

Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation August 2011

A N N U A L R E P O R T

I am looking forward to chairing the Foundation this coming year although, I must admit, Susan Perry is a hard act to follow!

My primary goal is to keep up the momentum and enthusiasm for the !Access for All! Campaign. Continuing our momentum means that we raise enough money to begin renovations in late 2012. We have a very talented board this year and I'm sure they will work hard to achieve this goal.

Thank you to all of you who have worked to get us this far! I'm looking forward to a wonderful 2011-2012!

Joyce Hlava

Chair

Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation

Miles Rankin Gift Provides for Patio Garden Renovation

"We are so grateful to Miles Rankin. Without his generosity we would not be implementing our patio garden renovation," agree Mary Ann Henderson, Foothill Club President and Joyce Hlava, Chair, Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation. Miles Rankin is a long time resident of Saratoga, member of the Saratoga Men's Club, and well-known realtor in the community. Marty Clevenger recalled the many conversations she and her friends had with Miles in Saratoga's village during her announcement of Miles' gift to the members of the Foothill Club. "Miles only asks for a special bench and favorite poem to commemorate his gift," added Marty.



"The garden's design reflects Julia Morgan and the Arts and Crafts period of the clubhouse: small pebbled aggregate with brick borders and tile accents in a Moonlight Garden of variegated green plants with white flowers," comments Sarah Lovgren and Dianna Espinosa, co chairs of the club's Projects and Restoration committee. Two areas provide wheelchair access to the clubhouse, a ramp by the side door near the street, and a gentle slope at the end of the garden's pergola. "Stonelight Tile in San Jose, who has original molds and designs by Julia Morgan, created our tiles based on the quatrefoil designs on the entrance doors of the clubhouse." Evergreen Landscaping begins work October 3 and plans to finish in early November. The clubhouse will be in use during the renovation.

!Access for All! 2011 - 2012 SFCHLF Fundraising Focus

"In one year we have raised close to one-third of the funds we need for !Access for All!, our restroom renovation and building access project," announced Susan Perry, Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation's outgoing chair, at the July Foundation Board Meeting. "The overwhelming enthusiasm and support has been phenomenal!" Incoming chair Joyce Hlava adds, "We hope to begin renovation the end of 2012. The cost of construction rises every year, so we know that the !Access for All! project cost will be less the sooner we raise the money, finalize our plans, and go out to bid. Also, the Club's plumbing bills are now quite high, and this will only be solved by a new plumbing system."



Masters of Venice: Renaissance Paintings of Passion and Power 2012 Fran Rushing Lecture Series

Fran Rushing, noted Art Historian, presents "Masters of Venice: Renaissance Paintings of Passion and Power, January 11 and 25, and February 8 and 22, Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. The lecture series provides enhanced appreciation of the October 29, 2011 - February 12, 2012 exhibit at the deYoung Museum, a worldwide exclusive presentation

of 50 paintings by sixteenth-century Venetian painters Titian, Giorgione, Veronese, Tintoretto, Mantegna, and more, representing the range of Venetian accomplishment in Renaissance-era painting.

Fran is a dynamic speaker, a talented photographer and a world traveler. She quotes travel writer Rick Steves, "Travel is intensified living." Art has been the focus of Fran's travels throughout the world. The study of the art of the past and how it has inspired the artists who came after has been the goal of her professional career. Fran has taught art history and humanities at De Anza College, San Jose State University, the San Jose Museum of Art and Evergeen Valley College. Fran also lectures at the Institute for the Study of Western Civilization.

Fran's very successful 2011 Art Lecture Series consisted of four lectures and explored the innovative art of the Post Impressionist painters (Van Gogh, Cezanne, Gauguin, Seurat and Toulouse-Lautrec) and traced how their ideas led to the myriad artistic styles of the early 20th century. Since its inception in 2009, the lecture series has raised more than \$8,000 for the Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation.

From Former Chair Susan Perry

It is hard to believe we only started the !Access for All! Campaign less than a year ago. The overwhelming enthusiasm and support has been phenomenal. In one year we have raised close to one-third of the funds we need to do our restroom renovation. I want to thank each and every one that has personally worked on this champagne and those who have generously donated to this worthwhile cause.

Our greatest challenge now is to keep the enthusiastic momentum going until all of the necessary funds are raised. I also want to acknowledge the generous gift given to the Foundation from Miles Rankin for our exterior access and patio renovation. That project would have been postponed for several years without his wonderful donation. It is the dedication of our Foundation Board, club members and generous donors that has made for such a successful and rewarding year. I thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

Susan Perry

Foundation Chair 2010 - 2011

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As of July 1, 2011 the Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation (the Foundation) has raised \$135,000 of the fundraising goal of \$350,000. The Saratoga Foothill Club Board approved a multi-year fundraising campaign to improve access to our Clubhouse in 2010. This project includes improvements to entrances, remodel of restrooms, replacement of plumbing, and repairs to the foundation near the entrance to the building. In August 2011, the Club Board selected Anderson-Brule Architects who provided conceptual plans and estimated costs for fundraising purposes for the !Access for All! project in October 2010.

Because of the very generous donation by Miles Rankin, the club will renovate the patio garden in the fall of 2011. The renovation includes two wheelchair-accessible entrances to the building from the garden and the street curb funded from monies raised for !Access for All! .

Dianna Espinosa and Sarah Lovgren, co chairs of the clubs Projects and Restoration Committee add, "Installing accessible entrances, renovating the restrooms and the patio garden are such gifts to our community! All who use

a cane, crutches, a walker, or a wheelchair will welcome the new entrances and restrooms and more people will be interested in renting the clubhouse. Once we complete our access for all project, we can truly be the community's gathering place."

We encourage you to make a donation today to the Foundation to support the preservation of the Foothill Clubhouse.

An envelope is enclosed for your convenience.