

The Craftsman Village Historic District Newsletter

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Historic districts in the news!

You may have noticed that on January 16, an article appeared in the *Long Beach Press-Telegram* about the 17 historic districts in Long Beach. Among other interesting facts, the article noted that of 45 cities in Southern California graded for historic preservation by the Los Angeles Conservancy, Long Beach was one of only five to receive the highest grade of "A!" The article also discussed some common myths about historic preservation:

Myth: If my home is designated as historic, I won't be able to change it in any way.

Fact: Owners of designated historic homes may make very significant changes to their structures IF they go through the process of getting a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Office of Neighborhood and Historic Preservation (call (562) 570-6864 for more information). Historic preservation laws are not meant to prevent change, but, rather, to manage change. The most significant, or character-defining, historic elements of a property should be retained.

Myth: Old buildings are less safe.

Fact: Historic buildings typically perform better than newer construction in earthquakes and other natural disasters. For instance, Los Angeles' historic structures have survived every major earthquake of the past eighty years.

Myth: Preservation is an un-American violation of property rights.

Fact: Historic preservation laws no more infringe on property rights than do many other laws and private rules that Americans have long accepted. Zoning laws prevent you from replacing your single-family home with an apartment building or a five-story vertical mansion.

Myth: Preservationists are always fighting new development and only care about the past.

Fact: Historic preservation is not about stopping change and is certainly not about squeezing out creative and exciting new architecture and development. Preservation allows the community to retain the best of shared heritage to preserve sites of unique quality and beauty, revitalize neighborhoods, spur economic revitalization, and, quite simply, create better communities.

As discussed in the article, historic preservation protects homes AND builds community. For historic preservation to work, the historic character of our homes must be respected. As noted above, this doesn't mean that we can't improve our homes. It means that non-historic changes like vinyl windows, cinderblock fences, and stucco are not permitted. If you have changes like these on your home already, don't worry! You will not have to remove them. In the future, we encourage you to replace cinderblock fences with wooden ones (that are easy to repair and easy to keep free of graffiti) and replace vinyl windows with wooden ones (modern wooden windows can be just as energy efficient as vinyl ones). We are lucky to live in a neighborhood with a long history, and by taking care of our historic homes we pass down this legacy to our neighbors and children.

Come to the party!

On Saturday, March 5, we will have a party to celebrate over a year of street cleanups. Meet at 1335 E. 8th St. We'll clean up the neighborhood and then have the party with some special guests!



From the early 1900s; a house at 5th & Pine.

Distritos Históricos en las Noticias!

Usted habrá visto un artículo en el Long Beach Press Telegram que apareció el 16 de Enero sobre los 17 distritos históricos en Long Beach. Entre otras cosas interesantes, el artículo comentó que de las 45 ciudades en el Sur de California candidatas para la Conservación Histórica por Los Angeles Conservancy, Long Beach fue una de solamente cinco de recibir el grado mas alto de "A" el artículo también habla de mitos communes sobre la conservación histórica:

Mito: Si se designa mi casa como histórica, no le podré cambiarla de alguna forma.

Hecho: Los dueños de casas designadas como históricas pueden hacer cambios muy significantes en sus estructuras. SI pasan por el proceso de obtener un Certificado Apropiado de la Oficina del Vecindario y Conservación Histórica (Llame al 562- 570-6864 para mas información). Las leyes de conservación histórica no son para prevenir el cambio, pero en vez, para manejar el cambio. Lo mas significante,, o definición de carácter, los elementos históricos de una propiedad deben ser retenidos.

Mito: Los edificios viejos son menos seguros.

Hecho: Los edificios históricos típicamente trabajan mejor que la nueva construcción en temblores y otros desastres naturales. Por instancia, las estructuras históricas de los Angeles han sobrevivido cada terremoto grande de los últimos ochenta años.

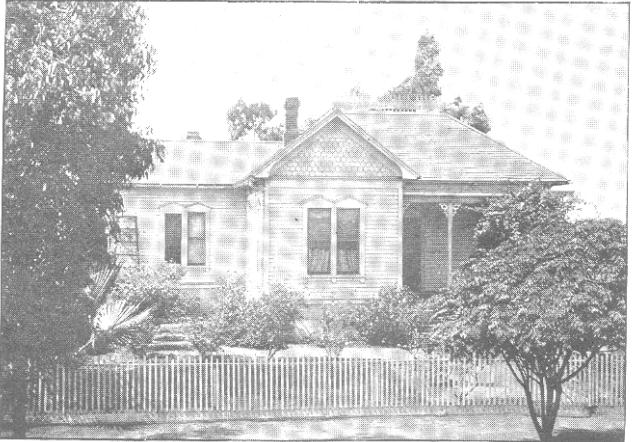
Mito: La conservación es una violación anti Americana de derechos de propiedad

Hecho: Las leyes de conservación histórica no mas infringen en los derechos de propiedad que otras muchas leyes y reglas privadas que los Americanos han aceptado por mucho tiempo. Las leyes de zonificación le previenen de cambiar su casa residencial por un edificio de departamentos o una mansión vertical de cinco pisos.

Mito: Los conservadores están siempre peleando el desarrollo nuevo y solamente les importa el pasado.

Hecho: la conservación histórica no trabaja para a detener el cambio y en verdad no está quitando la creatividad de la estimulante arquitectura nueva y el desarrollo. La conservación le permite a la comunidad a retener lo major del patrocinio compartido para conservar los sitios de calidad única y belleza, revitalizar los vecindarios, animar la revitalización económica, y, simplemente, crear mejores comunidades.

Como se habló en el artículo, la conservación histórica protege a las casas Y edifica la comunidad. Para que la conservación histórica trabaje, el carácter histórico de nuestras casas deben ser respetados. Como se notó arriba, esto no quiere decir que no podemos mejorar nuestras casas. Quiere decir que los cambios no históricos como ventanas de vinilo, cercos de bloques de cemento, y estuco no son permitidos. Si usted ya tiene cambios como estos en su casa, no se preocupe! Usted no tiene que removerlos. En el futuro, le animamos a que cambie las cercas de bloques de cemento con las de madera (que son fáciles de reparar y fáciles de mantenerles sin grafito) y cambiar las ventanas de vinilo con las de madera (las ventanas modernas de madera pueden ser eficaces con la energía como las de vinilo). Tenemos suerte de vivir en un vecindario con una grande historia, y al cuidar nuestras casas históricas pasamos esta herencia a nuestros vecinos y niños.

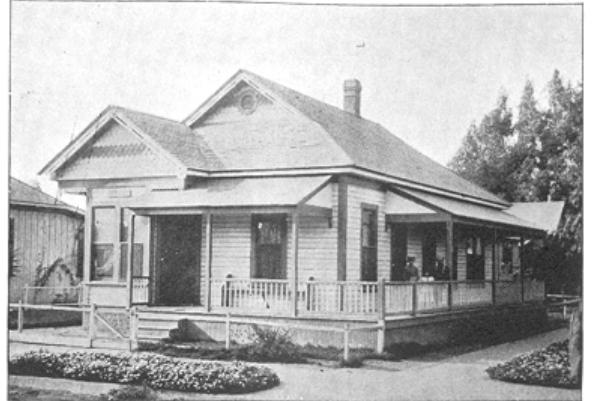


From the early 1900s; a house at 7th & Orange.

Venga a la fiesta!

El Sabado, 5 de Marzo, tendremos una fiesta para celebrar mas de un año de limpiezas de calles. Lugar de encuentro: 1335 E. 8th St. Limpiaremos el vecindario y después tendremos la fiesta con invitados especiales!

តំបន់ប្រវត្តិសាស្ត្ររាក់ចូលទៅក្នុងសារពតមាន!



From the early 1900s; a house at 2nd & Ocean.

ប័ណ្ណីស: ប្រសិទ្ធភីជុំរបស់ខ្លួនអាក់បញ្ចូលទៅត្បូងកំបង់ប្រវត្តិសាស្ត្រ,
ជុំទោះមិនការប្រយោជន៍ទោះបានទេ។

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ការគ្រែងរំលែក: សាខាអាសយដ្ឋានប្រចាំឆ្នាំ និងអាសយដ្ឋានប្រចាំខែ និងអាសយដ្ឋានប្រចាំថ្ងៃ

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សូមចូលរួមក្នុងពិធីបុណ្យជាមួយត្រា!

នៅថ្ងៃសែង ទី៨ ខែមិថុនា យើងនឹងមានពិធីបុណ្យយើងអបអរសារឡទោលេកិត្យការពាសសំភាកេវត្រួតពិនិត្យមិរបស់
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Contact us: Éntrenos en contacto con: Goïi soá ñieÁn thoaïi: ទាក់ទងជាមួយរដឹង
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The Craftsman Village Historic District-Upcoming Events



March 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
PUT ME ON YOUR FRIDGE!	CPC = Community Police Center (7 th and Alamitos)	1	2 6th and Cherry neighborhood group meeting, 630pm, at the CPC	3	4	5 9AM - Street cleanup AND PARTY! (meet at *1335 E. 8th* , look for dumpster)
6 Monthly meeting at 1225 E. 8th, 7pm	7	8	9	10	11	12 East Village Arts Walk (Linden and 1 st st, evening)
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 9AM- MINI -street cleanup (Toledo & Hellman), NO DUMPSTER!!! Bring your own broom.
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 HANA mtg, 4 th St. Senior Ctr (at Orange), 630pm	31		<input type="checkbox"/> NOTE Monthly meetings on SUNDAYS!

April 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HANA=Hellman Area Neighborhood Association (our group is a member)	NRC = Neighborhood Resource Center (425 Atlantic)	CPAC= Central Project Area Committee			1	2 9AM - Street cleanup (meet at *1411 E. 9th* , look for dumpster)
3 Monthly meeting at 762 Toledo Walk, 7pm		5	6	7	8	9 East Village Arts Walk (Linden and 1 st st, evening)
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Here are some important phone numbers as well as a map of our district.

Important phone numbers:

Police (emergency):	911
Police (non-emergency and anonymous):	435-6711
Gang Hotline:	570-7127
Graffiti Removal:	570-2773
Drug Investigation (complaints):	570-7221
Traffic Problems:	570-7209
Parking Problems:	435-6711
Abandoned Vehicles:	435-6711
Child Abuse:	570-7321
Domestic Violence:	570-7277
Community Police Center:	570-1114

(1004 E. 7th St., at Alamitos)

