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**DEPOT DEDICATION** The dedication ceremony on October 10th was a grand event. In spite of temperatures in the 80s, there were over 500 in attendance to celebrate the depot's official opening and it's long-awaited acknowledgement as the County's 22nd Historical Landmark.

Preparations for the dedication were something to behold. Our workmen were doing everything they could to ready the building for the big day. Depot Committee members were putting in entire weekends and working nightly to see that the job was done. Then, as the deadline approached, more and more people showed up at the depot to lend a last minute hand. They could not have found a finer hour. Charlotte Moore and Harriett Phillips took on the arduous chore of washing the depot's countless windows. Elmer and Betty Coombs, who came out from Arizona to see the dedication, arrived four days early and put in long hours painting. Nancy Ried and Steve Sullivan should receive special mention for their many hours of assistance.

**FRIENDS PHOTO** There were 135 Depot Friends in the landmark photo taken on October 9th. It may be viewed at the Institute for American Research, now located upstairs at the depot, 300 N. Los Carneros Rd. The Institute is open from 1 to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

If you participated in the photo, please drop by and identify yourself; we're putting together a key. A giant version of the photo will eventually be made to hang in the depot museum along with the list of Depot Friends. In the December **Depot Dispatch**, we will tell you how you can get a print of the photograph.

**DEPOT HISTORY** "Goleta Depot: The History of a Rural Railroad Station" by Gary Coombs, will be unveiled at a special reception and signing party, at the Holiday Inn, Goleta, on Sunday November 28th, from 2 to 4 p.m. Present to sign copies of the book will be the author, along with many of the other persons who contributed personal remembrances, historical anecdotes, and photographs to the book. The event is free and open to anyone who has reserved and paid for either the hard or soft cover versions of the depot history. The soft cover may still be ordered by returning the enclosed coupon with payment. All proceeds from the sale go to the depot.

Those who have ordered the book but are unable to attend the reception, may pick up their hard or soft cover books at the Institute for American Research, upstairs at the depot, 1-5 p.m. weekdays, beginning November 29th.

The depot story will make a perfect Christmas gift. It will be available for purchase, beginning November 29th, at the following locations: all local branches of Santa Barbara Savings, Mid-State Bank (5956 Calle Real), and at the Institute.

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\*\* GOLETA DEPOT DISPATCH \*\*  
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**DEPOT DISPATCH** December will be the **Depot Dispatch's** last monthly issue. We would like to continue the popular project newsletter on a quarterly basis, however, since we expect there will be many exciting announcements and other interesting items to report in the months and years ahead.

To renew your subscription for 1983, send your name and address to: Depot Dispatch, 300 N. Los Carneros Rd, Goleta, CA 93117 (No one will automatically be kept on the mailing list.). Because of the costs involved, we request a \$2 donation (tax-deductible) to the Institute for American Research for an annual subscription of 4 issues.

**WINE AND CHEESE PARTY** The Depot Surprise Trip, which was rained out in September, has been rescheduled to Sunday, November 20th. Rain or shine, ticket-holders will meet at 2 p.m. at the Fairview School. From there they will be whisked by "special transportation" to the event site, one of the most beautiful locations along our coast. In addition to a delicious assortment of wines and cheeses, you will be treated to a variety of entertainments. Reservations for the adults only event must be made by November 17th by calling Nancy Ried (964-5785), or tickets may be purchased at the Institute for American Research (964-3549). The price is \$10.

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

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|---|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Alan J. Wildman   | Mrs Paul Grim      | Merril Robinson           |
| Mr and Mrs Ed Gin   | Kenneth Foster     | T. W. Willis Family       |
| Arthur and Ellen St. Clair                                  | Nancy Cummings     | Donald P. Glynn           |
| Brett Davis   | Erwin P. Langlo    | Robert A. Burtness        |
| Jerry and Trela Jamison                                     | Marjorie M. Hayes  | Memory of Sharon Burtness |
| Perleberg Family  | Gladys A. Gliddon  | Sally and Mal Dion        |
| Dorothy B. Wilson   | Nina Bottiani      | P. Kaluna                 |
| Banner Construction   | Carolee Krieger    | Steve Sullivan            |
| Community Christian School                                  | Reid F. Kilpatrick | Richard O. Sandow         |
| Elbert W. and Betty L. Trantow                              | Robert E. Mowry    | Diana Kunze               |
| Mr and Mrs Stanley Evanski                                  | Jack Michela       | Robert Brunkow            |
| Mr and Mrs Morse K. Jeffers                                 | Club Pacific       | Suzanne Evanski           |
| Memory of Bradley R. Spink                                  | R.L. O'Keefe       | Kenneth R. Bates          |
| Dennis Romero Heavy Hauling                                 | George H. Hughes   | Richard M Hughes          |
| John J. Hughes  | Kathy Ann Hughes   |                           |
| Kellogg School, Mrs. Berry's 5th-6th Grade class of 1982-83 |                    |                           |

December 31st is the final date that new names will be accepted for the list of Depot Friends. The final, permanent plaque commemorating the Friends of Goleta Depot will contain only names submitted by the end of 1982.

**DEPOT TOURS** Gary Coombs and Phyllis Olsen, aided by Stephanie Coombs, conducted tours of the depot throughout Goleta Valley Days. On Sunday, October 18th alone we greeted over 150 visitors.

The depot will have regular tours on Sundays, from 2-4 p.m., beginning December 5th. We need at least six more docents, so if you can help, call Phyllis Olsen at 964-3549, 1-5 p.m. weekdays. We are putting together what should be an exciting tour program for docents and tour-takers alike. Why don't you give us a hand. All Aboard!

**WINDOWS AND DOORS** Attention those who have paid for the restoration of depot windows and doors. Please send your final choice of plaque inscription to Phyllis Olsen, 300 N. Los Carneros Rd., Goleta 93117. Maximum length is two lines, 25 letters/spaces per line.

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Please enter my name as a Friend of Goleta Depot

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Street

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City State Zip

Individual/Family \$10  
Student 5 } or more  
Business/Organization 25 }

Make checks payable to: Goleta Beautiful Depot Fund  
Mail to: Goleta Depot Project, Box 781, Goleta, CA 93116  
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