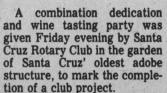
Rotarians' Adobe Project Completed



Club members constructed a redwood fence and iron gate on the Mission Street side of the School Street Adobe property (also known as the Neary-Rodriguez adobe.)

A year's work has gone into the project, according to club president Edward W. Prindle, following approval by the club's board of directors. A preliminary plan was prepared by landscape architect Roy Rvdell.

For several years the club has taken on a major project based on what the directors feel solves a need in the local community.

"This year being the Bicen- Pete Schipper. tennial, it seems only fitting that recognition be given to the was done by Milt Macken. Roonly remaining building of Mistarian and building contractor. sion Santa Cruz," Prindle com- assisted by Kermit Darrow,

the first step in getting the Penniman and John Huffman. community to recognize the importance of this adobe which is Summer Bible located so close to the Pacific Garden Mall vet has been virtually forgotten, in the years since the Santa Cruz Historical Society was instrumental in its purchase by the State of California.

The Rotary board includes tary; Lionel Stoloff, Dr. Ted thews and the Rev. Don Munro. tend.

A special committee for the fence project was headed by Ann Cummings at 423-1674.

The actual work on the fence Moreland Johnson, Les Ley, Members hope this will be Tom Reese, Jerry Todd, Ed

School Opens

The summer vacation bible school will begin at the First Baptist Church, 411 Roxas St., on Monday.

The school will continue Prindle, John Byrne, secre-through July 2 and classes will meet Monday through Friday Foster, Moreland Johnson, from 9 a.m. to noon. Children Tom Jackson, Spiro Mellis, from kindergarten through Bert B. Snyder, Wayne Mat- sixth grade are invited to at-

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On Schipper's committee were several non-Rotarians including Rydell, Skip Morris and Hal Bradshaw who represented the State Division of Beaches and Parks which currently has jurisdiction over the historic property.

The adobe was constructed some time between 1794 and 1810, it is believed, although the date is not recorded in any historic accounts known to be in existence.

It is believed to have been used as a garrison for the Mission Santa Cruz soldiers and was originally a one-story adobe. It is probably Santa Cruz' oldest "duplex," as it is two separate dwellings with a five-foot thick common wall between them.

The pioneer Neary and Rodriguez families acquired the former church property af-

ter Mission Santa Cruz was secularized. The garden behind the adobe, overlooking the downtown area, is particularly attractive, according to Prindle, and made an appropriate setting for the wine tasting party for members and their wives.



Pete Schipper, Connie Mellis, Tom Jackson and Carole Jackson were on hand Friday evening when the Santa Cruz Rotary Club's School Street Adobe project was dedicated. They're holding a placque which will be placed on a gate, which was part of the project which took a year to complete.

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