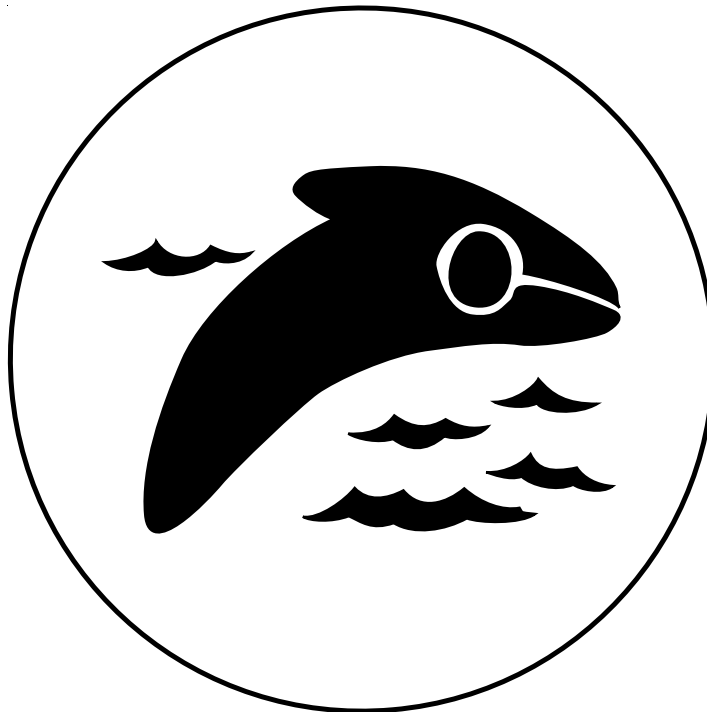


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## Preface

Robert L. Hoover

The last two issues of Volume 33 of the *PCAS Quarterly* are devoted entirely to the growing topic of Spanish colonial archaeology. While the focus of contributions is narrowed to a much more limited time period than usual, the geographical scope is enlarged to the regional level by including articles on both Baja and Alta California. Local archaeology of this period can not be completely understood without reference to the broader scope of world events. This is an especially appropriate time to do this. The community of Loreto, Baja California Sur, Mexico, has just celebrated the 300th anniversary of the founding of the first permanent mission in the Californias last fall. Officials and professionals from two nations and three states participated in inaugurating the El Camino Real - Misionero corridor project and interpret colonial site from Loreto to Sonoma.

This issue begins with a synthesis and comparison of the efforts of the three missionary orders in the Californias. I am fortunate to have such a bright and talented young colleague as coauthor for this paper. In two memorable expeditions into northern and central Baja California in the Fall of 1996, Brian and I visited many of the mission sites. Beginning, as usual, with my nose to the ground, looking for telltale sherds or foundation cobbles, Brian taught me the value of looking at the broader environment and the wider sweep of historical trends. Some of our combined results surprised me.

John Foster and Julia Bendimez continue a profitable program of international cooperation at San Pedro Mártir, one of the two sierra missions of the Dominicans in Baja California. Max Kurillo contributes his visual impressions of one of the sites of this mission. The sierra missions are seldom visited by tourists and were founded as a buffer against the hostile tribes on the eastern side of the peninsula. San Pedro lasted for only ten years in this area of hostile environment and culture.

The final article in this issue is the result of some of the best urban mission archaeology going on in California. Building on previous research, Russ Skowronek and Julie Wizorek have developed a model program at Santa Clara University, where they continue research on the five missions of Santa Clara. They are fortunate to have the last three of these on their campus. Many missions had to be reestablished because of poor site selection or some natural disaster, but Santa Clara had more than its share.