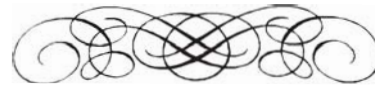




On the site of Mission Espiritu Santo, established in 1721 Near El Camino Real, overlooking the Guadalupe River, Victoria County, Texas



Fall Historical Conference November 19-21, 2010



ACCOMMODATIONS

Rooms Restored to Original 1909 Grandeur

Rooms 1 & 2 **1st Floor** **\$90.00 per night**
Tub and Shower Down the Hall, Wheelchair Access
Double Size Beds

Rooms 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 **2nd Floor** **\$80.00 per night**
Two Baths Down the Hall, Queen Size Bed

Rooms 3 & 10 **2nd Floor** **\$125.00 per night**
Private Bath, King Size Bed

Spanish Suite **3rd Floor** **\$175.00 per night**
Double Shower, Private Living Room
Private Bath, King Size Bed

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Jacuzzi, Private Living Room, Private Bath,
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All Rooms have individually controlled A.C. and Heat
Minimum Reservation 2 nights

Victoria host hotel provided by:

Fairfield Inn - \$84.99, 7502 North Navarro Street, Victoria, TX
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AGENDA

Friday, November 19, 2010

6:00-7:00 pm Social Hour All Attendees
7:00 Evening Meal on Hotel Patio

Saturday, November 20, 2010

7:30 Morning Coffee Patio Bar
8:00 Breakfast on Patio
9:00-10:00 Session I - Dining Hall
10:00 - 10:30 Break
10:30-11:30 Session II - Dining Hall

12:00 Lunch

1:00-2:00 Session III - Dining Hall
2:00-2:30 Break
2:30-4:30 Session IV - Dining Hall
(Tour of Mission Ruins)

4:30-7:00 Free Time
(Walk River Trails, Relax, Beer on Patio,
Try out new swing, Take a Nap)

7:00 Evening Meal
8:00 Visiting, Drinks, S'Mores on River Bank
Patio

Sunday, November 21, 2010

9:00 Breakfast and Farewell

2010 Rates:

Meals, Sessions and Tours only \$135.00

Golf Carts Available for Tour

50 Tickets Only, When they're gone, they're gone,

SPEAKERS

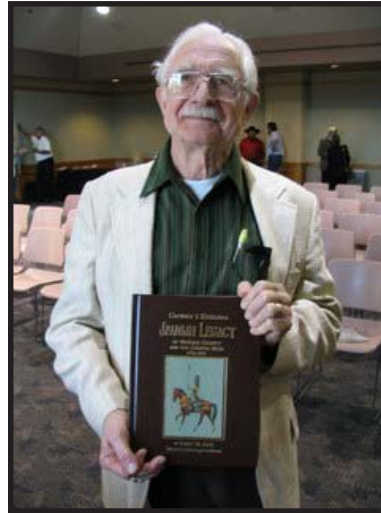


Tamra L. Walter, Ph.D.

**Associate Professor of Archaeology
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Tamra L. Walter received her B.A. in Archaeology/Anthropology from the University of Texas at Austin in 1990. In 1997 she completed her Master's Degree at the University of Montana at Missoula before returning to UT Austin to earn her Ph.D. in Archaeology/Anthropology in 2000. As an historical archaeologist, Walter has worked on Spanish Colonial sites across Texas including Mission Espiritu Santo in Mission Valley, and Presidio San Saba in Menard. Currently, she is an Associate Professor at Texas Tech University where she has been since 2000. Walter continues to work at Spanish sites in Texas as well as prehistoric sites in Coastal Ecuador.

Digging up the Past at Mission Espiritu Santo Excavations completed at the Spanish Colonial site of Espiritu Santo in the 1990's by the University of Texas at Austin uncovered the remains of an early frontier mission. These investigations provided a glimpse into colonial life during the 18th century in south Texas. Since little was written about this location of the mission, archaeology played a crucial role in describing and understanding this important historical site. This presentation will review the archaeological investigations and findings to tell the story of the people who built and lived at the mission from 1726 to 1749.



Robert W. Shook

Earned B.A., M.A. and Ph.D from University of North Texas, attended Arlington State College and Texas Tech University.

Articles published in Southwestern Historical Quarterly; Texas Military History; East Texas Historical Journal; Western States Jewish Historical Quarterly; New handbook of Texas; Texas Bar Journal

Books: Pictorial History of Victoria with Charles Spurlin; Life Along the Gulf; Entradas and Caminos, Spanish Heritage of Victoria County; editor, Vignettes of Old Victoria

Teaching: Training Officer, Non-Commissioned Officers Academy, Strategic Air Command, Altus Air Force Base; North Texas State University; Victoria College; University of Houston, Victoria

Retired 1987-presently Volunteer Consultant, Victoria County Heritage Department pursuing National Park Service recognition of Camino Real in Victoria county

Title of Paper: "First Three Sites of Presidio La Bahia and Mission Espiritu Santo"



Dr. Felix D. Almaraz, Jr.

Was born in San Antonio, Texas, earned the B.A. and M.A. degrees from St. Mary's University, and Ph. D. from the University of New Mexico.

He has served as an Historical Information Analyst for the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission and on the faculties of St. Mary's University, Pan American College, University of Texas at Austin.

In 1973 he joined the faculty of the University of Texas at San Antonio where he teaches, as Distinguished Professor of Borderlands History, classes in Spanish Borderlands, Spanish Colonial Texas, Imperial Spain, Modern Spain, history of South Texas, and cultural origins of San Antonio

Professor Almaraz's publications include:

Knight Without Armor: Carlos Eduardo Castaneda;
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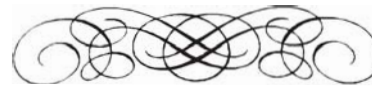
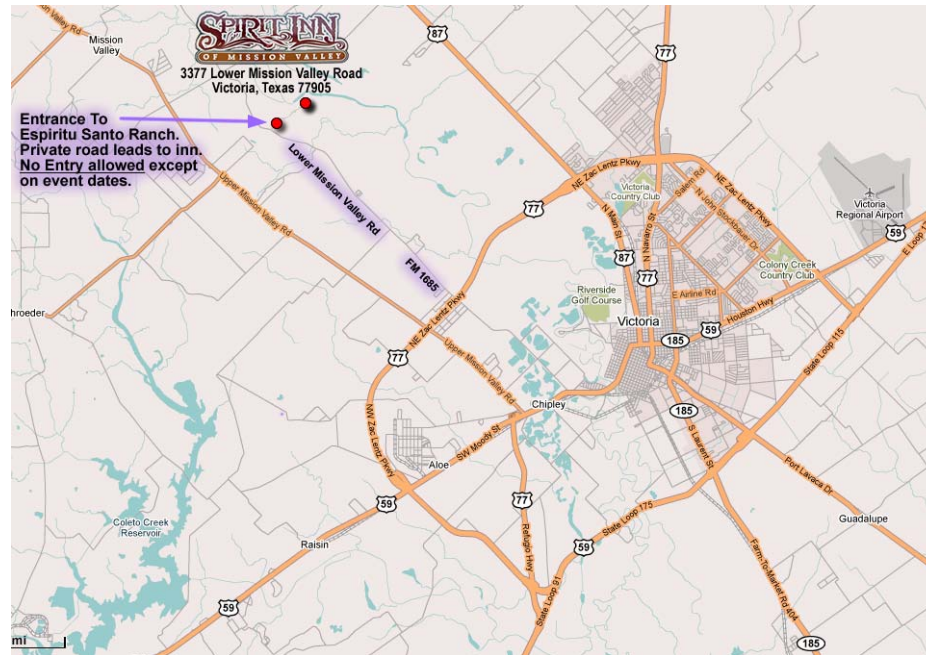


Galen D. Greaser

Galen Greaser is the translator and curator of the Spanish Collection of the Texas General Land Office. In this capacity he facilitates access to the holdings of the Collection by translating the records, preparing finding aids, and assisting attorneys, surveyors, landmen and genealogists who require information on Spanish and Mexican land grants in Texas. He holds a B.A. from Inter-American University in San German, Puerto Rico and an M.A. in Latin American Studies from the University of Texas at Austin.

After earning his master's degree, he worked as a self-employed translator of technical and scientific material for nine years. He has worked at the Texas General Land Office since 1984.

His translations of books and articles on Latin American art, architecture, and literature have been published by the University of Texas Press, John Wiley and Sons, UNESCO, and the Organization of American States. His scholarly publications include an article in the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* on Spanish and Mexican land grants in South Texas and the two-volume *Catalogue of the Spanish Collection of the Texas General Land Office*. The recently published (2009) *New Guide to Spanish and Mexican Land Grants in South Texas*, which he wrote and compiled, was the second place winner of the 2009 Presidio La Bahia Award. He has spoken frequently to surveyors' and genealogical groups in Texas.



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