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CPR



DUST TO DAZZLE REPORT

Despite the drizzle, the fifth annual Dust to Dazzle tour saw a good turnout from local residents, as well as visitors from Bozeman, Helena, and Missoula.

Coordinator Kelly Rose organized more than 40 planners, owners, and volunteers to spotlight six Craftsman-era locations, ranging from Don & Irene Scheidecker's 1910 home to the Knights of Columbus Hall built about 1916.

The D2D tour is one of CPR's primary fundraisers, with proceeds supporting the annual Historic Improvement Program Grants awarded for façade work that honors the historical nature of the community. CPR has awarded more than \$23,000 in this program over the years.



Above: Ceiling medallion in the second-floor auditorium at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Like the homes of many of Butte's organizations, the Knights of Columbus Hall is threatened in many ways—not least by utility bills amounting to several thousand dollars each month.

Left: Irene Scheidecker explains the history and features of her home, built for Butte undertaker Larry Duggan by architect Herman Kemna.



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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.buttepr.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 July 14, 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.buttepr.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.

VERNACULAR ARCHITECTURE REPORT

More than 20 CPR members participated in one way or another in the Vernacular Architecture Forum in Butte and Southwest Montana June 10-13. Planners, owners, and volunteer hosts were all richly rewarded by compliments that never seemed to end. “I had no idea,” as one attendee said of Butte. Richard Longstreth, chairman of the 2010 VAF conference in Washington, D.C., began his promotional presentation for his meeting by saying “Butte will be a very tough act to follow.”

From the Anselmo (below right) to the concluding banquet in the Front Street Station (below left), by all accounts the attendees from 34 states, two Canadian provinces, and Malaysia, had a great time during the entire conference.

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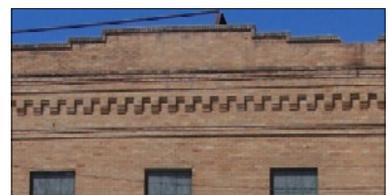
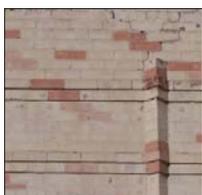


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CPR WINS NATIONAL AWARD

At the Vernacular Architecture Forum's annual meeting and concluding banquet, Butte CPR was presented the VAF 2009 Award for Advocacy. The award honors individuals and groups for outstanding initiative, commitment, and action to promote and protect vernacular resources.

The VAF Advocacy Award Committee "was especially impressed by how Butte CPR has effectively championed public policy that supports the preservation of Butte's unique architectural legacy while directly intervening to save individual threatened historic resources."

The award was presented by Anthony Veerkamp, the chair of the VAF Advocacy Award Committee who is with the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

About a dozen CPR members were on hand at the banquet to accept the award. Some of them are in the photo at upper right.



Below: 1923 Argyle, a stop on the 2009 Dust to Dazzle tour. Photo by Don Scheidecker.



Photo by Rolene Schliesman

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VAF REPORT

Butte CPR is the recipient of the "left-over" copies of the 250-page VAF Guidebook. They are now available for purchase at the CPR office—\$20 each if picked up, or \$27 mailed. Checks can be made payable to Butte CPR.

Local news coverage of the VAF conference, including a report on Edwin Dobb's keynote speech, which VAFers called the best they'd ever heard, can be found linked on the CPR web site at www.buttecpr.org/localnews.shtml.

