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DEPOT FRIENDS PHOTO The number of Depot Friends who have reported that they will participate in the October 9th photograph continues to climb. People are coming from as far away as Colorado and Arizona! Don't be left out. There will only be one Depot Friends photo. Also, please don't think that this is only for those who have contributed lots of money or time to the project. Everyone who has helped in any way has been essential to our success and we want to see all of you in the photograph! Please call 964-3008 days or 964-1325 evenings and let us know that you'll be there. Let's make this another memorable event in Goleta's history.

DEPOT DEDICATION Remember to put October 10th on your calendar. The dedication ceremony will begin at 2 p.m., to be followed by a depot open house.

DEPOT LANDMARK On July 7th, the Santa Barbara County Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee unanimously approved the depot as a County Historical Landmark. The Board of Supervisors will act soon on the committee's recommendation.

SEPTEMBER SURPRISE TRIP Nancy Ried of the fund-raising committee reports that she and Mary Lou Williamson are planning a "Special Trip/Wine and Cheese Party" to take place during the month of September. According to Nancy, the location is "a surprise" and the mode of transportation to get there is "a secret." Tickets will be limited and will go on sale in August. Look for details in the next Depot Dispatch.

AUCTION On Friday, August 20th, beginning at 7 p.m., the depot project will have an auction at the Fairview Shopping Center. This will again be done in conjunction with the Fairview Merchant Association's annual auction and drawing. A microwave oven will be included among our auction items. Watch the newspapers and the August Depot Dispatch for further information. Hope to see you there!

JUNE 5TH BARBEQUE Final proceeds from the sale of dinner tickets at the Goleta Valley Historical Society's June Barbeque was over \$230. Thanks again to the Historical Society for its continuing help. Thanks also to Sabra Stevens and Norma Cavalletto of Goleta Beautiful for door prizes; the drawing brought in another \$200 at the event.

FUNDING COUNTDOWN As of July 9th, we are within \$71,000 of the amount needed for project completion. This amount may be in cash or in kind.

ASPHALT REGATTA The depot's share of the proceeds from the First Annual Institute for American Research Asphalt Regatta came to \$1360.

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CONSTRUCTION REPORT Much has happened at the the depot since the last update in the Depot Dispatch. The old shingles have been removed from the roof and heavy gauge plywood has been laid down to add structural support. A new shingle roof will be added shortly. Thanks to volunteers Dorothy Metcalf, Ed Gumtou, Rafael Salazar, Galen Hall, Sam Grisinger, Bob Mowry, Ladd McDonald, Nick Dumas, Stephanie, Heather, and Gary Coombs, Ray Baird, Phyllis Olsen, and Dave, Julie and Suzi Martin for spending several hours on June 12th picking up the old shingles and to Browning Ferris Industries (Chuck Wegner and Yldefonso De Rueda) for loaning us the use of a large trash dumpster and providing several trips to the dump.

Our new carpenters, Paul and Louie, have also been very busy. They've built a new eave on the northern end of the building, to replace the one that was removed when the metal shed was added onto the depot years ago. They have also re-hung the freight doors, put up all the new wall framing in the baggage and freight rooms, and installed new exterior siding to replace damaged or missing pieces. The exterior of the depot is now about ready for painting.

Insulation has been added throughout much of the downstairs and many of the electrical fixtures have been roughed in on both floors. Telephone, electrical and cable TV service have all been brought to the building and we are already using the electricity. Gas lines for the new heating system have also been installed.

HELP Now is the time for you to lend a hand restoring the depot. Work days are Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning at 6 pm and Saturdays starting at 9 am. Just show up at the depot and there will be someone there to direct you, or call Gary Coombs at 964-3008 for further information. We need your help very much!

LEASING The **Goleta Valley Chamber of Commerce** has signed a one year lease with **Goleta Beautiful** to rent about 600 square feet in the freight room area of the depot for use as the organization's offices. Funds generated from the leasing program will be used to pay continuing building expenses and further restoration and museum acquisitions.

All tenants must be local nonprofit organizations. For further information, contact Dick Sandow at 967-0451, days.

FRIENDS OF GOLETA DEPOT The newest Depot Friends are:

Sally Cunningham Daniel Williams Kendall H. Simpson Goleta Valley Art Assn
David and Leora Williford
Mr and Mrs John B. Watson

Sam and Louise Fields Wm. H. and Ann Wellman Charlene and Ken Doty

Welcome and thank you all for your assistance.

Don't wait too long to add that friend or loved one to the list of Depot Friends. We'd like to finalize the list for permanent display in the depot by the time of the October dedication.

DEPOT FRIEND OF THE MONTH The Goleta Depot Friend of the Month Award for June goes to the **Santa Barbara County Parks Dept.** During the month, Parks Department staff completed the back-filling around the depot foundation and helped us move the last of the depot bricks into the depot compound. In the past, the Parks Department has aided the project by providing tree trimming, weed cutting, and both administrative and technical assistance when the Depot Plan was in its infancy. Thanks especially to Parks Director **Mike Pahos** and Superintendent **Ron Acquistapace** for coordinating these various efforts.

DEPOT HISTORY The response to our request for information relating to the history of Goleta depot has been quite good, but we can use a lot more help. If you have any old photographs or remembrances to share, please call Gary Coombs or Phyllis Olsen at 964-3008, days.

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