

## Journal of the History Guild of Daly City/Colma

### Hillside Homeowners' History Panel Upcoming

Representatives of the **Hillside Homeowners Association** will present a program on the history of their organization at our next History Evening, Wednesday, September 17, 7:30 p.m., at Doelger Center's multi-use room.

At this writing, slated to speak are **HHA** officials **Richard Rocchetta** and **Eve Aiello**, who both just happen to be members of the Guild. They are long-time activists for the betterment of quality of life in their area, and throughout Daly City, and we are looking forward to their presentation. As always, input from members of the audience will be welcomed at the conclusion of their remarks.

On display will be treasured mementos of the **HHA**, whose history dates from 1956. That's a nice long time to keep an organization going, so it must be doing a lot of things correctly! You are invited to bring along items for display that relate to the topic of the evening....and take them home after refreshment time. Okay??

### A Date to Remember

**Betsy Bogel**, chairperson for the **History Buffs of the San Mateo County Historical Assn.**, has asked our Guild to host their Sunday, Oct. 18, 2 p.m. program of historical interest. **Betsy** has requested a re-enactment of the **Broderick-Terry Duel** of Sept. 13, 1859.

The HG board voted to provide light refreshments after the re-enactment in **Duel Site Park**, located near Cliffside Drive & El Portal,

THE HISTORY GUILD of DALY CITY/COLMA  
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# HISTORY EVENING!



Wed Sept., 17, 2003, at 7:30 pm



"Hillside Homeowners' Panel"

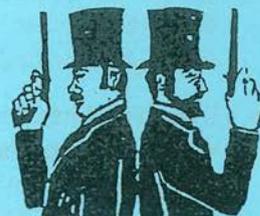
Doelger Center Multi-Purpose Room  
101 Lake Merced Blvd., Daly City

**ADMISSION FREE!**

For Guild Information, phone (650) 755-5123

It is suggested that you bring folding chairs, or something to sit on. Our erudite friend, Dr. Bot Chandler of the Wells Fargo History Museum, will do the program. The event is free, of course.

## BRODERICK-TERRY DUEL



## CITY HALL STORE NOW IN ROTUNDA

As the overline implies, there is now an opportunity to purchase Daly City items in the City Hall. The Guild was **happy** to help stock the little facility with some of the temptations that we offer at the Mini-Museum, street festivals, and at our meetings, now and then. Our thanks to **City Manager John Martin** for asking the Guild to participate. A **Tattler** spy tells us that the CH display "looks good." Check it out.

### The Collection Grows

The Guild's archival and nostalgic collection of locally related items has been enriched by recent contributions from the following :

- **Frank Franceschini** photos of DC businesses, construction, etc. (These are now sorted by subject matter, thanks to **MMV Lynne Tondorf**.)
- **Russ Brabec**: photos of DC/C locations appearing in major Hollywood movies (*now in Main Floor showcase display at Serramonte Library through October*); pix of possible 1906 Earthquake House; comprehensive list of DC/C street name changes and vacated streets; vintage newspaper clippings; DC Employee Handbooks; 1995 Dave Rowe Retirement dinner program; printout of 1865 West End Homestead Assn. (1<sup>st</sup> DC/C area subdivision) map.
- **Stella & Al Ottoboni**, via **Marilyn Olcese**: three Bank of Italy, Colma Branch, checks written by B. Ottoboni and endorsed by local merchants. 1929 to Andrew Vireno, grocer; 1930 to A.L. Stockton Lumber Co., and 1930 to D. Arata. for truck repair.
- **Lynn Tondorf**: Photo of "Mother" **Minerva Hartman's** grave at Olivet Cemetery and copy of Interment Record dated March 30, 1937.

- **Marie Loretta/Richard and Michael Rocchetta**: 2003 COHRA installation program, vintage postcard of Mission Bell Motel and matchbooks re Westlake Town & County Center and Joe's.
- **Walter Riney**: photos re 5/03 Guild program about original DC Lions Club.
- **Mystery Person**: 1988 & 1989-91 Our Lady of Mercy parish directories. Left at library desk.
- **Al Belotz**: 1954 photo of Westlake Business and Professional Assn. lunch with **Henry Doelger** (some IDs needed); two 1976 pix re DC's BiCentennial

Parade, for which Al was chairman; photo of Al with **Frank Paccelli**, re 1986 Anniversary dinner gala, with signed note from then-Mayor **Tony Giammona**.

- **Mark Weinberger**: 2003 DC School Safety Patrol celebration program.

### HG Memorial Book Lists Donors/Honorees

*Monetary Memorials honoring loved ones may be sent to the History Guild Memorial Fund, 40 Wembley Dr., DC. 94015. The fund is earmarked for the benefit of a proper Daly City/Colma History Museum. Donors and honorees are recorded in our beautiful Memorial Book, which may be viewed on request at the Mini-Museum.*

## GATEWAY FESTIVAL CANCELLED

Our thanks to those of you that signed up to help at the Gateway Festival, scheduled for Sept. 13 & 14, just before our next meeting. It has been cancelled. Westlake Shopping Center's makeover is the reason. You're "off the hook" **Elsa, Max, Marilyn, Dana, and Elinor**.



## Election at May 21 Meeting

**Betty Schultz**, ongoing chair of the HG's nominating committee, again searched for members eager to serve with the HG Board. Nominations, elections, and installations were May 21 with our lovely/ charming HG Member/City Clerk **Helen Flowerday** again doing the honors of installation. We thank her for favoring The Guild with her participation and encouragement over the years.

**Dana Smith** was elected to fill the director seat vacated due to personal health reasons by **Diane Pitto**.

Welcome **Dana!** We look forward to your talent and energy on the Board. Countless thanks to **Diane**, who assures us that she will continue to take an active role in the Guild. Both **Diane** and her handsome husband, **Lou**, are most appreciated.

Special thanks, also, to **Betty**, whose annual task is not an easy one, but carries on bravely. Next year, perhaps YOU would care to volunteer to be on the HG Board.

## Tasty Treats At September Meeting

Those who signed up at the May meeting to bring munchies (4 dozen or so, please) are **Alice Brockman, Joe Rinaldi, Angela Uccelli, Judith Christensen, and Dana Smith**. As always, those who would like to add to the treat table are also appreciated. Thanx in advance to all. **Mary Hutchings** will phone with a gentle reminder a few days before the Sept. 17 meeting.

## Victorian Day DID Happen

Again this year, on Sunday, Aug. 24, your Guild had a small display at the San Mateo County Historical Assn. "Victorian Day" at their new quarters in the old Redwood City Court House. Guild vice-president **Mark Weinberger** chaired our part of the event, with the help of directors **Marilyn Olcese, Dana Smith**, and a couple of **Gillespies**. Those who'd volunteered to help at Gateway Festival were also invited.

## Notes From Here And There

**Lincoln Park Community Center**, 901 Brunswick St. in the Crocker Tract, has been updated and given a new look. Dedication of the facility was Aug. 23. In another lifetime, we remember the area as "the new playground at Acton and Brunswick streets." Later it was called Acton Park, and eventually Lincoln Park. Use as a playground dates from the late 1930s.

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**John Donald Daly** was remembered fondly when **Colma Historical Association** hosted a walk thru Woodlawn Cemetery as a pre-event EVENT in prelude to Victorian Day.

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**Robert S. Thornton** is to be honored with the installation of six historical and informational panels to be placed in the near (hopefully) future at a coastal overview of **Thornton Beach** and the **Pacific Ocean**. Watch for development of a designated parking and walking area at the west end of **John Daly Boulevard**. It's a Parks & Recreation Dept. project.

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Sadly, we must report the passing of **Evelyn Smith**, the widow of **Hugh H. Smith Jr.**, one of the Guild's long-time members. **Hugh** was a **DC Councilman** until called to the service during WWII. His father, "HH", was **DC Mayor** from 1918-1936.

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**The SF Earthquake of 1906:**  
**Lessons in Leadership**

A fine crowd was on hand in May to hear the Guild's former vice-president, **Neil Fahy**, as he spoke on the title listed above. **Neil** illustrated his talk with excellent photo slides and gave all of us a new appreciation for his remarkable knowledge as well as new appreciation for the turmoil of 1906.

As we write, **Neil** is off on the high seas again, traveling as an enrichment lecturer with the Crystal line aboard the good ship **Harmony** as it makes seasonal visits to ports of the Inside Passage in Alaska. The Guild is fortunate to have had **Neil** as our speaker. We wish him **Bon Voyage!**

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Yes, I (we) would like to join the  
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**YEARLY DUES** (renewed each January)

Senior/Student	\$4.00
Individual	\$6.00
Family	\$9.00
Patron/Business	\$26.00 (or more)

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