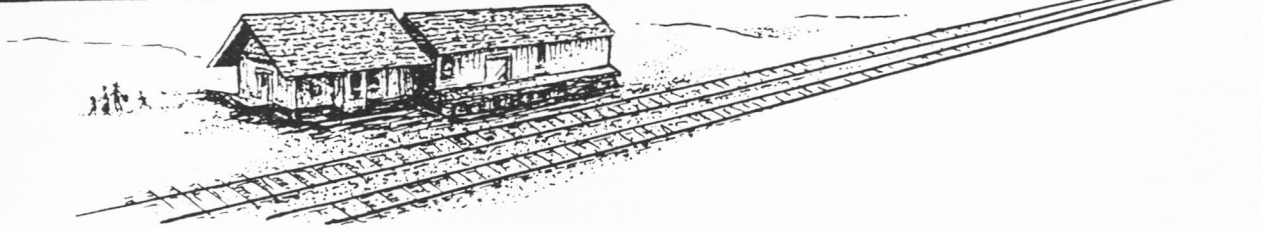


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A Message From Your Boardmembers

We will be meeting on April 26 to finalize our election of the Boardmembers who are renewing their terms for another 3 years. They are Mary Brodzin, Alice Letcavage and Edie Harper. No other nominations came forth so these three will join us again to make decisions for your Colma Historical Association. I am sorry to say that the invitation to Cypress Lawn to speak at our meeting about their new plans for the Hillside site, (where the vegetable stand use to be) and their new addition on El Camino, next to their office will have to be presented at another time as the date of our meeting was not good for them to be available. We will instead speak about what the plans are for the museums on Hillside blvd. There will be 3 museum sites, The Colma Train, The Freight & shipping shed and the old Olivet Office building. these will probably be our museums. There is much to discuss, so come and join us. We will also have a short slide presentation on the stained glass of our cemeteries. Refreshments as usual and good company.

Special Dates

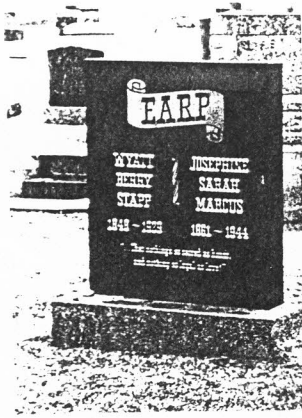
April 10, Tuesday
2:00 PM CHA Board-
Meeting at Colma Town
Hall

April 26, Tuesday
7:00 PM CHA 2nd
quarterly meeting at
the Colma Town Hall

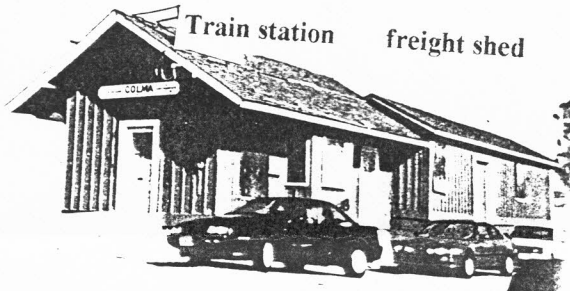
May 1, Tuesday
2:00 PM CHA Board
Meeting at Colma Town
Hall

May 16, Wednesday
7:30 PM Daly City/
Colma History Guild
Meeting at Doelger CTR.
in the Lacombe Room,
just west of the Cafeteria.
Historian, Ken Gillespie
will speak on "Then and
Now."

Sorry, Big Boo Boo on front page and as it is already printed 235 times, we will not redo it. In regards to our 3 museum sites, they were the Colma Train Station, not a Colma train. The other two are correct.- The freight shed will be a separate building. It is now attached, but will be separated to make into a show piece pertaining to the shipping of Colma goods by train in the early years. The third museum will be the history of Colma. About cemeteries, businesses police, fire etc. This will probably be in the 1500 Hillside Building which are the old Olivet offices.



Our docent on Sundays is Ron Doyle. He had displayed a sign on March 19th, welcoming visitors & telling them that it was the 153rd birthday of Wyatt Earp. He said folks are still coming to visit him & he is still the most popular of our distinguished residents. Come visit him at Hills of Eternity and help keep the old west alive. Come & see us too.



Call Alice Letcavage if you can bring a treat for our meeting. 650 755-3819

Pages from the Past

Sharing Colma's History:

1911, April 15th. It is announced in the San Mateo Times-Gazette that "The Colma Record has changed its name to the Daly City Record in order to be keeping with the name of the newly incorporated municipality in which it is published. The Record is owned by Gambler and Casino operator, John Marchbank

1914, Giovanni Podesta, an Italian immigrant who earns his living as a flower grower in Colma. He imports 250 bulbs from Japan at a cost of 5 cents each to begin the commercial planting of white trumpet-like lilies annually.

1915, Feb 25th, is San Mateo Day in San Francisco at the Panama Pacific International exposition. Virtually all the county businesses close as residents head to San Francisco for the Fair. North County violets are the highlight of the celebration and the primary decoration. Colma growers provide 12,000 bunches for distribution to those in attendance.

This partial text taken from The County Chronicles, by Michael Svanevik and Shirley Burgett.

This petition was a deed of gift from Wendy Witt. she is from the family that had the Witt Dairy Farm here in Colma and she sent us some deed of gifts. this is one of them. Read the names of residents of the 1935 era. The petition was to fix the roads on B,C,D, & Clark Streets. Al Witt was on the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

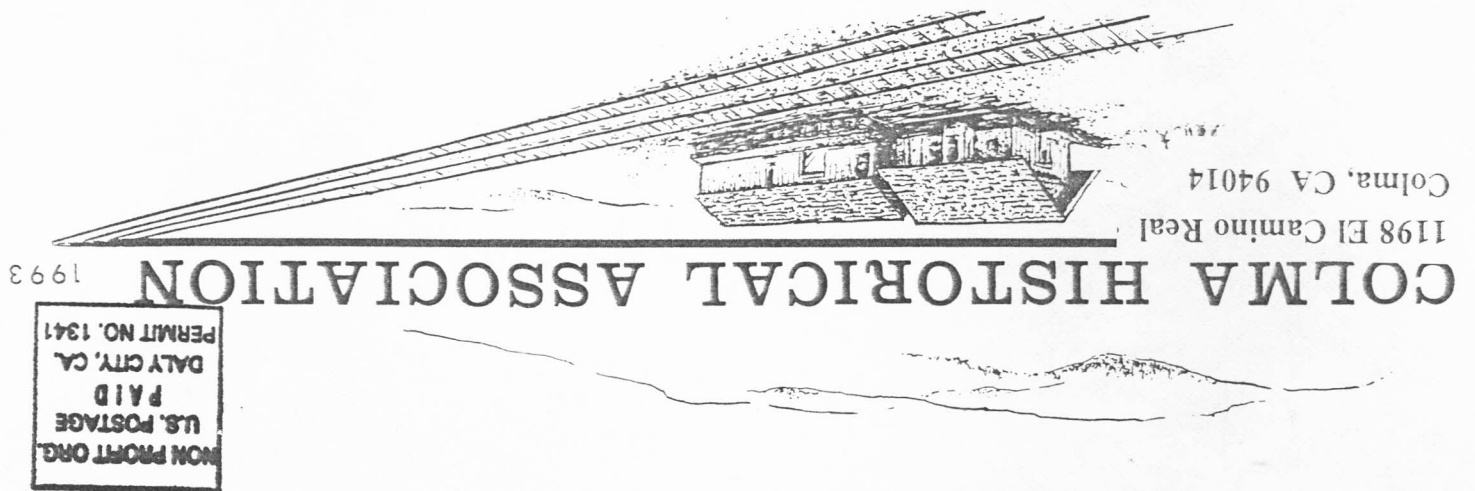
To the Honorable board of Supervisors,
Redwood City,
California.

Dear Sirs:

The undersigned residents and citizens of Colma, California do hereby petition the Honorable board of Supervisors of San Mateo County for the repair of "B"- "C" and "D" Streets and Clark Ave in the City Extension Homestead Tract, Colma, California, all of which is no a very deplorable condition.

Mattio Servi	Est. Colma
Salvino DiAliviera	B. St. Colma
M. DiAliviera	B. St. Colma
George Burke	C St. Colma
G. Vellicci	d. St. Colma
Lena Shelton	C. St. Colma
Giuseppe Lucchesi	Clark Ave. Colma
Bella Pellicci	A. St. Colma
Ella Tealvi	B. St. Colma
Alfred Pughlotti	B. St. Colma
Roman Pongio	B. St. Colma
A. L. Thompson	B. St. Colma
J. Seramaggi	A. St. Colma
Rosalina Seramaggi	B. St. Colma
Joseph Carabadi	4195 Colma Rd
A. Minicucci	B. St. Colma
Valente Epidendio	Clark St. Colma
Mrs. E. Surdich	B. St. Colma
Mattia L. L. L.	A. St. Colma
Blairnee Hunt	H. St. Colma
Frank Barzotti	Colma
Giovanni Signorosti	Colma
Vosi DiAliviera	Colma
Angela Berata	Colma
George Punta	Colma

Name	Address
Mrs. Grace Molinari	A. Street Colma
Mr. A. Polentini	A. Street Colma
John P. Bowley	A. St. Colma
Concepcion Sagomarsino	Colma
Edna Sagomarsino	Colma
Giuseppe Vassini	Market St. Colma
John P. Bacci	D. St. Colma
Raymond Bacci	E. St. Colma
Joseph Bacci	"C" St. Colma
Albert Belli	164 Bruce Ave. Redwood City
John B. Bacci	Colma
J. Caraza	Colma
J. Caraza	Colma
Emma Caraza	Colma
St. Michelletti	Colma
Angela Michelletti	Colma
John Michelletti	"
A. L. L.	East Colma
Mrs. Legomarsino	Colma
John Bacci	Colma



Your 2001-2002 Boardmembers



**Ron Doyle-Frank Maffei-Pat Hatfield
Dorothy Bechtol-Dorothy Hillman Mary Brodzin
Alice Letcavage-Edie Harper-Eleanor Hnilo**