MISSION SANTA INÉS CHOSEN TO HOST 2017 CALIFORNIA MISSIONS CONFERENCE

The CMF Board has unanimously selected Mission Santa Inés as the site for the 2017 California Missions Conference, scheduled for February 17-19, 2017.

Tentative Schedule

The three-day event, which begins on Friday and wraps on Sunday, will return to Mission Santa Inés for the first time since 1999.

The conference will begin Friday morning, when, for the first time, CMF will host two additional and Missions related events as part of the California Missions Conference: the
inaugural Institute for the Study of Presidios and the 19th Annual California Missions Directors and Curators Conference. Formerly hosted by the Old Mission Santa Barbara, the Directors and Curators Conference has served employees and volunteers of the missions, while the 1st Institute for the Study of Presidios will introduce several new topics to the conference weekend of presentations.

Mission Santa Inés will be an ideal backdrop for both events. More information can be found below.

Following lunch, all Conference attendees are invited to enjoy afternoon in-depth tours of the Mission Santa Inés complex, as well as the adjacent Santa Inés Mission Grist Mills.

Friday evening, there will be a hosted reception for attendees, followed by an evening program in the mission church and the annual business and general membership meeting.

Saturday, the Conference will feature a full day of paper presentations, with lunch served at the mission. That Saturday evening, the Annual Conference Awards Banquet will honor those who have made significant contributions to the study, preservation, and interpretation of the California Missions and related historic sites and to furthering the mission of the California Missions Foundation.

Sunday, the Conference wraps up with an optional tour of Mission La Purísima.

Sheila Benedict, long-time archivist at Mission Santa Inés, has been instrumental in local conference arrangements.

**2017 California Missions Conference Theme**

CMF’s California Mission Studies Committee has chosen “Change and Continuity in the Missions and Related Lands of California” as the theme for its 2017 conference.
It is true that California is a land of great change, but while many events have transformed California, change was not abrupt nor did it erase what had come before. It was, rather, the slow change of the blending and layering of ideas, cultures, religious tradition, and DNA. And despite thousands of years of tumultuous cultural history, there are many places in California that have not changed much at all.

According to CMF Vice Chair, Ty Smith, “The membership and other supporters of the California Missions Foundation represent a variety of interests. Some are scholars, of a wide range of disciplines and others are enthusiastic laypeople. The conference theme was designed to capture the imaginations of potential presenters, but it is broad enough to incorporate many facets of California mission studies.”

CALL FOR PAPERS FOR THE 2017 CALIFORNIA MISSIONS CONFERENCE

For the 2017 California Missions Conference, the California Missions Foundation’s Paper and Publications Committee invites paper and panel proposals that explore change and continuity in the mission lands of California.

California is a land of great change. After millennia of sovereign land occupation by California Indian groups, the Spanish attempted to colonize Alta California beginning in 1769. Former mission lands became part of a new republic when Mexico won its independence from Spain in 1821. The Bear Flag Revolt of 1846 and the later Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, the result of the Mexican American War, delivered California to the United States. Although each of these events transformed California, the change was not abrupt nor did it erase what had come before. It was, rather, the slow change of the blending and layering of ideas, cultures, religious tradition, and DNA. And despite
thousands of years of tumultuous cultural history, there are many places in California that have not changed much at all. Motorists on Highway 101 (the old El Camino Real), drive by landscapes that still bear the imprint of Native American land management practices that date back thousands of years; Missions still stand (thanks, in part, to generations of restoration work); and descendants of Californio and early American families still work cattle on remnants of Mexican era ranchos.

The theme of continuity and change should be considered broadly. Scholars from various disciplines can explore key turning points in California’s mission-era past, or trace areas of historical or cultural continuity.

If you would like to submit a presentation for consideration for the upcoming 2017 California Missions Conference, please send the following via email to Conference@californiamissionsfoundation.org:

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

Abstracts are due via email by December 15, 2016 to the attention of the California Missions Conference Program Coordinators: conference@californiamissionsfoundation.org.

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CALIFORNIA MISSIONS CONFERENCE TO HOST ADDITIONAL EVENTS

19th Annual California Missions Directors and Curators Conference
Friday, February 17, 2017

The California Missions Foundation is honored to invite you to the 19th Annual California Missions Directors and Curators Conference on Friday, February 17, 2017 at Mission Santa Inés. This year CMF is teaming up with Tina Foss of Old Mission Santa Barbara to bring this informative event to the California Missions Conference weekend, hosted by CMF.

The popular event will focus again on mission preservation, interpretation, fundraising and grants, and other areas of interest to all that work at a historical site related to the story of the California Missions.

Beginning at 8:30 am on Friday, February 17 with a continental breakfast at the historic Mission Santa Inés, the California Missions Directors and Curators Conference kicks off with presenters and panels covering topics of interest to those that work day in and day out at our historic sites.

Following lunch, Conference attendees will then enjoy afternoon in-depth tours of the
All Directors and Curators Conference attendees are encouraged to also attend the weekend’s California Missions Conference hosted by CMF. This annual gathering is great for networking, and for learning more about the Mission story. The California Missions Conference begins with tours Friday afternoon, a hosted reception on Friday at the mission, an evening performance in the historic mission church, presenters all day on Saturday, and an awards banquet on Saturday evening. The eventful weekend will wrap up on Sunday morning with an optional tour of Mission La Purísima from 10 am-12 noon. Conference registration information is below. If you would like to attend the 19th Annual Curators and Directors Conference please contact CMF at info@californiamissionsfoundation.org.

1st Annual Institute for the Study of Presidios Hosted by CMF
Friday, February 17, 2017

For the first time in its history, the California Missions Conference will host a “Institute for the Study of Presidios” which will deal with topics related to the various Presidio Districts, both present and historically. These Districts served as administration centers during the Spanish period and, in California, included four distinct districts: Monterey, San Diego, San Francisco and Santa Barbara.

The inaugural session of the Institute for the Study of Presidios will be held on Friday, February 17 from 9-12:30 pm at Mission Santa Inés as part of the California Missions Conference weekend. Speakers will give a variety of presentations including talks on each
of the four presidio districts, as well as related topics. The Institute will also include discussion about research in each of the four Presidio Districts of Alta California.

“We will also be talking about organizing research by Presidio districts which is timely with the on-going El Camino Real project efforts,” said Dr. Jarrell C. Jackman, a current CMF board member who was recently named a CSPRA Honorary State Park Ranger as well as Commander of the Royal Order of Queen Isabella the Catholic for his efforts preserving and interpreting the Spanish history of Alta California. In proposing the idea of the Institute for the Study of Presidios, Dr. Jackman, who will chair the session, said: "It is a way of broadening the scope of research and interest of CMF and everyone involved."

The Institute for the Study of Presidios is open to all 2017 California Missions Conference registered attendees. Additional information, including speakers and more, will be distributed in the January edition of Correo as well as on the CMF website, californiamissionsfoundation.org.

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**CALIFORNIA MISSIONS CONFERENCE HOST HOTELS**

CMF has arranged for "host" hotels for the conference, with each offering a different level of comfort and cost. The hotels are located just behind the Mission complex, and an easy walk to all of the Conference events except for the Sunday tour of Mission La Purísima.

The hotels are the 4-star Hotel Corque, a top of the line hotel owned and operated by the Santa Inés Band of Chumash, the more budget-friendly Svensgaard Danish Lodge, and the Royal Copenhagen Inn.

Please keep in mind that this is Presidents' Weekend, and the town of Solvang is a popular weekend getaway location.

For discounted rates at either hotel, please call the hotel directly and say that you are reserving under the group name, California Missions Foundation.

- Hotel Corque, 400 Alisal Road, Solvang, 93464, (800) 624-5572
- Svensgaard’s Danish Lodge (Sold Out), 1711 Mission Drive, Solvang, 93463, (805) 688-3277
- Royal Copenhagen Inn, 1579 Mission Dr., Solvang, 93463

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**2017 CALIFORNIA MISSIONS CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**
To see a complete schedule of activities surrounding the 2017 California Missions Conference hosted by CMF, please [click here](#).

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**2017 CALIFORNIA MISSIONS CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

To register online for the 2017 California Missions Conference, February 17-19 at Mission Santa Inés, please [click here](#).

To register by mail for the 2017 California Missions Conference, February 17-19 at Mission Santa Inés, [click here to download the form](#).

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**2016 BOLETÍN ON THE PRESS AND SOON TO BE ON YOUR DOORSTEP**

Fall is traditionally a time of harvest. As in past years, the CMF Publications Committee is busy reaping the scholarship that was planted during last year’s conference and that has otherwise grown within our community of mission scholars and enthusiasts. This year’s Boletín is at the press! The good folks at 360 Digital Books are again turning our digital file into a real life, hold-it-in-your-hand journal. Dues paying members at the Regular and Supporter’s Circle Levels or higher should expect their copies to arrive in early December. Again, it has shaped into a quality publication. Here is a list of just a few of the articles to whet your appetite:

- David McLaughlin, *Twenty-One Missions - Hundreds of Historical Illustrations*
- Glenn Farris, *Who Were the Likely Residents of the “Casas Para Familias” at Missions La Purísima Concepción and San Juan Bautista?*
- Martha Ann Francisca Vallejo McGettigan, *The Great Pageants of Mission San Juan Bautista: Bringing the History of California to Thousands*
- Robert H. Jackson, *The Huatápera and the Sixteenth Century Franciscan and Augustinian Doctrinas among the Purépecha of Michoacán*

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**CMF OFFERS PLANNED GIVING**

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As always please call Executive Director David A. Bolton at the CMF office with any questions at (805) 963-1633.

You can help us to preserve California's historic missions and all their cultural treasures!
Please call our office at (805) 963-1633 to donate by credit card, or click the button below to donate via PayPal!

About California Missions Foundation

Nothing defines California's heritage as significantly or emotionally as do the 21 missions that were founded along the coast from San Diego to Sonoma. Their beauty, stature, and character underlie the formation of California. All 21 missions are California Historical Landmarks; many have also been designated National Historic Landmarks. The missions are among the most popular tourist destinations in the state, attracting millions of visitors each year.

Founded in 1998, the California Missions Foundation was established with the objective of preserving and protecting the missions. The Foundation is the only statewide organization dedicated to the long-term preservation and restoration needs of all California missions and their associated historic and cultural resources for public benefit.

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