

## NEWSLETTER OF THE GOLETA DEPOT PROJECT

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**DEPOT FRIENDS PHOTO** Don't forget about the Depot Friends photo, to be taken on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 2 pm. All Depot Friends may take part. Time is running short. RSVP by calling 964-3008, anytime.

**DEPOT LANDMARK** On August 2, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the depot becoming **County Historical Landmark #22.** The number is only fitting, since the depot is of a design which the Southern Pacific called "Combination Station No. 22."

**DEDICATION** The depot dedication ceremony program, scheduled for 2 pm Oct. 10, is beginning to take shape. Musical entertainment will be provided by the **Dos Pueblos High School Band** and the **Ladies League of Stow House** will serve refreshments. The ceremony will include the unveiling of the County Historical Landmark plaque and other presentations and will be followed by the official opening of the depot.

SURPRISE TRIP The depot project's last fund-raising event will take place on Saturday, September 25th, from 2 to 6 pm. The price for the wine and cheese party, including entertainment, is \$10, which is tax-deductible. Meet at the Fairview School parking lot, promptly at 2 pm, where transportation will be furnished to the special, secret party location. Sorry, no children, please. A limited number of tickets are available and reservations are required. Call Nancy Ried (964-5785) or Mary Lou Williamson (968-4772). Don't miss out.

**AUCTION** Plan to attend our auction, Friday, Aug. 20, starting at 6 pm in the Fairview Shopping Center parking lot. Items going up for bid include furniture, appliances, dinners, books, railroad and depot collectibles, and many other valuables.

FUNDING COUNTDOWN As of August 6, we are within \$67,000 of the amount needed to complete the restoration. Major funding came in the form of a second grant from the Alice Tweed Tuohy Foundation, this one for \$2500.

Most of the remaining \$67,000 can be made up through unskilled and semi-skilled volunteer labor. Only \$15,000 cash is now required to complete the project! If you can afford it, please consider sending another \$5, \$10, or more to help our hard-working volunteers wrap up the fund-raising drive.

**DEPOT FRIEND OF THE MONTH** The Friend of the Month Award for July goes to **Mike Glassow**, **Bob Hiestand**, and their helpers, who have put in literally hundreds of hours repairing the depot windows. You will be seeing their handiwork in the near future.

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**CONSTRUCTION REPORT** Another busy construction month has passed in preparation for the October dedication and opening. The sewer has been connected and all rough-in plumbing, gas, and electrical work has been completed. The water line was connected on Aug. 9.

Ernie Thomsen and Ralph Moore have finished hanging most of the original depot doors. Wall preparation and painting has commenced upstairs. All interior wall framing is now finished and the new loading dock is under construction. The concrete footing for the dock was poured on Aug. 9. Steward's Backhoe and Bob's Backhoe donated the trenching.

The old paint will be removed by means of a technique known as "water-blasting." This is scheduled for August 12. The new roof is to be installed on August 14.

Thanks to volunteers Nancy Ried, Dan Dunning, Bob Mowry, Bud Ursettie, and Buzz and Sam Grisinger for lending a hand out at the building.

## FRIENDS OF GOLETA DEPOT The latest members of the Depot Friends are:

Bob Simmons Tom Puerling Capt. Ann Stuurmans USAR (Ret) Mr and Mrs John Schaller Mr and Mrs Albert Borgaro Bob's Backhoe Service Richard A. Gausman Mr and Mrs D. A. Doane Mr and Mrs Paul J. Larsen Marybel Frank Don and Maureen Loster Mr and Mrs Donald Cavalletto Betty Bazzi Tri-Valley Trophies Mr and Mrs L. A. Caccese Dale and Renee Jackson Santa Barbara Tennis Shop Harry L. Harrison Mrs Barbara Caplow Mrs Dorothy V. Holiday

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Mr and Mrs Gordon McClenathen Mr and Mrs Daniel McLellan Mac and Sally McNeil Mr and Mrs Art Dahlkoetter William G. Hoover Mel Kyes Stewart's Backhoe Service

Thank you all for your support and welcome to the project. Please call and arrange to be in the Depot Friends photo on Oct. 9.

There are now 488 Friends of Goleta Depot!

DEPOT HISTORY Here is an excerpt from the forthcoming history of Goleta Depot:

SP was very particular about its schedule of regular and flag stops. In the late 1920s, Harold Love was returning from a trip to San Francisco. Because they were far more common, he found himself on one of the trains that stopped in Santa Barbara, but not Goleta. As the train entered the Goleta area however, Love noticed that the train had slowed considerably, so he decided to ask the conductor if it could stop for him, since he lived only a block away from the depot. The conductor replied that he could get off here, but only if he was a good jumper, for the train did not stop, either regularly or irregularly, at Goleta. Love successfully made the jump, saving himself several hours and redundant miles of further travel.

Make checks payable to: Goleta Beautiful Depot Fund Mail to: Goleta Depot Project, Box 781, Goleta, CA 93116 All donations are deductible from State and Federal income taxes.