



## **Mission Celebrates Women's History Month with Ladies of Lincoln's Era Exhibition, March 12<sup>th</sup> Lectures & Activities**

*SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO, Calif., January 16, 2009* – Mission San Juan Capistrano is pleased to introduce its new *Ladies of Lincoln's Era* exhibition, highlighting 12 of the most influential women of the 1860s, February 2 – March 31, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily in the Rancho Room. The exhibition features quilts made by women of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, biographies and photographs of the 12 courageous women, depictions of the Civil War field hospitals in which many of them lived and worked, and an interactive element that encourages young women of today to leave their mark. The Mission's Artifacts Council created the exhibition.

### ***Ladies of Lincoln's Era* Lectures, Activities & Discounts**

**Offered Thursday, March 12, 8:30 – 5 p.m.**

At 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Megan Dukett, Education Manager for the Mission, will lead two interactive workshops for children on **Games of the 1860s**. At 11 a.m., Kevin Jones, costume curator for the Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising, will present a lecture and PowerPoint presentation, *Darkly Adorned: Mourning and the Civil War*. At 12 p.m., children's author and illustrator, Karen B. Winnick, will present her book *Mr. Lincoln's Whiskers*, which is based on a true story, followed by a slideshow on her historical research. At 1 p.m., Martha Morrison, an expert on American quilts and textiles, will present *The Threads of Truth, Honoring the Creators of American Quilts*.

The day will also feature Living History portrayers in 19<sup>th</sup> century attire and a display of sample baked goods from Civil War recipe books.

Group discounts are available throughout the exhibition in February and March by calling (949) 234-1306. Free admission is offered on March 12<sup>th</sup> for any child (aged 3-11) who brings an **American Girl Doll**. For additional information, visit the Mission's website, [www.missionsjc.com](http://www.missionsjc.com), or call (949) 234-1300.

*Mission San Juan Capistrano is open 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily. **The Mission operations are funded by gate admissions – preservation work is funded by grants and fundraising efforts.** To reach the Mission, take I-5 to the Ortega Highway exit to San Juan Capistrano. Admission: \$9 adults, \$8 seniors, \$5 children ages 3-11, and under 3 free. Price includes self-guided, digital audio tour. Information: **(949) 234-1300.** Mission address: 26801 Ortega Hwy., San Juan Capistrano. Website: [www.missionsjc.com](http://www.missionsjc.com).*

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