

SC Landmark Plaques Presented

A number of buildings, organizations and individuals in Santa Cruz received Landmark Plaques and commendations from Santa Cruz Historical Society at its recent annual dinner at the Women's Clubhouse. More than 150 members and guests attended the special Early California dinner.

The following buildings were awarded plaques: the Willey House, 105 Sylvar St.; the Weeks Mansion, 724 California St.; the Davis House, 207 Mission St. and the Gray House, 250 Ocean View Ave.

Certificates of commendation were presented to the following organizations and individuals: City of Santa Cruz for developing a comprehensive historic preservation plan which resulted in establishment of the Historic Preservation Commission, a revolving fund, and educational publishing program.

Santa Cruz Area Chamber of Commerce for promotion and endorsement of the historic preservation plan and for drafting what became the historic preservation ordinance.

Rotary Club of Santa Cruz for the fence and gate on Mission Street which will become the main entrance to the School Street Adobe;

Esther Abbott for her efforts for the Pacific Garden Mall and her many contributions of time, funds and other gifts to the Octagon Museum and the Santa Cruz Historical Society.

Renie Leaman for her successful efforts to preserve historic Evergreen Cemetery and ensure its future through the organization, HELP.

Viola Washburn for her spirited community service to the city and county museums, the Historical Society, Friends of the Octagon and for sponsoring publications that promote awareness of the historic and artistic legacy of Santa Cruz County.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kassler for their sensitive rehabilitation of the Four Palms Apartment building on the corner of

Laurel and Center streets, an architectural landmark.

The Historical Society presents the awards annually at the dinner. Accepting for the

City of Santa Cruz was Mayor John Mahaney. Spiro Mellis received the award for the chamber and Charles Gilbert for SC Rotary.