



BUTTE CITIZENS FOR PRESERVATION AND REVITALIZATION

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CPR



MAY IS NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

Nicole von Gaza is coordinating CPR's efforts with an ambitious slate of activities for National Historic Preservation Month. She can, of course, use your help—this is a great time to get involved in CPR! Please contact Nicole (info@buttecpr.org, or 490-3216, or visit the office during office hours)

Watch for a potential display in the courthouse similar to the one we had last year.

We're still struggling to rejuvenate the newspaper article series—if you have ideas,

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May 1 is the first Art Walk of the season, and CPR will have various activities at its second-floor office in the MoFAB (405 W. Park). Stop by Friday evening to see what's going on.

Nicole is working on an informative booklet about the role and value of the National Historic Landmark District in the community. This follows this year's National Historic Preservation Month theme, "This Place Matters."

WORKSHOP AND TOURS SCHEDULE

- Windows Workshop—May 7-8-9, 2009**
- Stained Glass Tour—May 31**
- Hot Water Heat Workshop—TBA**
- How to research your home—TBA**
- Vernacular Architecture Forum—June 10-13**
- Dust to Dazzle Tour—June 20**
- Brick Repair Workshop—June 25 & 27**



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THIS PLACE MATTERS

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OFFICE HOURS & UPDATES

Nicole is expanding and changing CPR's office hours to **Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**



Please stop by the office on the second floor of the Museum of Fine Arts—Butte (405 W. Park St.) to



- browse our preservation library (members can borrow),
- discuss your historic home improvement projects,
- learn about tax incentives for preservation,
- get details of upcoming programs that you can volunteer for or participate in,
- join Butte CPR or make a donation,
- and talk to fellow building-huggers.

We still seek volunteers to give talks to **Beyond Assisted Living** once a month. Peggy Eustice, the coordinator of these programs, tells us that they were so happy with our presentations, they'd like to open it up to any topic—not just Butte history or things within CPR's focus. **So if you have an interesting family story, a travelogue, just about anything, please contact Dick if you are interested.**

Likewise, if you want to contribute to the Newspaper article series *Brick by Brick*, contact Dick (rigibson@earthlink.net, 723-9639).

Need some interesting looks at Butte, often focusing on our historic architecture? Visit photographer Lisa Wareham's collection of spectacular shots at

www.buttedailyphoto.com



2009 MEMBERSHIPS

CPR's membership is on a calendar-year basis, with annual dues in January. For the complete list of each level's associated benefits and discounts, please visit our web site: www.buttecpr.org/membership.shtml. THANKS for your support!

Rooming House Level (students): \$10 annually

Miner's Cottage Level (Individual): \$25 annually

Bungalow Level (Family – up to two active members at one address): \$40 annually

Italianate Level (Supporting – up to two active members at one address) \$80 annually

Queen Ann Level (Underwriter – up to two active members at one address): \$150 annually

Copper King Level (Patron – up to two active members at one address): \$500 annually

Butte Preservationist Level: \$1000 and more annually - up to four active members at multiple addresses

For businesses:

Basic Corporate Membership: \$150 annually

Business Project Supporter: \$25 to \$100 – specific support for smaller projects

Corporate Dust to Dazzle sponsorship: \$95

Historic Improvement Program Grant underwriting: \$750

**Next Meeting
Tuesday May 12, 2009
7:00 p.m. — MoFAB
405 W. Park St.**

MEMBERSHIP

Reminder: Dues are now payable for 2009. Please refer to the web site, www.buttecpr.org, or call Nicole at 406-490-3216 for details of membership levels outlined above. Dues payments after October 1 are applied to the following year.

WINDOWS, STAINED GLASS, AND VAF

Windows 101. Thursday May 7, 7:00 p.m. at MoFAB. **FREE.** Presented by John Bartram (Architectural Representative for Minot Builders Supply) & Irene Scheidecker (Butte CPR).

If you're thinking about your home's windows at all, this informational presentation is for you. All the options will be presented, from repair to replacement to weatherizing, so that you can better judge which choice is the right one for your particular situation.

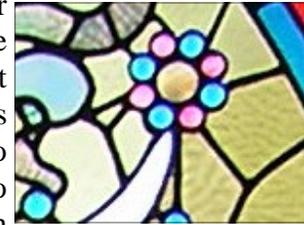
Hands-on window repair workshop

Friday, May 8 & Saturday, May 9, 9 a.m.— 4 p.m. at MoFAB, \$20 (non-members), \$10 (members) for materials & lunches. Presented by Kirby Matthew, USFS Preservation Specialist.

Pre-registration required. Contact Irene Scheidecker, imscheid@gmail.com or call 498-8219. More info on the web site, www.buttecpr.org/workshops.shtml.

Stained Glass Tour

Back by popular demand—we're planning a repeat of the churches walking tour, to focus on four to six churches in the "zone" from Mountain View Methodist to St. Mark's Lutheran. The date will be Sunday May 31.



VAF Volunteers

Dick Gibson could still use two or three volunteers for Butte Day (Thursday June 11) of the Vernacular Architecture Forum, as back-up and half-day relief. Contact him at rigibson@earthlink.net or 723-9639. Volunteers will get a copy of the 250-page guidebook and invitations to two VAF receptions.

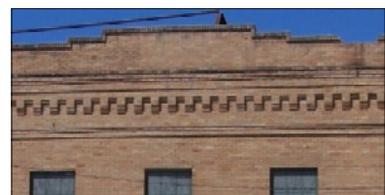


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Would you like to see something in the e-newsletter?
Please send ideas and constructive criticism to Dick at rigibson@earthlink.net.

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PRESERVATION MONTH

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or more importantly can write 350 words on a building— or preservation related topic, please send it to Dick at rigibson@earthlink.net. See below for some topic ideas.

The National Trust has a program for putting photos of “Places that Matter” on their web site. There are only 4 from Montana, three of which are from Butte. Consider contributing! www.preservationnation.org/take-action/this-place-matters.

Some newspaper article topic ideas—or use your own!

- ◆ National Historic Landmark vs National Register
- ◆ Otis Elevators
- ◆ Trolleys
- ◆ The value of "valueless" historic properties
- ◆ Historic Lighting Fixtures
- ◆ Craftsmen of yore
- ◆ Iron fences: Butte's Wrought Iron Industry
- ◆ New World of Paint Stripping Chemicals
- ◆ Granite Pavers I: historic alleyways etc
- ◆ Granite Pavers II: County policy on theft
- ◆ The view from my porch: observations of neighborhoods
- ◆ Something old and odd...what was its purpose?
- ◆ How to strip paint
- ◆ Electricity-then and now
- ◆ My house told me a story (remodeling discoveries)

For a list of articles we've had published to see the approach, go to www.buttecpr.org/newspaper.shtml.

2009 ACTIVITIES: YOU CAN HELP

Please contact Nicole (info@buttecpr.org, or 490-3216, or visit the office during office hours) for information about helping with these upcoming CPR activities:

- ◆ **Dust to Dazzle Tour Committee**
- ◆ **Other Tours**
- ◆ **May—National Historic Preservation Month**
- ◆ **Everything else we do**



The Rookwood Hotel (1912) is on the National Trust's “This Place Matters” photo page. Photo by Dick Gibson.