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Lyn Sherman passes the gavel to Holly Friedman

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Did you know? George Washington ordered no “profane cursing, swearing or drunkenness” among his men and insisted that they attend religious services and “implore the blessings of heaven.”

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EDITOR’S NOTE

BABY IT’S COLD OUTSIDE!
It looks as though everyone has had a busy holiday. We too have been busy with activities, like scooping snow. Do you have any idea just how long it takes to scoop snow with a sand shovel? Not that we mind the work but we thought that we were far enough south not to need a SNOW SHOVEL! We received over 14 and a half inches of snow on the 26th of December, which is the third most amount recorded for Norfolk, VA since they started keeping records.

Of course we know who will be digging us out, the “MAN” of the house. This is no time to take off my bra, throw it down and argue for equal rights. I will gladly stay inside were I can bundle up and keep warm. I will be more than happy to supply him with plenty of hot chocolate while he tries to knock some of the snow off of the roof that seems to want to bring down the rain gutter. And by all means don’t forget a path to my car in case I might want to venture out.

For those of you who wanted a white Christmas, have you had enough already?

Karen Krepcik, Sight Glass Editor

P.S. If you would like to share information from your region or local chapter you may contact me at krepcik@cox.net or call my home number, 757-588-1358.
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We auxiliary members would like to thank those who have helped sponsor this edition with their ads. We are able to share the activities and news of the Regional and International Members do to your support. For those who may not of been able to attend the different Conferences we hope this newsletter will give you updated information. Recognitions go to the following who have contributed to this issue.

**Bob Sherman, CM RSES International President**  
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1607 -- Three English ships landed at Cape Henry. After giving thanks for their safe passage to the New World, the colonists proceeded up the river to establish Jamestown, the first permanent English settlement in America. Jamestown is less than an hours drive from Norfolk, Virginia waterside!
RSES UMRA/Mid-West Combined Annual Conference
The auxiliary have planned a number of activities for the conference at Kansas City in March. A trip on Thursday, to the National World War I Museum at Liberty Memorial, is just one of the tours that will be available.
The project for "To Make Life Worthwhile" at the conference in March will be for “The Children's SPOT at St. Luke's Hospital”. A Saturday morning brunch will include a speaker from St. Luke’s and they will pick up items donated at that time. If you would like to send a donation, their wish list on the following page. For more information, you may contact: Sandy Ralston  sandy.qlt4fun@kc.r.com or call 913-722-1328.

Also on Saturday morning the installation of officers from both regions will take place. Our newly appointed RSESA International President, Holly Friedman plans to attend the ceremonies.

RSES UMRA and Mid-West Combined Annual Conference
Holiday Inn Country Club Plaza
Kansas City, MO  March 24-26, 2011

When talking to Bonnie the other day, she kept complaining about the snow and cold. “Bonnie, you live in Nebraska!”

Did you know? 1750 as a young surveyor, George Washington surveyed the area of Natural Bridge? The initials "G.W." are carved, about 23 feet up, on the wall of the bridge. In 1927, a large stone was found, also engraved "G.W." and bearing a surveyor's cross, which historians accepted as proof that he indeed surveyed the bridge.
Wish List
Toy Story Memory Game
Child Toothbrushes
Nuk Toothbrushes
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Paint with water books
Don’t Break the Ice game
White Paper Plates
Holiday Stickers & decorations
Electric Toothbrushes
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2 Trouble Games
2 Time to Sing CDs
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Razor Scooter
Gift cards to Target, The Learning Tree & US Toy
I Pad
Object flashcards
Clue Game
Perfection Game
Puzzles (ages 1-5)
Diapers (size 4, 5, & 6)
Diaper Wipes
Sippy cups & straws
Juice Boxes
DeGrazia Gallery in the Sun

The son of Italian immigrants, Ettore “Ted” DeGrazia was born June 14, 1909, in the Morenci mining camp of Territorial Arizona.

His early childhood experiences in the ethnically diverse community evolved into a lifelong appreciation of native cultures in the Sonoran Desert and a passion to create art depicting their lives and lore. There are six permanent collections of paintings that trace historical events and native cultures of the Southwest. Rotating exhibitions display some of the 15,000 DeGrazia originals housed at the gallery, including oils, watercolors, sketches, serigraphs, lithographs, sculptures, ceramics and jewelry. A consignment room displays DeGrazia originals available for purchase, while the gift shop offers a wide selection of reproductions.

Of course after visiting the museum, a few of the members wanted to check out the malls. Debbie Owens, third from the right, is eager to help these women find their way for some shopping time, while their mates are attending the educational classes offered at the conference at Tucson.
Director of membership

It was good to see everyone that made it to Tucson. A big “thank you” to the local chapter and the international staff for a great conference. I know that we all enjoyed the great tours and programs.

I hope everyone had happy and safe holidays. Mike and I enjoyed Thanksgiving and Christmas day with his brothers, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews. We had a quiet New Year’s with my brother and sister-in-law. We’ve also had a Christmas dinner with my son and his girlfriend and will have a dinner with my daughter and grandson by the time you read this.

Our local RSES and auxiliary chapter had a Christmas dinner get together in December. We had a small group, but a real nice time.

May you all have a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

To protest inheritance taxes on works of art, DeGrazia hauled about 100 of his paintings on horseback into the Superstition Mountains near Phoenix and set them ablaze in

RSES-1:
Hi Folks,

Hope everyone is well. We’ve had some really crazy weather so far this winter. It’s hard to stay healthy if you have to wear a snow suit half the week and then shorts and flip flops the other half. We got to spend extra time with the grandchildren this year for Christmas. They got snowed in here when they came to visit. We had lots of fun playing with their toys. Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas season, enough to fill your hearts with love all year long. We’re looking forward to spring and the hope to do a little more traveling this year. Tommy is doing great and we’re hoping he stays in good shape.

That’s all for now from North Carolina.
Gail Paschal, Secretary

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RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

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RSESA 69th Conference
Annual Business Meeting – Tucson, Arizona
November 12, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Lyn Sherman at 9:44 am. Sergeant at Arms, Bonnie Johnson, led the RSESA prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary, Gail Paschal, led in singing the Canadian and American National Anthems. Dan Gregory, a representative from Casa De Los Ninos spoke to us about the programs they provide for the children. He thanked us and carried the books and pajamas we brought back to the facility. Cindy Lyon and Barbara Lukanski welcomed all in attendance and gave a report on the tours and upcoming events. Thirty seven attended the industry tours and 42 attended the pre-conference tours. They also asked for donations to cover expenses for the jewelry class held on Thursday. President Sherman welcomed members, guests, first time attendees and recognized past presidents who were in attendance.

Sgt. at Arms Johnson called the roll. All were in attendance except for Pat Long and Irene Thompson, who were both excused. President Sherman announced that Ceel Hudelson would serve as Parliamentarian. Copies of the minutes from the 2009 annual business meeting have been distributed. Denise Ziegelbein moved to accept the minutes with corrections. Holly Friedman seconded. Motion carried. Denise Ziegelbein presented the Treasurer’s report. It is attached. Diane Smith presented the auditor’s report and found the Treasurer’s report and book to be accurate. Pat McCarthy moved to accept the Treasurer’s report. Sandy Ralston seconded. Motion carried. President Sherman welcomed new chapters, members at large, and new members to the organization. She presented the Upper Midwest Regional Association with their charter earlier this year.

Karen Krepcik presented the Sight Glass report. She appreciates any submissions, recipes, etc. you can give her throughout the year. She also reminded us that if the deadline is January 15th, April 15th, and August 15th, you do not have to wait until the exact date to send them to her. It would help her to get reports as early as possible.
President Sherman stated that no member award was given this year in the Make Life Worthwhile report. The chapter award went to Mid-Atlantic and the region award went to CARSES. She also recognized 25 year member, Sandra Moor. Copies of officer's manuals are available in the hospitality room for those needing one.

Members who passed away this year were honored with a moment of silence.

The Credentials Committee reported that 68 chapter votes and 11 member at large votes were represented at the business meeting.

Old Business: The by-laws were updated at the Minneapolis conference and published in the April 2010 Sight Glass. Pat McCarthy moved to accept the new by-laws as published in the Sight Glass and ask for a vote by ballot. Barbara Frase seconded. Motion carried.

New Business: election of officers and board members.
The Nominating Committee presented a slate of officers.
President – Holly Friedman
Vice-President – Marilyn Smith
Secretary – Gail Paschal
Treasurer – Denise Ziegelbein

Nominations were opened to the floor.
Diane Smith nominated Pat McCarthy for Vice-President.
Delores Hensley seconded.
Diane Smith nominated Ceel Hudelson for Historian.
Lynn Hoke seconded.
Denise Ziegelbein nominated Barbara Frase for Historian.
Bonnie Johnson seconded.
Holly Friedman nominated Darlene Baker for Credentials.
Karen Krepcik seconded.
Darlene Baker nominated Irene Thompson for Chapter Supplies.
Denise Ziegelbein seconded.
Denise Ziegelbein nominated Terry Hollander for Publicity.
Holly Friedman seconded.
Pat McCarthy nominated Marilyn Smith for Membership.
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Holly Friedman nominated Sandy Ralston for Membership.
Karen Krepcik seconded.
Holly Friedman nominated Susan Eckstein for Officers Activities.
Sandy Ralston seconded.
Ballots were counted with the following results.
Vice-President – Pat McCarthy
Historian – Barbara Frase

Denise Ziegelbein moved to accept the remainder of slate as posted. Pat McCarthy seconded. Motion carried. Officers will be installed tomorrow morning at breakfast.

Pat McCarthy encouraged everyone to come to the hospitality room. There’s lots of food, good fellowship and everyone is welcome. A comedian is coming Friday night at 6:30 pm; tickets to see him are $10.00.

Denise Ziegelbein moved that we give the Southern Arizona Chapter $100.00 to help with expenses. Holly Friedman seconded. They asked that it be donated to Casa De Los Ninos. Motion carried.

Treasurer Ziegelbein will be available afterward to accept dues and applications for new members. We discussed contacting members who have not paid.

President Sherman discharged all of her committees with a special thank you.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Gail Paschal, Secretary
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Dear RSESA Members,

It was a pleasure to serve as your President for the past year and I take many happy memories with me. I thank all of you for your support through-out my year. I also want to thank all of you who sent notes and photos for my memory book, Pat did a wonderful job putting it all together and I will continue to enjoy looking at it and remembering all the friends I have made in RSESA.

As Immediate Past President it is my job to chair the Nominating Committee and I am looking for volunteers to serve as Officers as well as Directors. If you would like to serve please contact me. My contact information appears in the front of this edition.

We are again shifting into travel mode and will be visiting as many conferences as we can. As most of you have probably heard Bob was installed as your RSES International President and we found in both of my terms as RSESA President that we really enjoy seeing how other regions do their conferences and never fail to pick up a new idea. We also know that this is a great time to connect with our members and hear their views for the future of our organization. So if you see us in our travels please share your ideas with us.

On a more personal note, we were surrounded by family and friends throughout the holiday season. We enjoyed Thanksgiving at Robyn and Greg’s house and they were at our house on Christmas Eve and morning. It’s always fun when you have the grandkids around as well as nieces and nephews as well as their children. Paul and Lyndsey spent the week between Christmas and New Years with us in Riverside and we got to do some fun things with them.

In closing I wish the very best for you and yours in 2011. Please keep our servicemen and women in your prayers as they defend our freedom. Also continue to live our motto “To make life worthwhile”

Lyn Sherman
Immediate RSESA Past President
A proud Member of Region 9
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Greetings!!! from Missouri, where our unofficial slogan is "I'm from the "Show Me" state, so "show me". Recently a patron calling the State Archives, where I work, had noticed the slogan on our website and wanted to have some prominent Missourians "Show" the World how we can improve our lives. His comments got me to thinking of how the actions that we do each day can "Show" our attitude and philosophy. If we show others that we care for one another and encourage one another we will move ahead in "Making Life Worthwhile" for others.

Looking over past articles I have written, I noticed how much our lives can change in just a few months. After I submitted the article for the August newsletter, our grandson, Brice and his parents moved in with Keith and I at the end of July. They were in the process of buying a different house and theirs sold a lot faster than anyone could have imagined (thankfully). However, the house they were buying had some paperwork hold ups and they did not close on the house until the end of September. The house needed a lot of renovation, so Keith has been busy assisting in the project. My main responsibility has been to babysit (no hardship on my part). I have found, after visiting with other grandparents that this is a common occurrence, but rarely is there a complaint. We treasure each day, and I'm sure will miss the daily activities when they move into their refinished home.

On Keith's birthday in August, our second grandchild, first granddaughter, Elliana Rose was born. They live in Rapid City, SD. This is 15 hours by car from our home and because of airline connections it isn't much different by air. I was lucky enough to spend 9 days with them when she was 2 weeks old. Our daughter came home with Elliana for a family wedding in September and the entire family traveled home for Thanksgiving.
While all our kids were together we decided to celebrate Christmas early. So the day after Thanksgiving we set up for Christmas and exchanged gifts. It was so nice that we were able to gather; however, as they traveled home they experienced 30 miles of blizzard conditions. I’m not sure they will be driving home for Thanksgiving very often.

The conference in Tucson was very informative and enjoyable even if we expected it to be a bit warmer. The weather was still much better than many of us experienced when we arrived home – right Minnesotans? We are looking forward to hearing more about the 2011 conference, even as big changes are occurring in the organization. I’m sure the conference will be fun and informative.

As treasurer I want to remind everyone that membership dues are due and payable as early in the year as possible. If you have not received your receipt and membership card within a few weeks of sending your check, please send me an email so that we can make sure all the postal mail is getting to me – keithdenisez@gmail.com

Our family sends this message - “We wish that God bless each and every one of you in all that you do in this New Year”.

Denise
Denise Ziegelbein
RSESA International Treasurer

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WILLIAM BARRANGER, CM: Bill joined RSES  
in 1968 and was an active member of the Delaware  
Valley Chapter in Philadelphia, PA where he served  
in various officer and board capacities. Over the  
years he was appointed to and served on many RSES  
International Committees. He was willing to do  
whatever he could to be of service. One duty that was  
close to his heart was the MSAC (Manufacturer’ Service Advisory  
Council). Bill was the Chairman for over 35 years. The MSAC  
members answer the “Hot Line” questions that are published in the  
RSES Journal. He ran the MSAC “Ask the Experts” Panel at the  
RSES Annual Conference each year.  
Bill received the RSES Distinguished Member of the year Award in  
1998 and in 1999 he won the Herman Goldberg Award. The Her- 
man Goldberg Award was presented the MSAC Member who had  
accumulated a lifetime of outstanding achievements in advancing  
the HVACR profession through educational service and training.  
When the sponsorship for that award was no longer available, Bill  
was instrumental in having the award become the MSAC Member  
of the Year Award (same criteria), which is now sponsored by the  
RSES Delaware Valley Chapter in memory of Sol Holtzin, CMS,  
(founder and mentor).
AWARDS PRESENTED

Paul M. Getejanc, CM, Educational
Chairman RSES Michigan State Associa-
tion, was presented with the
“Member of the Year Award”
at the International Conference at Tucson.

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Commercial Air Conditioning Specialist award:
Joseph Owens, CMS, Antelope Valley Chapter,
Lancaster, CA

Commercial Refrigeration Specialist Award:
James Hale, CMS, Indianapolis Chapter, Indianapolis, IN

Quenching our A thirst for knowledge at the RSES Interna-
tional Conference in Tucson began with Keynote Speaker,
Peter Schwartz, new President for North America Techni-
cians Excellence (NATE) stated,
“Our goal for our organizations is to have every
NATE-Certified Technician be an RSES Member and to
have every RSES member Nate-Certified”.

RSESA-24
RSES and RSESA member Elena Castillo, is awarded for her outstanding Newsletters, taking First Place in the Electronic Category and Second Place for the Printed Category. The RSES Journal First Place 2010 Newsletter Printed Category recipient went to your *Sight Glass* Editor, Karen Krepcik.

There were two recipients for the year 2010 “Make Life Worthwhile” Award. Region Category Award at the Tucson Conference was presented by RSESA President, Lyn Sherman. Barb Lukanski accepts the award for CARSES, which includes both Region 14 and 15 *(pictured on the right)*

Accepting the award for MARA, Region 3 Recipient, is Darlene Baker.

For more information on the awards go to www.rses.org.

Did you know that, George Washington, a free mason, laid the first cornerstone of the capitol on September 18, 1793. The silver trowel, he used is on display at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, located in Alexandria, Virginia.

RSESA-25
I can not believe it's already January, it seems like just the other day we were all enjoy the beautiful weather in Tucson and now most of us are freezing. The northeast has been hit over and over and over again with snow and sleet and this morning freezing rain. I am constantly wishing I was anyplace warmer. There were a lot of missing faces at the conference in Tucson and I am glad that as President I will get to travel a bit and hopefully see those I missed. I am currently looking forward to my first trip to Kansas City in March and hopefully will be able to work Ft. Worth into my schedule as well. I am so looking forward to the International Conference being in Norfolk this year. That is a beautiful area and driving distance for us which is a huge bonus. Sean is getting bigger (and bolder) and just loves to play outside in the snow. Thank goodness I've finally learned to tolerate it. Hope everyone is having a great new year and is able to stick to those resolutions they made. Looking forward to visiting lots of you soon.

Holly Friedman,
RSESA International President

PS. For those of you, Phoenix/Tucson locals, this photo was shot by Ivy Studios in Gilbert, AZ the day before the conference. Shelly was an amazing photographer and we loved every minute.

2011 - 61st Annual SWRA Educational Conference

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Invitation to Virginia

Come take a drive to America's first permanent English settlement at Jamestown where you can walk back through history and visit the life styles of the beginning of our founding fathers. Then take a drive along the colonial parkway to visit the sites of the Revolutionary War as well as the nation's largest living history museum, Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia.

**For the outdoorsman...** a trip to one of the natural wonders of this world is the 100-million-year-old Natural Bridge! Forming an arch 215 feet high and a span of 90 feet, Natural Bridge has been designated as a **Virginia Historical Landmark** and a **National Historical Landmark**.

**Cooling Monticello....**was no easy task in Jefferson's time, although the mountaintop could be a little cooler than the surrounding landscape. Monticello houses the premier collection for the comprehensive study of Thomas Jefferson. Objects relate to virtually every aspect of Thomas Jefferson's diverse interests, and his and his family's activities. For the tradesman you won't want to miss an opportunity to see the beautiful craftsmanship and the working mechanics of Monticello.

Please drive safely. You will be ticketed if caught texting while driving!
BRISTOL, VIRGINIA DRAWS A BIG CROWD.....

Southwestern Virginia Chapter hosted the 21st MSERA Annual Educational Conference beginning with a Wrightsoft training, manual J 8th edition on Thursday morning while the vendors took in a golf outing. Later that evening some of the attendees took in the “Rock with Elvis” at the Historic Barter Theatre located at Abington, VA.

Friday was the Trade Show following breakfast and the opening session. Later that afternoon we loaded three vans and headed to the “Wonder Kids Therapeutic Equestrian Center” located just outside of Abington, to present them with monies collected at the conference.

Bristol Compressors offered a great opportunity to tour their plant on Friday evening following educational classes and a meal at the plant.

Saturday night entertainment was featured by the East Tennessee State University Bluegrass Band. Located in Johnson City, TN. East TN State University is the only four-year university in the world with a comprehensive bluegrass music program. They have performed for the John F. Kennedy Center for the performing arts in Washington DC, IBMA awards in Louisville, KY (with Ricky Skaggs), NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium and the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, Japan.
After Bob Sherman, CM, swears in newly elected officers at the MSERA Annual Conference held at Bristol, Virginia, it was time for a short rest and the entertainment to begin.

North Carolina RSES State Association officers await for Bob to swear them in next.

Bob and Lyn Sherman take a few extra days after Region 4's conference and drove to Norfolk, Virginia. A trip to Nauticus was a must. Nauticus is a contemporary museum that uses the natural setting of Norfolk's harbor to showcase global maritime commerce and the world's largest Navy. After a tour of the Naval shipyard it's time to grab some great food!
Staff Headquarters:

Left to right: Jean Birch, Josh Flaim, Renee Tomlinson, John Iwanski, Kelly Womack, and Mark Lowery.

There is always a time for some fun at our International conferences and 2010 was no exception. Pictured below Gail Paschal is Surprised by the handmade gift presented to her by Sandy Ralston.

Diane Smith, pictured above models her apron she received at a secret pal get together while attending the Conference at Tucson.

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A Special Thanks...
go to Jean Birch, our Conference Manager, staff and to The Southwestern Arizona Chapter who hosted the 2010 RSES International Annual Conference. And to Cindy Lyons and Barbara Lukanuski who did an outstanding task in providing activities lined up for the auxiliary members. It was a great conference and a beautiful place to meet with “old friends” and to make new ones.

Wow, what a terrific band! I do believe that everyone got to shake their bootie. I wont name any names but might mention an initial or two, like MS.

Pictured back left to right;
Susan Eckstein, Sandy Ralston, Karen Krepcik, Lynn Hoke
Front row left to right;
Cindy, Lyons, Marilyn Smith
Diane Smith, and Delores, Hensley

One of the many activities arranged gave everyone an opportunity to create their own bracelet. I believe that Kari Brustad, center made it extremely challenging for me as we were both using the same color and style of beads.

Look how intense these ladies are. There were close to forty members participating, which gave us a chase to visit with old friends and get to know new ones.

RSESA-33
Tour if the Missions

The first Mission settlement in Arizona was made in 1732 founded by Father Felipe Segesser San Xavier del Bac. He was very fond of the people living in the Pimeria region and felt they would make good Christians.

Pimeria Alta, a portion of eastern Sonora, was the name of Arizona at this time. During the year of 1732 a revolt among the Pimas resulted in the murder of two priests of the Missions and nearly one hundred Spaniards. It was not until 1846 before Pimeria assumed the name of Arizona.

Very few of the Pimería Alta missions survived into the 21st century. Only four Arizona missions remain. The most famous of these is the beautiful San Xavier del Bac Mission, also known as the "White Dove of the Desert," in Tucson.

Often called the West's "Sistine Chapel," this 17th century Spanish mission is still a working parish. It's gorgeously colored frescoes, ornately carved woodwork and gleaming white exterior make it the most beautiful building in Tucson.

Can't you just see how Bonnie must be thinking of a way to incorporate some of this art form into one of her designing projects?
A few miles south of San Xavier is **Tumacácori National Historical Park** located in the scenic Santa Cruz Valley. As we enter the Mission, we imagined a Jesuit padre from long ago standing at the altar, a small group of Native people kneeling behind him, gazing at the once brightly painted frescoes.

The Jesuit priest and explorer **Father Eusebio Francisco Kino** founded **Tumacácori Mission** on the site of a Native American village, just as he did with the more famous **San Xavier del Bac Mission** in Tucson. Kino arrived in the Santa Cruz Valley in 1691. He stopped at **Tumacácori**, a Sobaipuri village on the east side of the Santa Cruz River, at the request of its residents. The **Sobaipuri** were a linguistically related branch of the Tohono O’odham people. They were an agrarian culture who relied on the waters of the nearby Santa Cruz and San Pedro Rivers to farm their crops of corn, beans and squash.

Photo in the middle shoes how beautiful the Mission was before it was abandoned in 1840, due to the raids from the apache Indians. Today the mission in ruins sits in the protected National Historical Park.

Bonnie, Denise, Sandy and Lynn pose in an area that was used for baptism.
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