



Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation

September 2023

A N N U A L R E P O R T T O D O N O R S

Exterior Preservation Project Extended! Front Entry and Bench Project

Our Exterior Preservation Project has been extended to include the repair and restoration of the front entry and the benches. It was necessary to postpone implementation to make sure funds were available to complete all four sides of the clubhouse, including the many upgrades and improvements. Moving forward, here are the four elements of the Front Entry and Bench Project:



Photo by Maria Guldner

ENTRY PILASTERS In late April exploratory work was conducted by preservation contractor, Norman Koepernik and historic architect, John Frolli at the front entry. A couple of years ago it was noted that the six pilasters under the double bracket sets did not match the other pilasters around the clubhouse. The current entry pilasters are wider, thicker, lacking the texture of the other pilasters and obviously not original. During the exploratory work it was discovered that there is water damage, dry rot, and insect infestation. The restoration will include the installation of six new, old growth, straight grained redwood pilasters that will be sized and textured appropriately to match the others around the building. Water and insect damage will be correctly treated with long-term solutions to prevent future incursions.

FRONT DOORS Originally the front doors, like the rest of the exterior, were unpainted and oiled. To honor the past treatment, we decided the doors would stand out architecturally if the paint was removed from the interior panels and quatrefoils. The supportive trim surrounding the doors will be left painted. The current door handle, which was meant to be temporary, will be replaced with the correct period hardware.

INGLENOOK BENCHES Both benches require a complete rebuild along with stabilization, treatment for dry rot and replacement of missing wood sections. Water-resistant bases will be fabricated and installed to prevent future water damage and cracking. The height of the benches will be slightly greater, which is desired, with the installation of the bases. To improve the appearance and honor the original finish on the benches, the interior back portions of each bench will be stripped of paint and oiled. The framing, sides, and seat sections will remain painted in historic brown, this treatment will coordinate well with the refurbished front doors.

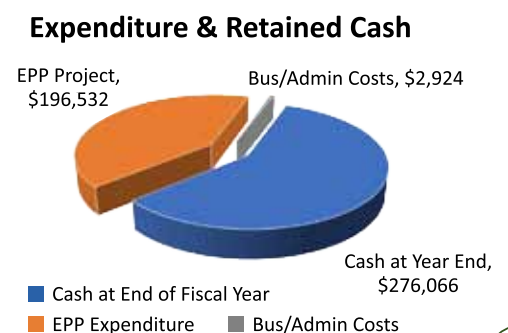
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Financial Summary for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023

The Foundation started the year with sufficient funds to continue and complete the Exterior Preservation Project – which we did. The outside of the clubhouse looks wonderful.

Your kind donations this year totaled almost \$93,000. This means that even after spending almost \$200,000 this year alone on the EPP, we are still in a strong position to take on new projects in the coming year to maintain and restore our old house.

Patricia Russell
Treasurer



Annual Report to Donors

This year we celebrated a return to our beautifully restored clubhouse. With the pandemic behind us we were able to hold a fundraiser for the first time in 2 years. Our sold-out Katya Grineva benefit concert combined with our holiday apron sales and our on-going notecard sales generated a little over \$6,700. Thank you to all who participated.

Our EPP project manager, Alex Nugent, preservation contractor, Noman Koepernik, historic architect, John Frolli and team members Paula Capello and Cathy Schroeder will continue to manage the EPP extension in the coming year. This year we will focus on the front entry: the doors, left corner window, and the Inglenook benches. We are grateful for the guidance of the oversight committee; Kristin Gragnola, Nancy Miller, Saundra Hill, and Bonnie Yamaoka. Their expertise and dedication to uncompromised workmanship in the restoration of our clubhouse is invaluable.

Thank you to my Board of Directors! Your support, knowledge, teamwork, and dedication to the stewardship of our historic clubhouse is so appreciated. Special thanks to retiring board member Gillian Moran for her years of service and wise counsel. It has been a privilege to work with all of you!

With gratitude,

Julie Innamorato

SFCHLF Chair 2022-2023

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LEFT CORNER WINDOW The window, around the far-left corner, does not match the others in the front entry. The vertical mullions are missing. If salvaging and retrofitting the current window with new mullions is not feasible then we will explore a custom-made replacement that conforms to the appropriate period configuration.

As always, the highest standards of preservation practices will continue to ensure the integrity, longevity, and beauty of the clubhouse.

Thank you for your very generous support to achieve this goal.

Alexandra Nugent

EPP Project Manager

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The Saratoga Foothill Club Historic Landmark Foundation wishes to acknowledge and thank the estates of Connie and Dick Brooding and Joyce Ogden Hiava for their generous bequests during this fiscal year. Their Legacy Circle gifts were used for the Exterior Preservation Project.

This year we welcomed Gayle Johnson as the newest member of the Legacy Circle. We appreciate the generosity of the twenty-seven members and families listed below who have made the decision to support the preservation of our historic Julia Morgan designed clubhouse and garden. Legacy Circle members make a gift to the foundation in their wills or estate plans for the sole purpose of maintaining the historic integrity of our treasured building and grounds.

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