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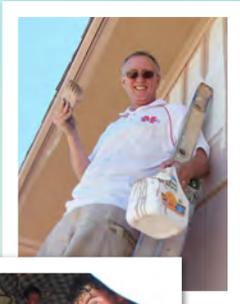
A Spirituality of Sweat?

Most of us are familiar with the "good sweat" that accompanies hard work. And there's plenty of that kind of sweat at St. Anne.

Many of our visitors also take advantage of the mission's sweat lodge and its ceremonies as a way to experience a traditional native style of prayer.



Mr. David Boudreaux works up a sweat painting
• High school volunteers experience the sweat lodge.



A Special Place

When I first visited St. Anne Mission as a summer volunteer 20 years ago, I quickly realized that I was in a special place. In the years that followed as a leader of volunteer groups, I bore witness to the transformative effect that the mission, the land, and especially the people had on those who came to visit.

As mission administrator for this past year, I have had several opportunities to listen to local people who grew up with the mission. From them, I've learned a bit - a tiny bit I am sure - of what the mission meant to them.

I've heard stories of CYO outings, a one-time candy store, and an era when the mission hosted a clinic for the local populace, in the days before the highway to Ganado was paved.

All that I have learned has told me that I still have so much more to learn of this place and the people it

has served so well for so many decades. This knowledge also serves as a challenge to me to work even harder to keep St. Anne Mission the relevant and vibrant presence that our predecessors have built - a light of hope in the darkness of despair.

Please continue to pray for us and our mission.



In the masthead: Catholic High School volunteers Hunter D'Armond and Tyler Shipley take in the wonders of Cañon de Chelly.

Meals for the Elderly

Wednesday, September 18 will mark this year's kickoff of St. Anne's Meals for the Elderly program. This year, we plan to prepare and deliver meals to 30-40 local elders, many of whom are disabled and/or

homebound with few family members in the vicinity.

Foods used in the preparation of these meals are either donated to the mission's food pantry or purchased with funds given by our benefactors. Our elders pay nothing for this

service. If you can assist St. Anne in procuring food for the food pantry our the Meals for the Elderly program, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thanks for your continued support!

Summer Bible Schools



2013-14 Volunteer Groups Scheduled

November 13-17

St Mary's High School
Phoenix, AZ

February 14-22

Mt St Charles Academy
Woonsocket, RI

March 1-8

ED White Catholic HS
Thibodaux, LA

March 8-15

St Louis University
St Louis, MO

April 19-26

St Stanislaus College
Bay St Louis, MS

April 26-May 4

Bp Guertin High School
Nashua, NH

SHEPHERD ALLIANCE FOR POVERTY

This summer, St. Anne Mission was again graced with two wonderful college interns affiliated with the Shepherd Alliance for Poverty. The Shepherd Alliance seeks to place interested students from a consortium of private colleges in summer positions where they can both witness and minister to the materially poor.

In June we were pleased to welcome Theresa Schmidt and Markus Creachbaum to Klagetoh. They worked with each of the four volunteer groups that visited St. Anne over the summer - engaging in activities as varied as pouring cement to face painting. When there were no groups present, the interns planned a number of fun and enriching activities for some of the area youth, including a two-day camping trip at a creek near Holbrook.



From the top: Theresa helps mission handyman Alex with a work project at the home of a parishioner • Our interns at Cañon de Chelly • Markus instructs a local kid in water safety.