

**NORTH PARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
JULY 2013 MEETING NOTES**

**DATE: JULY 18, 2013**

**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, 2013.

The next meeting will be **THURSDAY** August 15, 2013 at 6:30 pm in the Second Floor Chamber Room at Grace Lutheran Church, 3967 Park Boulevard. **PLEASE NOTE THE NEW MEETING LOCATION FOR OUR REGULAR MEETINGS.**

**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

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

Robert Bauer	Louise Russell
Steve Hon	Sharon Turner
Katherine Hon	Ed Orozco
Michael Thornhill	George Franck

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

Jody Surowiec	Hilda Yoder
Patrick Edwards	Bill Vivian
Vince Rivera	Randy Sappenfield

Member Paul and visitor Melanie, a local architect, also joined us. Melanie is interested in the Arcadia book project. Welcome!

**2. AGENDA REVIEW AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Michael asked what is happening at the block along University Avenue from Texas to Louisiana streets? The long-time store Lamp Post is closed and there are clean-up activities at adjacent houses. **Update:** Steve asked John, owner of Olympic Cafe across the street, and John (who knows everyone) said the property has been acquired by a couple who want to fix up the store for a commercial supply business and fix up the houses for rentals. If you look in the front window of the store, you can see the front porch of the house that the commercial structure was added onto, including the brick columns and steps.

Louise asked for the scholarship to be added to the agenda. She also noted that the Julian Historical Society has been digitizing photographs from glass slides they found in their materials.

**3. MINUTES ACCEPTANCE**

The draft minutes from the June 20, 2013 NPHS meeting were accepted and have been posted on the website.

**BUSINESS PORTION OF MEETING**

**4. TREASURER'S REPORT**

The financials were sent to the Board in advance of the meeting. Between mid-June and mid-July 2013 we recorded income of approximately \$815 from sales of 4 North Park history books, 1 commercial guidebook, 15 walking tour sign ups, 4 car show sponsors, 9 car show registrations, and 4 memberships. Expenses in this time period included \$294 for the car show park use permit from the City.

**Update:** Regarding our request for a new County Grant to help fund the car show and our Arcadia book preparation, Steve is happy to report we have been allotted \$1,500. We sincerely appreciate the County's support of our activities.

## **ACTIVITIES PORTION OF MEETING**

### **5. ARCADIA BOOK PROJECT**

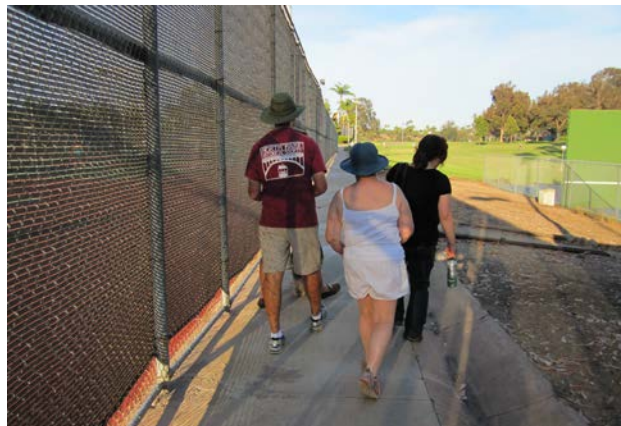
**Update:** The Arcadia Book Working Group held its 7th working meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month, July 25, 2013. We reviewed photographs from slides of the 1954 Toyland Parade. Katherine is happy to announce that Lynn Susholtz of Art Produce has let us borrow the original slides of some very fun photos (see below), several of which might be suitable as a cover. Valerie will see how they scan. If you want to help with research, writing, outreach, review, or in other ways on this project, please contact Katherine at 619-294-8990 or email her at [info@northparkhistory.org](mailto:info@northparkhistory.org).



### **6. WALKING TOURS**

As reported in last month's meeting notes, both tours on June 29 went very well. Nearly 30 people attended the morning commercial area walking tour, and we also sold a North Park history book. George prepared and conducted the afternoon tour of the Lynhurst neighborhood to a small but appreciative group. One of the attendees of the commercial tour has some old photographs of Berger Hardware along University Avenue that might be suitable for the Arcadia book. Michael and George are following up on this source.

Steve led a free walking tour of the Morley Field Recreation Area on July 17 at 6:00 PM. We were very pleased that Jaye MacAskill, current President of SOHO and one of our newest members, joined us on the tour and learned a lot about an area she has not visited much before. Thank you for coming, Jaye!



Steve will lead the same free tour on **Saturday, August 17 at 9 AM**. Meet him by the stairs at the entrance to the swimming pool building at the end of Texas Street south of Upas Street. Visit our website at [NorthParkHistory.org](http://NorthParkHistory.org) for more information.

There is no advance sign-up required, but if you know you are interested, feel free to notify Katherine at [info@northparkhistory.org](mailto:info@northparkhistory.org) or 619-294-8990.

## **7. ISSUE OF NORTH PARK COMMUNITY PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY**

As reported in last month's meeting notes, Steve wrote a letter to the City asking about the request by the University Heights Community Association to move the northwest corner of the North Park Community Planning Area (generally the chunk north of Lincoln Avenue and west of Texas Street) into the Uptown Planning Area. The approved letter was sent via email with follow-up paper copy, and was provided at the end of last month's notes.

## **8. CAR SHOW PLANNING**

Our next big event is our 4th Annual North Park Car Show, which will be held on **September 7** (the first Saturday after Labor Day) from 10 AM to 2 PM in the parking lot in front of the tennis courts at Morley Field. We appreciate Balboa Tennis Club hosting us once again. A7D is printing the poster designed by Vince, who did another stellar job. Thanks, Vince! See the next page for the finished poster, which features a 1963 Chevrolet Impala Super Sport Vince photographed last year.

We also want to recognize our new donating sponsors Babycakes and True North Tavern who each contributed \$100 for the car show, joining our other \$100 sponsors Ron Oster and Brian Lacklen with Ascent Real Estate, County of San Diego, Broker Bill Vivian, Randy Sappenfield, and Steve Hon.

## **9. WATER TOWER NATIONAL LISTING**

Because Katherine can't stop talking about it, we were reminded that the North Park Water Tower and the surrounding water facilities district were added to the National Register on June 25, 2013. Plaques and more awards will surely follow.

## **10. SCHOLARSHIPS**

The additional Klicka scholarship applicants NPHS agreed to award \$250 each to have been accepted at SDSU and University of Arizona. Checks will be sent to the respective schools.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be **THURSDAY** August 15, 2013 at 6:30 pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 3967 Park Boulevard, corner of Park Boulevard and Lincoln Avenue. Park in the lot behind the church, off of Lincoln Avenue, and enter through the back of the building. We will be on the second floor in the Chamber Room (next to the Fellowship Hall). There are stairs and an elevator. Be aware that construction along Park Boulevard may still be going on between University and Lincoln avenues.

# NORTH PARK CAR SHOW

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