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THE RESTORATIONIST

In trying to develop "The Soulard Restorationist", the newsletter committee set up some working objectives. While our goals may change as the need arises, we feel this is a good starting point.

Primarily, our purpose is to keep the members abreast of all Restoration Group activities. We realize it is not possible for some members to attend our monthly meetings, and feel the Restorationist will provide information on upcoming agendas, and serve as a recap of previous meetings.

Our second purpose is to give our readers advice on restoration techniques. We plan to offer these tips in a monthly column and welcome contributions.

The Adlets may be used to put members in touch with each other as specific needs arise.

As space permits, articles on specific neighborhood history will be printed.

We would like to make "The Soulard Restorationist" useful to every member of the Soulard Restoration Group, but we cannot do it without your help. We need more volunteers and a great many contributions each month. These can be in the form of articles, ideas, suggestions, Adlets, letters to the editor, or anything else you choose to offer. The deadline for all copy is the 12th of each month. Please submit contributions, typed, double spaced, to Karen Rowley at 2223 South 12th Street.

PROPOSED AGENDA

The following topics will be presented for consideration at our next meeting, February 4, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. at St. Joseph Creation Hall:

- I. Vote on the By-laws by Members in Good Standing
The By-laws Committee has developed a set of By-laws which are presently being reviewed by a lawyer. A special January meeting will be announced to members where these By-laws will be discussed and amended. At the regular February meeting, a final vote will be taken. Watch for notification of the special meeting in the mail.
- II. Report on the Committee to meet with S.N.I.A.
- III. Report on the Community Development Proposal
- IV. Review of the plans for the House Tour 1976 Committee
- V. Report on Time-Sharing Arrangements and Tools

FROM THE NOTES OF MARY JOHNSON, SECRETARY

The December 3, 1975 meeting of the Soulard Restoration Group was held at St. Joseph's Croation Hall with the newly elected officers presiding. They are Sedg Mead, President, Skip Gaternann, Vice President, Mary Johnson, Secretary and Mary Sudholt, Treasurer.

Clark Rowley, outgoing Chairman, was presented with an antique railroad lock. Mike Smith made the presentation on behalf of the Board of Directors and membership for Clark's outstanding work during the Group's first year of existence.

Copies of the proposal presented by the Group to the Community Development Agency for funding major street, curb and park improvements were passed around to those present for examination. Sedg Mead explained that the proposal had been formulated with as many members participating as possible, considering very strict deadlines involved.

A motion was passed to draft by-laws for incorporation of the Group. A committee of volunteers was set up to carry out this task. Another motion was passed to set up operation of a monthly newsletter on a six month trial basis. A committee of volunteers headed by Skip Gaternann will meet to establish the necessary machinery. Another committee of volunteers was set up to carry out a motion to meet with representatives from the Soulard Neighborhood Improvement Association for the purpose of an exchange of information.

NEW FACES IN SOULARD

Cindy and Mike Silverman recently purchased two federal style townhouses at 2714 and 2716 S. 10th Street. Cindy is a registered nurse at Bethesda Hospital and Mike is a biology student at SIU-Edwardsville. The townhouses were built around 1864 and were originally part of a three unit rowhouse, one of which burned in the early 1970's.

The house at 2312 S. 11th Street, built in 1896, was recently purchased by Randy Huelsbusch. Randy is removing plaster and walls on the first floor of the 9 room structure. Randy, a foreign car mechanic, feels that Soulard offers spacious, economical housing. Economic considerations aside, both Randy and the Silvermans agree that finding "the" house is a very emotional decision indeed.

CAROLING IN SOULARD

Members of the Soulard Restoration Group and their families went caroling on the evening of December 21st. A group of about 24 people assembled at 1832 S. 8th Street. From there they caroled all the way to the home of Mike and Carol Smith at 12th and Sidney streets. A small party was held there with refreshments provided by Carol Smith, Delores Phelps, Mary Sudholt and Darlene Gaternann. Undoubtedly the best numbers of the evening were "Jingle Bells" and "Silent Night." The policemen on duty in the Twelfth & Lynch Street Station especially enjoyed a visit by the carolers. Everyone hoped that the caroling would become an annual event.

ADLETS

Each month "The Soulard Restorationist" will include a classified ad section as a service to members of the Soulard Restoration Group. If you need items or have items for sale the adlets section will let all members know. To help defray our costs a modest charge will be made of \$1.00 for the first ten words. Each additional word is 10¢. If you wish to run an adlet please call Skip Gaternann at 771-4191 or stop by his home at 2310 S. 12th Street. Adlet deadline is the first Wednesday of each month.

WANTED: tongue and groove pine flooring 7/8"x3 1/4". Call Randy at 771-0296 or 741-5181.

Longer issue next month, including articles we couldn't print this time. Thanks for your contributions, please keep them coming in.