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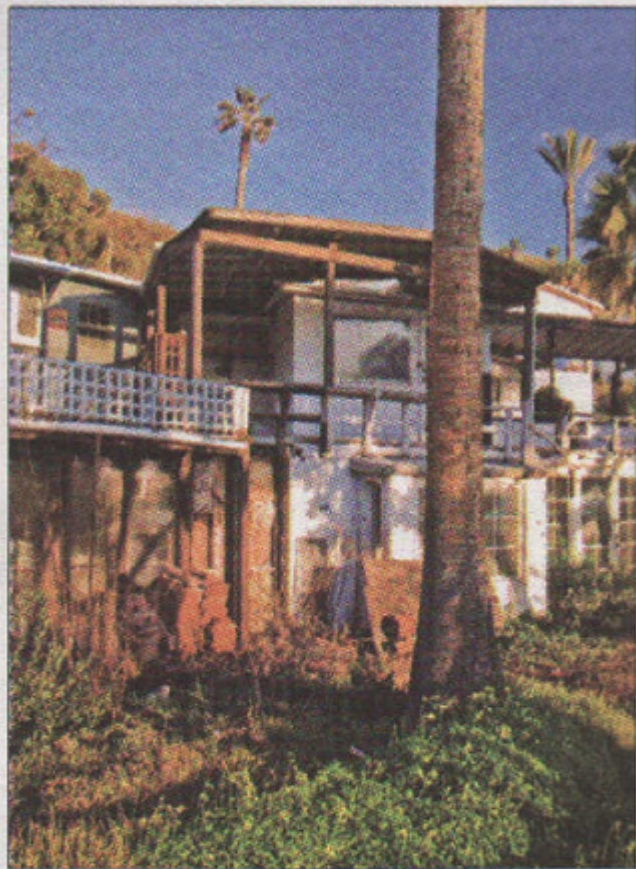
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Outdoor education commons at Crystal Cove: to be restored

NEWPORT BEACH

Phase II of the restoration of the **Crystal Cove State Park Historic District** has begun. The 18-month project includes the rehabilitation of seven beachfront cottages, historic infrastructure improvements and the construc-

tion of two additional public restrooms. The cottage renovations will provide two more overnight rental facilities available for public use and additional space for ongoing public education programs and park operations.

There also are plans to preserve Crystal Cove's contribution to the film industry by transforming the Beaches Cottage, made famous in the 1988 Bette Midler film "Beaches," into a public museum. The \$5.6 million project will be funded through private donations and gifts, philanthropic low-interest loans, grants and concessions revenue raised by the Crystal Cove Alliance. Currently, \$4.7 million has been raised. The architect is Illinois-based Wiss Janney Elstner Associates Inc. and the contractor is Camco Pacific Construction Co. of Irvine.

