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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The coming 1979-80 season will be the first full year of unlimited activity for the Depot. While there was considerable going on a year ago, it wasn't until February that the North end of the building was available for use.

Now, all of the restoration is completed inside - and with the beautiful landscaping of last May, the unsightly grounds of a year ago are suddenly transformed into a place of beauty for Neapolitans and visitors to enjoy.

But that is only half the story. For it is what goes on inside that matters most. After a surprisingly busy summer, the coming months promise to find the Depot a veritable beehive of activity. Our first full-length season! The restoration of the Depot is a reality; the cultural-civic center made possible through the generosity of the people of Naples stands ready to serve the community.

We look forward to a tremendous season.

GARDEN CLUB HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The Naples Garden Club will hold its first membership meeting of the season on November 5th at two o'clock in Norris Hall of the old Depot. The guest speaker will be Ethel Dietrich of the South Florida Cacti/Succulent Society who will discuss "The Storie of the Lumpie, Bumpie Thistle." All members and guests are invited.

SENATOR RICHARD STONE SPEAKS AT DEPOT

On Saturday, afternoon, October 6th, Senator Richard Stone met with a group of local citizens at the old Depot to discuss national issues, and to ascertain the wants and desires of those present. The meeting was conducted informally. It was one in a series of meetings to fulfill Senator Stone's commitment to meet with citizens in each county in Florida at least once a year.

NAPLES HIGH SCHOOL DANCE HOMECOMING

The old Naples Depot was really jumping the night of October 20th, when more than 300 young people attended the first homecoming dance held at this location. It was a gala evening, enjoyed by all, and the frosting on the cake from the point of view of Southwest Heritage, was the deportment of those attending and the care shown for our historic site, proving how fine our young people are here in Naples.

DOCTOR DISCUSSES DANGERS OF DRUG

Dr. Robert Gilkerson, a recognized authority on the effects of drug abuse on learning, addressed an audience of about 150 persons in the old Naples Depot on September 26th. He pointed out that marijuana can impair the still-maturing brain of young people eleven to eighteen years old. He noted that with constant use the drug can impair some of the brain's vital functions, such as learning, storing information and making judgements.

The meeting was sponsored by Naples Informed Parents, a coalition of parents concerned about the use of drugs among young people. The group plans several more meetings on the subject of drug abuse. The first is to be held November 27th at the old Depot's Norris Hall.

ART ASSOCIATION CLASSES START

The Naples Art Association's fall classes started on October 22nd, and will run for eight weeks. The classes themselves are held in the Deutschbein Studio, and there are morning, afternoon and some evening sessions in a variety of art media. Please phone the Naples Art Association (262-6517) for details. These classes are open to the public. Ask about their opera bus trips, too.

TWO BENEFITS IN ONE DAY

November 9th will indeed be a busy day at the Depot.

First, LUV (the organization which provides support for Youth Haven) will hold a luncheon and fashion show. The fashion show itself will be provided by the shop of Lilly Pulitzer.

And in the evening, the Collier County unit of the American Cancer Society will sponsor a ragtime party to raise funds for the county cancer drive. Music will be furnished by Hambone Kelly and his Banjo Band and the spirit of frivolity of the Gay Nineties and the Roaring Twenties will be much in evidence. Tickets are tax deductible and everyone is invited.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL DAYS AT THE DEPOT

A number of organizations, notably Dale Carnegie, H & R Block, and Bert Rodgers School of Real Estate are holding courses regularly at the Depot. If you know of any organization which is planning an educational effort with courses of this nature, and is looking for a place to hold it, please ask them to get in touch with the Depot at 262-1776 or 262-8468.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are urgently needed to man the reception desk at the station, conducting informal tours of the facilities, welcoming visitors and sometimes helping with the clerical work.

Morning hours are from ten to one; afternoons from one to four - Monday through Friday. If you can volunteer to serve for either a morning or an afternoon, please phone Mrs. Margaret Dodson at 261-0869. Thank you.

END OF THE LINE STORE & ANNEX SOLICITING DONATIONS

Please note that the End of The Line Store is actively soliciting donations... articles appropriate for resale in a good resale store. Note, too, that the store now has an "Annex," located across from the Depot at 947 Fourth Avenue South. The Annex is spacious enough to handle large items of furniture, such as chests of drawers, chairs, tables, beds, etc. Household items, i.e. pictures, kitchen appliances, lamps, desks, etc. are also much in demand. And finally, Christmas decorations are an immediate need! ...artificial trees, baubles, balls, lights. So -- whatever you may have, either large or small, bring it in or arrange for a pickup by calling us at 262-1167. Thank you.

The Board of Directors have authorized a membership plan. You are invited to become a member of the old Naples Depot. Members receive copies of THE WHISTLESTOP, notices of other activities and free admission to certain events charged to the general public.

NAME _____ Donation of \$15.00 or more per year
(Tax deductible) \$ _____

ADDRESS _____ 1979 to _____ 1980

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Please make checks payable to Southwest Heritage, Inc. 1051 Fifth Ave. South, Naples, Fl. This form may also be used to advise us of changes in address. Thank you.

DEPOT DOINGS FOR NOVEMBER, 1979

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | | 1. Orchid Soc. H & R Block | 2. N.Art B/D | 3. B.Rodgers RE School |
| 4. Unitarian- Universalist pvt 50th Anniversary | 5. H & R Block Garden Club B. Rodgers RE School | 6. Merrill Lynch Luncheon B. Rodgers RE School | 7. Coin Club Orchid Soc.class | 8. Women's Aglow Mtg. Stamp Club H & R Block | 9. LUVS LUNCHEON Cancer Soc. RAGTIME EVE | 10. Unitarian- Universalist Tea |
| 11. Unitarian- Universalist | 12. Garden Club all day H & R Block pvt Tea | 13. N.Art Meeting B. Rodgers RE School SWCO B/D | 14. Orchid Soc. class B.Rodgers RE School | 15. DAR LUNCHEON Pan-American H & R Block | 16. pvt club car Tavern Pool League din. Awards Women Voters Luncheon | 17. St.William Men's Club |
| 18. Unitarian- Universalist | 19. Garden Club morning H & R Block | 20. | 21. Orchid Soc. class Coin Club | 22. THANKS- GIVING DAY | 23. wedding reception | 24. |
| 25. Unitarian- Universalist | 26. Garden Club B/D morn H & R Block | 27. Dale Carnegie SWCO qrtrly | 28. Orchid Soc. class | 29. Stamp Club pvt club car H & R Block | 30. POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE DANCE | |

November exhibits are "Africa Faces & Forms"and "Paris Printmakers" in Bradley Gallery.

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