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Ringin in the News of the Preservation Campaign for Mission San Antonio de Padua

A Message from President AL PAROLINI

Congratulations to each of the contributors who assisted the Campaign in reaching the \$500,000 Dollar for Dollar Anonymous Matching Pledge. As we communicated in our Spring Mission Bell, we received an important announcement and an extremely exciting opportunity. A \$500,000 Dollar for Dollar Matching Donation – and you rose to the challenge. Beginning in February, the Campaign began reaching out to the community and in July, we reached the \$500,000 goal. To the greater community who made this possible, THANK YOU. And last, to the generous anonymous donor – a tremendous thank you.

This funding has allowed the completion of Phase II and opened the door to begin work on Phase III, the west wing of the mission. Phase III, the West Convento consists of the retreat rooms which permit the overnight lodging of those retreatants who attend many of the weekday and weekend retreats for which the mission is so famously noted.

As has been mentioned in previous newsletters, the preservation of Mission San Antonio is a multi-year, multi-phase project. Moving into Phase III, the Campaign has witnessed the great spirit of cooperation between Eagle Construction and the project team. Cost savings versus preliminary budgets for both Phase I and Phase II have been significant and we believe the balance of the remaining phases will yield the same results. The Campaign remains committed to preserving the mission for future generations well into the next 100 years.

As I wrote this article, I was reminded to thank the Campaign's Board of Directors, many who have served from the very beginning of the Campaign's formation in 2010. Their individual efforts and contributions of time, talents, energy and financial support has been invaluable in the overall success of this project. As you have the opportunity to interact with the Board, please thank them for their tremendous dedication and support.

In the Campaign's continuing efforts to reach out and expand its fundraising efforts, we are hosting a major fundraising event on October 1st, at the Allegretto Vineyard Resort, in Paso Robles. The event consists of a cocktail reception, dinner, music and a live auction. Some of the auction items include a diamond bracelet and ring from Kerry Lee Jewelers, a Disneyland Caribbean Cruise with VIP access, a San Diego vacation that includes admission to Safari Park and the San Diego Zoo, and a week vacation at a cabin at Northstar. Tickets are \$150 per person. Reservations can be completed by forwarding your check to the attention of Susan King, Campaign for the Preservation of Mission San Antonio, P. O. Box 450, King City, 93930. I encourage those who are interested to complete their reservations as space is limited and RSVP's are required. Please call 831-386-0599 to check on availability or for more information.

As always, thank you for your continued and generous support! ■

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Saving a Timeless Treasure

Retrofit Olympics *By Joan Steele, Mission Administrator*



The Summer of 2016 has flown by and the crispness of Fall is kissing the morning sunrises at the Mission. If you, like I, followed the Olympics in Rio, than you have been excited, thrilled, proud and inspired by our athletes who have reminded us all that success comes to those who don't give up...those who stay the course...those who do not quit!

The stabilization/strengthening of Mission San Antonio reflects a similar theme. We began this journey back in 2010 with the investigative work that culminated in a Historic Structure Report. This important document became an early roadmap, leading us toward the path we would take to ensure that our Mission church and quadrangle buildings receive the stabilization and restoration needed to take us into the future.

This is the path we are still on. We knew, as our athletes so aptly reminded us, that success doesn't just happen overnight. While we have come a long way, we are still in the race. As the Fall season fast approaches, we are finishing up on Phase II of the Five-Phase project. The seismic work is done on Phase II, ADA compliance has been met, and the clay tiles are returning to the roof. With the completion of the South Convento wing, we have successfully reached a little over the half-way mark for

the seismic work. This translates to approximately 30,015 square feet of stabilization work complete and approximately 27,424 square feet to go.

We have begun the work on Phase III; the West Convento of the Retreat Center. The aim here is to seismically strengthen the building, upgrade the electrical to accommodate the current (no pun intended) electrical load, remodel the bathroom and

shower room to comply with ADA requirements, and install a fire alarm system and emergency lighting. These changes will result in the loss of a supply closet. They will also, however, allow us to move into the future better prepared to meet the needs of our retreat guests and help us to better provide for their comfort and support.

Originally we had planned to do the entire retreat room area as one unit (Phase III-A and Phase III-B), but in the interests of remaining open to serving the public we opted to split the project into two separate phases. We are not adding additional work, just reconfiguring the scope of each phase to proceed with the optimal efficiency and economy of scale.

Phase IV will encompass similar upgrades to the North Convento (the larger of the two retreat wings). It is our plan to



The roof prepped for the installation of the new clay tiles.

continue from Phase III into Phase IV seamlessly (provided the funds are in place.)

The fifth and final phase, a Museum upgrade to better preserve our aging collections of 19th century clothing, Native American basketry, etc. stands as a necessary addition to the work on the buildings themselves as these collections are priceless treasures that provide a tactile portrayal of life at the Missions in the 1700 and 1800s.

It takes a daily re-commitment to keep moving forward. We have been humbled by the generosity of many, many people who have found it in their hearts to reach out to us through the first two phases and offered us both their emotional and financial support.



The clay tiles are stacked ready to be installed.

The relay continues. Just as the Olympic swimmers in the pool wouldn't just decide to NOT swim their leg of the race, the Project Team, the Construction Team, the Teams of Consultants, Engineers and Sub-Contractors are poised to continue. In order for them to keep pushing ahead, we need to maintain a consistent influx of financial support. There is no sugar coating this fact – it takes a LOT OF MONEY to fund the stabilization/restoration of this important historic structure. But ask any athlete who medaled in Rio, it is worth the effort, worth the work, worth the sacrifice to be able to stand proudly one day in the future and acknowledge our success!

To those who may think the project is too big, takes too long to complete, costs too much, all I can say is, "Look how far we've come! We've accomplished more already, than some people ever thought possible." We are Americans. We believe in getting the impossible done. We set our sights high and then we accomplish them! We serve a God for whom nothing is impossible! We can ALL be part of the solution; it's not about equal giving, rather, equal sacrifice. We need every single dollar offered to achieve success.

The stabilization of Mission San Antonio de Padua is essential to remain open to serve the public for future generations. It is a worthy cause. It is a cause worth fighting for. If you have previously given financially, thank you; your contribution has



Tile installation in progress.

helped get us to the beginning of Phase III. If you are able, please continue to give so that the work can continue seamlessly.

It took many, many individuals (and numerous years) to build these historic adobe structures, brick by brick. It will now take many, many individuals who care enough to save Mission San Antonio to step forward and become part of the team. If you have not yet given, please consider this your invitation to jump into the pool and become part of this important relay. Victory is reserved for those with the heart and resolve to stay the course, for those who refuse to give up, for those with the vision for something greater than themselves. ***Please help us keep swimming!*** ■

THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE PRESERVATION
OF MISSION SAN ANTONIO
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How Mission San Antonio Meets Human Needs

By Joan Steele, Mission Administrator

Coined as the Pyramids of California by Dr. Knox Mellon, former Executive Director of the California Missions Foundation, the Missions represent an integral link in the historic chain of events that tell the story of California's past.

Fourth graders all over the state flock to the twenty-one Missions as they search for important facts to include in their compulsory Mission projects. In compliance with the new common core curriculum requirements, Mission San Antonio docents now offer both the historic and the scientific approaches when leading tours for fourth grade classes visiting our site.

Visitors to Mission San Antonio, however, include a much larger guest list than fourth graders. Guests include individuals and groups from all walks of life, coming to the Mission for a wide variety of reasons.

Mission San Antonio serves as a host site for Science Camp for fifth and sixth graders from local schools. The combination of reasonable rates and sufficient available acreage to safely expose the students to a natural environment provides an affordable option to school systems, fraught to rising costs, so that they can avoid dropping Science Camp from their curriculum. Mission San Antonio has also hosted Diocesan Youth Day for several years, facilitating a 12-hour spiritual retreat for almost one thousand teenagers from five counties.

Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, Jefferson Union High School's Wilderness School for At-Risk Students, and Family to Family (a Community Human Services Counseling and Recovery group) have all utilized facilities at Mission San Antonio.

Michael Muir, (great grandson of naturalist John Muir) Founder and Director of Access Adventure, joins



Michael Muir's *Access Adventure* group gives attendees rides at the Mission Days event.

Mission San Antonio on an annual basis, integrating their programs for the mobility challenged community with the re-enactment event of the Mission. The general public attending this event is then exposed to, and invited to participate with this interaction, thus promoting education and tolerance.

Mission San Antonio is unique among the California Missions in that it is situated within a very active military base. Fort Hunter Liggett is the Western Regional Training Facility that is utilized by all five branches of the military. While the Mission resides on private property (not military), we are honored to be able to help serve the spiritual and emotional needs of our military personnel.

Just recently, Mission San Antonio hosted a week-long, non-denominational retreat for soldiers suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome. As an active retreat center surrounded by 162,000

acres of military reservation, our site is uniquely positioned to be able to offer respite and peace to these deserving soldiers and to help them restore their emotional and spiritual reserves so that they can move forward with their missions and their lives.

The serene location of Mission San Antonio serves its Retreat Center well. Bordered on all sides by a military base, the Mission enjoys the benefits of additional safety and protection. This unique relationship with the military also ensures that this Mission will always appear as it did in 1820, with no town or city encroaching on its historic viewshed.

Our retreat guests are as varied as their reasons for visiting and we take the responsibility of their comfort and safety seriously. With two full Convento wings committed to guest rooms, Mission San Antonio has the capacity to host as few as one visitor or groups as large as sixty-



Left: The 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit are amongst the many military personnel that attend retreats at Mission San Antonio. **Above:** A Proclamation from Fort Hunter Liggett to the Mission on April 2, 2016.

five members. Our retreat guests include many educational groups (fourth graders through college students), a wide array of diverse spiritual/religious groups, family groups, elderly social groups, at-risk youth groups, Native American groups, artists, photographers, writers, psychiatrists, etc.

Away from the noise and distractions of city life, devoid of light pollution, a stay at Mission San Antonio provides a chance to calm your inner self, to consider your thoughts, to contemplate the voice of your heart, to reconnect and restore your spiritual reserves, to recover balance in your life. Beneath the canopy of billions of stars, listening to the haunting hoot of the great horned owl and the distant bugling of the tule elk, laughing easily with loved ones around a crackling bon fire, life tends to reprioritize in a fashion that is increasingly necessary in this ever-busy, ever-racing world.

We need to stabilize and strengthen the facilities at Mission San Antonio so that the community of Mission San Antonio can continue to help stabilize and strengthen the lives of many future generations. ■



Girls dressed in period costumes and playing with toys of the era attend the annual Mission Days event.

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MEET OUR BOARD

Board Member **Rich Casey**

Rich was born and raised in King City and has been a board member since 2012. Rich started visiting Mission San Antonio de Padua as a young child. He shares some of his childhood memories in this brief Q&A.



What are your hopes for the future of Mission San Antonio?

My hope for the future of Mission San Antonio is that it continues to provide an awesome spiritual, educational and historical experience for visitors.

Why are you giving your time to help preserve Mission San Antonio?

I give my time to the Mission because I deeply appreciate its beauty and history and I want to see it both preserved and kept available to share with the world.

Do you have a special memory of the Mission?

I am blessed to live in Southern Monterey County, within about 1/2 hour's drive of the Mission, so I have been visiting the mission ever since I was a small child. Consequently, it is difficult to pick out just one special memory. As an annual family treat my dad would take us to the Mission Fiesta, and I can clearly recall the wonderful aroma of the BBQ, the innocent delight of all the kids' games and the great accordion music. As an adult I have experienced the beauty and serenity of the sanctuary and attended many wonderful events in the gardens.

How and when did you first come to know of Mission San Antonio?

My grandmother was the Mission's number one fan. As a very young child, my earliest memories of the Mission were stories told to me by her - stories of her visits to the Mission from when she was a child. She was passionate about the Mission and as an adult wrote several books, both fiction and non fiction, featuring it and chronicling some of its more prominent characters. I think it was these stories that kindled my interest in this treasured landmark. ■

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