

# This Christmas, make a present of the past and save a piece of history...

IN THE WESTERN SECTION OF CAMBRIA PINES, CALIFORNIA, STANDS A CASTLE BUILT OF CAST-OFFS. IT'S A LOVE POEM OF STONE AND SHELLS. IT'S A FRAGILE PIECE OF FOLK ART. IT'S A MUCH WRITTEN-ABOUT HABITAT, CREATED BY ART BEAL, AN 82-YEAR-OLD PHILOSOPHER AND MASTER BUILDER.

ITS NAME IS NITWIT RIDGE, AND IT WAS BEGUN OVER 50 YEARS AGO. BECAUSE OF ITS AGE AND ITS UNIQUENESS, IT WAS RECENTLY NOMINATED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE TO THE NATIONAL REGISTRY OF HISTORIC PLACES. THAT'S AN HONOR FEW LANDMARKS RECEIVE.

NITWIT RIDGE IS NOW UNDER THE LEGAL OWNERSHIP AND PROTECTION OF THE ART BEAL FOUNDATION, A NON-PROFIT GROUP DEDICATED TO ITS PRESERVATION AND UPKEEP. BUT NITWIT RIDGE NEEDS CONTINUING FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SURVIVE.

IN FEBRUARY, 1977, THE ART BEAL FOUNDATION HELD A STATE-WIDE RAFFLE TO RAISE MONEY TO PAY OFF BACK AND PRESENT PROPERTY TAXES. THIS EFFORT NETTED \$2,073. BUT \$900 IS STILL OWED. AND THERE ARE MUCH-NEEDED REPAIRS TO BE MADE ON THE PLACE, SO IT CAN REMAIN A BEAUTIFUL AND FREE HISTORIC ATTRACTION.

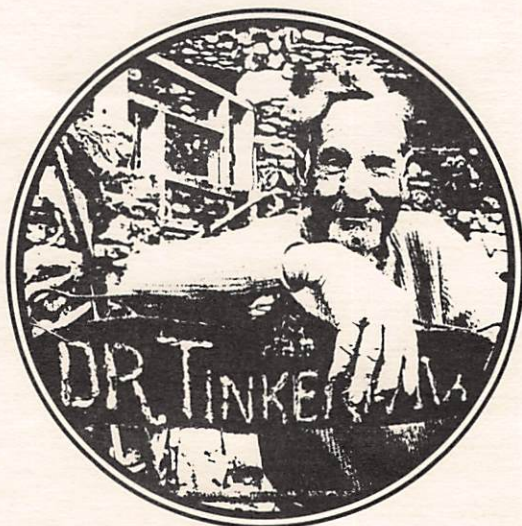
SO WE'RE ASKING YOU FOR HELP.  
THIS YEAR, GIVE A GIFT THAT SAVES A PIECE OF HISTORY.  
GIVE A "PRESENT OF THE PAST".

WHAT WILL YOUR DONATION ACCOMPLISH?

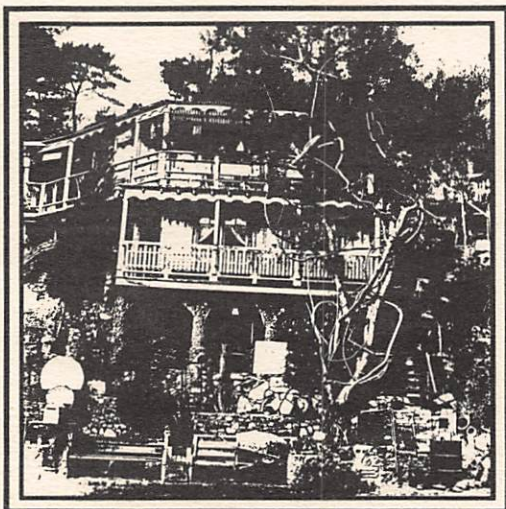
- \* A \$5 "PRESENT OF THE PAST" DONATION WILL HELP PAY FOR THE RESTORATION OF NITWIT RIDGE'S WONDROUS ABALONE-SHELL STAIRS AND ARCHWAYS.
- \* A \$10 "PRESENT OF THE PAST" DONATION WILL HELP BUILD A FRIENDSHIP FENCE AROUND NITWIT RIDGE, TO SECURE IT AGAINST VANDALISM AND THEFT.
- \* A \$25 "PRESENT OF THE PAST" DONATION WILL GO TOWARDS A VITALLY-NEEDED NEW ROOF FOR NITWIT RIDGE'S THIRD LEVEL.

ALL GIFTS ARE FULLY TAX-DEDUCTIBLE. FOR EACH DONATION, YOU WILL RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE IN YOUR NAME (OR IN THE NAME OR NAMES YOU SPECIFY), STATING THAT YOUR PRESENT HAS HELPED TO SAVE AN IRREPLACEABLE PIECE OF THE PAST.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: THE ART BEAL FOUNDATION, P.O. BOX 1738, SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA 93406. The Art Beal Foundation (Ca. State Corp. #8121440) is a bonafide non-profit corporation under California law, and its books and financial records are available for public inspection.



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