

West Adams Matters

Pushing the Boundaries: Adventurers, Pioneers and Unconventional Heroes

The marble angels at Angelus Rosedale Cemetery watch over many of Los Angeles's earliest settlers and later innovators alike, along with politicians, war heroes, more than a few scurrilous entrepreneurs, trendsetters, women's rights advocates, and a long list of famed entertainers. And, at this cemetery, History really does come to life each year, as WAHA presents its annual Living History Tour. Portrayals this year include a Civil War Confederate naval officer, a leading suffragette, a gold seeker, a "Speederette," a judge, a pioneering black historian, and a descendant of one of L.A.'s early rancho families.

Angelus Rosedale Cemetery is one of the city's oldest, most historically significant cemeteries. It was founded in 1884, and is now home to many generations of Los Angeles's citizens, representing every race, faith, and creed. Every year, West Adams Heritage Association (WAHA) focuses on some of their life stories by presenting a Living History Tour at Angelus Rosedale Cemetery, featuring actor portrayals, graveside, recounting the lives of some of the individuals buried at the cemetery.

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**LIVING HISTORY TOUR
ANGELUS ROSEDALE CEMETERY
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

Scoop up Some Fun: WAHA Ice Cream Social

Sunday, August 28 1-4 p.m.

Britt Mansion/LA84 Foundation, 2141 West Adams Blvd. (Kinney Heights)

What better way to spend a summer afternoon than eating ice cream and other sweets, socializing with neighbors, playing games, and listening to musical entertainment? Please put on your summer whites or Victorian-inspired attire, and join WAHA at its annual Ice Cream Social, on the grounds of a great historic venue we are sure you all want to see.

This classic Georgian Revival mansion, a designated local and national landmark, was designed by A.F. Rosenheim for attorney Eugene W. Britt. It now functions as the headquarters of the LA84 Foundation.

Eugene W. Britt was one of the city's more prominent lawyers. Admitted to the bar in 1878, Britt formed a law firm with William J. Hunsaker in San Diego in 1887. The partnership lasted until 1892 when Hunsaker moved to Los Angeles. Britt served on the California Supreme Court Commission starting in 1895, but he resigned when, in 1900, he relocated to Los Angeles and rejoined Hunsaker. Britt served as president of the Los Angeles Bar Association in 1912 and as delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1916.

Construction of the Britt Mansion was begun in October 1910, when it was estimated the Georgian home would cost \$50,000. The *Times* called the mansion "one of the handsomest" on the "fashionable thorough-fare" of West Adams, with oak floors, beamed ceilings, and a dining room paneled in Tabasco mahogany.

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It's Official: Jefferson Park is an HPOZ

For nine years residents in Jefferson Park have worked hard to have the City of Los Angeles recognize the community as a culturally and historically significant neighborhood.

In response to these community efforts the City has finally designated Jefferson Park as a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ). The Preservation Plan was adopted at the same time.

Jefferson Park's houses, built mostly in the Arts & Crafts style in the early 1900s, are recognized for their craftsmanship and beautiful details. But Jefferson Park also has a rich and important cultural history that is woven into houses in the neighborhood.

Famous past residents include actress Hattie McDaniel (the first African-American to win an Oscar), jazz musician Melba Liston, the Mills Brothers, and other great artists.

For more information about the Jefferson Park HPOZ, or to sign up for e-mail updates, go to www.JeffersonParkUnited.org, and click on "History," or call 323-606-8177. ●



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WAHA Upcoming Events

WAHA plans many (many) events. Please mark your calendars for these upcoming activities.

Sunday, August 28

Ice Cream Social

1-4 p.m. Britt Mansion/LA84 Foundation

Saturday, September 24

Living History Tour

Sunday, October 2

Macaroni and Cheese Cookoff Potluck

Saturday, October 29

Potluck and Film, *The Uninvited*.

Saturday and Sunday, December 3-4

Annual Holiday Tour & Progressive Dinner

Sunday, December 11

Holiday Party

January 2012 (date TBA)

Potluck Pajama Party

February 2012 (date TBA)

Potluck

WAHA Events Committee Seeks Your Help

Love WAHA events? Want to make them even better? Please consider volunteering for the Events Committee.

I have enjoyed revitalizing WAHA events this past year and have appreciated the many great compliments we have received about them. But with the sad passing last March of my friend, fellow WAHA Board member and co-chair of Events, Lisa Berns, I could really use some help with the Events Committee.

This is a committee that is more about doing, than attending meetings. Most communication is done by e-mail. Depending on the responses I get, we might have a brainstorming session, but this would be a rare occasion.

Of course, I would love another co-chair, but I would be thrilled to have volunteers, even for just one specific event. Love the ice cream social? Volunteer to help with that event only.

Our three biggest events in terms of help needed are the just-past 4th of July Party, the Ice Cream Social in August, and WAHA's Holiday Party, which is usually the second weekend in December. Having a few committed people to assist me in organizing those events would be fabulous.

I also could use help with the other potlucks, which are much less labor intensive. Or perhaps you have ideas about events you would like to see.

I look forward to hearing from you at events@westadamsheritage.org.

With your help, we can have even more fun.

I also want to give a special thank you to Vern Menden for hosting the Newcomer's Dessert in his beautiful garden. He was such a gracious host. It was a lovely evening to meet old friends and new. Thanks, also, to all who brought the fabulous array of goodies.

Thank you, Suzie Henderson ●

President's Message by John Patterson

WAHA has spent the past several months busily engaged in a number of historic preservation efforts.

WAHA's Annual Spring Tour, which took place on Saturday, June 4, took a different tack this year and focused on our advocacy efforts for the preservation of the wonderful murals that grace the lobby of the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance building located in the heart of our West Adams neighborhood. The murals, which were commissioned almost 60 years ago specifically for this Paul Williams-designed building, depict the contributions of African Americans to the building of California. Our June Tour built on that focus, and brought attention to those cultural and architectural contributions that are located specifically within our West Adams neighborhoods. I am pleased to report that the building and its murals are now officially designated as Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monument No. 1000.

WAHA is also continuing our participation and collaboration with the Los Angeles Heritage Alliance, which brings approximately 230 organizations such as WAHA together in common purpose. I am spearheading the LA 230 celebration, designed to bring attention to Los Angeles's 230th birthday this year. WAHA will be designating our September Living History Tour as an official LA 230 event, as our contribution to this effort.

This time of year is also the time that most of our WAHA memberships come up for renewal, and I am so pleased with the strength and number of memberships and upgrades we have seen in response to the renewal letters. I wish to thank each and every one of you for taking the time and making the commitment and I hope that you will take the opportunity to continue your support of our ongoing preservation efforts with your contribution. We have also made a significant effort this past year to bring back that specific focus on our member events, such as the Ice Cream Social coming up on August 28 and numerous pot-luck gatherings, which were the original glue that brought our WAHA family together.

Having been reelected to serve another term on the WAHA Board of Directors, I have also agreed to serve another year as President of this wonderful organization. I hope I can count on your continued support as we move forward through another busy year, working to preserve our community as a wonderful neighborhood in which to live!

John Patterson may be reached by e-mail at President@WestAdamsHeritage.org

Bob Bortfeld Award Nominations Sought

WAHA's highest award, the Bortfeld Award, named after WAHA co-founder Bob Bortfeld, is presented to a member who has given special service to the community in the prior year and over time. Nearly three decades ago, when Bortfeld purchased his home in a long-ignored neighborhood, he had a vision for this community. Bortfeld felt that with strong community activism and a shared love for old houses, West Adams could be one of L.A.'s best neighborhoods. West Adams Heritage Association established the Bortfeld Award to honor his vision and inspiration after he passed away in the late 1980s.

Nominations now are being sought for this annual award, which will be presented at the Ice Cream Social. The nominee must be a member in good standing who demonstrates the following qualities: 1) consistent and visible leadership in WAHA and the preservation community, 2) an obvious commitment to preservation, 3) leadership in deed, not just title, 4) notable accomplishments/contributions over a range of activities, not just in one particular activity, and 5) an ability to bring people together to address issues and resolve problems. Typically, the candidate would not currently be a WAHA Board member.

The award has been presented in the past to Kathleen Salisbury, Harry Anderson, David Raposa, Harold Greenberg, Lindsay Wiggins, Jodi Seigner, Jon Rake, Lana Soroko, Norma Reynolds, John Kurtz, Audrey Arlington, Jim Meister, Joe Ryan, Laura Meyers, Linda Scribner, Corinne Pleger, Peggy King, Leslie Evans and Jennifer Charnofsky, Suzanne Henderson, Ed Trosper, Pat Karasick, Mitzi Mogul, and Rory Cunningham. As you can see by this listing, all former Honorees have had leadership roles in WAHA and have undertaken a diverse range of activities in the organization and in the community at large.

Nominations should be submitted in writing to John Patterson via e-mail at president@westadamsheritage.org (preferred) or letter sent to WAHA's office, 2263 S. Harvard Blvd., Historic West Adams, Los Angeles, CA 90018. Please briefly describe the activities your candidate has undertaken for West Adams Heritage Association and in the West Adams community, and explain why you believe he or she should be chosen for the Bortfeld Award. The winner will be selected by WAHA's current President, Membership Chair, and last year's winner, Rory Cunningham. Deadline for submission is **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10.** ●

Martin Eli Weil Preservation Award Presented to Eric Bronson See story on page 9



History Matters

Living History Tour

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This year's event commemorates several seminal moments in local and national history: the 150th anniversary of the Civil War; the 100th anniversary of Women's Suffrage in California, and Los Angeles's 230th birthday. And, along with bold adventurers, this year's tour includes founding families who have left their mark on L.A.'s history: Glassell, O'Melveny and Dominguez.

This year's portrayals include:

- Lt. William T. Glassell, Confederate Naval officer who commanded the submarine that torpedoed the Union frigate *New Ironsides* during the Charleston blockade in 1863; Glassell was the co-founder of the City of Orange
- Fanny Stenhouse, famed lecturer and Suffragette who exposed Mormon polygamy to the world in 1872, and who campaigned for women's rights with Harriett Beecher Stowe and Elizabeth Cady Stanton
- Miriam Matthews, California's first African American credentialed librarian and well-known historian who helped launch "Negro History Week" (now Black History Month) in Los Angeles; Matthews' research of 200 years of black history in California inspired the depictions in the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Building's murals, just designated as Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monument No. 1000
- Harvey K. S. O'Melveny, pioneer Los Angeles lawyer, judge, City Council member, and politician who helped bring transcontinental rail service to Los Angeles in 1876
- Nina Vitagliano Torre, Italian-American female racecar driver who raced with fellow women Speederettes during World War I until a fatal crash in 1918 ended her life, and their careers on the track; it was decades before women were again behind the wheel on speedways
- Portus Baxter Weare, whose self-named ship, the *P.B. Weare*, was the first to sail up the great Yukon River into the Klondike, bringing back great stores of gold and stories that resulted in the Klondike Stampede of 1897, when more than 100,000 people swarmed towards a frozen land they knew nothing about and endured hardships they could never have imagined

Visitors will be greeted by Francisca Dominguez Alexander, Queen of the Fiesta de Los Angeles of 1897, whose family owned the great Rancho San Pedro beginning in 1784. Her forebear, Juan Jose Dominguez, arrived in California in 1769, serving with Gaspar de Portolà and Juniperro Serra, witnessing the founding of Los Angeles pueblo in September, 1781.

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History Matters

As always, we do need volunteers. Please contact Laura Meyers at news@westadamsheritage.org if you can help out at the tour itself, in advance, OR with the thank you party on the same afternoon.

The Living History Tour is a three-hour docent-led walk through the cemetery, over uneven terrain; visitors are advised to wear appropriate clothing and walking shoes. Tours depart approximately every 25 minutes, beginning at 9 a.m., with the last tour at noon. Tickets are by advance reservation only; each tour has a limited number of spaces.

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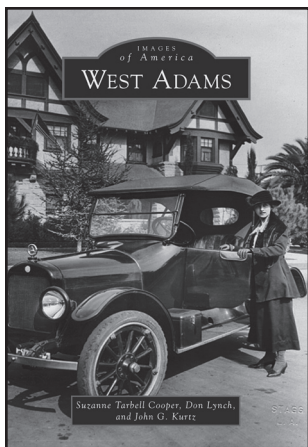
(Children under 10 attend free.)

Purchase tickets at www.WestAdamsHeritage.org or send a check made payable to "WAHA" to:

WAHA Living History Tour
2280 West 21st St.
Los Angeles, CA 90018

Please include an e-mail address or phone number for confirmation.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, please call the WAHA Reservations Hotline at 323-732-4223, write tours@westadamsheritage.org, or log onto WAHA's website, www.WestAdamsHeritage.org. ●



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Stepping Out

Ice Cream Social at Britt Mansion

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The LA84 Foundation (known until June 2007 as the Amateur Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles) is a private, nonprofit institution created by the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee to manage Southern California's endowment from the 1984 Olympic Games. Under an agreement made in 1979, 40 percent of any surplus was to stay in Southern California, with the other 60 percent going to the United States Olympic Committee. The total surplus was \$232.5 million. Southern California's share was approximately \$93 million.

The LA84 Foundation's mission is to promote and expand youth sports opportunities in Southern California and to increase knowledge of sport and its impact on people's lives. Since inception, the Foundation has invested more than \$197 million in Southern California by awarding grants to youth sports organizations, initiating sports and coaching education programs, and operating the world's premier sports library at the Paul Ziffren Sports Resource Center. The library maintains an extensive collection of books, periodicals, photograph and moving footage, with a special emphasis on the Olympic Games. The traditional library has been supplemented by the development of an extensive electronic collection of 45,000 PDFs including scholarly publications, popular magazine and primary historical documents available at no cost on the LA84 Foundation website.

For the WAHA Ice Cream Social, we will have lots of old-fashioned entertainments, along with a silent auction/raffle and other surprises -- all in all, a lovely way to while away a summer afternoon in Historic West Adams.

We are looking for volunteers (of course). If you would like to donate baked goods (cookies to munch on and especially cakes for the Cake Walk game) or items for the silent auction, please contact Suzanne Henderson at Events@WestAdamsHeritage.org. ●



Open Day at Peace Awareness Labyrinth

Saturday, September 10

12 to 4 p.m.

Peace Awareness Labyrinth and Gardens at the Guasti Villa, 3500 West Adams Blvd.

Take a little time to explore and meditate at a *Saturday Afternoon at the Labyrinth*. You're invited to relax in a spectacular meditation garden, breathe beside water fountains, unwind by walking the labyrinth, and enjoy delicious treats. Leave recharged! The event is free (lght fare for sale), and labyrinth instructions will be available. ●

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Opportunities for Kids (and Their Parents) in West Adams

Daycare (Ages 2-4)

Gramercy Family Center: The licensed childcare center of Gramercy Housing Group, provides full day care and developmentally appropriate curriculum for children ages 0 to 5. The 1,700 square foot center is divided into two separate age-appropriate play rooms (3 months to 2 years and 2 to 5 years) and an outdoor play yard. Five full-time teachers supervise and care for the children. Newly renovated and re-opened in September 2006, the Gramercy Family Center is open to the children at GHG and to community children as well.

Gramercy Family Center is now enrolling children ages 2-4. For more information, including a tour, please contact Joey Solomon, Executive Director at 323-737-7351 x 13. ●

Girl Scouts - West Adams Daisy/Brownie Troop

A Girl Scout troop is forming in West Adams. We all want our girls to become self-confident, strong, and compassionate. Joining a Girl Scout troop in your community can help your daughter become her best self and form life-long connections. We are looking for girls entering K-2nd grades this summer who want to be in a Daisy/Brownie combined troop. This is a child-directed troop that will have highly involved parents that are essentially interested in being co-leaders with the other parents by hosting meetings a few times a year and attending and organizing special trips with their child. Help her discover things about herself, connect with her community, and feel empowered to make a difference in her world. And, through her journey she will have tons of FUN being a Girl Scout!

Contact Heidi Rudd (Gwendolyn's mom) at Heidi@Ruddnet.net if you are interested in joining us. Space is filling up quickly! ●

Charter School

Many of us have been talking about the need for a charter school in our area for some time and a group of parents are trying to see if there is community interest in a K-6 elementary school modeled after Open Charter Magnet School and/or Larchmont Charter School.

If you're interested e-mail me (at the address listed below):

Your name (and spouse), address, e-mail address, children's name, birth date and date entering kindergarten. Please specify if you would like to volunteer.

This is time sensitive so please respond asap and also please tell anyone you think may be interested.

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Preservation Matters

Preservation Doesn't Just Happen

by Jean Frost

August 2011 is the twentieth anniversary of the St. James Park and Twentieth Street National Register Districts. In many ways, for many of us, this is where it all began. It was here that a developer called our homes "chicken coops" and many different forces began to weigh and debate the vision for the future. The *Los Angeles Conservancy News* praised the neighborhood efforts in an article entitled "Community Spirit Forges New National Register Districts," in Volume 14, Number 1, dated January/February 1992. It stated, "After years of painstaking research, fund raising events and countless community meetings, the Adams Dockweiler Organizing Committee (ADHOC) and the home owners in West Adams have cause for celebration."

I was quoted that "The designation process has rekindled neighborhood pride and strengthened our sense of community identity...Many of the long term residents are of different cultural and ethnic backgrounds. They responded to preservation as a way to save their neighborhood." The article commented on the diversity aspects of the district and the community strength. "While the residents of the neighborhood banded together to further the designation, opposition came from off-site property owners who hoped to capitalize on development in the area." The article quoted David Raposa saying, "It was unfortunate that the off-site owners were so misinformed about the restrictions of designation...in my way of thinking association with a Historic District can only add to the value of property. I think that the response from the resident owners supports that."



It was a hopeful group that travelled to Sacramento for the hearing before the State Historic Resources Commission: Carson Anderson, Sergio Gutman, Rafael Garcia, Tom Florio, Jim Childs, and I, with our hopes very high and embarking on what was a new journey. It was a time when we felt we all could make a difference.

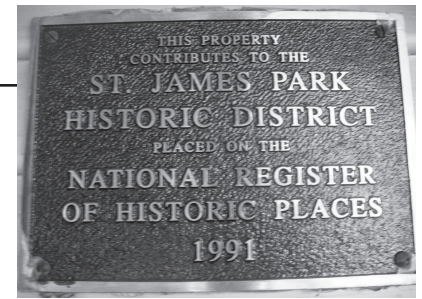
A developer came to the hearing in opposition and taped the proceedings. He had earlier sent an emissary into the neighborhood along with a notary to seek opposition letters. He alleged incorrectly that if these Districts were passed you would have to do an EIR to repair your porch. He sought opposition letters and none were given. There was widespread support from many neighbors who did not have the chance to go to Sacramento. Gloria Alcaraz Riggs, Richard Woods, Susan Peck, and many others. There was no opposition from any resident.

On May 3, 1991 both the St. James Park Historic District and the Twentieth Street Historic District received unanimous approval from the State Historic Resources Commission. The Keeper of the National Register recognized the Districts on August 27, 1991.

The Conservancy in their article stated they "would like to commend the volunteers and property owners whose support made these districts possible. Additionally we would like to recognize Carson Anderson architectural historian for his meticulous work in preparing the nomination forms and Marilyn Lortie of the State Office for her guidance and assistance in fine tuning the nominations."

This was long before the days when HPOZs were recognized as a keystone to neighborhood revitalization. We have indeed come a long way. Some of the creators of this agenda area gone, moved away or are watching us from a higher plane. But what a glorious time it was. With WAHA, please celebrate the twentieth anniversary year and recognize how far we have come. ●

PHOTOS (Above and right): The Twentieth Street Historic District in consists of a row of Bungalow and Craftsman style houses in the 900 block on the south side of 20th Street. The homes were designed by W. Wayman Watts and built in the early part of the 20th Century. The district was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1991. The St. James Park District (plaque, top right) features homes with a mix of Classical Revival, Craftsman and Queen Anne styles.



Martin Eli Weil Preservation Award Presented to Eric Bronson

by Jean Frost

Who Is Martin Weil?

The first recipient of the Martin Weil Award was quite appropriately Martin Weil himself. How grateful we are that we could honor him during his lifetime and that the award is legacy created in 2006 in his name.

Martin Eli Weil was a leading restoration architect and a founding member and past president of the Los Angeles Conservancy. He was involved in the restoration of landmark structures such as the El Capitan Theatre and the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Storer House in the Hollywood Hills. Martin was dedicated, funny, irascible, demanding and always there for you when you passionately fought to preserve an historic structure. He was there for the mansions and the vernacular houses because he truly understood that these were all part of the context of a neighborhood. How much easier it is –if it is ever easy- to fight to preserve the Stearns Dockweiler or the Doheny Mansion than a simple but important historic structure or for that matter, to defend open space.

Martin Weil did all of that – he did site inspections, attended hearings, explained the Secretary of Interiors Standards and supported West Adams. He led the AB283 site review when the City was required to have zoning conform to the community plan, the result of a case brought by the Friends of Westwood v. City of Los Angeles. (In many instances the zoning was more dense than the Community Plan allowed which led to developers believing they had greater development rights than those to which they actually were entitled.)

Martin owned the only Green and Greene house in the City of Los Angeles – the Lucy E. Wheeler residence. Weil was nationally recognized and locally revered.

The Martin Weil Award is very special to the West Adams Heritage Association. It is the only award specifically given for preservation activities. The Historic Preservation Committee meets and makes a recommendation to the WAHA Board which approves the selection. This year's award is to Vice President Eric Bronson. He was not present at the Board vote – he was late for that Board meeting.

Eric Bronson approaches preservation in a low key but effective manner. He is always there when someone has a question whether it is the Board, the Historic Preservation Committee or a member. For many years he, with Tom Florio, headed the WAHA Zoning and Planning Committee. He has rehabilitated many homes in West Adams and lead numerous "how to" workshops. He was a key figure in getting a house painted "barn raising style" in Harvard Heights. He tracks changes to the California Environmental Quality Act and circulates court cases to the Historic Preservation Committee. The fact that "Chef Eric" also cooks at the main dinner house for the WAHA tour is simply another side of a family man that manages to balance family, preservation, time and work. His guidance and input is always valued comments are made on environmental documents whether they be Mitigated Negative Declarations (MNDs) or Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs).

Eric's low key, calm and effective leadership is very welcome when preservation and planning emergency heats up and situations become tense. WAHA has treasured his guidance and the Historic Preservation Committee of which he is a part truly is enabled by his presence.

So many people do so many things. The Historic Preservation Committee members all work very hard for preservation so it is difficult to single out one person. There are others on the Committee – Roland Souza, Rory Cunningham, Mitzi Mogul, David Raposa, Jim Childs, Mitzi Mogul, and John Patterson – all who contribute to the preservation effort. And as Eric stated in accepting the award, it really should go jointly to Eric Bronson and to Darby Bayliss, his spouse. After Martin, the second award was bestowed jointly to Jean Frost and Jim Childs (joint) and the third honoree was David Raposa. Traditionally the award is given at the Historic Preservation Event which is in the spring (April or May.)

Jim Childs produced this year's Preservation Celebration with able assistance from John Patterson, Lisa Schoening, Mitzi Mogul, Laura Meyers, Susie Henderson, and Jean Cade, among others. We enjoyed Mimosas, bagels from everyone's favorite oldtime Brooklyn Bagel Bakery, and a brief talk by preservation architect Tom Michali of M2A Architects.

Michali presented, as a Case Study, the sensitive restoration and adaptive reuse of the John L. Garner Residence, 785 West Adams. Michali is a graduate of the Southern California Institute of Architecture (B. Arch 1977). With a specific interest in the preservation and reuse of historic structures, Michali served as chairman on the Preservation Committee on the Board of Directors for the Los Angeles Conservancy, and has lectured on the subject at local and regional conferences. He was also a guiding voice for the development for the University Park HPOZ Preservation Plan. The Craftsman style Garner Residence, was constructed as a single family home in 1909, and designed by architects Hunt, Eager & Burns. When restoration and alterations are completed it will house the new MSMC Student Services Center. Since the historic structure is also within the University Park HPOZ, review was additionally required by the UP-HPOZ Board. Given its status as a National Register listed building a rigorous oversight for complying with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines was mandated. This action included a specific historic assessment report, which was prepared by the Historic Resources Group.

The Historic Preservation Committee wishes to thank Mount St. Mary's College and in particular President **Jacqueline Powers Doud**, Ms. Barbara Tell and Mr. Carlos Garcia for their cooperation in making this event possible. ●

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AUGUST

Sunday, 28, 1-4 p.m.:

Ice Cream Social (see page 1)

SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 24:

Living History Tour at Angelus Rosedale Cemetery (see page 1)

OCTOBER

Sunday, October 2:

Macaroni and Cheese Cook-off Potluck

Saturday, October 29:

Potluck and Film, *The Uninvited*

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WAHA scoops up some fun on the grounds of the Britt Mansion

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**Sunday, August 28
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