

**NORTH PARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY
JULY 2011 MEETING NOTES**

DATE: JULY 21, 2011

TIME: 6:30 PM

The first part of this meeting was a Business Meeting of the North Park Historical Society (NPHS) Board of Directors, and the second part was the activities discussion for the organization. These notes include updates as of August 4, 2011.

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The following members of the NPHS Board of Directors were present:

Steve Hon
Katherine Hon
Ed Orozco
Vince Rivera
Randy Sappenfield
Michael Thornhill
Sharon Turner
Bill Vivian
Hilda Yoder

The following members of the NPHS Board of Directors were absent:

Patrick Edwards
George Franck
Louise Russell
Jody Surowiec
Liz Studebaker
Paul Wade

Members Bob and Ginni also joined us.

2. AGENDA REVIEW AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The July Agenda was accepted as proposed.

3. MINUTES ACCEPTANCE

The draft minutes from the June 16 2011 NPHS meeting were accepted and have been posted on the website. We are sorry to announce that Liz Studebaker will be leaving San Diego and so will no longer be part of our Board.

Steve announced that NPHS has received a second grant of \$1,500 from San Diego County to be applied to the car show, new software, and consulting to improve the website. The required documentation for last year's grant to purchase scans of historical photos from the San Diego History Center was sent to the County.

We are also pleased to announce that NPHS now has insurance coverage for the organization through the Nonprofits' Insurance Alliance of California.

Katherine announced that the Virtual Library Group (Sharon, Jody and Katherine) completed the data entry phase with 969 entries of original building permit dates and builders. Local consulting firm KTU+A staff will proceed with developing a website with the data connected to parcel data

and an aerial view. We hope to have a pilot site developed this year. We will also put scans of the original handwritten tablets compiled by Donald Covington on the site (or our website).

BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

The financials were sent to the Board in advance of the meeting. We had income from memberships, an additional donation, three car show registrations, two car show sponsorships, and the sale of three guidebooks, a Burlingame book, four notecards, and two North Park history books.

ACTIVITIES PORTION OF MEETING

5. WOOLWORTH BUILDING REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE

At our June meeting, Al Kerendian and Chris Martin with North Park Gateway LLC gave a presentation on the plans to redevelop the Woolworth building at 3067 University Avenue. The North Park PAC discussed the project at their most recent meeting because the developer requested additional funds due to seismic concerns not apparent from the original reconnaissance. An agreement was reached and North Park Gateway will continue with the redevelopment.

6. DRYDEN DISTRICT UPDATE

As updated in the previous meeting notes, we are happy to report that the North Park Dryden Historic District was approved by the Historical Resources Board (HRB) on June 23, 2011. The HRB also approved adding Edward F. Bryans to the City's list of recognized Master Builders. We may conduct a celebratory walking tour in October. The neighborhood is beginning to plan a block party for that month, and the timing could work well. The walking tour could be just for the residents of the district. Check out the articles about the Dryden District in the August 2011 *North Park News*.

7. CAR SHOW PLANNING

We have made lots of progress for the event, which will be September 10, 2011 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in the parking lot behind the North Park Theatre. **There will be free parking in the parking garage right across the street.** We have arranged with Diamond Environmental Services for an ADA porta-potty unit and a standard unit and a small sink outside the units. Volunteers and attendees will be much more comfortable! We discussed the possibility of organizing the cars by decade, but later analysis revealed the vast number of cars were from the 1950s and 1960s, so that may not be worthwhile. The voting process was also discussed and may need more development to assure a simple process. A group may need to clean the parking lot the day before. Steve will ask the City if this would be ok. The Urban Corps will clean the street. Bill and Ed will go to the car show event in La Mesa to pass around registration flyers.

Many thanks to our wonderful sponsors!!! We have seven cash sponsors: Mike Grasso/Steve Warren/Leo, David Muscat State Farm Insurance, the County of San Diego, True North Tavern, Ron Oster (Ascent) Real Estate, Steve Hon, and Broker Bill. We have five in-kind services sponsors: Mike Ward Photography (who will take photos again this year and provided the photos for the registration flyer and poster), A7D Graphic Design (poster printing), North Park Trophy & Award (providing this year's trophies), City of San Diego Redevelopment Agency (providing free parking at the garage, and allowing a discount to NPHS for rental of the parking

lot behind the North Park Theatre for the event) and *North Park News* (check out the great coverage on pages 11 and 12 of the August 2011 issue!).

As you can see, Vince has done an amazing job on the poster. The photo of Dennis Ferguson's fine 1946 Dodge Truck is courtesy of Mike Ward from last year's event. We have lots of posters to distribute to businesses around town to promote the event. Please contact info@northparkhistory.org or call Katherine at 619-294-8990 if you can help.

Thanks to Randy, Steve and Dennis for taking some, and to the following businesses who have taken the posters from them so far: North Park Theatre, North Park Main Street, Paesanos, Vintage Religion, David Muscat State Farm Insurance, North Park Rug and Carpet, True North, Heaven Sent Desserts, North Park Trophy, Costume Shop, Pet Palace, Ascent Realty, Chicken Pie Shop, Rudfords, Olympic Cafe, Mission Restaurant, Hair Play, Lefty's Pizza, Ritual Tavern, Scully's Garage, The Big Kitchen, Pista Palace Bike Shop, Perfection Auto body, and A7D.

8. WATER TOWER DESIGNATION PROJECT

George continues to coordinate with Alex Bevil, the local historian who has volunteered his time and expertise to conduct research and prepare the application. George has uncovered some interesting information about the land ownership.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be **THURSDAY** August 18, 2011 at 6:30 pm in the second floor conference room of the Masonic Lodge.

**NORTH PARK
CAR SHOW**

PRESENTED BY THE NORTH PARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SEPTEMBER 10, 2011
10 AM TO 1 PM

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2930 NORTH PARK WAY

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