

MISSION STATEMENT  
WE ARE A HISTORIC  
LANDMARK OPEN TO ALL.  
DEDICATED TO THE  
PRESERVATION OF THE EARLY  
CATHOLIC HISTORY OF  
SCOTTSDALE. A STILL POINT  
IN A TURNING WORLD.

# Docent Connection

JUNE 2010

DOCENT NEWSLETTER

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- During the month of May, we had 560 visitors and collected \$1,774 in income.
- The Mission will re-open on Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Please see page two regarding summer hours.
- The Power of Prayer— Thank you Mary Ann Minton for establishing a Prayer Line. To pray for some, call Gloria or Theresa. Please see Page 2 for those seeking prayers.

## Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

On Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, Msgr. Hever and Eagle Scout, Kevin Donaldson, cut a glossy red ribbon to inaugurate the completion of the restoration of the original double confessional at the Old Adobe Mission. In attendance were Kevin's family members, including his grandparents, many Troop 446 members, and a large contingency of our docents and volunteers. Mary Ann Minton, Past President along with Ron Warner, who represented Johanna, were on hand to witness to event.

Our History Committee was present: Barbara Hartz, Sally Ann Thompson, Bill Swanson, Past President and Tico Dominguez, who was instrumental in advising Kevin on the historical semblance

of the confessionals.

Nick Rayder obtained a bell for the Mission and was on hand to witness the inaugural ringing. Bob Greenwald installed the bell in the tower along with a pull cord. The bell could be rung by pulling the cord located in the Bernabe Herrera room. The initial ringing of the bell, by Bob, was coordinated with the ribbon cutting.

Gloria Argueso opened the celebration with a welcome and an introduction of those present, followed by reading John 20:19-23. Msgr. Hever then explained the reasoning behind the reading by quoting John 20:23, "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" and relating that

quote to the confessionals. It was a joyful celebratory moment. Everyone is invited to visit the restored confessionals.



Msgr. Tom Hever and Eagle Scout, Kevin Donaldson

## OAM Sacristy

During the Month of June, work will begin on the display case in the sacristy. Future Eagle Scout, Aidan Leaser, with the assistance of his father, Joe Leaser, will construct a museum quality display case. The case will contain the Roman style vestments used at the Mission by

Monsignor Eugene Maguire.

We appreciate Aidan's contribution to the Old Adobe Mission and to all the Scouts of Troop 446 for their past projects completed as well. Great job Scouts—we are grateful to you!



The Mission Bell is now hung in the tower.

## Replica of Original Bell

Gloria and the History Committee have located a bell in Ramsey, Minnesota. The bell is identical to the one that once hung in the Mission. Its cost, including shipping, will be approximately \$1,500. Mike West, President of the OLPH Men's Club has been very instrumental and supportive in helping the Mission obtain a bell. Thank you Mike and all the members of the Men's Club for your grant of \$500 toward the purchase of the bell.

## Appreciation Dinner



On Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, in Maguire Hall, the Officers of the Old Adobe Mission Volunteers sponsored a Mexican Fiesta to recognize and give thanks to all our wonderful docents and volunteers who have so selflessly supported our Mission. Docents and volunteers were invited with their significant others as well as import guests: Msgr. Hever, Eagle Scout, Kevin Donaldson, and his mother, John Contugno, and Mike Yavello. There were over 50 guests in attendance. The dinner was catered by Julio Too's. El Mariachi Colonial of Lupe Espraza, who was procured for us the relentless help of Estelle Golder. The music was lively and provided for great entertainment. It was awesome to hear Joe Page singing most

of the songs in Spanish! Who knew!! All our docents and volunteers were awarded a certificate of appreciation and a beautiful new wooden Mission plaque, which we will have available for sale when we reopen in the fall. In total, we accumulated 2760 reported docents and volunteer hours, that at the rate of \$20/hour of allowable docent/volunteers hours, represented \$55,200 of in-kind funds or the equivalent of 345 workdays! If you were unable to attend the dinner, Gloria Argueso, President, has your plaque and certificate and will make it available to you when she sees you. All had a great time.

### Mission Summer Hours

Saturdays  
11:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
For private tours of 10 people or more, please contact  
Gloria Argueso  
or Theresa Woodley.

### Summer Schedule

At the current time, our schedule is noted above. It is questionable whether we will keep the Mission open Tuesday's for the months of July and August. This decision will depend on the number of visitors in June. If you are available Tuesdays during July & August, please contact Gloria.

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## Please pray for:

Jack Donovan, Mr. Christmas, Marion "Mimi" Rowan and Chris Swanson