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PEACOCK PAVILION BRIGHTENED WITH NEW PAINT AND GLASS

FOR THE SECOND TIME within a year, a member of the California Arboretum Foundation Board of Trustees has been instrumental in arranging for sizable donations from the business community. Last June new trustee William Peters initiated discussions with the Southern Cali-

fornia Paint and Coatings Association. That organization ultimately underwrote the design services of Foster Meagher during the repainting of the Queen Anne Cottage. When the California Arboretum Foundation decided next to refurbish the Peacock Pavilion, Thomas Fuelling, a trustee for nine years, helped convince a local glazier, a design company and a refrigeration

company to contribute materials and expertise to the project.

During the four days in January that the Peacock Pavilion was closed, painters applied light beige paint to the walls and rustic brown paint to the ceiling beams in the coffee shop and kitchen. Cannell and Chaffin specified these colors as a background for the prism of colors on the soffit that their designer suggested to draw attention to the service counter. Two weeks earlier, Arcadia Glass and Mirror replaced clear panes in the lower windows and doors with bronze-tone glass that will keep the interior cooler by reflecting the sun's rays.

Unseen improvements in the building include new heating and air conditioning systems donated in part by REESAC in Glendale. When the new concessionaires, California Industrial Vending, took over operation of the coffee shop in January, they expanded the menu and installed additional kitchen equipment.

Eventually, new flooring will be installed and the tables and chairs either replaced or refinished. All these improvements should make the coffee shop more inviting to visitors and more profitable for the Arboretum.



Laurie Schenden

Workers apply a fresh coat of rustic brown paint to beams as part of the upgrading of the Peacock Pavilion coffee shop.



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