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Winter 2011

# SAVE THE DATE!

# 2011 Preservation Month Awards Celebration!



The Woman's Club of Palo Alto
475 Homer Avenue
Sunday, May 22, 2011
1 p.m.

# **Inge Horton**

author of the new book

Early Women Architects of the San Francisco Bay Area— The Lives and Work of Fifty Professionals, 1890-1951

will give a talk on

"Julia Morgan's Cohorts"

We'll also distribute **centennial plaques** to houses that have their hundredth birthday this year, as well as present our annual **Preservation Awards**.

Refreshments will be served.

## President's Letter

Dear PAST Members,

Welcome to 2011 and Happy New Year! I would like to start by thanking all of our members, volunteers and especially our dedicated board members for making the 2010 Holiday House Tour a wild success. Of course, this tour wouldn't be possible without the generosity of the homeowners of each of the six homes that we were treated to—thank you so very much! I trust that those of you who attended had a great time. As you know, the HHT is our biggest event of the year and serves as our primary fundraiser—here are a few figures from this years tour that I'd like to share with you:

Total attendance of over 450 guests

Total of 65 docents

Total raised of over \$5,000

The year of 2010 was a great success for PAST and 2011 is already starting with a bang. The PAST board is very busy already planning for **Preservation Month** in May. Our annual Centennial Home plagues and Design Awards event will be held on Sunday, May 22nd this year at the Woman's Club of Palo Alto—all are welcome to attend, so please save the date! We are already assembling a committee to start planning for this year's HHT and we are continuing our preservation efforts on various fronts. We are working on establishing an historic covenant/easement program that will offer property owners in Palo Alto who wish to protect and preserve their properties a way to do so effectively and efficiently. The preservation of the Juana

Briones property remains one of our top priorities.

Just this past week, the California State

Supreme Court depict

Supreme Court denied the petition for review and thus ends the legal battle that began in

2007. This means that the

City can re-issue the demolition permit as early as next week. In the mean time we are pursuing efforts, in conjunction with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, to put together a purchase offer to the owners. We are currently awaiting a response from the owners about their willingness to sell the property to us before any demolition takes place. As you may expect, fundraising is the biggest hurdle in this effort, but with diligence, we remain optimistic and we will continue the fight to the end.

Thank you again for all your support over the years! \*

Sincerely,

Scott Smithwick, AIA President

president@pastheritage.org

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Holiday House Tour

The December 12<sup>th</sup> tour of Professorville, Palo Alto's first National Register District, was a rousing success! Close to 500 people enjoyed walking through six wonderful homes, and thankfully rain was a no-show for the day, making it easy for tour-goers to appreciate the rest of the neighborhood as they strolled along.

Our deepest thanks go to the owners of this year's tour homes:

Janet Dafoe and Ron Davis
Christopher and Jane Manning
Joyce McClure and Andy Hertzfeld
Tim and Kathy O'Leary
Jerry and Sandy Peters
Shulamith Rubinfien

Their generosity in opening up their homes enables PAST to continue to pursue its mission of advocating for the preservation of the historic architecture, neighborhoods, and character of the greater Palo Alto-Stanford area, both in the moment and moving forward.\*\*



501 Kingsley Avenue



1005 Bryant Street







327 Addison Avenue





433 Kingsley Avenue





1345 Cowper Street





1021 Ramona Street



# Have you visited pastheritage.org lately?

There, in addition to the text from the brochures for each tour, you can find color photos from many of the Holiday House Tours, including the most recent one.

You will also find links to pertinent articles from the local press about issues that concern PAST and information on videos you can borrow from the Main Library. E-mail links on every page make it easy for you to send us comments and suggestions—we love them!#

Carolyn George, Webmaster







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## Welcome New and Returning Members

Our membership this year is nearly 300 strong, and we appreciate every one of you! We look forward to seeing you at our Preservation Week event in May, and hope you'll participate this year in one of our many special projects.

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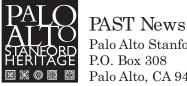
Sunday, April 3, 2 p.m.—Ric Ambrose, Executive Director, "The Pacific Art League at 50",. Palo Alto Historical Association. Lucie Stern Community Center, 1305 Middlefield.

Sunday, May 1, 2 p.m.—David Freyberg, Stanford Professor of Civil Engineering, "Water at Stanford". Palo Alto Historical Association. Lucie Stern Community Center, 1305 Middlefield.

Sunday, May 1, 2 p.m.—Stanford Historical Society Home and Garden Tour, Save the date

for this annual event!

Sunday, May 22, 1 p.m.—PAST Celebrates Preservation Month: Inge Horton, "Julia Morgan's Cohorts", distribution of preservation awards and centennial plaques., The Woman's Club of Palo Alto, 475 Homer Avenue.



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