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Northern California Losses An Ardent Preservationist: Anne Buenger Bloomfield

Members of the NCCSAH will be sad to learn that Anne Buenger Bloomfield, a key force behind the founding of our organization, died last December after a courageous battle with leukemia. She was 67. Anne contributed enormously to historic preservation efforts during her career in the field. She was a tireless researcher who thoroughly documented a large number of significant Bay Area buildings and historic districts. She was responsible for several surveys and National Register nominations including three Russian Hill districts as well as the Market Street Theater and Loft District in San Francisco. Her work was critical in several certified rehabilitations. During the early 1980s, Anne conducted an architectural survey of the North Beach neighborhood, and was updating her earlier efforts when she passed away.

Anne was generous with her time and fought hard to protect threatened historic resources. She spoke often at San Francisco public hearings and was active in a number of preservation organizations,

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NCCSAH to Meet in Sausalito and Belvedere in May

The NCCSAH spring meeting will be held in Marin County on Saturday May 13, 2000. We will convene at the Sausalito Yacht Club at 9:30 am for coffee and registration. The highlights of the day will include a business meeting, a discussion with Sausalito Historic Landmarks Board members about preservation in Sausalito, a tour of downtown Sausalito, lunch at the Yacht Club, a tour of Belvedere and day's end cocktails at a waterfront location. For further details of our full meeting agenda see page three of this newsletter. Return your registration form today!!!



A 1910 photograph of the Becker Building in Sausalito.

Saturday May 13, 2000
Sausalito Yacht Club

Program

9:00 - 9:30 am
Coffee and Registratoin
Sausalito Yacht Club

9:30 - 10:30 am
Business Meeting
Sausalito Yacht Club

10:30 - 11:30 am
Sausalito Landmarks Board
Preservation in Sausalito
Sausalito Yacht Club

11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Tour of Buildings and Boats in
Downtown Sausalito

12:30 - 1:30 pm
Lunch
Sausalito Yacht Club

1:30 - 2:00 pm
Travel to Belvedere - maps to be provided at
Business Meeting

2:00 - 4:30 pm
Tour of Belvedere

4:30 - 5:30 pm
Drinks at Guaymus, Tiburon

5:30
Dinner at Guaymus for those interested.

Basic Information

Program Cost including coffee, light breakfast, and lunch

\$25.00 members

\$40.00 non-members - includes membership for one year (five dollar discount on dues)

\$17.50 for students

The Sausalito Yacht Club is located in downtown Sausalito adjacent to the Ferry Landing. It is a one-story building painted white and blue. Paid parking lots and metered spaces are available nearby.

From Highway 101 South take the Sausalito Marin City Exit. At the off-ramp go left under the freeway. Take a right on Bridgeway follow into downtown Sausalito. Cross over Johnson Street. At the next stop light, turn left (at the Bank of America) into the parking lot.

From Highway 101 North take the Alexander Avenue Exit - first exit after Golden Gate Bridge - follow into Sausalito. At the first stop light in town turn right into the parking lot.

Return the following form & check to Vincent Marsh by May 8, 2000

Name (s) _____

Number of Attendees _____

Amount Enclosed _____

Vegetarian Lunch yes no

Interested in Dinner with the group yes no phone number _____

Anne Bloomfield

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including the California Preservation Foundation, the Victorian Alliance and San Francisco's Architectural Heritage. She served as President of the San Francisco Landmarks Board during Mayor Art Agnos' administration.

In January of 1996 Anne was a major contributor in efforts to form the NCCSAH and served as an officer from that time forward. She was President at the time of her death. Members and friends will remember Anne for her serious and unselfish devotion to the fields of architectural history and historic preservation.

A memorial service was held on January 20, 2000. Well-known architectural historian Michael Corbett shared his memories and impressions of Anne with service attendees. It is fitting that so many individuals came to honor Anne's work and character in one of her favorite buildings: the Ernest Coxhead-designed Holy Innocents Episcopal Church.

Memorial donations may be made to the San Francisco Architectural Heritage, 2007 Franklin Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 (415) 441 - 3000.

by Maryln M. Lortie and Bridget Maley

News and Events

CPF Conference

The Annual California Preservation Foundation Conference will be held April 13 -16, 2000 in Monterey. For information contact CPF at 510 - 763 - 0972.

National SAH Conference

The Annual Society of Architectural Historians Conference will be held June 14 - 18 in Miami at the Biltmore Hotel Coral Gables. Contact National SAH in Chicago at 312 - 573 - 1365 for more information or go to the website at www.sah.org

National AIA Conference

The Annual American Institute of Architects Conference will be held May 4 - 6, 2000 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Contact the AIA in DC for more information 202 626-7395 or go to the website at www.aiaconvention2000.com

Preservation News

The National Trust for Historic Preservation welcomed a new Western Regional Director Holly Fiala, in December 1999. Elizabeth Goldstein, who had served the office for five years, is now with the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department and will direct operational and strategic planning. We wish both great success in their new positions.

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or to renew your dues

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The mission of the NCCSAH is to further the objectives of the Society of Architectural Historians of which the Northern California Chapter is an official affiliate; promote the study and discussion of architectural history and its related fields; visit significant works of architecture; and increase public awareness and appreciation of our architectural heritage. Membership is open to anyone interested in architectural history and its related fields who agrees to pay the annual dues and subscribe to the by-laws of the organization.