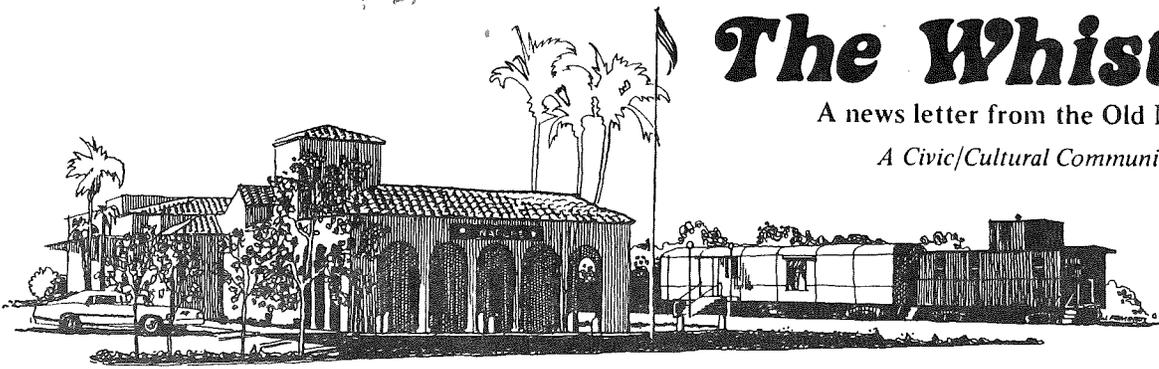


The Whistlestop

A news letter from the Old Naples Depot

A Civic/Cultural Community Center



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As one becomes more familiar with the history of Naples, its institutions of helpfulness to others, its churches and its quality of life, it is apparent the city has been especially enriched by many, many people over a number of generations who have given generously of themselves to make this history good.

The Depot, though one of the newer institutions, has been most fortunate in the number of caring and concerned men and women who have given the Depot its strength, character and purpose.

With so much being given here in Naples it is appropriate to ask the question: what does such giving do for the giver? Among the answers must be these: volunteer work gives to a person's life an added sense of usefulness; it engenders a feeling of more completeness as a human being; it introduces one to a meaningful, friendly association with one's fellows of like mind and purpose; but above all, it gives to the volunteer a membership in the highest order of humanity — those who care.

It is important to reflect on such thoughts as this "hallowed and gracious" season of the year. Though we may differ in creeds and religious practices there is surely an understanding of the season that is common to all of us. The one whose birth we celebrate this month was, very simply, a man living for others.

Howard L. Rubendall, President

"CHRISTMAS EVE AT THE DEPOT"

On December 24th at Sunset Time — 5 P.M., Southwest Heritage Inc. presents a 3rd annual Christmas celebration. Olin and Madeleine Fisher, well known neapolitan musicians, have planned a program including some of the most talented soloists in the area participating.

The program includes the best known and loved carols and Kay Strickland will share her talents as accompanist.

Our president, Dr. Howard L. Rubendall, will wel-

come the audience and the early program includes entertaining secular holiday music. The last half will include the Christmas Story by Bud Rubendall, a manger scene and best known Christmas hymns. The hour long program will be held in the Norris Room, and it will be an evening to remember! Don't miss it—bring your holiday house guests.

NAPLES INSTITUTE SYMPOSIUM

This year, several Naples Institute symposia are being held in collaboration with universities and other groups in various parts of the country. December 8, 9, and 10, the Naples Institute symposium on Medicine and Humanities will be held at the University of Pennsylvania in collaboration with the Medicine for the People Foundation.

DECEMBER ART EXHIBIT

A COLLECTION OF COUNTRYSIDES is the theme of our next exhibit. With a variety of techniques, artists dating from 1700 to today, and ranging from drawing to lithographs, this exhibit is fine, classical and very, very pleasing. It will be shown the entire month of December, so that everyone may have a chance to see it. It is part of the permanent collection of the Augusta Richmond County Museum of Augusta, Georgia.



NAPLES GARDEN CLUB NEWS

The main feature of the regular monthly meeting of the NAPLES GARDEN CLUB, scheduled for Monday, December 7th at 2 p.m. at the Naples Depot will be "A Vision of a Carol." It has been traditional at the December meeting of the Club that the members themselves evidence their creative talents by bringing flower arrangements focusing on a particular "theme". Club members have this year been asked to participate by making flower arrangements built around a Christmas Carol.

And importantly, the NAPLES GARDEN CLUB is planning a trip to SARASOTA on December 14th to the beautiful SELBY GARDENS and unique MUSEUM OF BOTANY and ARTS which will be decorated for "An Old Fashioned Christmas". The public is invited. The cost is \$18.00 per person. This includes transportation and admission to the Gardens and Museum. Bring your lunch. Beverages available at the Gardens. Bus will leave DEPOT at 8 a.m. returning at 5 p.m. Reservations are limited. Please call Mrs. W. L. Filmer 261-5685.

IKEBANA CHAPTER NEWS

The Naples Chapter of Ikebana International will hold its December meeting on Wednesday, December 2nd at 9:30 a.m. A film on Nature's Bounty (Flowers for the Japanese) will be shown. There will also be a display of Christmas arrangements for viewing by Kay Werber.

PAL TO HOLD DANCE AT DEPOT

The first event of "Little Gator Bowl Weekend" will be a dance to be held at the Depot the evening of Friday, December 4th, from 9 to 1 p.m. The music will be supplied by the Orange Blossom Specials, a country-western type of band. Tickets may be obtained at the door. The cost of the tickets is \$10 per couple or \$6 single.

Funds from this benefit will be used to support the PAL football teams. More than 600 children (players and cheer leaders) between the ages of 8 and 14 participate.

NAPLES ART ASSOCIATION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Naples Art Association will take place on Tuesday, December 8th at 7:30 p.m. Ruth Fisher is the principal speaker, and her topic will be "English Manor Homes". The public is invited. No admission charge.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As Dr. Rubendall has previously noted, volunteer work does give a person's life an added sense of use-

fulness. If you can work at the Depot one morning or one afternoon a week please communicate with Mr. or Mrs. Charles Letson 261-7903. Volunteers man the reception desk, welcome visitors, escort them on tours and help with the clerical work.

JERRY SCOTT TO BE WOMEN'S AGLOW GUEST SPEAKER

Jerry Scott of Orlando, Florida will be the principal speaker at the December 10th meeting of Women's Aglow Fellowship. She is a wife, mother, grandmother, Bible teacher and vice president of Leadership in the Central Florida area.

The meeting starts at 9:15 a.m. The public is welcome. Refreshments served.

DAR MEETING ON DECEMBER 17th

The monthly DAR meeting, which will be held in the Norris Room at 1:30 p.m. on December 17th, will feature a Biblical character study to be presented by Mrs. Norman A. Evans. This will be followed by a film and lecture on Christmas traditions in Old Sturbridge Village, to be given by Neapolitan Henry Borger. In season, Mr. Borger is the Sturbridge Town Crier, and he will appear in costume. Members may invite guests.

WILDLIFE ART EXHIBIT AND LECTURE AT DEPOT

On Monday, December 14th, from 4:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Phil Fisher, well-known wildlife artist, will exhibit a number of his most recent paintings of wildlife in the Everglades.

In addition, Jim McMullen, noted wildlife naturalist, will conduct a color slide presentation and lecture on Everglades wildlife, featuring the many projects and wildlife adventures he and Phil have been involved in. This presentation will be given at 5, 7 and 9 p.m.

Incidentally, those of you who attended last year's meeting may well remember "Tracker", a baby Florida panther, which Jim brought with him. Tracker, now almost full grown, will again be present.

The program is for the benefit of Endangered Species Research. The public is invited. No admission charge, though donations will be accepted.

ANNE LEVI TO SPEAK AT ORCHID SOCIETY MEETING

The Naples Orchid Society will meet at the Depot on Thursday, December 3rd at 7:30 p.m. The principal speaker will be Neapolitan Anne Lin, who will discuss and demonstrate orchid flower arrangements. Members are reminded to bring their flowering plants for judging. The public is invited.

"END OF THE LINE STORE"

The ten dedicated volunteers who staff our re-sale store in the renovated baggage car, are happy about the all current goods-for-sale! The shop specializes in "THE NEW", "NEARLY NEW", "ANTIQUES" AND COLLECTIBLES". Here, - browsing is a delight.

Many thanks to those who contribute for tax deductions and those who place items on consignment.

Good Christmas shopping is at hand when you visit the END OF THE LINE. You will see one of the best art deco and costume jewelry displays in town, - fine china, paintings, note papers and much more.

Added recently is a center niche of beautiful clothing - even apparel for small children. An unusual collection of antique picture buttons is for sale, - all with their correct names and all over 100 years old.

Contributions are ALWAYS needed. Phone - 262-1161.

THE RAMBLE (Feb. 14, 1982)

For the 5th year, Southwest Heritage Inc. sponsors a "GALA" on the Depot grounds. The annual "RAMBLE" provides for over 100 artists and crafts people to display and sell their creations. This event is unique because it all happens in the open air and includes constant entertainment. Hours are 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. and reservations at the "END OF THE LINE STORE" are now in progress. There will be 130 spaces available this year.

OTHER EVENTS

The next WHISTLESTOP will announce completed plans for an ARTHRITIS CLINIC and a DOLL APPRAISAL SESSION.

RAILROAD EMPLOYEES TO MEET

The National Association of Retired Employees, Unit 45, will meet Thursday, December 17th at 12:30. Please note that the meeting will be held in Sehandler Hall, Florence Street, Tice.

Membership in the Association is open to rail employees, their spouses, widows and widowers, and to active rail employees with at least ten years of service.

Those attending are asked to provide a covered dish to serve six and tableware. Bread, spread and beverage will be furnished. Guests and new members are welcomed.

For further information, call John Snyder at 992-6983.

CONSIDER GIFTS WHEN REVIEWING YOUR WILL

Most attorneys and accountants have urged their clients to review their wills in the light of the far-reaching changes made in the tax law this summer.

This would be an appropriate time to consider a bequest to Southwest Heritage, Inc. to help maintain this unique civic/cultural community center for all people for all time.

Or you can add a simple one-paragraph codicil to your present will. If you need assistance call 262-1776 and Grace will help you. It's tax free!



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MEMBERSHIPS

If you have not renewed your membership for 1982, please do so. Regular membership for one year is still \$15. Family Memberships are \$50, Sustaining Memberships are \$100, and Life Memberships \$1,000. To conform to our fiscal year, all memberships will run to January, 1983 and yearly thence.

I/we will be glad to subscribe to _____ Life Memberships at \$1,000 each, to be paid as follows _____ in the name of _____ or _____ Sustaining Membership at \$100, or, _____ Family Membership at \$50, or _____ Regular Membership at \$15.

NAME _____

All donations are tax deductible.

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This form may be used to advise us of change of address for summer, etc.

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THANK YOU

DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(As of November 19, 1981)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 COAST GUARD CAPT. COURSE PGMA eve	2 Ikebana A.M. SWH X/C A.M. Garden Club A.M. COAST GUARD CAPT. COURSE	3 Powell & Yanson A.M. E.F. HUTTON A.M. ORCHID SOC. eve	4 NAA B/D A.M. P A L DANCE evening	5 Technical Institute A.M. FULL GOSPEL BUSINESSMEN
6 Unitarian- Universalists Party eve Maas Bros.	7 Garden Club 2 P.M. Estate Plan'g Council FLORIDA COSMETOLO- GISTS (eve)	8 Int'l Diamond eve (G) Invitational Seminar A.M. Est Training SWH B/D eve	9 E.F. HUTTON A.M. AVON PROD. Aft. & eve Brown U. eve	10 WOMEN'S A'GLOW A.M. Powell & Yanson A.M. Stamp Club eve Citizens Emp. eve	11 Gulf Coast Sailing Club evening	12 Technical Institute A.M. UTS Employees party eve
13 K-Mart party employees eve Unitarian- Universalists Party afternoon	14 ENDANGERED SPECIES RESEARCH 4:30 - 11 P.M. Public Invited	15 Merrill Lynch Seminar N. Airlines Employees eve	16 E.F. HUTTON eve 7-9 P.M. ARTCRAFTERS eve C.C.P.S. Transp. Dance eve	17 E.F. HUTTON 10-12:30 A.M. D.A.R. aft. ANGLERS ASSN. eve Powell & Yanson A.M.	18 Hospital Employees evening	19 Party Technical Institute A.M.
20 Unitarian- Universalists Party evening Xmas rehearsal	21	22	23 Community Teams	24 Powell & Yanson A.M. Party eve CHRISTMAS EVE AT THE DEPOT	25 Party eve	26 Technical Institute A.M. Party afternoon
27 Unitarian - Universalists Party afternoon	28 Garden Club B/D A.M.	29	30	31 La Clef Diamant evening Powell & Yanson A.M.		

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