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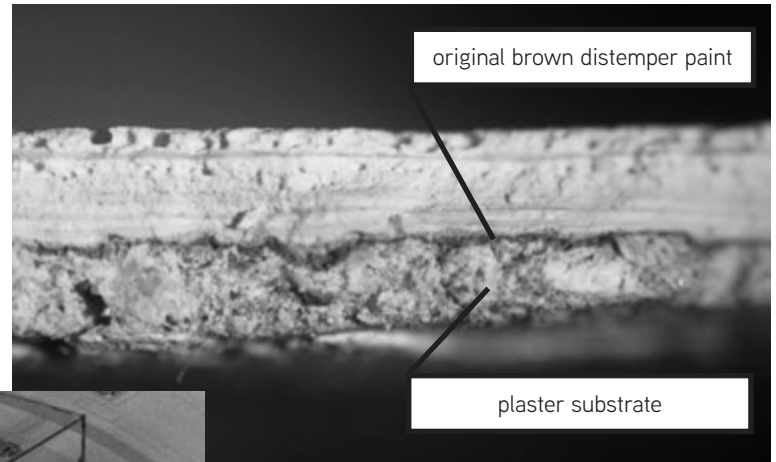


Ladies' Literary Club: Historic Paint Analysis

BY KIRK HUFFAKER

SWCA, cultural resource consultants, recently completed an analysis of the historic paint colors within the Auditorium at the Ladies' Literary Club building. After a several month investigation including paint sampling in seventeen areas and lab testing in Philadelphia, it was concluded that the interior was finished in a simple but richly colored palette – dark varnished wood, dark brown and yellow paint, and glazing – that was used to pick out decorative details and dramatize the tall windows along the east and west sides of the room.

Further investigation could be done with additional funding that may reveal new information. This would include accessing areas that couldn't be reached, investigating areas under the picture rail for evidence of stenciling (popular during this time and in these types of buildings), exposing a section of original glazing by stripping later layers



of paint in order to understand the glazing pattern, exposing the glazed area to natural light to reverse some of the yellowing and allow the finish to regain some of its original tone, and to paint a sample area within the Auditorium to demonstrate the original color palette.

Above: Photomicrograph of a sample taken from the wall above the chair rail on the west side of Auditorium at 40x magnification. The substrate (bottom layer) is traditional lime-based plaster, followed by the original brown distemper paint, then multiple thin layers of oil paints and thick layers of water-based acrylic paints.

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First Word in Preservation

There's a lot of great reports on what's happening at Utah Heritage Foundation in this issue of *Heritage* but we just couldn't fit everything in! So briefly I wanted to let you know about two additional things we're working on. One is our support for saving the Park School in Draper. Fortunately, there is an active, engaged group in Draper heading up this preservation issue and they are making fantastic headway. They need to raise a significant amount of funding by the end of year to keep that momentum though. So check out their page on Facebook under Friends of Draper Park School and help them out however you can.

The one other thing is more of an announcement. Beginning in late 2014, the Utah Division of State History will be transferring their Contractor's Directory to Utah Heritage Foundation. While State History has been providing this for many years, they decided that they were no longer able to give the directory the attention it deserves and they expect. In order to ensure the directory continues to meet the needs of the preservation community, both users and providers, we are happy to announce that Utah Heritage Foundation has agreed to take ownership of the directory. We are excited to be the recipients of this tremendous and important resource. In the coming months, watch for the announcement and the new section on our website.



Kirk Huffaker
Executive Director

2014 Barn Party

Thank you to all who sponsored, donated to, and attended the 2014 Barn Party.

We were delighted to be back at the Utah State Fairpark to highlight the preservation of the historic livestock barns.

Along with our silent and live auctions we had activities featuring "Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin" and live music from The Lab Dogs.

We hope to see y'all next time!





HOLIDAY TOURS OF THE KEARNS
(UTAH GOVERNOR'S) MANSION

December 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, & 18

Between 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Arrive by 3:30 for the last tour.

The Governor and First Lady would like to invite you to see the Governor's Mansion decorated for the holidays. With the help of Utah Heritage Foundation volunteers, tours will be offered on Tuesday's and Thursday's throughout the month of December.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH
SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2015 - 11:00 A.M.

Every year in mid-January, we take the opportunity to honor those volunteers that help us achieve our goals throughout the year. With our mission to bring preservation to the public, we have more and more public and heritage education programs that we have a continuous need for dedicated volunteers. Utah Heritage Foudnation staff alone could never generate the kind of time and effort that our volunteers put into making our programs available to the community. As a small token of our gratitude, we invite our volunteers to join us at our annual Volunteer Appreciation Brunch. Come visit with other men and women dedicated to preservation and find out who will receive the prestigious Volunteer of the Year Award.

Please RSVP to Kathy (801) 533-0858 ext. 104 by January 20, 2015.



2014 Volunteer Appreciation Brunch featured fabulous food and a chance to catch up with friends. 2014 Volunteer of the Year, Rosie Breinholt (center) catches up with fellow volunteers Lani Christensen (right) and Becky Gledhill (left).



MEET LIZ JOERGER - UTAH HERITAGE FOUNDATION'S OFFICE MANAGER!

At the end of September, Liz Joerger joined the Utah Heritage Foundation team as Office Manager. Liz's educational background includes a B.S. in anthropology and most recently a Historic Preservation Certificate from the University of Utah. Liz's professional experience includes having worked as an archaeologist for cultural resource management firms. Liz also conducted our 2014 easement inspections, however, her familiarity with the Utah Heritage Foundation extends well beyond this past summer. She has volunteered her time with Utah Heritage Foundation since 2007 including serving as a House Chair for our Annual Historic Homes Tour. In her free time, Liz enjoys playing with her dog, hiking, road biking and working on her own historic home.

Utah Preservation Conference—March 12-13, 2015



Keynote Speaker

Alan Hess

Friday, March 13, 11:00 a.m.

Officer's Club, University of Utah
FREE to the Public

The Ninth Annual Utah Preservation Conference will feature Keynote Speaker Alan Hess. An architect and historian, Hess writes as the architecture critic of the San Jose Mercury News and as a contributor to the Architect's

Newspaper. He has written nineteen books on Modern architecture and urbanism in the mid-twentieth century.

His books include monographs on architects Oscar Niemeyer, Frank Lloyd Wright, and John Lautner, as well as architectural histories of Las Vegas and Palm Springs. Hess' other books include *Google: Ultramodern Roadside Architecture*, *Forgotten Modern*, and *The Ranch House*. He is currently researching the architecture of Irvine, California, one of the United States' largest master-planned communities of the 1960s and 1970s.

Hess has been actively involved in the preservation of post-World War II architecture, qualifying several Modern buildings for the National Register of Historic Places, including the oldest McDonald's drive-in restaurant (1953, Downey, CA), Edward Durell Stone's Stuart Pharmaceutical factory (1958, Pasadena, CA), Wurdeman and Becket's Bullock's Pasadena (1947, Pasadena, CA), and Edward Varney's Valley Ho Motor (1957, Scottsdale, AZ).

Hotel Valley Ho is one of the best-preserved mid-century modern hotels in the country. Designed by architect Edward Varney the Valley Ho features a minimalist, Southwestern design. An Arizona landmark, the hotel opened in 1956 and was a hideaway for Hollywood stars including Zsa Zsa Gabor, Janet Leigh, Tony Curtis, and Bing Crosby.



This picture shows the lobby of a building designed by Architect Edward Durell Stone for Stuart Pharmaceuticals. This building is part of a sleek Neo-Formalist plant and office complex built in Pasadena, CA in 1958.



Engineered to meet the precise aspirations of residents of Pasadena, Bullock's Pasadena (currently Macy's) is a sublime example of a post-World War II department store.



Heritage Awards and Historic Homes Tour

2015 Heritage Awards Presentation

Thursday, March 12, 2015

6:00 p.m - Location TBA

Our annual Heritage Awards program celebrates the people who make preservation happen: dedicated homeowners, insightful architects, creative developers, and visionary leaders.

Each Heritage Award recipient offers a model for meeting the challenges of preservation that others can draw on in their own endeavors. As a group, the recipients represent the many and varied ways preservation is accomplished in our communities.

45th Annual Historic Homes Tour

Harvard/Princeton Neighborhood

Saturday, April 25, 2015

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

This area is considered one of Salt Lake City's most prestigious neighborhoods because of its exceptional architecture, large lot sizes and the natural landscape including Red Butte Creek. The tour encompasses two districts, Normandie Heights and Uinta Heights.

Normandie Heights is bordered on the west by 1300 East, the east by 1500 East and includes Harvard Avenue, Princeton Avenue, parts of Laird Avenue, as well as Normandie Circle. Uintah Heights includes the eastern portion of Laird Avenue, Laird Circle, and Uintah Circle.

The homes in this area were built between 1926 and 1935 and include Period Revival Cottages, English Tudor, and French Norman style homes. Edward M.



Homes in the Normandie Heights neighborhood offer a wide variety of architectural styles.

** Homes pictured may or may not be included on the tour.*

2015 Utah Preservation Conference: Preservation in Motion

Thursday, March 12

Heritage Awards Presentation

Location TBA

6:00 pm.

Friday, March 13

*Education Sessions, Keynote Speaker,
and Walking Tour*

Officers Club, University of Utah Campus

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 25

44th Annual Historic Homes Tour:

Harvard/Princeton

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Please note our Homes Tour is NOT the same weekend as the Conference this year.*

Ashton and Edward M. Jenkins were the developers of this area and were important in the growth and development of Salt Lake City's entire east side.

We are certain that you will enjoy our walking tour along the tree-lined, winding streets of this park-like neighborhood.

Progress in Preservation

Mid-century architecture to be surveyed at University of Utah

In a recent agreement between Utah Division of State History, University of Utah, and Utah Heritage Foundation, we will hire a consultant to conduct an architectural and historical survey of the University of Utah Campus that includes forty-one structures built after 1949. The three participating entities will equally share the information produced by the survey and have participated together in creating the consultant's scope of work.

We're excited to be a part of this project because it will help all of us understand the story of why and how these buildings were built in the first place, and place them within a context to determine their historic and architectural significance. The list of buildings to be surveyed includes many well known structures including Orson Spencer Hall (1955), A. Ray Olpin Union (1957), Milton Bennion Hall (1959), School of Medicine (1965), Jon M. Huntsman Center (1969), and the Art and Architecture Center (1970).

While the survey won't be completed until mid-summer 2015, you can hear about the interim results and take a docent-led tour of some of the sites at the 2015 Utah Preservation Conference on Friday, March 13. The project will culminate with publication on Utah Heritage Walks, a mobile app for our tours, so anyone can easily learn about these historic structures.

Utah Heritage Foundation's Revolving Fund Loan Program

Utah Heritage Foundation's loan program recently helped fund a project in the Avenues Local Historic District allowing a property owner to uncover a window, clean the brick, and also rebuild the historic wood porch. Information about the original front facade and porch was obtained using a historic photo.



Milton Bennion Hall, built 1959.



School Of Medicine, built 1965.



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Holiday Open House and 2014 Annual Meeting

Celebrate the Holidays with us!

Memorial House in Memory Grove Park

Tuesday, December 2

Annual Meeting and Reception

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Come enjoy some light refreshments while we highlight current projects and conduct our Annual Meeting. **Please RSVP for this event by Wednesday, November 26**, to (801) 533-0858 ext. 107.



Happy Holidays from Utah Heritage Foundation!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Pursuant to the bylaws of Utah Heritage Foundation, the Annual Membership Meeting will be held at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at Memorial House in Memory Grove Park, Salt Lake City, Utah. The business of the Annual Membership Meeting will include: 1) announcing the Trustee of the Year, 2) the election of new trustees, and 3) other such business as may be laid before the membership.

More information available online.

www.utahheritagefoundation.org