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JEWEL
of the Missions

Summer 2011

FAMILY SUMMER FUN!
FOR KIDS AND ADULTS

CENTURY OLD PAINTING PRESERVED

ATTEND ROMANCE OF THE MISSION BENEFIT GALA CONCERT & DINNER

HOST YOUR EVENT AT THE MOST MEMORABLE VENUE IN ORANGE COUNTY

SPANISH CALIFORNIA’S CONTRIBUTION TO THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Look at the photo showing my family visiting with Elmo and I think about how when the kids were young, Elmo was a rockstar. Now that they are older, the photo captures a silly moment. Despite my resistance, time has indeed marched on. My son Dylan heads off to college in the fall. My daughter Lisa will soon be a teenager, and life is far from those Sesame Street days when I first arrived here and she was in pre-school. Like most parents, I felt that things would never change and we were a long way from growing up! But in a blink of eye it happened.

I think about the Old Mission and how it seems to the outside world, perhaps, like things will never change. Then in a staff meeting, our team will reminisce about the preservation of the Serra Chapel and past museum exhibits. While reminiscing, we are reminded of the growth in our education programming and scholarships for low income students. We marvel at how time has marched on and how in just a few years, things have changed.

Yet, my ideas for progress at the Old Mission are tethered by concerns for preserving the moment and making sure that change doesn’t happen too fast, and that all work is rooted in principles of protection, care, and stewardship. Perhaps these themes relate to the ideas of parenthood. It’s our role at home, and in places like Mission San Juan Capistrano, to lead, nurture, and then one day let go.

For sure, at the old Mission, there is more history ahead, there is a chance to appropriately relocate the Gift Shop from the historic Sala to the front entrance, and thereby preserve the building. (For those that don’t know, this space is rich in history and dates to the founding of the Mission.) To me, this space is in the heart of the Mission site and deserves attention and a long range plan.

We leave legacies behind in our children and grandchildren. They teach us the value of time and love. The energy we get from them can be directed to making differences in other areas of our lives. For me, that energy has translated into the opportunity to make a difference to this landmark. A special place that welcomes all, provides sanctuary from the outside world, and a place where lifelong memories are made every day.

Despite our best efforts, change happens, life goes forward, and old buildings don’t just last because they are old or well built. They, like our children, reflect the investment and care that we as a society put into protecting their meaning, and nurturing their chance to stand for something bigger than ourselves for generations to come.

All that we have to do is to follow-up on that sense of care with personal action.

P.S. This newsletter is dedicated to my son Dylan for inspiring me to be a bold career mom. Congratulations son on all of your many academic and personal successes as you start this next chapter of your own personal history. I’ll be standing by.
Thanks to the generosity of Mission supporters, the painting “Saint Joseph with the Infant” has recently undergone a much-needed conservation treatment. The painting, which dates to the early 1800s, was hung in the Rectory before conservation and will debut in public for the first time at the Mission Treasures exhibit. Over time the painting had developed notable conditional issues such as tears, ripples, paint loss, and a general discoloration from the build-up of dirt on its surface. These conditions made the painting a good candidate for conservation.

Recently, paintings conservator Aneta Zebala of Aneta Zebala Paintings Conservation, worked to renew this old painting by flattening out the ripples, backing the original canvas with a secondary supportive piece of canvas, stretching it back onto the original stretcher and cleaning it. Additionally, areas of paint loss and tears were stabilized and painted in to conceal the damage.

Painting: Saint Joseph with the Infant, circa early 1800s. Showing before example of tears, dirt, and ripples.

After
Host Your Private Event

[At the most beautiful location in Orange County]

Whether you are planning a corporate gathering or a family gathering, the reverence and beauty of the historic landmark and museum Mission San Juan Capistrano is inspirational.

The charming adobe Soldiers Barracks Gallery with attached private patio is the perfect space for a daytime or evening event. This 500 square-foot space is ideal for small corporate meetings or special events including engagement parties, baby/bridal showers, rehearsal dinners, or day-after-the-wedding brunches. This gallery offers a blend of historic ambiance and modern technology.

For your evening event, our Front and Central Courtyards can accommodate up to 800 seated guests or 1,000 guests for cocktails. Wrapped around our lovely Spanish style fountain and Koi pond, amongst the roses and surrounded by warm adobe buildings, your guests will be awestruck at the beauty of an evening spent at the Mission.

For additional information please contact Kari Ann Bracamonte, Venue Sales Coordinator for Mission San Juan Capistrano at (949) 234-1343 or kbracamonte@missionsjc.com.

Save the Date

Romance of the Mission Benefit Gala Concert & Dinner

Friday, September 16, 2011

The most exclusive gala benefit hosted in Orange County every year. Features a pre-show hosted reception, extravagant entertainment in the Great Stone Church and the most romantic dinner setting display.

Honoring Reverend Monsignor Arthur A. Holquin and featuring Baritone, Rod Gilfry. Underwriting opportunities available. For more information, please contact Barb Beier at (949) 234-1323 or bbeier@missionsjc.com.

Landmarks Club

Leverage the fruits of your labor

Do you want to make a significant gift to support Historic Mission San Juan Capistrano that will benefit it for years to come while meeting your own financial needs?

You can! Explore the benefits of life income gifts.

Imagine any of your current assets (cash, securities or real estate) as a fruit tree. For years, you’ve nurtured that tree ... tended it, watered it, and used the “fruit” it produced to support your lifestyle and, perhaps, others. You might have wished to help the Mission or other charities, but you need the fruit to thrive financially.

A life income gift, such as a charitable gift annuity or charitable remainder trust, provides a potential solution. It allows you to donate the asset now and retain the right to receive income for the rest of your life.

What these charitable gifts share in common is that both allow you to donate an asset today, receive an immediate income tax deduction, and receive income for yourself and loved ones for life.

For more information, please contact Barb Beier at (949) 234-1323 or bbeier@missionsjc.com.
Spain was a great supporter to the American Revolution, giving the colonists much-needed supplies, monetary support, and fighting troops in regions of the Mississippi Valley. But why would the Spanish want to help support a war for independence and the ideals of democracy, when their country was run by a monarch?

Luckily for the American colonists, the Spanish had a mutual enemy — the British. Charles III, the monarch of Spain, cared little for the ideals of the colonists. Rather, he sought revenge.

Spain lost a significant amount of territory to the British during the Seven Years War (1750s-1760s). Charles III wanted that territory back and believed the best way to help Spanish interests was to weaken the British. Helping the American colonists would minimize the British presence in the Americas, and weaken their ability to fight elsewhere.

King Charles III created a Decree for War Contributions to the colonies on August 17, 1780. In the decree, he ordered “his vassals of America contribute for one time a donation of one peso per Indian and other castes and two for each Spaniard and noble, to sustain the present war ... I desire that you comply with this immediately.”

In response, Father President Junipero Serra and Alta California Governor Felipe de Neve met the obligation by taking offerings at Masses, from collecting debts from soldiers, as well as receiving produce from the missions to sell. California sent approximately 1,070 pesos to assist in the war effort. Father Serra also wrote a circular letter to all the Missions in California asking the padres to lead public prayers for the success of Spanish arms.

By the support of Spanish people, Spain’s effort in the war was a successful one. The war gave Spain a boost in morale after devastating losses in the previous Seven Years War. At the war’s conclusion, the Signing of the Treaty of Paris in 1783, the American colonists gained their freedom, and Spain retained Minorca and West Florida.

Visit the Mission to learn more about California’s Heritage from hands-on activities, exhibits, and the California Missions Resource Studio.
Welcome New Employees

We at Historic Mission San Juan Capistrano would like to introduce our newest employees, Kari Ann Bracamonte working in the On Site Events Department and Jeff Glass joins the Security team working weekend shifts.

For summer break, we also welcome back college students, left, Ellen Greene in Guest Services and Hilary Bergen in the Preservation Department.

Lifelong Mission and Tradition

Nathan K. Banda rings the bells for the first time

This past Swallows Day, March 19, Nathan K. Banda, the Mission’s newest bell ringer performed his duties for the first time with fellow bell ringers Michael Gastelum, left, and Rafael Gutierrez, right. Nathan will follow in the tradition and will ring the bells until the day the bells toll for him.
Thank You to Our Generous Supporters!
(Gifts given from February 4, 2011 - May 6, 2011)

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We regret any misspelling or errors. Names are published as records indicate.
Kids Camps & Activities

Ceramics Clay Camp (2 week sessions)*
Session I: June 27 - July 8, 2011
Session II: July 11 - July 22, 2011
Session III: July 25 - August 5, 2011
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Native American Summer Camp (1 week session)
Session I: June 27 - July 1, 2011
Session II: July 4 - July 8, 2011
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Adventure Sleepover - Night at the Mission *
July 15 - July 16, 2011 • 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 a.m.
An adventurous sleepover of camping overnight on Mission grounds for kids with their parents. The sleepover includes dinner, activities, and breakfast the following morning.

June 28 through September 1, 2011
ALL ACTIVITIES BELOW ARE FREE FOR MEMBERS

Miniature Adobe House/ Jump Rope or Lasso/ Cornhusk Doll Crafts
Tuesdays • 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Arrowhead Necklace Craft
Wednesdays • 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Toy Craft and Old Fashion Play Day
Thursdays • 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Gold Panning
Every Saturday • 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Koi Fish Feeding
Daily • 12:45 p.m.

* Discounts for members.