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Serra Memorial Dedicated

The Serra Memorial at the Carmel Mission was formally dedicated on Sunday, November 24, 2013, the 300th birthday of Junípero Serra. Following brief comments by the Carmel Mission's Pastor, Fr. Paul Murphy and Foundation's President, Vic Grabrian, Bishop Richard Garcia of the Diocese of Monterey dedicated the Serra Memorial. In attendance were other bishops, priests, parishioners, Foundation donors, and members of the Knights of Columbus and the Serra Club.

The Serra Memorial, along with its ground tiles and wall plaques, represents a permanent celebration of the life of Junípero Serra, the historic significance of the Carmel Mission, and the commitment of visionary donors to maintain in perpetuity this important symbol of California's rich history. ❖



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Bishop Richard Garcia dedicates the Serra Memorial

Foundation Donors Celebrate Serra's 300th Birthday

Approximately 150 donors and their guests attended the Junípero Serra Tricentennial birthday celebration held at the Carmel Art Association Gallery on Saturday, November 23, the eve of Serra's birthday. The Gallery organized a special exhibit of Carmel Mission paintings especially for this event. Foundation director, Rich Pèpe, donated the wine and prepared special mission styles soups

for the evening. The Wild Plum Café in Monterey donated tasty hors d'oeuvres, Parker-Lusseau Pastries of Monterey donated a delicious birthday cake, and Nicki Pasculli donated beautiful flower arrangements. Special appreciation goes to Foundation director, Valera Lyles, who organized the event and to the other directors and volunteers who helped. ❖



This large photograph of a pilgrimage 100 years ago to the Mission, commemorating Serra's 200th birthday in 1913, was recently donated to the Foundation by descendants of the Martin family.

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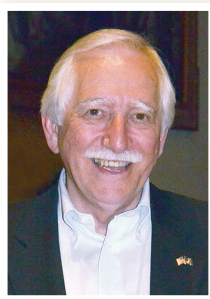
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Vic Grabrian

From the President . . .

This issue of the Cornerstone is dedicated to our wonderful donors, who so kindly supported the Foundation during the preceding year. Thank you for your overwhelming generosity.

Last year was a tremendous year for a couple of reasons. First, November 24, 2013 was the Tricentennial of Junípero Serra's birth. During that month, several special events took place, including the formal dedication of the Serra Memorial in the Mission's main courtyard, a Junípero Serra birthday reception and celebration, and a visit by Spanish royals. The other reason was that the \$5.5 million Basilica restoration became a reality — completing Phase I of the Carmel Mission's restoration.

As we continue with our challenge to restore the Carmel Mission, the same project team that just completed the Basilica restoration is now overseeing preparation of a study to determine the scope, master plan, and cost of the next phase, which is expected to address the remaining historic structures

and museums in the Carmel Mission complex. Funded by the Foundation, this study should be completed by the end of April.

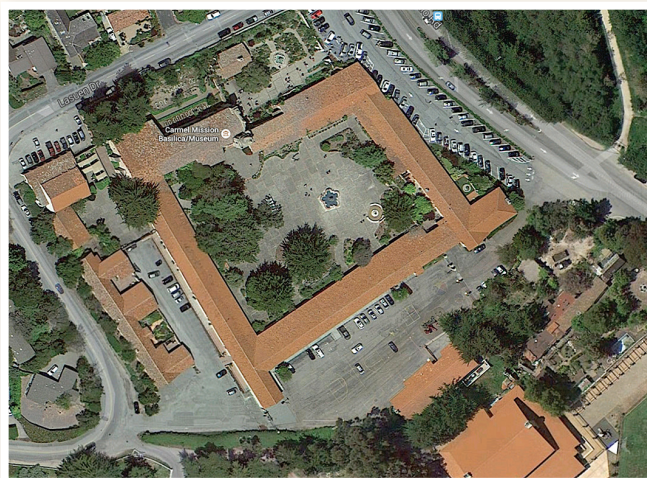
At the beginning of this year, there were some board officer changes. Brian Call was appointed chairman of the board, succeeding Sam Wright, who will continue to serve as a director. Sam has devoted 8 years to the affairs of the Foundation starting with its inception through the Carmel Mission parish finance council, then as a founding officer and director and our immediate past president. Brian has been a member of the board since 2010 and served as corporate secretary. Concurrently, Paul Gutierrez, who joined the board last year, was appointed vice president and secretary.

K.C. Jones recently joined the Foundation office staff. He is assuming the administrative duties previously held by Barbara Spagna, who moved out of the state last fall. Please join me in thanking Barbara for her excellent past service and in welcoming K.C. to the Foundation.

To our ever-expanding group of donors, members of our board, advisors, and volunteers who have so generously supported the Foundation this past year, we express our most grateful appreciation.

With warmest regards,

Victor M. Grabrian
President and Chief Executive Officer



The Carmel Mission Complex

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Last year, all of the wall plaques on the Serra Memorial Wall were filled by generous donors to the Tricentennial campaign in support of the Basilica restoration. For future donors, the Foundation has recently added ground tiles within the circular area of the Serra Memorial surrounding the retired Ave Maria bell. Over 25 of these tiles have already been claimed.

You can add to your legacy, honor someone special, or remember loved ones with the gift of a permanent, custom-engraved tile in the Serra Memorial Circle. Your tax-deductible donation will support the critical restoration and preservation of the Carmel Mission complex, including its historic structures and artifacts.

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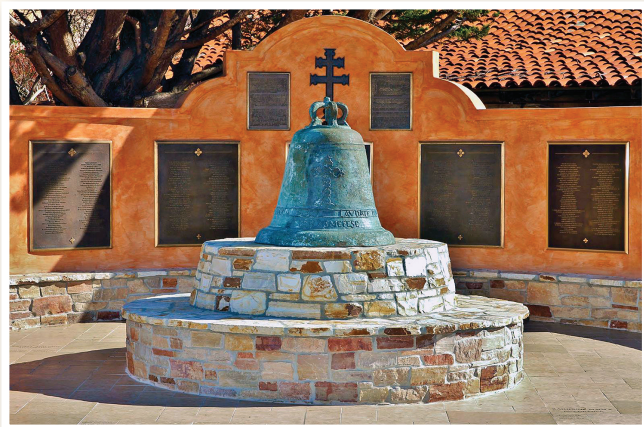


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For more information on our tile program and custom engraving options, contact the Foundation office (831) 624-3261 or visit our website at www.carmelmissionfoundation.org and select "How you Can Help." ❖



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1946 Mission restoration in progress

If you have remembered the Carmel Mission Foundation in your estate plans, please let us know so we can thank you. It is not necessary to identify the value or nature of your gift at this time. However, we will be pleased to include you in the Harry Downey Society. To learn more about planned giving options as a way of preserving the Carmel Mission, contact the Foundation office (831) 624-3261 or visit our website at www.carmelmissionfoundation.org.

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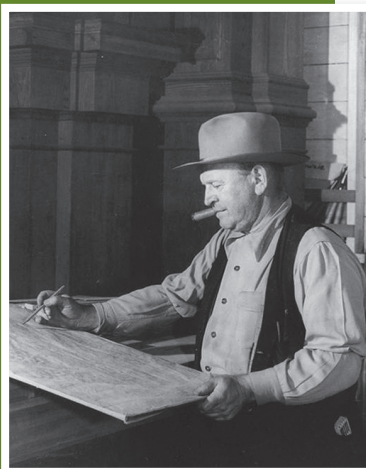
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The Harry Downie Society

The Harry Downie Society was created, as part of our Planned Giving Program, in memory of and as a tribute to the man responsible in large part for the Mission's second restoration. Harry Downie (1903-1980) devoted nearly five decades of his life restoring the Carmel Mission.

In making a planned gift to the Carmel Mission Foundation, you will become a member of the Harry Downie Society and, with your permission, your name will be listed and associated with a special group of people that want the Carmel Mission preserved for future generations, just as Downie envisioned. The members of the Harry Downie Society will be permanently listed on a plaque located within the Carmel Mission complex.



Harry Downie

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On our web site, you will find a history of the Carmel Mission, news and video of recent Foundation activities, links to media coverage and past Cornerstone newsletters, and information about the restoration project, Serra Memorial Circle Tile Program, and our Planned Giving Program.

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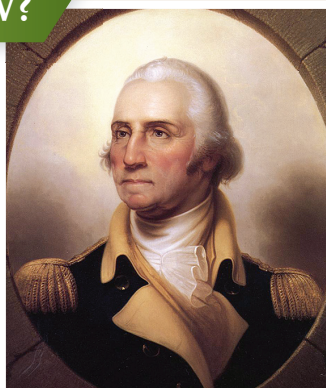
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During the American Revolutionary War (1775-1783), Junípero Serra took up a collection from the missions and sent General George Washington about \$137 to help support the Continental Army.



George Washington, by Rembrandt Peale, circa 1850

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Photo courtesy of Kerry Belser

Spain's Crown Prince Felipe and Princess Letizia lay wreath on Junípero Serra's Grave.

Spain's future King visits Carmel Mission

In November, Spain's Crown Prince Felipe of Asturias, heir apparent to the Spanish throne, and his wife, Princess Letizia, visited the Carmel Mission to honor the 300th birthday of Spain's native son and founder of the first nine California missions, Junípero Serra. They were accompanied by the Spanish Ambassador to the U.S., the President of the Balearic Islands, which includes the island of Majorca where Serra was born, and other Spanish government dignitaries.

The Carmel Mission Foundation President, Vic Grabrian, briefed the royal couple on the history of the Carmel Mission and the recently completed seismic retrofit and restoration of the Basilica. They then laid a wreath on the tomb of Junípero Serra to honor his life and, following a brief tour of the Convento Museum, joined 90 guests for an evening reception on the patio overlooking the Mission's main courtyard. The lit exterior of the Basilica's south bell tower, along with the beautiful bougainvillea, formed a resplendent backdrop for the evening's royal event.

The visitors were most impressed and appreciative of the restored Basilica. The Spanish Ambassador applauded the care given this historical site and said they were very proud of our common past, thankful for the way in which we were treating it, and want to join with us in completing the remainder of the Mission's restoration. ❖