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GOLDEN GATE COUNCIL OF AMERICAN YOUTH HOSTELS
Promoting a greater understanding of the world and its people through hostelling.

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SACRAMENTO HOSTEL HOSTS FREE 100TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL
CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF HOSTELLING WORLDWIDE
AND 75 YEARS OF HOSTELLING INTERNATIONAL USA
AUGUST 25, 2009, 5:00 – 8:00 P.M.

Sacramento, CA – The Sacramento Hostel, located in the historic Llewellyn Williams Mansion in downtown Sacramento, is hosting a 100th Anniversary Party and Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, August 25, from 5 to 8 p.m. Free and open to the public, the event celebrates the centennial of the worldwide hostelling movement and the 75th anniversary of Hostelling International USA.

Guests will be treated to complimentary ice cream from Leatherby's Family Creamery, as well as live jazz music by the Sacramento-based Alegria Quartet. At 6 p.m., there will be a special dedication ceremony honoring former Sacramento mayor Heather Fargo and Barbara Wein, former executive director of the Golden Gate Council of HI-USA. Both women were instrumental in the hostel's founding in 1995.

At 7 p.m. general manager Steve Haynes leads a tour of the hostel, one of the only surviving Gold Rush-era mansions on Sacramento's Merchants Row. The building's Italianate-Stick style boasts beautiful Victorian touches, such as a stained glass skylight, elegantly carved stairways, gleaming chandeliers, and fireplaces with hand-painted tiles.

GRAND PRIZE PACKAGE

In addition to prize giveaways held during the party, guests can enter to win an Anniversary Week Grand Prize Package including:

- A three-night stay in a private room for two people at any of HI's nine Northern California hostels
- A Flip Ultra video camera
- Two one-year HI memberships
- Two 27-ounce stainless steel Klean Kanteens
- Two 100% organic cotton zippered hoodies with original artwork by Michael Wertz

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For more information about the event, visit www.sacramentohostel.org.

100TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT SERIES

The Sacramento Hostel's 100th Anniversary Party is part of a series of events hosted by hostels around Northern California (San Francisco, Marin Headlands, Point Reyes, Redwood National Park, and the San Mateo coast). For more information, visit www.norcalhostels.org/100years/.

ABOUT US

The Sacramento Hostel is operated by the Golden Gate Council of Hostelling International USA, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting intercultural understanding, environmental stewardship, and world peace through travel.

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RESOURCES

- 1) Download full-resolution images at: www.norcalhostels.org/press-room/
- 2) Read about the history of hostelling at: www.openingdoorsopeningminds.org/1_11_history.shtml
- 3) Read about the history of hostelling in Northern California at: www.norcalhostels.org/50years#history

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