

CORAZON de los CAMINOS
HEART OF THE TRAIL CHAPTER
SANTA FE TRAIL ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER -- SEPTEMBER 2013



- **TOUR OF LOS LUCEROS**

Corazon members will join the End of the Trail Chapter for a September 21 tour of Los Luceros, located about 6 miles north of Espanola at Alcalde (on the Taos-Espanola highway). A sign marks the turn off. Turn left and follow the road. The group will meet there about 10:45 a.m. Bring a lunch as the plan is to eat at Los Luceros.

If you plan to join the tour at Santa Fe, meet at 9:30 a.m. at the North DeVargas Mall, near the Del Norte Credit Union. This group will car pool north to Pojoaque Poch Cultural Center to see the plaques recently installed there by the National Park Service. They will then continue to Los Luceros, planning to arrive about 10:45,

The Los Luceros site was occupied about 800 years ago by the Tewa Indians. In the early 1600's it became a stop on the Spanish Camino Real.

If you have any questions, contact Joy Pool amusejoy@msn.com or Louann Jordan at 505-983-2994.

- **OCTOBER COLORADO TOUR**

Twenty lashes to me!! I do not have the details of our October 12 meeting. We will be in Colorado in the area of the Granada-Fort Union Military Route. Lolly Ming will be our guide in an area she knows well---the family ranch, a region rich in history. True, the trip will be along one for you in the southern part of our chapter, but something we have not done before. Hey, maybe I just wanted to be sure you read the October newsletter for details!!

- **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Dear Corazon:

Events have really been happening and I can't keep up. Personally I don't have a free weekend in September, and other members I've polled don't have one either. I am going to suggest that our members join End of the Trail Chapter on September 21 when they visit Los Luceros at Alcalde. Gladys and I intended to make the trip, when priorities enrolled me in an EMT conference. Now I find that I must forgo that as well and be out of state on the 21st. The next weekend is SFTA symposium and we plan to be there at the board meeting to represent you. In October, I hope that you have your calendar marked for the Granada-Fort Union Military Road tour with Lolly Ming on October 12. Also plan to attend our program in Las Vegas on November 9. That will also be our business meeting when we elect new officers, so be there to defend yourself. (ha!) This should wrap up our events until the planning session during the winter or early spring. I hope all of you had a great summer.

Dennis

- **BELATED CONDOLENCES**

Corazon Chapter, through the Newsletter, has been remiss in acknowledging the July death of Roger Slusher, President of the Association. We were pleased to have him as speaker at our March 2012 meeting where he brought to us the life and times of James Aull, an early trader and merchant on the Trail. Roger will be greatly missed.

LaDonna Hutton, vice-president has assumed the president's chair. LaDonna is a member of Bent's Fort Chapter from Rocky Ford.

- **CORAZON AT THE COUNTY FAIR**

Members of the chapter put up an educational booth at the Colfax County Fair in Springer August 8-10. The booth featured period dress, trade items typical of the period and pictures, many of them courtesy our photographer, J.D Schmidt. Literature about the Trail and the Chapter were available. The Chapter will be awarded a second place ribbon and \$7.50 from the Fair Association. Thanks to Faye Gaines, Martha Sauble, Dennis and Gladys Schneider and Dixie Odom for this spur-of-the-moment project.

- **"JOURNEY STORIES"**

Colorado Humanities is joining with the Smithsonian Institute to present "Journey Stories", the stories of how we and our ancestors came to America and traveled West. The show will be at the A.R Mitchell Museum in Trinidad from September 6 through October 10. A second exhibit, "Trails, How We Got Here" will run concurrently at the museum. Also the Daughter of the American Revolution is sponsoring "Women on the Trail". It tells the hardships of pioneer women on the trails.

- **GLIMPSES OF THE PAST**

"Chester Nez, World War II Navajo Code Talker" is the title of the Glimpses of the Past program on September 19. Nez, with the cooperation of co-author Judith Aviala has published his memoirs. Ms Aviala will share Nez's inspirational and unique history in this program. Glimpses of the Past is presented the third Thursday evening of each month (except December) at 7 p.m. at the CCHP/ Santa Fe Trail Interpretative Center, 116 Bridge Street, Las Vegas.

CALANDER OF EVENTS:

September 19--- Glimpses of the Past Program, "Chester Nez, World War II Navajo Code Talker," 7 p.m., CCHP/Santa Fe Trail Interpretative Center, Las Vegas

September 21---Corazon chapter joins End of the Trail at Los Luceros at 10:45 a.m. for a tour

September 21---Four of First Fort and Arsenal, Fort Union National Monument

September 26-29---SFTA Symposium "Surviving the Plains", Ulysses, Kansas

October 12---Corazon tour on the Granada-Fort Union Military Road in Colorado

November 9---Corazon Program by Jesus Lopez, Las Vegas historian and attorney, in Las Vegas, TBA, business meeting, election of officers

More news after shipping,

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