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NEW CHALLENGES...NEW HORIZONS



Above: Mission San Gabriel 250th Anniversary prayer service. Below: Students viewing CMF AATB Virtual Field Trip from Monterey Park Elementary in Salinas, CA (right), Roosevelt Elementary in Pomona, CA (center) and Shelyn School in Rowland Heights, CA (left).

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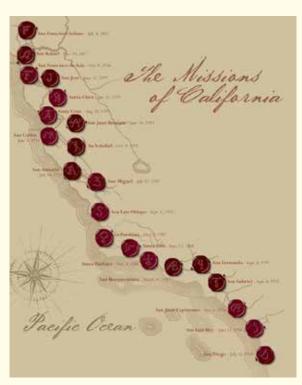
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A Letter from California Missions Foundation

2021 was a year of new challenges that propelled us to reach new horizons. Tragedy can often bring about new opportunities for growth and change, and CMF and the California Missions experienced this last year. Following the devastating fire, and with the support of so many (especially the Archdiocese, The Dan Murphy Foundation and The Shiley Foundation), Mission San Gabriel was able to successfully install a new roof. The fire had uncovered previously

unknown historical markings, which impacted restoration efforts to reflect more historical accuracy in the reconstruction. When the mission reopens, it will be more beautiful and historically accurate than before.

Despite the restrictions during the past year, many of CMF's mission projects were able to be completed ahead of schedule. In addition, CMF was also able to launch a new project to help Mission Santa Inés with a retrofit of the



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adobe church. This project will provide the much needed strengthening of this historic landmark structure to ensure that the mission will remain safe and standing for future generations.

With a need to provide new levels of safety around our education efforts, CMF embarked into the virtual realm last year experimenting with new ways to pro-



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vide for our students and members using the wonders of technology. It was a learning experience that expanded our reach and our numbers in a way we could have never imagined. Our "All-Aboard-the-Bus" Field Trip Program was able to provide a Virtual Mission Field Trip to over 20,000 students in 2021 rather than the 3,000 students in 2020 for in-person field trips. What a gift it was to have active participation from students and to answer their questions live on air! It was a truly an unforgettable day.

Likewise, our 38th Annual Missions and Presidios Conference was completely virtual. Although

we missed seeing everyone in person, several members commented on how enjoyable and convenient the conference was, as members could participate from the comfort of their own homes. Many found that the virtual format also made it easier to see and hear the presentations as well. All in all, the event was very well received and was deemed to be quite a success.

With the support of our members, donors, board members, and friends, creative thinking turned challenges into opportunities and CMF was able to make 2021 a successful year for the missions, our members, and the foundation.

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Partner Foundation Grants

California Missions Foundation would like to thank its 2021 partner foundations, all of whom helped make preservation and conservation grants possible for the California Missions, Presidios and related historic sites: **Dan Murphy Foundation**, **Frances K. and Charles D. Field Foundation**, **Linden Root Dickinson Foundation**, and **John and Beverly Stauffer Foundation**. Also, a special thanks to a few significant donors whose generosity also helped to make these projects possible: **Stephen T. Hearst, Miriam Michaelis, John W. Houghton, Jr.**, and **Christine Waldor**. CMF is proud to have assisted and administered these various grants and projects.

MISSION SANTA INÉS

RETROFIT

One of the largest projects for CMF in 2021 was the launch of a capital campaign to retrofit Mission Santa Inés. This project will continue into 2024. As a registered national historic landmark, built in 1804, this adobe mission needs to be strengthened if it is to remain standing for patrons and parishioners for years to come. CMF stepped in to help with this project, applied for federal funding and will continue the local campaign in 2022.







MISSION SAN ANTONIO DE PADUA

Museum Conservation and Marketing

Much of the art in the museum at Mission San Antonio requires restoration. With the help of CMF and our foundation partners, the mission was able to complete a native mural and begin the restoration of several other art pieces as



well. Marketing materials and brochures for the mission's walking tour, garden and museum were also funded. CMF was proud to help with these upgrades to enhance the mission experience.









MISSION SAN LUIS REY

HISTORIC KILN RESTORATION

CMF was able to offer a matching grant for the restoration of their historic kiln. This project will repair and fortify the original brick and lime kiln at Mission San Luis Rev. The foundation



has been weakened by exposure to the elements and animals have burrowed into the hillside surrounding the kiln. The current burrows are jeopardizing the structure of the walls. Additionally, there is graffiti on the face of the walls. This project will apply a new adobe coating to mitigate the graffiti.





SANTA BARBARA PRESIDIO

ROCHIN ADOBE RESTORATION

CMF helped to fund the restoration of the weakened porch at the historic Rochin Adobe. This building is a City of Santa Barbara Landmark built in 1853. The deck of the front porch is in extremely poor condition due to insufficient support and is currently in use. The original porch deck was built by laying the boards on redwood sleepers that rested directly on the ground surface. The 168-year-old redwood sleepers have disintegrated, and now the deck is beginning to sag. The adobe building must be restored for the safety of visitors. The dirt beneath the porch must also be archeologically excavated as it was once used as one of the presidio's warehouses and corrals.





Partner Foundation Grants, continued

MISSION SAN BUENAVENTURA

St. Francis of Assisi Statue

CMF assisted Mission San Buenaventura with the restoration

of the final historic statue inside the church. This is a carved wood statue with a polychrome and gilded surface. All original paint and gilding is covered with a thick layer of over-paint and surface dirt that needed removal. The parish will install a new lighting system in the church that will highlight all of these restored statues.





MISSION LA SOLEDAD

CHAPEL PAINTING

CMF was able to assist with a partial grant for the chapel painting at Mission La Soledad. The chapel walls will be painted in two colors much the same as they are now. The original floral design will not be touched in order to preserve a more authentic look. The sacristy will also be painted. Cracks in plaster will be repaired.





MISSION SAN CARLOS DE CARMELO

STORAGE RACKS FOR ARTIFACT DISPLAY

CMF was able to provide partial funding to assist the Carmel Mission Basilica purchase storage racks for their museum collection storage. The Mission has repurposed a room to improve their artifact storage space and also serve as a Mission Museum Conservation and Research Room. The Mission seeks to purchase modular fine art two-sided standing pull-out storage racks to store historic items. Much of the art stored in this space will be colonial-era paintings not currently on display. This will improve the long-term storage of the Missions collection and continue its efforts to store, conserve and study their historic cultural collection to benefit generations to come.





MISSION SAN FRANCISCO

TULE REED HOUSE REPAIR PROJECT

The tule-reed house was built in 2006 through a donation from CMF. These historic native homes were usually taken down and rebuilt every few years. After 16 years, this valuable feature of the mission tour is in need of repair. The shade-shelter built in 2008 also needs to be replaced by a more water and weather-proof shelter to preserve this historic outdoor exhibit.





MISSION SAN GABRIEL

SAN GABRIEL PORTRAIT RESTORATION

Mission San Gabriel has been working for several years to restore their historic portrait of San Gabriel. In 2017, CMF granted the mission a grant for initial restoration work. This covered the transportation cost of the painting, removal of varnish layers, its structural stabilization, and a repair to the canvas. In 2021 CMF helped to fund the second phase of restoration with inpainting of the losses in the original paint layer, the reconstruction of missing details to the body, clock, and background, and installation onto a new frame. The mission hopes to have this painting restored for the mission reopening this summer.







MISSION SAN JOSÉ

RAIN GUTTER REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR

The wooden rain gutters on the museum wing of Old Mission San José had rotted over many years of wear and tear and were no longer serviceable. CMF was able to help fund a much-needed gutter repair and replacement. The wooden gutter was removed in its entirety, refurbished, and reinstalled. It is now fully functional.





CMF's "All-Aboard-The-Bus" Program Helping Send Fourth Graders to Their Local Missions

California Missions Foundation has been sending students on field trips to the missions for the past 16 years. In 2021, we created our first Virtual All-Aboard-the-Bus Field Trip for students across the state of California. CMF would like to thank its 2021 education partner foundations for helping to make this educational experience possible: Marjorie and Edward Illig Family Foundation, Montecito Bank and Trust, Pebble Beach Company Foundation, The Upjohn California Fund, and William H. Hannon Foundation. CMF is honored to be able to pass on the mission story to the next generation and provide a unique educational opportunity for fourth grade students and teachers.

California Missions "All-Aboard-The-Bus" Virtual Field Trip



CMF produced a 50-minute Virtual Missions Field Trip on February 10, 2021, that allowed more than 20,000 students to take a virtual historical tour of the California Missions from San Diego to Sonoma. CMF created a Zoom presentation that was cast to YouTube Live to enable access from hundreds of classrooms, auditoriums, and homes statewide. Incorporating historians, architects, archeologists and native Americans, students were taken on a journey through

the mission and rancho periods of California history. Students were able to submit ques-

tions prior to the event that were answered live by CMF Chair and archeologist, Michael H. Imwalle and Native Ohlone Indian Andrew Galvan. Fourth grade teachers provided CMF with pictures and comments regarding the experience with students having participated from home, classrooms, and auditoriums. To view the Virtual Field Trip, please visit California Missions Foundation YouTube page.





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Heather Gilbert, Saint Gertrude the Great in Bell Gardens, CA (Los Angeles County): "I loved it! I liked that many different people from different missions were included. I liked hearing from people with native ancestry. The students liked it. They've read about the different missions and maybe visited one or two, but the video showed them so much more. This generation really requires a multimedia approach whenever it's available. Thank you so much to every person that was involved in putting this production together. It was very obviously put together with much love, thought, and care. It is very appreciated."

Lesley Kong, Monterey Park Elementary, Salinas, CA (Monterey County): "Thank you so much for this wonderful virtual field trip! My class really enjoyed it."

Jennifer Ferrari, Teacher, Saint Hilary School in Marin, CA (Marin County): "The content was perfect. It was informative, and honest. It filled the ability to view the inside of the missions and made it as if we were really there! It was very informative and had beautiful visuals".

CMF Virtual Conference 2021at Mission San Gabriel

Many scholars, historians, architects, archeologists, docents, on-site personnel, and educators gathered virtually for CMF's 38th Annual California Missions and Presidios Conference in February at Mission San Gabriel. An insightful keynote lecture was given by Dr. Steven W. Hackel on "Fire, Disease, and Protest: Forces that Shaped the California Missions across the Centuries." The conference concluded honoring award recipients past and present.

Award Recipients: Norman Neuerburg Award: Dr. Steven W. Hackel. Edna Kimbro Award: Andrew Galvan Of Mission Dolores San Francisco. CMF Chairman's Award: Fr. John Molyneux, Terri Huerta, and Julia Bogany (deceased) Of Mission San Gabriel. Lifetime Achievement Award: Hernan and Zella Ibanez of Carem in Tecate, Baja California.

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