



## **Camping and Eclipse**

Even on our vacation time we usually go with our dogs. Several of us (more dogs than people) left a few days before the eclipse and headed to Oregon. We were hoping to find a camping place in the National Forest with no one else around. I know thousands of people migrated to Oregon to view the eclipse, we saw them on the road but on our ridge top camp we were all alone for miles.

We had a wonderful time just hanging out with nature, relaxing in the sunshine.

~ Adela ~





Waiting for the eclipse on our mountain top ridge.





My favorite part of this trip was setting our chairs everyday next to the Rabbit brush and watching the butterflies, bees and other insects visit all day long.

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## **Santa Inés Mission**

Mission historian, Shelia Benedict, did extensive research on the mission, including comparing the registry of people buried there to how many gravestones were still in place. As you might have guessed the list was much longer and did not match the number of markers. There was oral history about a woman buried under the church floor that was now covered by the confessional, and rumors that someone was buried by the broken arch, a part of the original mission left after an earthquake in 1812.

Sheila was a women on a mission and determined to solve some of the

mysteries. By combining techniques and layering different tools, history starts to become unraveled. She also contracted to have GPR done in the cemetery and outside of the wall.

For more information and history about Santa Inés Mission go to their web page:

<https://missionsantaines.org/history-summary>

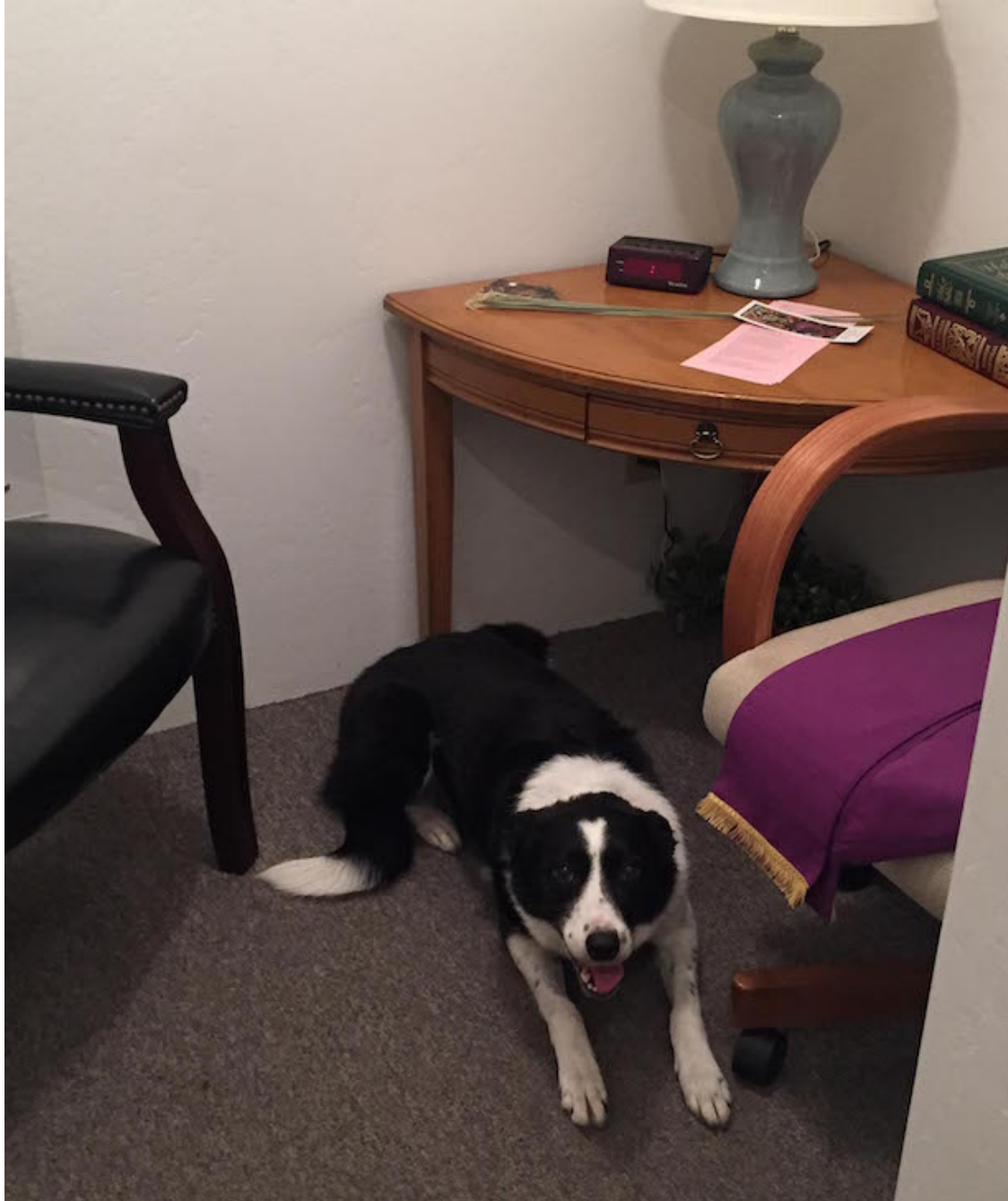
~ Adela~



We calibrated our dogs inside of the chapel where they had known burials. We were concerned the floors might be too tightly sealed.

Bailey alerts over the known burials as Barbara observes.





After all the dogs alerted on the known burials inside of the chapel we searched the site of the new confessional where written documents claimed there was a woman buried there.

Piper alerting inside of confessional.



Barbara suggested that we use the dogs to search outside of the mission wall for more burials. The established cemetery is between the mission and the wall. The dogs alerted at more than 20 locations previously unknown outside of the mission walls.

Piper and Lynne





Jasper alerts at the broken arch.

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