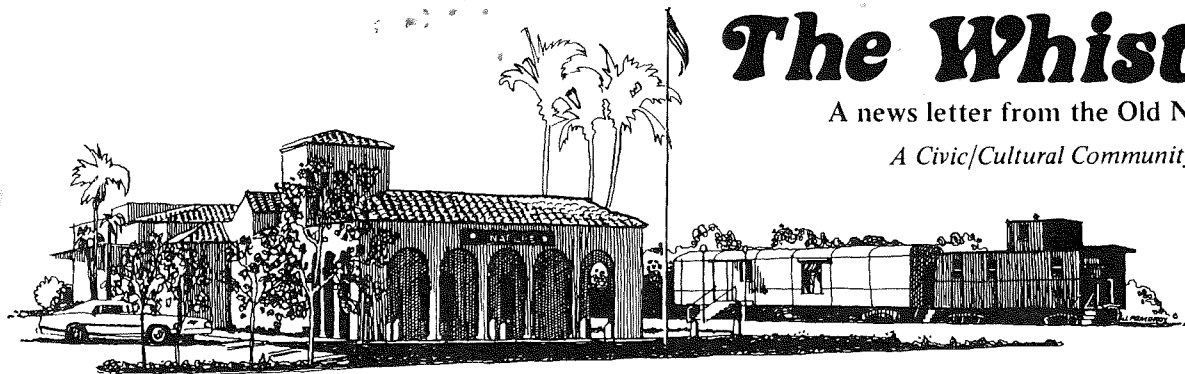


The Whistlestop

A news letter from the Old Naples Depot

A Civic/Cultural Community Center



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I feel highly honored to have been selected by your Nominating Committee as President of Southwest Heritage for the coming year. I have been associated with Southwest Heritage since its inception in 1975, and have enjoyed the experience immensely. Our building itself has become a landmark in the community, and our activities have touched the lives of many.

The progress made at the Depot has been made through the untiring efforts of a list of volunteers too long to name—working unselfishly to accomplish our original objective: to be of service to the community by maintaining the high standards for which our community is noted. Our efforts have given a new meaning to the old expression: "I've been working on the railroad."

Many thanks go to Dr. Rubendall, the officers and directors who have served during the past year, as well, of course, to our staff and volunteers for making the past year such a successful one. I am looking forward with enthusiasm to the year ahead and am sure that, with continued support, it will be another banner year for Southwest Heritage.

George R. Wallace III, President

"ENJOY" IS THEME OF ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW

Spring is here, and the 28th Annual Flower Show will be presented by the Naples Garden Club at the Depot on Saturday and Sunday, April 9th and 10th. Hours on Saturday are from 2 PM to 5 PM, and on Sunday from 11 AM to 4 PM.

The Chairwomen are Mrs. Bernard Dudley and Mrs. M. J. Ricker. This is a standard flower show, and judging will begin at 9:30 AM, Saturday.

The Design Division is chaired by Mrs. M. N. Myrick; the Horticultural Division by Mrs. Bruce Pollard. Any amateur gardener in the Naples area may enter the Horticultural Division.

A complete schedule for all classes may be picked up at the Depot. This will give detailed rules for each class, and list the awards.

The public is welcome. No admission charge.

WALLACE NAMED PRESIDENT OF SOUTHWEST HERITAGE

At the annual meeting of Southwest Heritage, Inc., on March 29th, George R. Wallace III was unanimously elected President, succeeding Dr. Howard L. Rubendall, who remains on the Board. Wallace was born in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, and was graduated from Williams College and the Harvard Business School. He spent his entire business career with the Fitchburg Paper Company, holding the position of President and Treasurer, until the company was acquired by Litton Industries. He has been a resident of Naples since 1972, and has been active in Southwest Heritage affairs since its inception.

Other officers elected included the following:

Mrs. Richard I. Brashear, Executive Vice President
Stephen H. Hartshorn, Vice President
Weimer K. Hicks, Vice President
Mrs. Charles R. Lee, Vice President
Edward J. Oates, Jr., Treasurer
Terry A. Shaffer, Assistant Treasurer
Mrs. James R. Freyermuth, Secretary
Donald T. Franke, Attorney
Mrs. Norman L. Reid, Assistant Secretary

Harry M. Cunningham, who has served Southwest Heritage, Inc., so diligently these many years, was named an Honorary Director. Mrs. Paul G. Benedum also became an Honorary Director. Mr. & Mrs. Benedum made possible the Benedum Room at the Depot.

New Directors added to the Board included Thomas E. Ingram and Frank B. Hall.

FLAG DAY AT THE DEPOT

The Big Cypress Chapter of the DAR will hold its monthly meeting at the Depot on Thursday, April 14th, at 1:30 PM. The principal speakers will be Mrs. Rembrand B. Richard, assisted by Mrs. Henry N. Meixner; and the topic is "History of the Flag of the United States of America." Mrs. Richard has made many American flags, and a number of them will be displayed. Mrs. William E. Watson is Flag Chairman.

The Big Cypress Chapter is happy to announce that, in an essay contest, Jennifer Barber of the Pine Ridge Middle School has received a state award for her essay "Furniture in Early America." Jennifer is in the Eighth Grade and is our first Naples winner.



They're off! Here's part of the fleet of J-24 sloops sailing off the line in last year's regatta. Scene will be repeated in this year's race for the Michelob!

COME ABOUT! THERE'S A BIG REGATTA!

It's almost all sailing, of course, but the Gulf Coast Sailing Club has joined forces with the brewers of Michelob to stage a big weekend of sailing and partying on the weekend of April 29 to May 1 — the ninth annual Michelob Regatta.

The "land events" will be held at the Depot, and the "sea events" will take place out on the Gulf on courses running from Gordon's Pass up to Lowdermilk Park all day Friday and Saturday. Naples Pier will be a good vantage point.

About 25 to 30 J-24 "racer cruisers" will participate in the Sunshine Classic, one of the main events. The J-24 is a 24-foot sailboat (pretty good-sized) which combines good sailing (and hence racing) qualities with a fair amount of cruising comfort.

The main "land" event, held partly to assist all concerned in regaining land navigational capabilities, will be a big barbeque, dance, and Michelob party at the Depot on Saturday evening, April 30. On Sunday, May 1, awards ceremonies will be held at the Depot.

All net proceeds from this event, one of the big annual regattas in these parts, go to the Foundation for Mental Health. Michelob supplies the trophies, the T-shirts and (lest we forget) the beer. The Gulf Coast Sailors supply everything else.

Membership in the Gulf Coast Sailing Club is open, and those desiring further information should call Commodore Linda Tamulaite at 262-5879.

GARDEN CLUB NOTES

Mrs. Wallace Pitman, President of the Garden Club, will preside at the monthly meeting of the Naples Garden Club at 2 PM on Monday, April 4th. She will introduce the principal speaker, Dr. Benny Tjia, Ornamental Agriculture expert from the University of Florida. His topic will be "Landscape and Flowers."

Free to members; guest fee \$2.00.

FRIENDS OF ART — A PROGRESS REPORT

The brand new Visual Arts Program for Collier County has become a reality. Friends of Art of Naples is now incorporated, and will sponsor a series of exciting programs.

The finest traveling exhibits from America's top museums will be displayed in the Bradley Gallery in the Depot. The public will be admitted at no charge; and, from time to time, the school children of Collier County will be brought by bus to see the shows, where qualified art instructors will talk to the children about the displays.

Three shows are being scheduled for 1984: Edward Hopper - "The Early Years," in January; "A Collector's Eye," Olga Hirshhorn's private collection from the Smithsonian, in February; and a spring show still to be planned.

The following are officers and directors of Friends of Art: Mrs. Walter C. Howe, President; George R. Wallace III, Treasurer; Mrs. H. D. Deutschbein, Vice President; Richard Livingston, Secretary; Stephen H. Hartshorn, Vice President; and Mrs. Edward Litchfield, Recording Secretary.

Other directors include: Mrs. Irving S. Cooper, Mrs. Robert Cosgrove, Mr. Joseph Greeley, Mrs. John H. Hall, Mrs. William A. Harris, Jr., Mrs. Joseph Hirshhorn, Mr. Charles T. Letson, Mr. Marvin R. Meit, Mr. John P. Mueller, Miss Alyce Nash, Mrs. W. Clarke Swanson, Jr., and Mrs. John C. VanArsdale.

Invitations to become a member of Friends of Art Inc. should be in the mail in the near future, and will be sent to all members of Southwest Heritage and to many others.

AUTHOR TO SPEAK ON EXORCISM AND DEMONS

Maxwell White, of Toronto, will address the April meeting of the Full Gospel Businessmen. Mr. White is a noted lecturer and author, and among his many books are "Deliverance from Demons" and "A Case Book of Exorcism." His topic will be "Demonic Forces in the World Today."

The meeting will be held on Saturday, April 2nd, at 6:15 PM. A buffet supper will be served. Tickets for the supper are available at \$6.75 per person, and reservations may be obtained by calling Dr. Larry Hammond at 261-4499.

The public is welcome.

BUYING OR SELLING A NAPLES HOME?

On April 13th, at the Depot, from 7-9 PM, the Naples Board of Realtors will sponsor its fourth annual "Home Buyer's Seminar," a public (no charge) and strictly non-promotional event ("public relations" is the right description here) designed to assist home buyers and sellers—specifically in the Naples area—with valuable, professional advice. The seminar is designed to assist the public in all the "ins and outs" of successfully locating, selecting and buying, financing and contracting for home real estate in this area. This free expertise will be equally valuable to residents and non-residents alike and will help both buyers and sellers avoid costly mistakes.

Briefly addressing the gathering, for periods of approximately ten minutes apiece, will be a local realtor, banker, attorney and accountant, thus ensuring that all aspects of conducting a successful real estate "deal" in the Naples area will be covered. There will be question-and-answer periods following the talks, and coffee and snacks will be served.

"END OF THE LINE"

Recently, the store volunteers met for a luncheon meeting, and the camaraderie of these workers is remarkable! No wonder they can accomplish so much.

From now on, Elsie Carr will be The End of the Line manager. She has, for a long time, assumed many duties of that position in addition to her astute bookkeeping and the management of the Ramble registrations.

Leona and Charles Hartmann were asked to supervise the project "Giving Trees" for next holiday season. Norma Fleck is to contact the Naples Welfare Association to determine what volunteers can contribute to help take care of indigent families the year round and especially at Christmas time. This agency provides for family needs. They receive few accolades but are so important in helping the needy in our area, month in and month out. Norma and Iris Tease supervise the food booths for the annual Rambles. Helen Voter and Ruth Bosdale will again aid the "Christmas Eve at the Depot" project. Lou Fields provides store volunteer help as well as lovely printed signs when needed. Charlotte Oberlander is the newest volunteer recruit. Janet Lee will continue in publicity work; and Chuck Lee gives hours each week in the store, as well as directs traffic details for the Rambles.

Always, at this time of year, the items for sale in the store have been depleted, so here is a plea for you to help. Kindly, within a week's time, bring to the store 5 or 6 items you can live without and that you've been meaning to get rid of anyway! The end of the "season" is a good time to move what you're tired of—but someone else might love to own! After all, your donations have allowed the store to turn over more than \$60,000 since it began. . . THANK YOU!!

"INNER WHEEL" TO MEET APRIL 26TH

If your husband happens to be a Rotarian, the "Inner Wheel," an international association of wives of Rotary Club members, might be for you. While organizationally independent, "Inner Wheel" (no doubt named after Rotary International's famous symbol) is certainly closely related by marriage and has similar goals.

"Inner Wheel's" monthly luncheon meeting will be held at the Depot at 12 Noon on Tuesday, April 26. The featured speaker will be Mrs. Debbi Clementi, Director of the Fine Arts Society in Naples.

The "Inner Wheel" is a service organization dedicated to the advancement of worthwhile projects in local communities and, through its sister organizations overseas, the improvement of international understanding. This year's community project is the Naples Center for Career Development, which is designed to help displaced homemakers (widows and divorcees, for example) by training them for re-entry into the job market.

According to Ruth King, President, the organization has 75,000 members in 55 countries around the world. Those who might be interested in joining should attend the meeting (luncheon is \$5.00) or call Mrs. King at 262-1058.



ART ASSOCIATION TO HEAR PERELMAN

The principal speaker at the monthly meeting of the Naples Art Association will be Miranda Perelman, who will give a slide presentation on antique art. Mrs. Perelman was formerly Ambassador to Italy, and she and her husband, Ruben, currently own the Art Jewelry Store.

The meeting will be held on Monday, April 25th, at 10:30 AM. Free to members, there is a \$2.00 charge to non-members and guests.

BUD BRIMMER TO SPEAK AT ORCHID SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Naples Orchid Society will be held at the Depot on Thursday, April 7th at 7:30 PM. The principal speaker will be Bud Brimmer of Gene's Fifth Avenue Florist, who will demonstrate the use of orchids in floral arrangements and corsages. Cut orchids will be supplied by Gulf Glade Orchids. Mr. Brimmer's expertise is well known, and is exemplified by the fact that he was invited to the White House last Christmas to help with the decorations for the Holidays. The public is welcome.

RAILROAD RETIREES MEET

The National Association of Retired and Veteran Railway Employees meet the third Thursday of each month at 12:30 PM. The meetings are held in Schandler Hall, Florence Street, Tice.

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

ADIOS 'TIL FALL

This is the last issue of the Whistlestop that will be published, until next fall. We hope you have enjoyed reading it, and thank you for your time and attention.



HAPPY EASTER

CALENDAR FOR APRIL, 1983

(As of March 22, 1983)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 N. Art Assn. B/D Morning NAA Sponsors' Show drawing	2 Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship
3	4 GARDEN CLUB afternoon	5	6 McGregor Pump seminar	7 ORCHID SOCIETY Evening 7:30 Powell & Yanson	8	9 GARDEN CLUB FLOWER SHOW
10 GARDEN CLUB FLOWER SHOW	11 League of Women Voters Lunch	12 E. F. Hutton Morning & Eve. D.A.R. Luncheon	13 N.A.B.O.R. Seminar E.F. Hutton Morning Mental Health Evening Gulf Coast Sail.	14 D.A.R. Afternoon E.F. Hutton Morning & Eve. Powell & Yanson	15 Evening Party	16 Tri-City Pools Seminar Morning Enamel Products Evening
17	18 Florida Cosmetologists	19 Eagle Forum Evening Exchange Enterprises	20 Embroiderers' Guild Morning Merrill, Lynch	21 E.F. Hutton Morn. Afternoon World Wide Trvl. Afternoon Powell & Yanson	22	23
24	25 GARDEN CLUB Morning Naples Art ASSN. Morning Artcrafters Evening	26 Inner Wheel Afternoons E.F. Hutton Morning & Eve. Gulf Coast Organ Club Evening	27 Avon Products Afternoon & Eve.	28 Powell & Yanson Morning E.F. Hutton Morning & Eve.	29	30 Gulf Coast Sailing Club Grounds Evening

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