Victorian costume and everyone had a great time.

EYE ON SANTA ANA

Our city is very proud of the two-year-old publication Eye on Santa Ana. Edited by Guy Ball, the newspaper has grown from a few pages to 8, in a large format. Guy works with neighborhood representatives on the Communications Linkage Committee and other community leaders in the city to find out what is going on in Santa Ana. The paper tells of the successes in our city, the many activities of the city's 31 neighborhood organizations, city issues and concerns, news about local restaurants, arts, culture, and history. The Housing Services Department acts as support staff.

If you haven't seen this worthwhile publication yet, you are missing something important about your city. We have copies at the Dr. Waffle House as do most neighborhood representatives.

VALENTINE DISPLAY

S. A. H. P. S. member Evalene Pulati is displaying her rare antique valentines at the Crystal Court in South Coast Plaza through February 17th. Evalene is president of the National Valentine Collector's Association. It is worth a trip to the Crystal Court to see this fine collection.

MEMBERSHIP: DUES ARE DUE!

Our calendar year begins in February, so it is time to pay your 1991 dues. Please include the slip below. Our members are our most important asset, and your membership is really needed by our organization.

The Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society would like to invite you to join us. We welcome anyone who has an interest in Santa Ana or Orange County history. Our members are our most valuable asset.

NAME _____ TEL. NO. _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

Individual: 10.00
Organization: 20.00

Family: 15.00
Supporting: 50.00

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