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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

For the past half decade Southwest Heritage has been almost entirely concerned with Saving the Depot. Funds were raised to purchase the historic site and to restore and renovate it so that it might serve the community as a civic cultural center. With attractive exterior and its bustling activity, the Depot has revitalized the area and now affords an important meeting place in our city.

In order to insure that the Depot will continue at its present peak level, it is expedient to ask how will the operating costs and maintenance be assured. As an answer to this question the Board of Directors is making a study of the feasibility of a life membership for endowment plan which will offer a unique and exciting answer to the problem.

At present Southwest Heritage's only source of revenue are from charges levied for use of the various facilities and from THE END OF THE LINE and ANNEX shops. While it is anticipated that these will carry much of the financial load, we must consider future needs as upkeep, deterioration, and replacement at a time when rising inflation costs could prove a threat to the financial stability of the entire project.

To make ends meet we are currently charging fixed fees for the use of the various rooms, etc. In some instances these fees, while certainly not excessive, have been a burden, particularly to the smaller non-profit groups which have a limited source of income. It is our hope to reduce the charges, thus easing the financial strain on these clubs and organizations.

A means of accomplishing these ends is the life membership for endowment plan previously mentioned. This would place all monies from life memberships in an endowment fund, with only the interest to be used for operating expenses and maintenance. While this would not defray all or even the brunt of costs, it would nevertheless provide supplementary funds to help achieve the goals of reducing charges and still maintain the Depot in the manner we all desire.

Charles T. Letson, President

NAPLES DEPOT DEDICATED

Before a crowd of about 100 onlookers, including many civic and cultural leaders, the Naples Depot was officially dedicated at noon on Monday, January 7, 1980.

The principal speaker was Randall Kelley, Florida's Deputy Secretary of State. Mr. Kelley called the restoration of the Depot a "perfect historical preservation project," and commended the people of Naples for their time and effort in making the old Naples Depot a focal point in the community. Other speakers included Chairman Clifford Wenzel of the Collier County Commission, Mayor R. B. Anderson; Dr. William N. Thurston, Chief Preservation Planner in Tallahassee; Charles Letson, President of Southwest Heritage and Harry Cunningham, Vice President of that organization.

IN MEMORIAM

It is with regret that we report the death of Dellora Angell Norris. Her passing is a great loss not only to the Depot but to the entire Naples area which has benefited immeasurably from her generosity and that of her husband, Lester J. Norris. Both were staunch supporters of the "Save the Depot" idea, and the Dellora & Lester Norris Hall Auditorium will stand as a permanent tribute to her life and activities in Naples. We extend to the entire family our deepest sympathies.

DR. PAUL MCCrackEN TO BE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER AT CITIZEN INFLATION FIGHTERS ANNUAL MEETING

Citizen Inflation Fighters, Inc. will hold its Annual Meeting at the Depot at 10 A.M. Tuesday, February 5. Dr. Paul W. McCracken will be the speaker and will offer a timely message on the vital subject of inflation and its cure. Dr. McCracken is a renowned economist, past Chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisors, and a member of The Wall Street Journal's Board of Contributors. He is Professor of Business Administration at the University of Michigan. There will also be a report on progress of the organization for the past year and an outline of development plans for 1980. Please call 263-2434 if you plan to attend.

NAPLES INSTITUTE SCHEDULES SERIES OF PUBLIC EVENTS

The eclectic art collection of the Institute along with other paintings will be on view in the Bradley Gallery of the Depot from February 15th through February 29th. The showing will be open to the public daily from 10 a.m. until noon and from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. except for Sunday the 17th when the hours will be from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. On Sunday the 24th, the hours will correspond to those of the Ramble; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Some of the works on view will be those of Alaux, Capuletii, Vinciaci (Joe Wallace King) Galanin, Penner, Domingo, Cathelin, Isola and Sanguino.

A Conference on Neurosciences in the 80's which will hold closed scientific sessions February 28 and 29 will be OPEN TO THE PUBLIC at 10 a.m. in the Southwest Heritage Depot Norris Auditorium on Saturday, March 1st. Participants will include the Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Committee and Assistant Surgeon General of the United States, Dr. Berttram Brown; as well as Dr. Floyd Bloom, Salk Institute; Dr. Richard Bettig, Rand Corporation; Dr. Richard Wyatt, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Norman Sartorius of World Health Organization in Geneva; Dr. Barry Hoffer, University of Colorado; President Philip Hallen of the Maurice Medical Fund; Dr. John Baxter, University of California at San Francisco; and Dr. I. S. Cooper, New York Medical College.

NAPLES GARDEN CLUB HOUSE TOUR

The Annual House and Garden Tour will be held on Saturday, February 23rd, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. This year's theme is "On The Topiary Trail," and five homes will be visited: Mr. & Mrs. R. P. Brown, Jr., 25 - 16th Ave. South; Mr. & Mrs. C. H. Kirk, 3770 Rum Row; Mr. & Mrs. E. J. Massaglia, 2640 Half Moon Walk; Mr. & Mrs. E. R. Rolquin, 525 Admiralty Parade West; Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Seyfarth, 2375 Lantern Lane, all in Naples.

Visitors on the tour are advised that there will be no smoking and to please wear low heels. Mini buses will be available at the Trinity-By-The-Cove parking lot. Tickets will not be sold at the houses toured. Tickets will be sold at many places around town and by members. Inquiries should be made by phone to 262-1272, days.

UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION

Dr. Donald W. Lawson is the new minister to the Unitarian-Universalist Congregation which meets in the Depot on Sunday mornings. Reception on the 4th is in his honor.

ART ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

The Naples Art Association enjoyed its annual Beaux Arts Ball in the Depot on January 23rd. The ball was well attended and everybody had a good time.

Members are now gathering artworks for their SPONSORS SHOW. SPONSORS donate \$100, for which they received a painting of their choice. Names are drawn and choices are made in that order. This drawing will be held on March 23rd. As the number of paintings is limited, sponsors are urged to sign up before March 9th, when these paintings will be previewed. The Gallery should be contacted at 262-6517, days.

THIRD ANNUAL DEPOT RAMBLE

The third annual DEPOT RAMBLE will be held at the Old Depot, on Sunday, February 24th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The affair is open to the public. An afternoon of music will be enjoyed by the Ramble visitors. Local musical artists and dancers volunteer their time for our entertainment.

Exhibiting and selling is restricted to residents of Collier County and the Bonita Springs area. Response from local artists and craftsmen in getting early reservations have been coming in daily and to date the following are scheduled: Pottery, Jewelry, Paintings, Roofing Slate Artistry, Needlepoint, Shellcraft, Miniature Doll Furniture, Woodcarving and Quilted Items. There are 97 spaces around the Depot grounds that can be reserved for those wishing to exhibit and sell their arts and crafts. The cost is \$5.00 per space and arrangements can be made by going to THE END OF THE LINE STORE at the Depot any weekday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

No cars will be parked on the grounds of the Depot during the Ramble, but local businesses are closed on Sunday, so parking is ample in the surrounding area.

END OF THE LINE STORE AND ANNEX

THE END OF THE LINE STORE at the Depot and the ANNEX at 947 4th Avenue South, are re-sale shops that help defray maintenance costs of the Depot Civic Cultural Center.

Neapolitans supply goods sold, either as gifts on a tax deductible basis, or on consignment. There is a constant need for supplies!!! Phone numbers are: 262-1167 or 263-3607

The picture window at the STORE presents an ever-changing panorama of items for sale. The wide display window at the ANNEX hold attractively arranged large furniture items and clothing.

These "thrifty" outlets are staffed by volunteers and we would appreciate donations. Thank you.

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

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

ADDRESS _____
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Thank you.

Please make checks payable to Southwest Heritage, Inc., 1051 Fifth Avenue South, Naples, Florida 33940. This form may be used to advise of of change of address, also.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3. Unitarian-Universalist AM	4. Garden Club 1-4 PM Unit-Univ 6-9 PM recp	5. A.M. Annual INFLATION FIGHTERS eveg PGMA Dale Carn g	6. Seminar - invitation all day eveg-Coin Club	7. Orchid Soc. 8. NAPLES INFORMED PARENTS eve	1. N. Art B/D Gallery mtg in afternoon	2. Afternoon wed reception eveg FGBMFI
10. Unitarian-Universalist AM & afternoon	11. Garden Club all day Dean Witter	12. Dale Carnegie eve N. Art eveg Critique	13. Barnett inv. SOLO SINGLES eveg	14. Women's Aglow AM Stamp Club & private parties	15. Art in GALLERY (until 2/29)	9. Jr. Woman's MONTE CARLO NIGHT-wel come
17. Unitarian-Universalist AM GALLERY SHOW 1-5 PM	18. GALLERY SHOW 10-12 & 2-5	19. Dale Carnegie eve GALLERY SHOW day	20. Coin Club HISTORIC SOC 8 PM eveg GALLERY SHOW day	21. D.A.R. afternoon N. Fed S & L eveg-inv GALLERY day	22. GALLERY SHOW day	23. NHS BAND BOOSTERS eveg BAND & RAFFLE GALLERY day
24. SW HERITAGE R A M B L E III 11 A.M. to 5 P.M. HISTORIC SOCIETY AUCTION 8 P.M.	25. Garden Club B/D AM GALLERY SHOW	26. Dale Carnegie eve GALLERY day	27. 1st Natl Trust - AM GALLERY day	28. Stamp Club (car). GALLERY day	29.	
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DOWN THE LINE...

The D. A. R. will meet at 1 p.m. on February 21st, this month. See above calendar. You will also find Coin, Stamp, Orchid, Art and Garden clubs up above.

The Junior Woman's Club will hold their annual fund-raiser at the Depot Feb. 9th. After a donation at the door of \$7.50 patrons play games of chance with play money and with their "winnings" buy gifts donated by local merchants...from 8 p.m. 'til 11:30 p.m. Naples High School Band Boosters will have their Stage Band and Raffle on the evening of Feb. 23rd. This is another fund-raiser for a popular Naples group.

The Collier County Historical Society will hold a Charity Auction the evening of the Ramble, February 24th.

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