



THE HERITAGE SOCIETY OF PACIFIC GROVE NEWSLETTER

Maintaining the Heritage and Individuality of Pacific Grove

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UPCOMING EVENTS

THE MAGIC CARPET MAN

A LECTURE ABOUT PERKINS PARK

Speaker: David Laws
Sunday, October 6, 2019
2:00 p.m. at Chautauqua Hall,
Pacific Grove

ONGOING EVENTS

VISIT THE HERITAGE SOCIETY'S MUSEUM AT KETCHAM'S BARN

Saturdays, 1-4 pm
605 Laurel Ave.
Pacific Grove

TOUR POINT PINOS LIGHTHOUSE

Thurs.- Mon. 1-4 pm
80 Asilomar Blvd,
Pacific Grove

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The Heritage House Awards Ceremony

The annual Heritage House Awards ceremony was held on Sunday, May 5, at Chautauqua Hall in Pacific Grove. Heritage Society judges looked at each of the dozen nominees and selected six to receive awards. (see photos below) Contractors, architects and designers, as well as home owners, each spoke about their homes, and an appreciative audience enjoyed the afternoon.

The Beautiful Homes Below Were Honored in 2019



516 LOBOS AVENUE RECEIVED A BRONZE AWARD IN THE PRESERVATION CATEGORY.



926 RUTH COURT RECEIVED A BRONZE AWARD IN THE REMODEL/ADDITION CATEGORY.

The Heritage Society of Pacific Grove is a nonprofit organization formed in 1975 to foster an appreciation of the city's historical and architectural resources through preservation activities and public education. The Heritage Society also works to encourage the preservation and restoration of the buildings that contribute to the beauty and unique character of Pacific Grove.



122 17TH STREET A CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION IN THE PRESERVATION CATEGORY.



124A 17TH STREET RECEIVED A CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION IN THE PRESERVATION CATEGORY.



1269 SURF AVENUE RECEIVED A CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION IN THE NEW CONSTRUCTION CATEGORY.

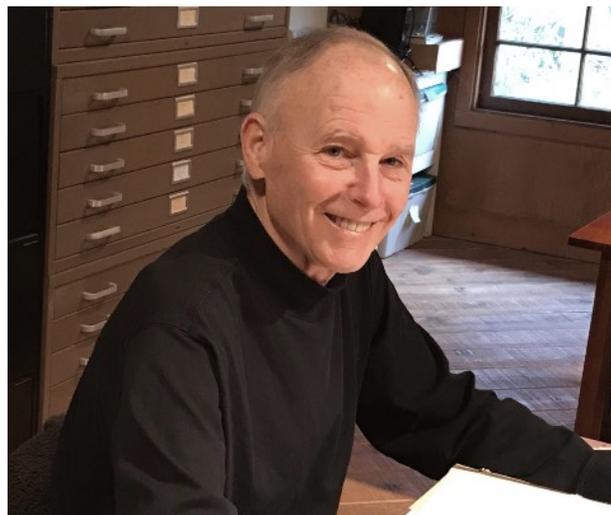


312 19TH STREET RECEIVED A CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION IN THE REMODEL/ADDITION CATEGORY.

Spotlight on

This is the first of a series of articles about the Heritage Society Board Members. To begin, we will be featuring our current President, Steve Honegger.

Steve grew up in the farming community of Oakley on the Sacramento Delta and enjoyed playing sports for the local high school teams. After graduation, he entered the University of California at Santa Barbara. While there, he played on the rugby team and met his future wife, Margie. They have two children and four grandchildren, all who live in this area.



Upon graduating from UCSB Steve entered the United States Army and was promoted to the rank of 1st Lieutenant. After his stint serving his country, he moved to the Monterey area and began working as a carpenter with his uncle. He soon obtained his own General Contractor's license. Steve and his crew specialized in working on historic buildings, many adorned with our green plaques.

In addition to being a general contractor, Steve volunteered his time to serve on various PG boards and commissions. He was a member of the

Planning Commission, the ARB, and was president of the Museum Board where he also worked in the gift shop. In 1992 he was elected to the City Council where he served for eight years. He also served as a building inspector for the City of PG and continues today to be in charge of the rehab housing loan program.

Steve joined the Heritage Society in 1977 and has always been an extremely active member and an outspoken advocate for the preservation of our historic homes. He served as President of the Board from 2009 until 2014 and recently agreed to again serve as President.

He also works weekly, along with a dedicated group of volunteers, to restore the Pt. Pinos Lighthouse to its original glory, a project that is ongoing.

The Society is extremely lucky to have a President who is so involved in our furthering the core values of the

Lighthouse Update



POINT PINOS LIGHTHOUSE

A recent article in our local newspaper gave the impression that the Heritage Society Restoration Crew has finished all the major projects at the Lighthouse and has been relegated to “maintenance” work. Partly true, but only to the extent that many decisions have to be made before we embark on any major project. So we occupy our time fulfilling our commitment to restore the area outside of our oval fence with native plants.

- For the past several months we have been discussing the proper and best way to rehab the lantern room that sits atop the tower and houses the Fresnel lens. This will be our second try following the attempts by those before us. It is a difficult and very expensive task. Lowell Northrop, Ken Hinshaw, and recently recruited Ray Byrne are doing extensive preliminary work and will probably bring in some professionals to assist. Our bay may be beautiful but it wreaks havoc on the all metal lantern room constantly pounding it with salt air and water. This combined with ongoing electrolysis eats away at the walkway and cast iron panels that protect the lens. Some new materials look promising and may give the room the protection we are looking for.
- Look for a major change at the Lighthouse when the dome roof that sits on the lantern room is painted red. That dome has gone through many iterations thru the years from black to red to natural copper. The red paint will not only add to the beauty of the Lighthouse, but it will also protect the dome from further damage.
- Public works has installed a new irrigation system on the Lighthouse grounds. It will be fed by non-potable water from the reclamation plant that was completed in recent years and approved by various State agencies. New grass will be planted in the coming weeks. The lighthouse will sparkle with that addition of a beautiful lawn.
- A \$5.00 entry fee was approved by City Council effective July 1st. This replaces the traditional requested entry donation. New fees are \$5.00 adults, \$2.00 for young adults 12 thru 17 and young children a still free.

by Dennis Tarmina, Committee Chair

NOTICE TO ALL UNPAID MEMBERS:

Recently the Heritage Society sent out a renewal letter to those members who are not up-to-date. When you receive this newsletter, please take a minute to send us a check so you can continue to receive future newsletters and other information from the Society. Otherwise, you will no longer receive any information from us. We would hate to lose you as a member, so please send in your checks. Thank you.

DID YOU KNOW? We're always searching for volunteers. Your area of skill or interest might address an unserved need. Stop by Ketcham's Barn on Saturdays from 1:00 to 4:00 pm or visit us online at www.pacificgroveheritage.org for more information.

MEMBERSHIP

Please consider supporting The Heritage Society's preservation and public education activities by becoming a member. Membership with The Heritage Society offers free admission to all lecture series events, discounted prices on some Heritage Society produced materials and mailed newsletters.

To become a member, sign up online with a credit card or Paypal at www.pacificgroveheritage.org. Or send a check payable to '

The Heritage Society of Pacific Grove'

P.O. Box 1007, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

INDIVIDUAL \$20, FAMILY \$35, SENIOR (OVER 65) \$15



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DID YOU KNOW?

The Barn at Laurel and 17th in Pacific Grove, fondly known as "Ketcham's Barn," was built in 1891 by H. C. Ketcham who used it to house animals. The Barn is open to the public from 1:00 to 4:00 pm every Saturday and by appointment.

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