
Círculo de Hombres

20th Annual Hombres Retiro

Mission San Antonio de Padua, Jolon, CA

1st Hombres Retiro Weekend: August 1, 2 & 3 2008

2nd Hombres Retiro Weekend: August 8, 9 & 10, 2008

20 years ago in November of 1988 a group of Chicano/Latino hombres gathered for three days in Jolon, California in a Círculo de Amistad y Hermanidad. These hombres met to focus on building a network of support and positive reflection with one another and now, 20-years later, has grown to include hundreds of men from throughout the United States, México and Latin America. Through this initial discussion, laughter, ceremony and reflection, a very enriching exchange of words, feelings and spiritual energy were exchanged. Their energy was focused on the issues men face that affect them, their familias, and community.

We acknowledge and are grateful to the energy that started the fire and recognize that presently many families and communities have benefited from the work that these men initiated in 1988. Aho!

In the spirit of the Círculo tradition we invite you to the 20th Annual Hombres Retiro. The details for the two retreats is as follows:

1st Retiro Weekend

August 1, 2 & 3 2008, 5:00 pm

Register by: Tuesday, July 1st 2008

Retiro Cost: **\$160.00**

2nd Retiro Weekend

August 8, 9 & 10, 2008, 5:00 pm

Register by: Tuesday, July 8th 2008

Retiro Cost: **\$175.00 (extra cost is to cover 20th Anniversary event)**

Location: Mission San Antonio de Padua
P.O. Box 803(Mission Road off Jolon Road) Tel: (831) 385-4478
Jolon, CA 93928

The first weekend retiro will maintain the process that has been utilized for 20-years and if you are attending for the first time, it is highly recommended that you participate the first weekend. Because this year marks the 20-th year there will be some changes in the format for the second retiro. Alumni from early retiros are asked to consider attending the second retiro.

After the retiro ends on Sunday afternoon, a celebration is planned on the Mission grounds that involved giving thanks, and flor y canto. This celebration will be open to familias, friends and anyone who wishes to attend.

As is the history and tradition at the Hombres Retiro, the focus of our attention will be to reinforce the positive strengths that hombres possess, to clarify the roles and responsibilities that we have in our respective circles, rebalance the harmful experiences we carry that can negatively affect our parejas, children and community, and celebrate the gifts we carry.

In the tradition of the Círculo and because we value our work in retiro, this will be an alcohol and drug-free gathering. We hope to see you there to continue the work of being the hombres that make our familias and community proud.

There is sufficient space for 40-hombres at each Retiro and it is recommended that registrations be sent by the deadline listed above.

For more information or to check for space after the registration deadlines call or e-mail Héctor Sánchez-Flores at:

Telephone (408) 341-6654 E-mail hsf@hsanchez.com

We will adhere to the principle of first come first served. Send completed registrations to:

Héctor Sánchez-Flores
The National Compadres Network
P.O. Box 1228
Santa Clara, CA 95052-1228

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Directions

Mission San Antonio de Padua sits in the middle of the Fort Hunter Liggett Military Reservation about half way between U.S. 101 and California Highway 1.

From San Francisco Bay Area heading south:

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1. Take Highway 101 to King City.
 2. Exit Highway 101 at Jolon Road (county road G14) & continue South to Jolon (19 mi)
 3. Enter Fort Hunter Liggett (Identification must be provided at entrance).
 4. Take Mission Road (5.5 miles) to the Mission.

From Southern California heading north:

1. Northbound on 101 exit just past Bradley at the other end of Jolon Road (now county road G18).
2. Travel North 21 miles to Jolon.
3. Enter Fort Hunter Liggett (Identification must be provided at entrance)
4. Take Mission Road another 5.5 miles or so to the mission.

Jolon itself can be easily missed if you blink at the wrong time so look for the large triangle of three roads coming together at the entrance to Fort Hunter Liggett. Mission San Antonio is in the middle of an active military training facility. Obey all traffic and speed limit signs because base police enforce all the rules. **Photo identification, vehicle registration and proof of automobile insurance is needed to enter Fort Hunter Liggett. This information has been requested by gate attendants at the entrance gate.**
