Letter from the CMSA President - David Bolton

Dear Fellow CMSA Members:

This edition of the Correo features many interesting topics, including the first of many scholarship grants planned by the CMSA Board, another California Missions poem by gifted poet laureate Philomene Long, details on the upcoming 2012 CMSA Conference at Mission San Rafael including the annual Call for Papers, a listing of Mission-related and historical events throughout the region, as well as a special welcome to our two newest CMSA Board members, Dr. Thomas J. Lucas SJ and Nick Tipon, both outstanding and talented CMSA members who were appointed by the CMSA Board to fill a pair of current mid-term vacancies.

Meanwhile, our Committees are all hard at work:

The Norman Neuerburg and Edna Kimbro Awards Committees continue to work through the list of submitted candidates as we move closer to final selections for these two prestigious awards which are presented at our annual conference. The winners will be announced in our November edition of the Correo.

Our local Conference arrangements Committee, headed by CMSA Board member Teri Brunner, continues to coordinate all details for the upcoming February 17-19, 2012 CMSA Conference at Mission San Rafael with excursions to historic Sonoma and the nearby former Coast Miwok site at Olompali State Park. This should be an outstanding conference featuring as well a history on wines from the early days of the Missions to the quality produced today at vineyards throughout the Sonoma/Napa region and statewide. Further details can be found later in this edition of the Correo regarding a great Conference hotel rate. The local arrangements Committee plans to mail out Conference registration packets to all CMSA by November 10th. So please check your...
mail then for important registration and other Conference details.

The CMSA Board Nominations Committee of Carol Kenyon, chairperson, Dr. Jarrell Jackman and Teri Brunner are working toward recommendations to fill our current full-term Board vacancies which come up next July 1, 2012. These recommendations will be voted on by our full CMSA Membership at our Annual General Meeting set for 1 p.m. the Saturday of our Conference, February 18, 2012, at Mission San Rafael. If you would like to serve on the CMSA Board, or if you have any strong candidates that you would like put forward, please send information to Committee chairperson Carol Kenyon at email: carol.tintent@gmail.com, and she will forward to the rest of the Nominations Committee.

Our CMSA Publications Committee, as you can see, has made great strides the past four months bringing this Correo to your email in-box on a monthly basis. A big thank you to our Correo editor and CMSA Board member Sue Moran. Up next is an examination of our CMSA web site as we look to make the site the number one source of Mission studies and research.

The CMSA Conference Call for Papers Committee including Ty Smith, chairperson, Carol Kenyon and Dr. Thomas Lucas are milling through all of the Presentation submittals that have been received so far, and will be received prior to our November deadline. They are working out details and structure of what is expected to be an informative day of presentations on a variety of topics of interest to us all in CMSA. As usual, the Presentations will be given the Saturday of our Conference week at Mission San Rafael.

Lastly, prior to our most recent CMSA Board meeting in September at Mission Santa Barbara, we enjoyed an informal gathering with Board members from the California Missions Foundation. As an organization, we look forward to opportunities to further support CMF and other organizations that share our common interests in everything that is Missions, Presidios and early history. CMF, under the leadership of Chairman Larry Gould and Executive Director Knox Mellon, is taking the lead in coordinating statewide activities in 2013 commemorating the 300th anniversary of Father Junipero Serra’s birth. Stay tuned for more details on this year of special Serra-related events.

Moving forward, we are all excited about the direction CMSA is taking, and we look forward to continuing to further guide the organization in a positive and informative way. We are always open to suggestions and feedback; please send any ideas along as they come up. Thanks to all for your continued support, and kind words of encouragement.

The story continues to be unveiled.....

Best regards,
CMSA BOARD APPOINTS 2 NEW BOARD MEMBERS

To fill two recent mid-term vacancies on the CMSA Board, the Board of Directors acted as per our By-Laws and appointed two strong members of CMSA to fill those spots during a recent Special Meeting conference call.

Joining the Board immediately to fill out the remaining two terms are Dr. Thomas Lucas SJ and Nick Tipon.

Nick Tipon does extensive volunteer work for the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, of which he is a member. He is currently the Advisor to the Sacred Sites Protection Committee of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria and serves as a cultural resources monitor for the Tribe. The mission of the Sacred Sites Protection Committee is to protect the Tribe's ceremonial, sacred and other cultural resources, including traditional plant gathering areas.

Nick’s maternal grandmother was a Southern Pomo Indian who was born and raised just outside of Sebastopol. He has presented at a number of conferences specifically at The Society for California Archaeology of which he is a member and on the Ethics Committee. Nick is also a member of the California Retired Teachers.

Dr. Thomas Lucas is a faculty member at the University of San Francisco, and has received great acclaim for his work as director of the USF Thacher Gallery, most notably including last year's major exhibit "Galleons and Globalization: California Mission Arts and the Pacific Rim".

An ordained Roman Catholic priest in the Society of Jesus, Tom has an extensive background in mission studies, Liturgical design, visual and performing arts, community outreach, Foundation boards and charitable works in the U.S. and Mexico.

In 2010, Tom was named USF’s first University Professor by president and provost, and is fluent in Spanish and Italian and has a reading knowledge in both French and Latin.

Please join the CMSA Board in welcoming these two highly-qualified individuals to our California Mission Studies Association Board of Directors.

THREE CMSA BOARD VACANCIES REMAIN

As per our new By-Laws voted on by the full membership this past spring, the CMSA Board can consist of a maximum of 11 individuals. As we mentioned in previous editions of the Correo, we will be having a General Membership vote for full-term Board vacancies at our Annual General Meeting on February 18, 2012 at Mission San Rafael as part of our 2012 CMSA Conference.

If you would like to serve on the CMSA Board, or if you know of any strong candidates that should be considered, please email CMSA Nominations Committee chairperson Carol Kenyon at email: carol.tintent@gmail.com.

CMSA BOARD VOTES TO SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIP VIA GRANT
By a unanimous vote, the CMSA Board of Directors recently decided to support the last major writing effort related to an exciting project of CMSA veterans and the Smithsonian Institution studying pottery production, supply, and exchange in Spanish- and Mexican California.

The book manuscript titled, **Recovering a Legacy: the Ceramics of Alta California**, is currently under contract with the University Press of Florida, and in addition to describing the finding of historical and analytical research the scope has been broadened by including contributions from long-time CMSA'ers including Russell Skowronek, Bob Hoover, Julia Costello, Mike Imwalle, Jack Williams, Barb Voss, and Glenn Farris.

According to Russell, "This book will be the basis for scholarly research for the next half a century. Nothing like this has ever been done in California."

The manuscript is nearing completion and will be submitted in the next sixty days. The CMSA grant will be used for the inclusion of color plates and the creation of a detailed index of the volume.

**NEW SERIES OF MISSION-RELATED POEMS**

This month the *Correo* presents the second poem in our new series of mission-related poetry published in *The California Mission Poems* (1991) by Philomene Long.

This selection is entitled "Carmel."

If you would like to learn more about Philomene Long and her body of poetry, please visit [http://philomenelong.com](http://philomenelong.com)

In November, the *Correo* will feature Philomene Long's tribute to the San Fernando Mission.

**"CARMEL" - BY PHILOMENE LONG**

CARMEL
A memory
Shaped from adobe
And stone
Patches of grass
On a blotched ochre wall
A murmur
Is it the skewed star window
Or the unmoving bell?
A murmur. A presence
Serra
Crespi
Lopez
Lasuen
And in the tiny graveyard
Three thousand Indians
A pepper tree
Leans over their graves
Reaching
As if to touch them
Cannot
As we cannot
This Mission of Carmel
This host of lives
Like the Eucharist Itself
Astound

CMSA CONFERENCE 2012 - UPDATE ON "MARKET PLACE"

The CMSA Board is hoping to expand the "Market Place" at our February 2012 conference to be held at Mission San Raphael. In the past the majority, the essential backbone of our market, has been booksellers. At this conference we are hoping to include not only our beloved booksellers, but also to expand Market choices to include pottery, jewelry, textiles, baskets, music and anything else Mission associated. If any of this interests you, please contact me, Carol Kenyon, at carol.tintent@gmail.com. I will answer any questions you may have and forward you the application form.

CMSA CONFERENCE 2012 - CALL FOR PAPERS REMINDER

CMSA 2012 Conference - Call for Papers
Mission San Rafael Arcángel, February 17-19, 2012
Hacia el Norte: Un Paso más Adelante

The conference theme, Hacia el Norte: Un Paso más Adelante, invites presentations that speak not only to the San Rafael region, but to the decades-long-history of "getting there," that step further. After all, la frontera Norte, was (and is) not only a place on the map, but also a province of the mind, both for those who lived there and for those who imagined it from further south. Mission San Rafael thus serves as the perfect backdrop to talk about the way North, both as a destination and a journey. For more information about the conference theme, please see the August Correo.

If you would like to submit a presentation for consideration, please send:

1) An abstract of 100 to 200 words. Indicate if it is a single presentation (20 min.), or a panel session (60 min.)
2) Names of all presenters, affiliation(s), contact information (including e-mail)
3) Audio-visual requirements

Due by email, or postmarked by December 1, 2011 to CMSA Program Coordinators: 2012CMSAConferenceProposals@ca-missions.org
California Mission Studies Association
P.O. Box 420215, San Diego, CA 92142

CMSA plans to publish an electronic version of the 2012 Conference papers with more details for Presenters possibly coming in the December edition of Correo.

Prospective presenters should be prepared to submit both a synopsis and list of sources with their proposals.
The local organizing committee for the 2012 CMSA Conference at Mission San Rafael Arcángel has worked out a great room rate of $119/night at the Embassy Suites-San Rafael (Marin) for conference attendees.

Update: This $119/night rate applies to extended stays, as well (e.g., from Thursday, February 16th to Monday morning, February 20th).

The cut-off to guarantee these rates is October 31, 2011. Please email us if you have any difficulties. We look forward to seeing you at the February 17-19, 2012 Conference.

GROUP BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS:
We have established a block of rooms at a rate of $119.00 at the Embassy Suites Hotel San Rafael. ***Please confirm your reservation prior to your October 31, 2011 cut-off date by: Please call 415-499-9222 or 1-800-EMBASSY, ask for reservations department and then ask for the San Rafael, CA location. Advise them that you are with the "California Mission Studies Association" group under group code "CMS", then confirm your reservation.

An online link for guests has been created to use in booking CMSA Conference attendee reservations.
If you wish to book through the internet/online, please use the online group page for the "California Mission Studies Association", simply click on the link provided to you and then confirm your reservation.


Embassy Suites San Rafael-Marin County 101 McInnis Parkway San Rafael, CA 94903 (415) 499-9222 www.sanrafael.embassysuites.com

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2012

10:00 AM
Tour departs from Hotel Embassy Suites for caravan to Olompali State Park, a former Coast Miwok site. Hike through park. Visit Kitchen Rock and the Native village

11:30 AM
Depart Olompali for historic Sonoma.

12 noon
Arrive in Sonoma Square lunch on own in Sonoma at noon.

1:00 PM
CMSA-arranged docent-led tours of historic Sonoma. (Please see separate article in this edition of the Correo for Sonoma tour details)
Maps to/from the Olompali State Park, Sonoma and the Conference and hotel in San Rafael will be provided.

5:00-6:30 PM CMSA hosted Conference Reception and Conference Registration at Mission San Rafael Arcángel
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2012

8:00 AM
Continental Breakfast, Mission San Rafael Arcángel

8:30-12:00 PM
Morning Sessions

12:00-1:00 PM
Lunch provided on-site at Mission San Rafael Arcángel

1:00 PM
Annual General Meeting of CMSA Membership

1:30-4:30 PM
Afternoon Sessions

5:00 PM
Mass in the church at Mission San Rafael Arcángel

6:00 PM
CMSA-hosted reception at Mission San Rafael Arcángel

7:00 PM
Annual CMSA Conference Banquet
Mission San Rafael Arcángel
Special Music Performance
Norman Neuerburg and Edna Kimbro Awards

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2012

10:00 AM
CMSA-arranged docent-led tours of historic Sonoma. (Please see separate article in this edition of the Correo for Sonoma tour details)

Maps to/from Sonoma and the Conference and hotel in San Rafael will be provided

CMSA CONFERENCE 2012 - TAKE A TOUR OF HISTORIC SONOMA

Take a Tour of Historic Sonoma

In conjunction with the CMSA Annual Conference to be held at Mission San Rafael February 17-19, 2012, we will be offering tours of several historic sites in Sonoma.

In order to fit in best and give everyone the most flexibility with your travel arrangements for the conference, for the first time in CMSA history, the same Sonoma tour will be offered Friday early afternoon before the conference and on the Sunday mid-late morning after the conference.

As part of these special tours of historic Sonoma, CMSA attendees will be provided a docent-led tour of:

- Mission San Francisco Solano, the last and northern-most of the missions
- Sonoma Barracks, headquarters of the Mexican Army's Northern Frontier and, later, the Bear Flag Republic and the US Army's Pacific Division;
- Lachrima Montis, the final home of Mariano Vallejo and his family.
The tour will last approximately two hours. The Friday tour begins in Sonoma at 1 p.m., and the Sunday tour at 10 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

UPCOMING CALIFORNIA MISSION-RELATED EVENTS

OCTOBER

OCTOBER - El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park: Exhibit: Ceramics Rediscovered: Science Reshapes Understanding of Hispanic Life in Early California, Daily, 10:30am - 4:30pm http://sbthp.org/events2.htm

OCTOBER - El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park (Northeast Corner): Exhibit: Memorias y Facturas Daily, 10:30am to 4:30pm http://sbthp.org/events2.htm


OCTOBER 13 - El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park: Archaeology Month Lecture Series: Fifty Years of Archaeology at SBTHP: A Retrospective, 7pm http://sbthp.org/events2.htm


OCTOBER 22 - La Purisima Mission: Village Days. 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. http://www.lapurisimamission.org/events


OCTOBER 29 - San Miguel: Candlelight Tour of the Old Adobe with Ghost Stories http://www.rios-caledoniaadobe.org/events.html

OCTOBER 30 - Mission San Luis Rey: Dia de los Muertos. 10 am - 4 pm http://www.sanluisrey.org/Events2/Dia-de-los-Muertos-Day-of-the-Dead-2011

OCTOBER 30 - Casa de la Guerra, Santa Barbara: Dia de los Muertos Craft Event. http://sbthp.org/events2.htm

NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 5 - El Presidio de Santa Bárbara State Historic Park, Santa Barbara: Early California Dance. 1pm - 3pm http://sbthp.org/events2.htm

NOVEMBER 15 - San Antonio de Padua Mission: Evening in the Garden, 4pm to 8pm.
DECEMBER

DECEMBER (Exact Date To Be Announced Later) - The Rios Caledonia Adobe, San Miguel. Las Posadas. http://www.rios-caledoniaadobe.org/events.html

DECEMBER 3 - Mission San Juan Capistrano: Christmas at the Mission. 5:30pm - 8pm http://www.missionsjc.com/calendar/events-todays-events.php?day=3&amp;month=12&amp;year=2011&amp;sitemapurl=./activities/calendar-activities-sitemap.php

DECEMBER 3 - Pico Adobe, Santa Barbara. Tamale Making. 12pm - 2pm http://sbthp.org/events2.htm


DECEMBER 8 - Mission San Juan Capistrano: Day of Remembrance for the Earthquake of 1812. 8:30am - 5pm http://missionsjc.com/calendar/events-todays-events.php?day=8&amp;month=12&amp;year=2011&amp;sitemapurl=./tours/calendar-tours-sitemap.php

DECEMBER 8 - La Purisima Mission: Founding Day: December 8 http://www.lapurisimamission.org/events


JANUARY 2012

JANUARY 29, 2012 - San Antonio de Padua Mission. Spaghetti Dinner and Cutting of the Roses. 9am - 3pm http://missionsanantonio.net/spaghettidinner

UPCOMING MISSION-RELATED EVENTS OUTSIDE OF CALIFORNIA

OCTOBER

OCTOBER (TBA) - San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, Texas. Artesanos del Pueblo: A Celebration of Folk Art. For more information about this event call (210) 922-3218. http://www.nps.gov/saan/planyourvisit/events.htm


DECEMBER


DECEMBER 3 - 4 - Tumacácori Mission, Tumacacori National Historical Park, Arizona. La Fiesta de Tumacacori. 10 am - 5 pm. http://www.nps.gov/tuma/planyourvisit/special-events.htm
DECEMBER (TBA) - Mission San Jose, San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, Texas. Los Pastores. [http://www.nps.gov/saan/planyourvisit/events.htm](http://www.nps.gov/saan/planyourvisit/events.htm)

JANUARY 2012


If you would like CMSA to consider announcing an event or new publications which may be of interest to the readers of the Correo, please contact Sue Ellen Moran with details.

If you would like to join CMSA, please use the "Join CMSA" link under Quick Links to access the CMSA Membership page.

Sincerely,

David Bolton
California Mission Studies Association