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From The DIRECTOR'S DESK

By the time you read this message the contract between the City of San Jose and the architectural firm of Churchill & Zlatunich should be completed. This means that the museum staff and the architects will be working on the master plan for the museum complex at the south end of Kelley Park. The contract provides for a master plan of the complex and artist's renderings of what the completed museum town will look like. Completion date is July 1st; however, the architects assure us that the work will be completed prior to that date. For more information about the master plan, attend the April 3rd Association Meeting and meet the architects and join us in a discussion of what the plan entails. Your comments and suggestions will be welcome.

Attendance is going up slowly but surely. We are now averaging over 1,000 visitors a month. A new admittance fee schedule for the museum was approved by the City Council and should help improve attendance. For your information, here is the schedule:

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Children up to 8 yearsFree
Youths 8 to 17 years\$ 10
Adults 18 to 64 years\$.25
Family Rate\$.50
Annual Pass Per Person\$1.00
Seniors 65 and overFree
Pre-arranged GroupsFree

I am happy to report that at our last docent training class, we had six participants to bring our total docent group to an even dozen All we need is about 12 to 15 more and we will be in excellent shape to meet our burgeoning school visitation program.

That's about all for now - hope to see all of you at our St. Patrick's Day Party on March 17th.

John B. Dowty Museum Director



You are invited to participate

Membership Choices

FAMILY

\$15.00 a year

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\$ 5.00 a year

INDIVIDUAL

\$10.00 a year

CONTRIBUTING

\$50.00 a year

Newsletter only (Non-members)

\$ 1.00 a year

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Enclosed is my check for \$_______, entitling me to all membership privileges in the San Jose Historical Museum Association. Make checks payable to San Jose Historical Museum Association. Memberships are deductible within legal limits for tax purposes.

We would enjoy hearing your ideas and suggestions for improving our newsletter. Please let us hear from you. Address all correspondence to the Museum.



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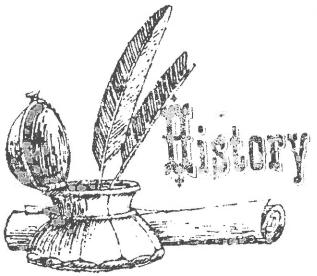
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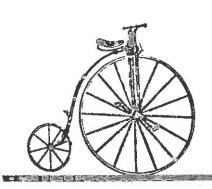
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Bicyling was a craze here in the GAY NINETIES. I Ladies Cycling Club was organized in 1893. The Garden City Wheelman and the San Jose Road Club held many speed and endurance records, some that still stand today! These energetic club-claimed wer a thousand bicycle enthusiasts. Nearly 28 local bike shops and agencies were around to care for the needs of this popular and active sport.

Early Orchardists made money - Mayor Thomas Fallon 1857 - received \$800 for a crop from 15 pear trees all in just a 20 foot square in the back of his home at San Pedro and San Augustine W.St. John: This once elegant home is still standing.





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NOTES FROM THE BOARD

Our Historical Museum complex has now developed to the point where there is great opportunity for all interested citizens to participate.

The Museum Association has been formed to provide the means of participating. At our recent general meeting, new committees were established for the purpose of taking action to further the programs of the museum in a variety of fields.

We invite you to join with us - to lend your special talents - to be a part of building this commemoration of our colorful history. Fill out the participation sheet included in this newsletter and return it to the museum. Our combined efforts are sure to result in the development of a fine museum.

Sylvia de Benedetti President Pro tem



HISTORICAL PUSEUM PARTY

"Parties make the world-go-round." "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." Therefore, we are having a St. Patrick's Day Party next month on March 17th at the Museum. You will all shortly receive invitations in the mail. This will be a fun party, we want you all to come in old time clothes.

Any kind of costume will do - we'll have champagne and good conversation - you can dance to the music of our Mickey Finn piano if you're so inclined. This is a chance for all of us to get together informally and enjoy our Association and each other's company. You all come!

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

As work progresses on the Replica Parkway and houses of the Warburton and Umbarger families, the need for assistance from Association members and interested members of the community becomes apparent. types of participation will be needed and we are appealing to you to help on one or more of the committees now forming. Some of our volunteers prefer to come in at the convenience, others prefer a set day and time. We need your help - no previous knowledge or experience is needed - just a willingness to participate in the building of a fine museum for our city.

Please check one or more committees and send your answers and any questions to Mr. John B. Dowty, Museum Director. Mrs. Marvin Bamburg will arrange an orientaion and Mr. Dowty will make himself available to assist your committee's direction when needed. You may call Mr. Dowty at 287-2290 and Mrs. Bamburg at 264-8199.

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Meeting day or time preferred:
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PLEASE CALL MUSEUM AND LEAVE YOUR NAME AND

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