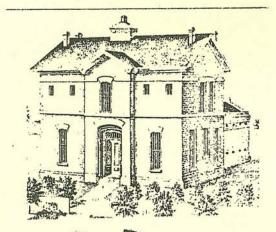
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# SHERIFF'S COMING MARCH 17th

Our upcoming meeting at Doelger Center, 7:30 pm, March 17th, falls on St. Patrick's Day...so wear something green, and maybe we'll sing an Irish song or two. Featured speaker for the evening will be Lt. Don Horsley, of the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office. He will trace the history of the organization from its creation under the famous Consolidation Act of 1856, with a title of THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, WHAT IT USED TO BE.





The original county jail, authorized in 1858, with \$3,000 procured for the job.

Lt. Don Horsley, our speaker, is liaison to a new 50 million dollar jail!

Lt. Horsley grew up in Daly City, attending Colma Intermediate and Westmoor High. He graduated from SF State and joined the Daly City P.D. in 1966. After three years on the force he received a teaching credential and was a DC classroom teacher, briefly, moving to the Pacifica PD, and in 1972 went to the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 1984 and has had extensive experience in virtually all aspects of Sheriff's Office work. His current project is with the \$50 million Maguire Expansion Jail Project, a 556-bed facility for pre-trial prisoners, due for finishing in April, 1994, and on schedule.

#### POETRY CONTEST WINNERS

Two members of our Guild, Olga Tourkoff and Elsie Martin won 1st and 2nd prizes in the Poetry Guild's annual contest last February 9th, in ceremonies at the Serramonte Library.

The Guild sponsored a new category in the contest, for poems about Daly City or Colma, and entered by residents of the communities.

Member and long-time resident Bianca Caserza headed the judging, and presented the awards. The poems will be read as part of our March 17th meeting at Doelger Center.

Mayor Al Teglia and Councilwoman Jane Powell presented the other awards for the Poetry Guild contest, headed by chairperson Ruth Hoppin. Congrats to our two winners, and we look forward their sharing on March 17th.

# GREAT TIME AT COLMA TOWN HALL

We had a keen time at the llth birthday party of the Guild last January 24th at Colma Town Hall. Attendees filled all 100 chairs (50 borrowed from Daly City...merci beaucoup) to hear member and Colma Councilman Ted Kirschner greet the assemblage on behalf of the Colma Township in its beautiful Council Chambers.

Three speakers, Neil Fahy, Bunny & Ken Gillespie, read excerpts from early newspapers, tidbits of news that brought us back to the sparsely-populated settlement of Colma, built near the r.r. station, the schoolhouse, the mission of St. Ann (later changed to Holy Angels Church). There were delicious refreshments and champagne to celebrate the event, with beautifully-decorated tables, under the guidance of Mary Hutchings, Marilyn Olcese, Bob and Enid Williams. Russ Brabec presided over the champagne table assisted by Walter Riney.

Goodies for the birthday party were contributed by Fran Bullard, Stella Smith, Fran Kelly, Esther Appleton, Doris Hill, Jean Gallagher. A beautiful sheet cake was brought by Mary Hutchings and Marilyn Olcese. Raffle tickets were sold by Walter Riney and Fran Bullard. Prizes were a an exquisite flower arrangement from Joyce Olcese, two \$20 Safeway Gift certificates from Cypress Lawn, and four books donated by Anne Ingersoll. It's through our fun raffles that the finances of the Guild remain healthy, plus the prompt payment of our modest dues. Many thanks to all who attended.

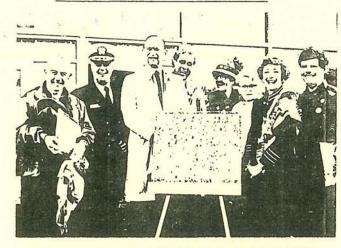
#### THANK YOU, LEROY and AIDA

After six years of most dedicated, comprehensive service as the Guild's computer expert, LeRoy Larsen has turned over the know-how of our address program to Richard Babow, who will be turning out our address labels and membership lists.

LeRoy and Aida have been members from the very inception of the Guild, and their faithful, prompt, accurate and most willing compilations have been the backbone of our communication activity. It has been a wonderful contribution. Safe to say, we would not be in the most productive status that we enjoy currently, were it not for the Larsens. And now, to Richard, we extend the hands of gratitude for his new program with the Guild.

Putting out the bulletin is a labor of love and necessity. It takes the best part of two days to write and put onto the boards for printing. Then, it goes to printing, done with great expertise by Al Gee of our City's Central Services, at City, competitive rates. When the labels and the finished bulletins are ready, we have a folding party, at the Gillespies or the Babows, put on the labels by zip code, package and get them to the post office the same day. We send them out about 15 days before the meetings.

#### BLIMP PLAQUE DEDICATION



At the War Memorial Building were: Ken Gillespie, Capt. Dodds, Quentin Kopp, Mayor Al Teglia, Camper Geno Fambrini, Councilwoman Jane Powell, Supervisor Mary Griffin, Clamper Humbug Bruce Shelton

The plaque dedication to the missing two crewmen of the U.S. Navy blimp L-8, Daly City's own UNSOLVED MYSTERY, was held on the ramp of the War Memorial Building on a beautiful Saturday morning January 9, 1993.

Sponsored jointly by the Guild and the Emperor Norton Brigade of the Yerba Buena Chapter #1, E Clampus Vitus, the plaque dedication attracted a crowd of about 250, mostly Clampers, and a host of dignitaries.

From a podium on the outside ramp, Ken Gillespie introduced Sec'y/Program Chair Bunny Gillespie to present two beautiful plaques commemorating the occasion from Congressman Tom Lantos. One was for the Guild, the other for the Clampers.

In-person remarks were heard from State Senator Quentin Kopp, Supervisor Mary Griffin, and Treasure Island Chief of Staff, Captain Victor Dodds.

Assemblywoman Jackie Speier sent a letter of congratulation, and Daly City Mayor Al Teglia received the plaque on behalf of the City. He then turned the plaque over to Carol Klatt, from the Rec and Parks Commission. The plaque will be installed on a wall in the entrance hall. Councilwoman Jane Powell, Treasurer Tony Zidich and City Clerk Lorraine D'Elia were also present. Bruce Shelton, Grand Noble Humbug of the Yerba Buena Chapter #1, introduced a number of visiting Clamper dignitaries. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, the Slippery Gulch Clamper band struck up "Anchors Aweigh!"

# GCODIES FOR YOU

The following lovely folks have agreed to bring goodies for the March 17th meeting. We thank you for your generous contributions:

> Ted Kirschner Johanna Marinc Dorothy Orton Anne Ingersoll Eda Giusti Russ Brabec

Mary Hutchings will phone you before the meeting as a reminder.

#### MINI-MUSEUM GOIN' FINE!

The Mini-Museum operation continues in fine fashion, from 1-2:30 pm each Tuesday afternoon. A steady attendance is greeted by our volunteers, who are there to open the museum, set out the signs at the top of the Serramonte Library stairs, turn on the display cabinet lights.

Items on display are well-labeled, and the three time-periods that are featured contain materials relative to their era. Almost every visitor has knowledge of some phase of our history, and most interesting conversational gambits are realized.

Many of the visitors to the Mini-Museum have been guided by the notices in the **PINK SECTION** of the Chronicle. We really appreciate their listing, as reproduced below.

# EXHIBITS AND HISTORIC SITES

DALY CITY/COLMA HISTORY MINI-MUSEUM — Vintage photos, documents, maps and memorabila trace area Daly City and Colma history from the 1880's until now. On view Tuesday, 1-2:30 p.m. Serramonte Library, 40 Wembley Drive, Daly City, 755-5123. Our Jan./Feb. greeters were Walter and Elaine Riney, Carolyn Damonte, Roz and Ted Babow, Jane Powell, Walter Schultz, Neil Fahy, Bob and Enid Williams, Audrey and Geno Fambrini, and the Gillespies. The 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hour stints go very guickly. If you would like to help, give Bunny Gillespie a call at 755-5123 It's really a lot of fun.

Cataloguing also continues at the Library collection, with faithful workers Collins Orton, Yolanda Hardiman, Jo Lyman, the Rineys and the Gillespies. Currently, 1950's volumes of the Westlake Times Shopping News are being explored for news items.

#### WELCOME ADDITIONS

Additions to the collection continue to be received, with gratitude:

> Al Teglia - Menu from a Vallemar restaurant, the High Iron, with a railroad theme, incl. a fine condensed history of the Ocean Shore R.R...also, a large photo of the 1982 storm damage control at the base of San Bruno Mtn., with Mayor Teglia and Councilman Kyriakis.

> Carolyn Fuchs Damonte - pictures re: house, farmworkers and business, + receipt book, letterhead of Superior Kraut Co., for Museum.

Matt Murray - Souvenir plate, 1917, with patriotic theme, from Milo's Market.

Johanna Marinc - Cardboard star touting Silvio Landini for election as Constable.

Warren Jensen - Costume worn by Kathy Jensen as a 1956 Westlake School May Queen, with glossy pic, newspaper story, tiara and trophy.

Valerie Barsotti Tribou - Three pix from old Jefferson School, with the former Colma resident and relatives sent down from Oregon, wishing for Colma fog instead of snow!

# ELECTIONS UPCOMING IN MAY

Members are reminded that elections are due at our May 19th meeting. All offices are up for election, President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Directors. Chair of the Nominating Committee is Jane Powell, who will be pleased to receive nominations for any offices at 992-2757.

# NEWS OF DUES

Dues for 1993 continue to come in, and we thank each member for interest and financial support. Those who have signed up at various functions, such as Westlake Festival of the Arts, Gateway Festival, Victorian Days in the Park, are sent the bulletin through the start of the next fiscal year, in January.

Our dues are very modest, probably the lowest of any comparable organization. We list them below for your continuing information:

Senior/Students	\$2/year
Individual	\$4
Family	\$6
Patron	\$25 or more

We wish to thank our Patrons, and those many, many members who contribute more than their membership category calls for. It is through such thoughtfulness that we have been able to make such strides in the Guild recently, such as opening the Mini-Museum with brand new showcases, which cost nearly \$2,000 with the accessory supplies for display, and for our half the Mystery Blimp plaque, dedicated in January at the War Memorial Building.

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