

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.

Old Adobe Mission

MAY 2010

DOCENT NEWSLETTER

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- During the month of April, we had 962 visitors and collected \$ 1,668 in income.
- The Mission will close for the summer on Monday, May 31st, 2010 and will re-open on Monday, November 1st, 2010

Hello Docents!

This is the first monthly Old Adobe Mission Newsletter. We will be bringing you the latest information from Msgr. Hever, the President, docents and volunteers of the Mission. Please contribute to this publication by contacting Theresa, Gloria or Johanna.

Our first Newsletter is being dedicated to Msgr. Thomas Hever and Sr. Alice. They gave the Old Adobe Mission life. Their devotion and dedication is the beginning of preserving the early Catholic history in Old Town Scottsdale.

On March 31, 2010, the Old Adobe Mission received the Heritage Fund Historic Preservation Project of the year Award. There were only five projects

throughout the state of Arizona that received this prestigious award. At the ceremony, it was mentioned that thorough and timely reporting was instrumental in our receiving the funding for our renovation.

Their appreciation went to Sr. Alice Ruane



Summer Tours

The Mission will be available for private tours of ten people or more during the summer months. If you would like to be listed as one of the docents to participate in these tours, please notify Gloria, Johanna or Theresa.

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Strategic Planning Committee

For several months, Caryn Meron, of the Diocese of Phoenix, has helped us in a three year strategic planning for the Mission. Here is what has been proposed for our organization:

- Develop Written Policies and Procedures for the

Operation of the OAM.

- Promote the Mission
- Expand Avenues of Communication
- Enhance Spiritual Awareness

A copy of the committees, goals and objectives are posted on the

bulleting board in the Mission. If you would like to join a planning committee, contact Gloria or Theresa.



*Our
beautiful
Mission*

Monsignor Hever, Bill Swanson, Mary Ann Minton, Johanna Warner and Pat Underhill receiving our prestigious award from the Arizona State Parks and Arizona Lottery



Thanks to Monsignor, Sr. Alice, all docents and volunteers over time who have made this award possible for the Old Adobe Mission.

Arizona State Parks' Award Letter

Dear Reverend Hever:

Congratulations, the Old Adobe Mission has been selected to receive the Heritage Fund Historic Preservation Project of the Year Award.

The selection for this award was based on many aspects,

one being the outstanding project performance and end use. The Arizona State Parks Board and the Arizona Lottery made this Project of the Year program possible.

With that being said, the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) would like to invite you to join them at

their March 31, 2010 meeting at 1pm where your project will be recognized and receive a bronze plaque to be placed at the project site.

We look forward to see you and again Congratulations!

Sincerely,

Danielle Silvas

Congratulations Kevin Donaldson on your Eagle Scouts Award



Restoration of the Confessional

Kevin Donaldson, of OLPH Scout Troop 446, took on a renovation project at the Old Adobe Mission to earn his Eagle Scout Award, which has been granted. Kevin and fellow Scouts removed a dead tree and planted an orange bell in its place, as well as removing weeds and grass overtaking plants on the site. With the help of Reggie McKay, all the doors, their jambs, and the plywood wall where the confessional is located, have been removed. In its place, beautiful drapery is being sown and will hang in the door ways. Kevin and friends are staining the wood for the priest's chair and the interior wall. H is planning on having the confessional done by mid May. Be sure to point out this new restoration project to visitors as well as Kevin and his accomplishment!