

PARADISE PARK MASONIC CLUB

BULLETIN BOARD

NOVEMBER 2005

Frankly Speaking

What a joy I had driving into the park this last weekend (Oct. 15th and 16th) and enjoying the fall season. The midnight rain only added to the beauty in the morning when I went to our Monthly meeting in the Social Hall. The freshness in the air was intoxicating. For those who did not attend, I feel that the meeting (bias noted by all) went well; we covered the issues before the Park, and addressed immediately those issues that needed our attention.

One of the items included in the bulletin is a copy of the updated committee roster. I am pleased to mention that we have over 24 changes in committee assignments due to the commitment and volunteerism of so many of you. I spoke with each of the individuals who were not elected to the board this last election and all but one of them accepted my invitation to become an active member of a committee. In addition we have reactivated the Long Range Planning committee under the direction of Pat McDonald. They will be incorporating the efforts of last year's committee that developed and professionalized the list of and life span of our park assets. This will assist this Board and future Boards in deciding the capital expenditures necessary to maintain our Park and insure its continuation as a recreational park and a year round home for many.

On a more somber note, I am personally disturbed that some of our members have gone directly to the Planning and Permits department with either allegations or accusations about fellow Masons and members of the Eastern Star. I would ask each of you to first notify any member of the Board or our Park manager if you feel there is a violation of any county Rule or Regulation, or a Park Rule or Regulation. We, as a Board, and our Park Manager, Bob Koger, are committed to addressing these issues within the Park and then, if necessary, we will make the necessary contacts with the proper authorities. When someone, or anyone, goes to an outside licensing board and files a false claim, we

are all diminished and demeaned in the eyes of the county and could possibly incur fines.

Finally, let me compliment each of you on the maintenance and care of your allotments. I walked the park and was impressed that so many of you have continued to improve your allotments with cleaning, paint, and personal attention. I am also impressed with the many new families who are joining our Masonic Club. They already seem to have the spirit of the Park in their hearts. Please welcome them as your new neighbors and share with them the special place we all have in common, Paradise Park Masonic Club.

Frank Haswell, President

Treasurer's Report

Our income exceeds the budgeted amount by \$45,765.00 the majority of this being 7 new members joining our Park. In October, we will have an additional \$20,000.00 in new membership fees to deposit. All funds from membership fees are deposited in a reserve account for capital improvements.

Several expense items are over budget through September. Office supplies have an expense item for permits for environmental qualifications.

Water, of course, is over budget through Sept. and will continue that way due to the 40% increase in rate per cubic feet. Next year's water budget will be adjusted accordingly. Security and safety is over budget with the purchase of two radios for our emergency teams. Part of this will be reimbursed by the Memorial Fund.

Maintenance for buildings is over budget and this is reflected by the tenting and extermination services of the office building at a charge of \$4,465.00. Recreational activities has a budget ceiling of \$3,000.00. Once we reach the \$3,000.00 amount, further recreational activity expenses will be paid by the Recreation Fund. All in all, things are looking very good. *Alan Melikan, Treasurer*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD

HOW RED TAGS AFFECT US ALL: Since PPMC is listed as one land parcel with the County, when one project is RED TAGGED, it not only stops work on that project, but it may stop work on all projects within Paradise Park. We may avoid red tags by checking with the County before we begin work (see below). Most red tags issued within PPMC are caused by a complaint called in by a neighbor; the Board would appreciate it if you have a complaint or concern regarding a neighbor's project that you ask our Manager to check it out. Should he determine that the project needs a permit, he will require that the work be stopped until a permit is obtained.

BUILDING PERMITS AND RED TAGS: In order to avoid being RED TAGGED, the County Building Department suggests that you ASK before you begin a project if a permit is required or not. You may call their information line, 454-2260, which is open Monday through Friday from 1 – 4 p.m. or ask at their information desk at 701 Ocean Street in Santa Cruz, 4th floor from 8:00 until 12:30 daily or at the Felton Permit Center, located at 6060 Graham Hill Road on Tuesday and Thursday from 1 until 4.

PPMC PUD: Paradise Park has a Planned Unit Development Permit from the County of Santa Cruz, which gives you variances for repairing/remodeling of existing non-conforming structures. When you go to The Building or Planning Department to get a permit for work to be done in PPMC, be sure to inform the clerk that you are from Paradise Park and that they should refer to the PUD #74-783 and the clarifying letter from John Deming dated June 17, 2004. Copies of these documents are available from the PPMC office.

WATER: Our Water bill has continued to be way above our budgeted amount. Last month we were 55% above budget. At this time we are already \$15,000 over budget on water alone. With the coming winter months we are also concerned about our gas and electricity bills and their affect on our budget. PLEASE be diligent about water use, in fact turn it off and only use exterior water when needed. With the fall season here, there is little or no need for exterior watering.

TAD'S: Your Board is considering increasing our TAD's to offset the increased utilities expenses. While this is not a change we want to make, we realize that it is necessary to keep up with spiraling costs for utilities, repair and replacement of capital items and extraordinary costs (such as the repair of the back gate) which have affected us this year. It has been several years since there has been any increases, what do you think? Let any of your board members know how you feel, we value your opinions.

LITIGATION: Litigation which has been ongoing against our PPMC continues. We (the board) have agreed to a mediation session to be held on November 14th. While mediation is voluntary, we trust that all parties will bring to the table the spirit that your board will bring. With a constructive approach, with an unemotional, rational and conciliatory approach there is an opportunity for the mediation process to be of value. Hold a good thought for everyone on the 14th.

PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS: The Proposed Bylaw Amendments were run for the last two months with five typographical errors. These errors are in Amendment to Article VII, Section 2. The errors in the first paragraph were in line, 8 and 9 respectively and are (1) effective was written as effctive (2) next was written as nexted, and (3) before was written as berore. The other errors were in the second paragraph on lines 2 and 3 and are (4) the was written as he and (5) will was written as wil. These errors will be corrected on the copy, which you will receive with your ballot at the next election.

The Board of Directors of Paradise Park Masonic Club

COMMITTEES APPOINTED FOR ONE YEAR AS OF JULY, 2005

Updated 10/23/05

President is Ex-Officio Member of all Committees

⇒ Indicates Chairperson

ASSESSMENT -- Ad Hoc

- ⇒ Malcolm Kirby 460-0544
- ◆ Pat Herzog 458-9841
- ◆ Ernie Nidick 426-91472 925/828-6993

BUDGET -- Standing

- ⇒ Diana Cook 426-8398
- ◆ Craig Little 423-7715
- ◆ Doug Hipsley 429-9341
- ◆ Vera Reinstein 925/447-2137
- ◆ Pat Herzog 458-9841

BUILDING -- Standing

- ⇒ Bill Hardwick 427-2054
- ◆ Stephen Kiel 425-0585

BYLAWS -- Standing

- ⇒ Bill Hardwick 427-2054
- ◆ Chuck Buchanan 471-2314
- ◆ Karoline Doberenz 423-8965, 425/254-0346
- ◆ Bob Morgan 421-9166, 408/265-9166
- ◆ Lois Murphy 457-1533, 415/591-1921
- ◆ Joanne Nelson 426-1505
- ◆ Bob Sand 457-1615, 650/589-6684

DAM -- Ad Hoc

- ⇒ Malcolm Kirby 460-0544
- ◆ Jean Allan 415//21-3801
- ◆ Kurt Diesner 408/738-3550
- ◆ Lois Murphy 457-1533, 650/591-1921
- ◆ Perry Olsen 688-7135

ELECTION BOARD (3 by meeting prior to annual meeting)

- ⇒
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EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM-- Ad Hoc

- ⇒ CERT Diana & Jim Cook 426-8398
- ⇒ Emer. Fire Brigade Greg Laskey 458-0343
- ⇒ Emer. Traffic Control Ray Hoffman 426-2819
- ⇒ Safety Industrial to be determined
- ⇒ Prevention Lisa Leong 457-8306
- ◆ Roaming Control Don Moore 423-6449

HISTORICAL -- Ad Hoc

- ⇒ Barry Brown 421-0811
- ◆ Cyndy Crogan 426-2756
- ◆ John Drew 258-6922, 423-8410
- ◆ Bill Hardwick 427-2054
- ◆ Pat McDonald 423-2811
- ◆ Robert Morgan 421-9166, 408/265-9166
- ◆ Tina Unti 559/661-0716

INSURANCE -- Ad Hoc

- ⇒ Claude Lindquist 457-9206

- ◆ Jim Langford 427-3079
- ◆ Brit Thompson 209/434-9059
- ◆ Elwood Schut 209/892-8355

LONG RANGE PLANNING - Standing

- ⇒ Pat McDonald 423-2811

Section 1

- ◆ Pat Herzog 458-9841
- ◆ Ted Keller 425-2646
- ◆ John Mancini 427-9579

Section 2

- ◆ Fred Dunn-Ruiz 426-6472

Section 3

- ◆ Judy Wahl 426-7752

Section 4

- ◆ Betty Gladding 426-6932
- ◆ Marilyn Wells 426-3040

Section 6

- ◆ Jack Fisher 429-9397

NOMINATING (FIVE BY APRIL 15)

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- ◆

ORIENTATION -- Ad Hoc

- ⇒ Anna Lind 429-6735
- ◆ Guy Bennett 426-5144
- ◆ Betty Gladding 426-6932
- ◆ Stretch Lentfer 421-9780
- ◆ Betty Ramsay 426-4615
- ◆ Charlotte Reynolds 423-9583
- ◆ Jim Reynolds 423-9583

PAST PRESIDENTS - Standing

- ⇒
- ◆ Lloyd Ames 425-0825
- ◆ Bob Biendle 429-9420
- ◆ Norm Brown 427-2657
- ◆ Kurt Diesner 408/738-3550, 425-7693
- ◆ Fred Dunn-Ruiz 457-9681
- ◆ Bill Eckard 458-2070
- ◆ Jack Fisher 429-9397
- ◆ Doug J. Hipsley 429-9341
- ◆ Jacob Koff 415-587-7813
- ◆ Lois Murphy 650/591-1921, 457-1533
- ◆ Griff Nelson 415/467-3662, 427-2320
- ◆ Bob Sand 650/589-6684, 457-1615
- ◆ James Stewart 707/374-6369, 423-1930
- ◆ Todd Williams 423-8904

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RECREATION - Standing

- ⇒ Bill Eckard 458-2070
- ◆ Cal Crawford 425-5638, 925/935-4417
- ◆ Karen Eneboe 423-9111
- ◆ Lois Hardy 426-3172
- ◆ Lee Heathorn 427-0564
- ◆ Emma Lou Akin 427-2680

STAKING - Standing

- ⇒ Fred Dunn-Ruiz 426-6472
- ◆ Joe Del Core 469-3747

STREAMBED MAINTENANCE – Ad Hoc

- ⇒ Bill Gibson 510/759-1536

TREE - Standing

- ⇒ Steve Taylor 429-6087
- ◆ Joe Del Core 469-3747
- ◆ Linda Dyson-Weaver 469-4186
- ◆ Betty Gladding 426-6932
- ◆ Judy Gloeckler 458-2932
- ◆ Joanne Nelson 426-1505
- ◆ Wilma Vinson 429-1575
- ◆ Bill Vaughan, Forester

WATER - Ad Hoc

- ⇒ George Saam 423-1777, 423-1778
- ◆ Chuck Buchanan 471-2314
- ◆ Cyndy Crogan 426-2756
- ◆ Bill Gibson 426-7370, 510/385-9573
- ◆ Greg Laskey 458-0343
- ◆ Craig Little 423-7715
- ◆ Ernie Nidick 426-9147, 925/828-6993
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VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES As of 08/18/05

BULLETIN MAILING

- ⇒ Karen Eneboe W423-1530
- ◆ Tony Averill 252-3410
- ◆ Florence Gustafson 423-6836
- ◆ Charlsie Harris 423-8455
- ◆ Charlotte Hoffman 426-2819
- ◆ Ray Hoffman 426-2819
- ◆ Peggy Langford 427-3079
- ◆ Anna Lind 429-6735
- ◆ Bill Lind 429-6735
- ◆ Pat McDonald 469-8080
- ◆ Don Moore 423-6449
- ◆ Shirley Moore 423-6449
- ◆ Chuck Stiefelmaier 423-5094
- ◆ Margaret Todd 423-2546
- ◆ Bill Uber 426-0614
- ◆ Virginia Uber 426-0614

DUCK REGATTA

- ⇒ Bob Sand 650/589-6684, 457-1615

FLEA MARKET

- ⇒ Ray Hoffman 426-2819
- ⇒ Yvonne Jones 427-2346

KEY VOLUNTEERS

- ⇒ Lois Hardy 426-3172
- ◆ Ray Hoffman 426-2819
- ◆ Wilma Vinson 429-1575

MAIL

- ⇒ Lois Hardy 426-3172
- ◆ Vickie Hendershot 427-2190
- ◆ Bob Hendershot 427-2190
- ◆ Dorothy Jelcick 423-8277
- ◆ Mark Hasey 427-2112
- ◆ Pat McDonald 423-2811
- ◆ Sara Laskey 458-0343

MEMORIAL

- ⇒
- ◆ Betty Gladding 426-6932
- ◆ Alda Houchin 426-3910
- ◆ Wilma Vinson 429-1575

BOARD OF DIRECTORS **and**

OFFICE STAFF

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FIVE MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 2005					
	Monthly Budget	Spent thru Sep	Budg thru Sept	Under(+)/Over(-) Budget thru Sept	Annual Budget
Income:					
Member Assessments		\$189,202	<u>189202.00</u>		\$454,000
Member Dues and Transfer Fees		\$20,170	<u>17985.00</u>		\$43,100
Init.Fee/ Fin Chg/Pena/ Use Fee		\$35,421	<u>2708.00</u>		\$6,500
Bank Interest		\$8,189	<u>667.00</u>		\$1,600
Misc Income, Member Serv, Donations		\$5,392	<u>1042.00</u>		\$2,500
AT&T Comcast (7% Return)		\$1,765	<u>2833.00</u>		\$6,800
TOTAL INCOME	\$42,875	\$260,140	<u>214375.00</u>	\$45,765	\$514,500
Employee Expense:					
Employee Salaries & Bonus/Raise (\$700	\$12,900	\$53,207	64500.00		\$154,800
Employee Benefits	\$2,750	\$11,327	13750.00		\$33,000
Employer Federal/State Taxes	\$1,250	\$5,106	6250.00		\$15,000
Worker's Compensaton	\$1,250	\$5,312	6250.00		\$15,000
Total Employee Expense	\$18,150	\$74,952	90750.00	\$15,798	\$217,800
Insurance:					
General Business	\$3,750	\$18,321	18750.00		\$45,000
Total Insurance Expense	\$3,750	\$18,321	18750.00	\$429	\$45,000
General Office Expense:					
Supplies	\$500	\$4,863	2500.00		\$6,000
Postage and Communications	\$708	\$3,708	3542.00		\$8,500
Utilities (Electricity, propane)	\$1,292	\$4,908	6458.00		\$15,500
Total General Office Expense	\$2,500	\$13,479	12500.00	-\$979	\$30,000
Member Service Expense:					
Water	\$5,583	\$43,020	27917.00		\$67,000
Security/Safety	\$125	\$1,812	625.00		\$1,500
Green Waste/Dump Fees	\$667	\$1,887	3333.00		\$8,000
Bulletin Printing/Postage	\$417	\$1,304	2084.00		\$5,000
Trash Removal	\$2,917	\$10,254	14583.00		\$35,000
Recreational Activities	\$250	\$2,676	1250.00		\$3,000
Total Member Service Expense	\$9,958	\$60,953	49792.00	-\$11,161	\$119,500
Tax Expenses:					
PPMC Co Prop Tax	\$3,917	\$19,656	19583.00		\$47,000
State and Federal Taxes/Fees	\$171		855.00		\$2,050
Total Tax Expense	\$4,088	\$19,656	20438.00	\$782	\$49,050
Repair & Maintenance Expense					
Park R&M Exp (water, trees, roads,tools	\$1,500	\$9,012	7500.00		\$18,000
Vehicle Expense (gas, oil, maint)	\$917	\$5,222	4583.00		\$11,000
Building R & M Expense	\$500	\$4,839	2500.00		\$6,000
Equip Rentals, R & M Expense, Fire Eq	\$292		1549.00		\$3,500
Total Repair & Maint Expense	\$3,208	\$19,073	15833.00	-\$3,240	\$38,500
Other Operating Expenses:					
Accounting/Tax Preparation/Audit	\$417	\$5,000	2083.00		\$5,000
Legal	\$625	\$3,735	3125.00		\$7,500
Historical Committee	\$50		250.00		\$600
Other Miscellaneous Expense	\$104	\$400	521.00		\$1,250
Total Other Operating Expense	\$1,196	\$9,135	5979.00	-\$3,156	\$14,350
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$42,850	\$215,570	214250.00	-\$1,320	\$514,200
Net Income = Income - Expense		\$44,570	125.00	\$44,445	
Checking/Savings Accounts	\$845,594		SBA Loan 4%, 2028		\$309,388

UP COMING EVENTS

KNITTIN' KITTENS LADIES' CANASTA

First Monday Each Month
Social Hall, 11:30 A.M.

Monday, November 7, 2005
Monday, December 5, 2005

Sponsored by Pat Rundell

MASONIC OUTREACH

THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 10:00 A.M. – NOON

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2005
COME MEET THE REPRESENTATIVE
MARY JANE HODGES

TUESDAY COFFEE

EVERY TUESDAY
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

OPEN TO EVERYONE IN PPMC
COME JOIN THE FELLOWSHIP

REGULAR POTLUCKS

THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

NOVEMBER 19, 2005
AT SOCIAL HALL
5:30 PM

HOSTS NEEDED
CALL LOIS HARDY @ 426-3172

BINGO

THIRD WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH
SOCIAL HALL, 6:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2005
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2005

MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE

WE WELCOME SUGGESTIONS FOR MEMORIALS
DONATIONS ACCEPTED AT THE PARK OFFICE
MAKE CHECKS TO MEMORIAL FUND.

WILMA VINSON, PHYLLIS GREEN,
BETTY GLADDING AND ALDA HOUCHIN

MEN'S CLUB

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 11:30 A.M.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2005

CHEF: BILL HARDWICK

SPEAKER: SALLY NESMITH ON

NEW MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION COVERAGE

WOMEN WELCOME AT 12:40 PM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2005

EMERGENCY SIREN TESTS

AT 1:00 P.M.
ON BOARD MEETING SATURDAYS

MEETING DATES BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2005 – 2006
Executive Session 7:30 am
Open Meeting 9:00 am

11/19/05
12/17/05
01/21/06
02/18/06
03/18/06

07/01/06 Annual Meeting 7:00 pm

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2005

SOCIAL HALL, 1 PM

SEE FLYER

HOSTED BY: BOB & TINY SAND AND LOIS HARDY



Halloween

Monday, October 31st
Trick or Treat



The Children of Paradise Park will be looking forward to being Ghosts & Goblins, and would love to come to your home for their "Trick or Treats."

Please notify the Office by Oct. 28th for those of you who will be passing out treats.

We will make a map which will be available for parents and children to pick up at the Office before Halloween Eve.

Hope that all of you will join in making this a "FUN TIME" for our Children.





Men's Club

Wednesday

November 2, 2005

Social Hall - 12:40 PM

Special Speaker

Sally Nesmith - Senior Services

**Medicare's New
Prescription Coverage**

Everyone is Invited



**Men's Luncheon begins at
11:30AM with speaker to follow
Lunch Prepared by
Chef Bill Hardwick
Cost: \$5.00**





November's Bingo

5th Year Anniversary

Extra Prizes

Extra Games

Extra Door Prizes

Refreshments

ALL OF THIS FOR THE SAME COST

Wednesday

Nov. 16th


6:30 PM





Annual Holiday Party

Sunday, Dec. 11, 2005
1:00PM - Social Hall



Turkey, Potatoes,
Wine, Rolls & Santa
will be provided.

Door Prizes

Potluck

Please bring your favorite
dish to share and your
own place settings.



If you want
your child to
receive a gift
from Santa,
please bring
it wrapped &
labeled.



Hosted by
**Bob & Tiny
Sand
and
Lois Hardy**



PPMC

Pot Luck Notes from Lois Hardy

October 15th, our first winter Pot Luck, was held with Eddi & Harold Brown as hosts. Tables were decorated in the Halloween motif, and there were about 48 people enjoying the good food & fellowship. Harold & Eddi's son, Steve, hosted the DJ portion of the evening. We welcomed new member Deborah Hanning, husband Bobby Jay, and their three children as potluck first-timers.

Next month's November Pot Luck will be hosted by Noma & Bill Hardwick & Bob Biendle, November 19th.

PARADISE PARK CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>MEMBER/Chair</u>
November 2005			
1-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	M. Todd
2-Wed.	Men's Club - 11:30am "New Medicare Rx Coverage"	Small Social Hall	F. Dunn-Ruiz
5-Sat.	Tree Committee 10-12 am	Conference Room	S. Taylor
6-Sun.	Job's Daughters Breakfast 7-2? Check posters	Large Social Hall	D. Macdonald
7-Mon.	Knittin' Kittens 11:30 - 4:30	Small Social Hall	P. Rundell
8-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	M. Todd
15-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	M. Todd
16-Wed.	Bingo 6:30-8:00pm	Large Social Hall	Y. & M. Jones
17-Thu.	Masonic Outreach, 10am-12pm	Small Social Hall	Masonic Home/B Uber
18-Fri.	ERT Committee Mtg. 9am	Conference Room	T. Keller
19-Sat.	BOD Open Meeting 9am	Small Social Hall	F. Haswell
19-Sat.	Recreation/Activities Cmt. Mtg. 3pm	Small Social Hall	B. Eckard
19-Sat.	Potluck 5:30 pm	Large Social Hall	Hosts Needed
22-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	M. Todd
24-Thu.	Family Thanksgiving	Large Social Hall	M. Jacobson
29-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	M. Todd
December 2005			
3-Sat.	Tree Committee 10-12 am	Conference Room	S. Taylor
3-Sat.	Family Gathering	Large Social Hall	R. Sand
5-Mon.	Knittin' Kittens 11:30 am - 4:30 pm	Small Social Hall	P. Rundell
6-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	C. Morgan
7-Wed.	Men's Club - 11:30am	Small Social Hall	F. Dunn-Ruiz
11-Sun.	Holiday Dinner - 12 noon	Large Social Hall	T. & B. Sand
13-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	C. Morgan
14-Wed.	Bingo 6:30pm	Large Social Hall	Y. & M. Jones
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IN MEMORIAM

Gladys J. Brown, 10/6/05.



figure 1



figure 2

THE POWDER HOUSE

The picture of this cocky "powder monkey" outside the brick **Powder House** was taken some time in the late 1880's and shows the narrow gauge railroad tracks connecting the **San Lorenzo Paper Mill** property, acquired in 1872, with the **California Powder Works** up river. The building is 25x110 feet in size with walls 14" thick. The 12 foot high walls are constructed of sand mold low fire brick laid in three courses with an air gap between to promote natural air flow. (Fig.1) The bricks used in this building quite possibly arrived in Santa Cruz as ballast in sailing ships which was common practice in those days.

The first reference to the Powder House occurred in the *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, September 20, 1873, under the column heading "**Powdermill Improvements**".

On Paper Mill Flat, three fine new buildings will soon be erected. The new brick building near the road, below the old paper mill dam site, will be used for a packinghouse and temporary storehouse. The walls and rafters are all up and ready for roof and windows. The building is 25x60 feet, in the clear, with high walls and centercomb roof.

The discrepancy in building length can be explained by rapid changes in storage requirements at the Powder Works. By 1874 the market for blasting powder was expanding quickly and buildings at the Mill seldom stayed unmodified. A later report in the *Santa Cruz Sentinel* states, "To avoid sparks from nails, the floor, of seven inch wide boards laid on a three foot granite foundation with 4x6 underpinnings, was put together entirely with wooden dowels." (Fig.2)

According to *The History of the Explosives Industry in America*, this unique building was used as a storage magazine for as many as 30,000 kegs of gunpowder. The roof is made of corrugated sheet metal and was designed to give way in an explosion thus directing any blasts upward and away from other buildings and workers including people traveling on the **Toll Road** (1868) and the **Santa Cruz & Felton Railroad** (1875) which were located on the nearby slope to the west.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 15, 2005 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

1.0 ROLL CALL

- (a) The meeting was called to order at 9:10am; present were President Frank Haswell, Vice President Bill Lind, Treasurer Alan Melikian, Secretary Joanne Nelson; absent was Director At Large Bill Eckard. The invocation was led by Bill Lind; the flag salute was led by Barry Brown. Some 20 interested members were also present.
- (b) Consideration of Late Additions to the Agenda; none.
- Report from Executive Session, September 17, 2005; 8:00 a.m. Minutes taken by Bill Lind in absence of BOD Secretary, Joanne Nelson. Present: Frank Haswell, Bill Lind, Bill Eckard, and Allan Melikian
1. Delinquent Accounts as of September 9, 2005
 2. 591 Keystone, appraised at \$90,000. Asking price \$149,500. Frank will send letter asking Member to lower price.
 3. Member 's request to remove Fraternal Pledge from by-laws and supplementary mediation sent to By Laws Committee to review and make recommendations.
 4. Staking not approved on 425 York.
 5. **Claude Lindquist** reported that our water costs have increased by 50% which leaves our budget \$35,000 in the hole. The following recommendations to cut costs are:
 - a. Reduce flood insurance
 - b. Remove health benefits for spouse
 - c. Control high cost items
 - d. Board shall review all contracts
 - e. Competitive bidding
 - f. Central office expenditures
 - g. Vehicle maintenance
 - h. Utilities (Get lower rates)
 - i. Control temperature settings in the office
 - j. Raises and bonuses (Bonuses were given to volunteers)
 - k. Communications—save on long distance calls
 - l. Credit cards—get a 3% to 5% cash returns card
 - m. Bulletin—getting too large. Limit it to 16 pages
 - n. Legal costs
 - o. Interest not credited to annual budget
 - p. Move bank accounts to higher interest (Check Morgan Stanley)
 - q. Manager to keep costs under control.

Afternoon Session, 1 p.m.

6. Boyd Williams and Michael Sawley approved for Membership; Todd Williams asked for restaking of 446 York.
7. Wiseman building permit approved.
8. Drains in Section 6—BOD approved getting a bid from a civil engineer to draw plans. Note: With BOD approval, Ifland Engineering will draw plans for \$5200.
9. Member given approval to enclose his porch, 573 Scottish Rite Ave.
10. Discussion on Member;s question as to what rule required one to put a car sticker on the window Frank will check with Bob to determine the necessity.
11. After a brief discussion on increasing TADS, BOD decided to make TADS an agenda item for next month's BOD Executive Session.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

2.0 CONSENT ITEMS – approved except interviews to be held this afternoon.

- (a) Acceptance of Minutes, September 17, 2005; approved.
- (b) Financial Report – September 2005. Allan reported that we are \$15K over budget on water, primarily due to rate increase. However due to other savings, we are about \$10K over budget for the year to date.
- (c) Executive Session Report – September 17, 2005; approved as corrected.
- (d) Members Before the Board

1. Kenneth David Cox purchasing from Patricia Straub @ 445 York Avenue.
2. E. Victor Quattrin purchasing from Daniel L. Brown @ 307 The Royal Arch.
3. Julie Kathleen Radder purchasing from W. Richard Lovelace.

(e) Associate Members Before the Board: none

(f) Alternate Associate Members Before the Board: none

3.0 MANAGER'S REPORT

- (a) Monthly Report; Bob Koger was absent due to a family wedding. Joanne read his report. The Covered Bridge was inspected & passed, and it will be inspected quarterly & every 5 years to comply with local & state guidelines. An outer-edge berm was installed on the exit road to divert water from going over the edge to save the integrity of the road. The next project is to install plumbing on the Social Hall tank to make it operational. Starting Monday 10/17/05 the Office porch decking will be repaired & sealed with waterproof sealing. Mail access will be through the back door of the Office. Volunteers are welcome starting Monday at 9 am. Members have submitted 3 drawings of improvement alterations, to be reviewed this afternoon by the Board.
- (b) Construction without permits, 10/1/05; many without proper permits. There have been a considerable number of construction activities in the Park, with no posting of permits, or no permits at all. The Manager recommends that fines be imposed on such members.
- (c) Request for Court Appearance, 10/11/05; this was in regard to two dogs being at large numerous times, & the Manager signed a complaint via ACA; the complaint date & the incident date were in conflict, so the judge threw the case out and ruled that any further violations would cost the owner \$185 per incident.

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) Committee Reports

1. Assessment – Ad Hoc – Malcolm Kirby; nothing.
2. Building – Bill Hardwick; proposed & submitted plans will be viewed in Executive Session this afternoon.
 - a. 9/19/05 Notification of BOD approval of Room Addition, M. Wiseman @ 582 Scottishrite Avenue.
 - b. 9/19/05 Notification of alleged infraction, M. Shoquist @ 472 York Avenue.
 - c. 9/19/05 Notification of BOD approval of enclosure, H. More @ 573 Scottishrite Avenue.
 - d. Pictures – unapproved construction, P. Gibson @ 664 St. Augustine Avenue.
 - e. Picture – new decks, S. Taylor @ 674 St. Augustine Avenue.
 - f. 9/30/05 concern for fence/retaining wall in disrepair at back of 393 Hiram Road, K. Pyle.
 - g. 9/29/05 request for privacy screen, M. Mollica @ 453 York Avenue; will be present after the regular meeting & available to the Board if needed.
 - h. 10/5/05 notification of approval of proposed dog containment, C. Sherrill @ 317 The Royal Arch; will be present after the regular meeting & available to the Board if needed.
3. Bylaws – Bill Hardwick; not present.
 - a. Mission Statement
 - b. Publication of Revisions
 - c. Quarterly Meetings
4. Dam – Malcolm Kirby; nothing new.
5. Emergency Response Implementation Team
 - a. Community Safety, VIP – Lisa Leong
 - b. Emergency Fire Brigade – Greg Laskey; since last Board meeting we had one medical call; the Back Gate had been broken, so it was locked, causing the emergency responders to go around to the entrance, which of course took more time. Our pagers didn't go off, & hopefully this has been straightened out. Manager has been directed by the Board to be liaison between the Park & Netcom, the 911 system. Don Moore offers technical assistance to the Manager.
 - c. 911 Emergency Response Team – Diana & Jim Cook; the pagers went off on 2 calls on Hwy. 9 since that Park emergency. We have been unable to meet in September, & we hope to meet in October or the first part of November. Frank wants to be copied on notice of the next meeting.

- d. Traffic Control – Ray Hoffman; he is working on an inventory of radios, & he will give a copy of the inventory to the Office.
6. Historical – Barry Brown; a member approached him concerning a marker that was neglected in the Picnic Grounds, marking the oldest tree in the Park. The arrow was broken off, & the oldest tree is not visible, due to massive growth of non-native undergrowth. Barry wants permission & crew help to clear this viewpoint access to the oldest tree & to replace the arrow. This might require removing small non-native trees; Joanne will take this request to the next Tree Committee meeting. The newest marker is now installed, at the Powder House, just before the stop sign.
7. Long Range Planning – Pat McDonald; not present.
8. Orientation – Anna Lind; had just completed orienting 2 eligible people, who are anxious to become members after their afternoon interview.
9. Recreation – Bill Eckard; there is a request to add several play elements to the Green Swings playground; the committee has asked for a mapping, so as to have a more complete perspective of possible additions. The Social Hall doors were locked Labor Day Saturday evening, and opened early in time for the cribbage tournament. The member report that the doors were left open was appreciated, as we all need to be aware of how our property is being cared for.
10. Safety, Industrial – to be determined
11. Staking – Fred Dunn-Ruiz
 - a. Current Staking Log; the Board is redirecting the committee to review 114 & 445.
 - b. 6/30/05 letter of concern re: staking report on 114 Keystone Way.
 - c. 9/29/05 email conversation re: staking report on 445 York Avenue.
12. Streambed Maintenance – Bill Gibson; when Bill filed the application, Fish & Game responded that the application was missing 2 pages. Therefore this year's application is rejected. Also mandated is that a county staff member must inspect that 300 sapling stems have been planted along the river bank in the vicinity of Hardwick's. Bill Gibson is working on coordinating that appointment; when the inspection is completed, our application is complete, and we're asking for streambed clearance permission in the spring of 2006. The parameters basically cover the whole Park's streambed.
13. Trees – Steve Taylor, not present
 - a. Current Tree Log
 - b. Joanne reported as liaison to the Tree Committee that there were no new tree requests. Future meetings will be the 1st Saturday of the month, so as to give the committee more time to have its report ready for that month's Board meeting..
14. Water/Roads – George Saam;
 - a. 9/22/05 Survey & Drainage Proposal behind 111-115 Keystone Way, Inland Engineers. Inland engineers will be done soon, then the job can go out to bid.
 - b. 9/28/05 Notification of Building Permit Requirement from M. Deming, County Planning Dept. George reviewed our position with the county. It could cost us \$200K, for permits (%age of cost of the job, could be minimum \$10K), engineering (\$132K), cost to hire an inspector for every day (100's of hours), for no value returned, to support the bureaucracy. If we get our attorney to write a position paper spelling out our justification for a lawsuit basis against the county, it might cost the Park \$5K for position paper to do battle with county, based on Malcolm Kirby's research of county laws, etc. The county wants everything from us, to the point of the ridiculous. The Park has nothing to lose by taking this position. From Malcolm's research we don't need permits. Frank asked what George thought the county's response might be. George responded that from our research we don't need to jump through all these hoops, & a legal brief would show that the county has no basis for having us jump through all these hoops. Barry Brown asked why the county might be taking this 'personal' approach against us. Barry had overheard a 40-minute conversation between planning department members that basically showed they were angry at us and did not trust us, based on individual members not going through planning & permit process & making it bad for all of us. John Mancini suggests that if a position paper plan is followed, we need to be prepared to go all the way to appellate court. We might be able to get an injunction. If you don't take a stand, you will have problems further down the road. George stressed that a position paper might show we have something solid. Then we would have a good

direction to go. Bosso is a good negotiator, but may not be the one to deal with this position paper. Allan stated we first would need to find out how much it would cost to find out if we have a case, from a lawyer who is also an engineer. Diana Cook reminded that Michael Leong's presentation stated that anything to be done with a hydrant required that we have a permit. Richard Sturgeon said an old park in Scotts Valley recently lost a case on a sub-standard water system, initially done without permits. Greg Laskey questioned the liability possibilities of Granite for installing Sections 1 & 2 improperly. The Board is trying to set up a realistic, manageable, & enforceable system where members come through the Manager & Board before starting any construction. But we're not code enforcers for the county. George stated the pipes we bought, which are now covered up, have now doubled in price from what we paid. Bill Lind has been working on water & drains, and informing George of all he's found out. Malcolm, re: drains, has prepared drain handbooks for the Manager & each director. He urges the Board to consider the usefulness of the drain binder, perhaps putting the drain binder in a place where all members included, can have access to it. A bookshelf in the mail lobby might be fitting. Malcolm was thanked for his time spent on compiling this binder. A notice of the drain binder's existence & availability will be placed in the bulletin by Frank. Karen is to set up somewhere in the Office, with a binder spine notation, perhaps on a shelf behind the counter, to be checked out. It was suggested this could also be put on the Park's website. Maps of the water system & shut-off valves could be included in the disaster package. The Water Committee will carry this out.

- c. 11/16/04 Notification to Granite Construction of Required Wet Stamped Letter, K. Fitzpatrick, County Planning Dept.

(b) Treasurer's Report; see bulletin for more details.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Bill Lind suggested discussing at Executive Session the replacement possibilities for when the Manager is absent. Malcolm prepared & read a one sheet paper titled 'Power of an Acting Manager'.

6.0 DISCUSSION

7.0 INFORMATION

- (a) **Member Change:** none
- (b) **Associate Member to Member Change:** none
- (c) **Member to Associate Member Change:** none
- (d) **Associate Member:** none
- (e) **Alternate Associate:** none
- (f) **Members Pending** (see attached listing).
- (g) 9/3/05 Incident Report re: vehicle parked in street, Section 1.
- (h) 9/11/05 Incident Report re: vehicle parked in street, Section 1.
- (i) 9/13/05 Incident Report re: thick smoke & ash throughout Park.
- (j) 9/18/05 Incident Report re: loose & aggressive dog, Section 4.
- (k) 9/20/05 Incident Report re: speeding & stop sign-running black Mercedes, Section 6 to 3.
- (l) 10/3/05 Incident Report re: trespassing onto allotment & into private storage, Section 3.

8.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Current Correspondence Log
- (b) 9/7/05 letter to Manager from L. Ames re: Social Hall left open overnight.
- (c) 9/16/05 letter to Member from Manager re: son's loose dog.
- (d) 9/17/05 letter to Member from Manager re: dangerous deck.
- (e) 9/20/05 letter to Member from Manager re: repeatedly loose dog.
- (f) 9/27/05 letter to Member from Manager re: repeatedly loose dog.
- (g) 9/30/05 letter to President from L. Hardy re: award suggestion.

9.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION – Part 1: 8:00 am, Part 2:10:30 am

10.0 ADJOURNMENT: 10:30am.

READ THE MEMBER'S PENDING LIST; this list is published so that you have the opportunity to advise the Board about these candidates for Membership. If you have information that you believe the Board should consider before voting for Membership on any of the candidates, please contact the Board President in writing.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS PENDING

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Date posted</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Allotment</u>
<u>MEMBER CANDIDATE</u>			
none			
<u>ASSOCIATE MEMBER</u>			
Alan John Mac	10/12/05	<u>MEMBER</u> Laura Pevenage	670 St. Augustine Avenue
Mary Etta Baldrige	10/12/05	Dorothy L. Wells	103 Keystone Way
Gary Duane Newton	08/26/05	Richard T. Sibley	280 Keystone Way
Janice Catherine Davison	06/14/05	Ernest J. Nidick	550 Crescent Lane
<u>ALTERNATE ASSOCIATE MEMBER</u>			
Megan Mitchell	08/23/05	<u>MEMBER</u> Betty Ramsay	444 York Avenue

For Sale by Member

Member's improvements offered for sale as of **October 23, 2005**. All allotment use privileges and Membership are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

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ADDRESS	MEMBER	PRICE	DESCRIPTION
SECTION 1			
439 York Avenue	Lloyd L. Ames 831/425-0825	\$375,000 No Financing	3BR 2BA, 4702 sq ft allotment, 1500 sq ft improvements, front & rear deck, 2 car garage w/shop area, paved drive, walk-in closet, pantry, laundry rm; Incl. refrig, dishwasher, range, hot tub, washer, dryer, freezer, some furniture, split level, 600 sq ft master suite has oak accents of built-in bookshelves & vanity, all tile BA; air tight wood burning stove heat in vaulted ceiling LR; remodeled kit w/oak cabinets & laminated floors.
445 York Avenue	Patricia Straub 831/427-3099	\$195,000 SALE PENDING	1BR 1BA, Refrigerator, Dishwasher, "new" Stove & Mocrowave, Washer & Dryer; additional bed & bath connected to detached garage, on large lot. Furniture negotiable.
489 Knight Templar	Nancy Longacre See Description for Contact	\$175,000 No Financing	2½ BA, 2BR, 5034 sq ft allotment, 1085 sq ft improvements, kitchen remodeled after 1989 Loma Prieta quake; home in need of repairs; appliances, furnishings to be negotiated; nice Arizona flagstone fireplace; large patio. Contact Hall Longacre, 1/925/323-8473.
SECTION 2			
364 Eastern Star	Jeanne Jelcick Call for Appt./Info. 831/429-2215	\$248,500	Cute little 4BR + sleeping loft or 2BR + office + den. Upgraded septic & electric. Modern kitchen, stack washer/dryer. Good sun & great privacy w/huge beautifully landscaped allotment. Call 831/429-2215, 426-7666, 325-3928.
SECTION 3			
216 Keystone Way	Ann L. Pfaff 831/818-4480	\$345,000 No Financing	1BA, 2BR, 8400sq ft allotment, 1200sq ft improvements, overlooking river from rear deck/hot tub, completely remodeled in 2001; a "Must See". Includes gas oven, microwave, dishwasher, hot tub.
SECTION 4			
591 Keystone Way	James M. Keeton 559/251-4396	\$124,500 cell 559/970-0911	Split level, 1 BA, 2BR, lg covered front deck, private parking stall, new roof, remod. , exterior/interior paint, carpets, tile floor in BA, hardwood floor KIT, 2 LP freestanding heating stoves & hot water heater, incl. kitchen LP gas range, fridge, stckd washer/dryer, partial furn, ready to move in.
677 St. Paul Street	Norman C. Brown Contact C. Vinson 831/429-1575 or P. Gracey 408/277-0809	\$285,000 No Financing.	2BA/2BR, Family Rm/Den/or 3 rd BR, Living Rm, Dining Rm, Kitchen, 1350 sq ft, tiled floors (living, dining, kit), carpet (living, family, bdrms), built-in pantry, pull-down camouflage ladder to attic storage, double-pane windows, detached 2-car 400 sq ft garage, washer/dryer, refrigerator/stove (gas), dishwasher, microwave incl., forced air heating (propane), fireplace insert-new brick, flagpole, extr prkg.
SECTION 6			
118 Keystone Way	Robert P. Hupp 559/227-7140 559/287-7703	Price Reduced! \$177,000 No Financing	Must see. 2BR, 1BA, completely refurbished, new carpet, wood flooring in kitchen, new stove, fridge, disposal, washer/dryer included; 12X22ft deck in front, small patio in back; some new furniture & misc. items included; 3 lg outside storage sheds, large carport.
175 St. Bernard Street	Larry Coburn To see, 423-5343	\$255,000	1 BR, 1 BA, 1100 sq ft w/deck overlooking river; new 1990/foundation engineered for 100 yr flood; built to earthquake standards. To see, 423-5343; message, 802/868-9262. Ample off street parking, 2-3 car garage. Owner w/finance \$100,000 of purchase price.
179 St. Bernard Street	Gerlach Estate Paradise Park Ofc. 831/423-1530	\$190,000 Financing Available	2 BR, 1 BA, has great potential, some appliances & some furnishings, near Park entrance, carport, deck, knotty pine living room, basement, near river, AS IS.
183 St. Bernard Street	Mark Akin 831/423-4885	\$525,000	3 BR, 2 BA, beautifully remodeled home on lg sunny allotment. Family rm, fireplace, hardwood floors, central heat, Marvin windows, Anderson French doors, skylights, professionally landscaped yard w/lg deck & patio. Pls. Call for more info & appt to view.
189 St. Bernard Street	Miriam Kourik 831/426-8224	\$235,000	Split level home, 2 BR, 1 1/2 BA, new septic tank, new roof; sunny with nice yard; allotment located in front of the Park.



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