

# Aptos Neighbors get OK to clean SP trestle walls

**APTOS** — The graffiti-filled walls of the railroad trestle in Aptos Village will get a new look.

The Aptos Neighbors Association has received approval from Southern Pacific Railroad to clean the graffiti-filled walls.

Plans also call for a mural to be painted by Aptos High School students on the trestle, located above Soquel and Spreckles drives, said Association President Peter Carr at a meeting Tuesday night. A clear, anti-graffitti epoxy will be used to protect the mural.

The group has been working on the project for several months now. Carr hopes the mural design can be completed

in December and sent to Southern Pacific for review in January. Work could begin in February.

"The trestle, as well as patching the roads, are projects a lot of organizations talk about doing," he said. "It is only through a lot of hard work by many that we have been able to get things done."

The group is also in the process of re-roofing historical Valencia Hall, with cooperation of the Day Valley 4-H Club. That project is expected to get under way in two weeks, said Carr.

The meeting was attended to by some 65 persons. The group now has 280 members.