

Marketplace Missions

Sonshine Hacienda Home for Children

February 2009

SONSHINE HACIENDA CONSTRUCTION TOUR

On January 31st, we invited the entire community of San Felipe to come and see the progress that has been made thus far on Sonshine Hacienda. What a blessing it was to see our community respond so enthusiastically to this invitation! Approximately 200 to 250 people came to see for themselves the progress being made on our construction. We were delighted to see groups of visitors from the San Felipe Lions Club, San Felipe Rotary Club, San Felipe Mission Church, the San Felipe Quilting Guild and the Scorpions Club of San Felipe. We also had many of our local Pastors and church members drop by to see the progress that has been made on our home for children. Everyone had such positive comments about our blessed Sonshine. It was such an encouragement to see such an awesome response.



Groups of visitors were given tours of Sonshine Hacienda by John Gilbert, Gary and Karen. The success of this tour was due to a huge help from John and Bonnie Gilbert, and the Christian Men's Rehab, Nueva Cancun. Bonnie and I spent the days before the tour doing clean-up work (with help from the guys from Nueva Cancion). When we opened the gates for visitors, the coffee & tea was hot, the donuts were bountiful and Sonshine was so beautiful...even in its present state of construction.



FUNDRAISING EVENTS FOR SONSHINE HACIENDA

As stated earlier, the amount of support that we are receiving for Sonshine Hacienda from our local community here is awesome! The San Felipe Lions Club held their annual "Turkey Trot" last November. The proceeds from this fundraiser, a check for \$1,000, was presented by the Lions Club to Sonshine Hacienda. A loud "ROAR" to the Lions!

Pete's Camp, a local Playa area here in San Felipe held their annual Poker Run this last fall. The event was great fun for all who attended and a check was presented to Sonshine Hacienda for \$1,000. What a blessing!

On February 12 & 13th, Mission San Felipe (the church that Gary Sheppard's) held their second annual "Yard Sale" to benefit Sonshine Hacienda. One of our members, Sue Silva, organized the event, along with the help of John and Bonnie Gilbert and many church volunteers. We were so thankful to hear that the event raised \$3,000 for Sonshine Hacienda. Muchas Gracias to our church family for their loving support!!



GIFT FROM ST. TIMOTHY'S

Pictured top right is Mike and Kathy Miles, members of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Danville, Ca. With their help, Sonshine received a donation of \$1,000 from St. Timothy's to be used for the construction of Sonshine Hacienda. We thank the Lord for their generous help.



COME TO SAN FELIPE IN MARCH...BIG FUND RAISERS FOR SONSHINE HACIENDA!!

March is going to be a huge month for Sonshine Hacienda. There are two major events taking place in San Felipe and the proceeds from both events are going to Sonshine Hacienda! God is soooo good!

March 28th is the 3rd annual San Felipe Blues & Arts Festival, sponsored by the San Felipe Lions Club. There will be 12 well known Blue's bands performing throughout the day, and over 40 artists from Mexico and the U.S. will be displaying their artistic creations. Sonshine Hacienda is an official Lion's Club project and proceeds from this Festival will be targeted for Sonshine Hacienda. This would be an ideal time to come down and visit San Felipe. The weather is great in March and the music and art are awesome. For more information, please email: bluesandarts@gmail.com or if you would like to take a look at the web site, go to: www.bluesandarts.com

March 29: Celebrity Golf Tournament

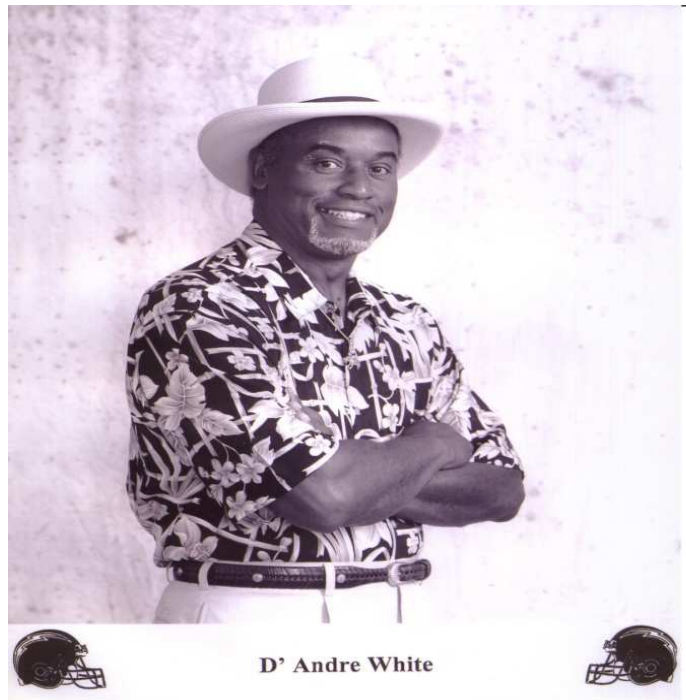
You are all invited to participate in the first annual San Felipe Youth Foundation Charity Golf Classic at Las Caras de Mexico Golf Course. Film and sports celebrities will be participating and tournament proceeds will benefit Sonshine Hacienda. There are many well known sports figures attending the tournament....so come on down and meet your favorite celebrity. We will be at the tournament, greeting participants as they arrive. For more information, please email: whdea80@sbcglobal.net

D' ANDRE WHITE: A CHAMPION FOR CHILDREN

D'Andre White is truly a champion! We met D'Andre about a year ago when he called us and ask if he could meet with us and learn more about our Sonshine Hacienda project for children. At our meeting, D'Andre listened, asked questions, took a tour of our construction site and immediately committed to helping us to get this construction completed. He has also committed to continue to help us maintain the future funding of Sonshine through fundraising and through other resources available to him. He has been tirelessly working on this commitment. D'Andre has organized the first annual San Felipe Celebrity Golf Tournament (March 29th) to raise funds for the Sonshine Hacienda building fund. In addition to the tournament, he has also been approaching large companies both in Mexico and the U.S. to request donations of materials and equipment that are large dollar items for our building project. This is a man of action!

D'Andre is a former NFL player from the mid-60's era and played for the San Diego Chargers. When he retired, he became a successful businessman and champion for children's causes. D'Andre is Co-founder and Vice-President of "Young Golfers of America Association" (YGAA). This organization works with inner-city youth in academics through golf. YGAA has sent 71 girls D'Andre and boys to college on golf scholarships in the past 19 years. YGAA is a free inner-city program that's supported by corporate and individual donations.

About six years ago, D'Andre came to San Felipe & decided that this would be a good place to retire. He now considers both San Felipe and Pasadena, California his home. Since coming to San Felipe, D'Andre has formed the "San Felipe Youth Foundation". We are so blessed to have D'Andre joining forces with Marketplace Missions to help the children of San Felipe. He has a big heart for children and we are so thankful to have him joining us in this important project. D'Andre is scoring a touchdown for the abused and abandoned children of San Felipe!!



D' Andre White

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