Guide to the Mission Olive Preservation, Restoration, and Education Project (MOPREP) Records RG-04

Chris S. Ervin CA
Presidio Research Center

2020-01-06
215 East Canon Perdido St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
chris@sbthp.org
URL: http://sbthp.org/research.htm
Mission Olive Preservation, Restoration, and Education Project (MOPREP) Records

creator: Chapman, Ron

Identifier/Call Number: RG-04

Physical Description: 2 boxes

Physical Description: 1 Scrapbook

Date (inclusive): 1884-2011

Date (bulk): 1999-2011

Abstract: This record group documents the activities of the Mission Olive Preservation, Restoration, and Education Project and includes administrative records, organizational documents, publicity materials, photographs, and educational materials about growing and preserving mission olive trees.

Scope and Contents note
This record group documents the activities of the Mission Olive Preservation, Restoration, and Education Project. The records are organized into 3 series. Administrative Records and Activities contains organizational documents, publicity materials, educational materials, and background materials on the mission olive.

Central to the activities of the organization was the DNA testing of trees at several California missions. Preservation and Restoration Projects documents the preservation of original trees as well as new planting of clones at various sites. The Photographs series consists of five photo albums documenting the organization's activities.

Administrative History
The Mission Olive Preservation, Restoration, and Education Project (MOPREP) was established in 1998 to preserve historical knowledge and provide horticultural expertise to the California missions about their heritage olive trees. Its goals were to preserve a cultural link to the California Mission olive tree for the purpose of general public education and enjoyment of the historical significance, culinary heritage, and health benefits of the Mission Olive tree and its oil.

MOPREP encouraged missions statewide to plant, prune and harvest their olives, to educate the public on how crucial olive oil was in daily mission life and to create a living link to California's culinary history.

MOPREP volunteers coordinated horticultural care, replanting, and olive harvests for oil making from olive trees located at the 21 California missions. They researched the history of the California Mission olive trees, locating and authenticating original groves and artifacts. Their displays educated mission visitors on the history, culinary heritage, health benefits and uses of olive oil in mission life.

MOPREP retired as an organization in December 2011 and its project manager, Ron Chapman, turned the records over to the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation.

Arrangement
This collection is arranged in four series:
Series 1. MOPREP Administrative Records and Activities, 1999-2007
Series 3. Photographs, 2001-2011
Series 4. Media Coverage, 1884-2011

Preferred Citation
[Identification of item], Mission Olive Preservation, Restoration, and Education Project Records RG-04, Presidio Research Center, Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation, Santa Barbara, California.

Conditions Governing Access
Collection is open to researchers.

Conditions Governing Use
All requests for permission to publish or quote from manuscripts must be submitted in writing to the Associate Director for Historical Resources. Permission for publication is given on behalf of the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation Research Center as the owner of the physical items and is not intended to include or imply permission of the copyright holder, which must also be obtained by the reader.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Olive
Olive oil
Missions--California

box 1  MOPREP Administrative Records and Activities 1999-2007

box 1, folder 01  MOPREP Introduction Binder
box 1, folder 02  Agriculture Committee Policies and Procedures
box 1, folder 03  MOPREP Brochures
box 1, folder 04  Media Coverage and Articles
box 1, folder 05  Web Site
box 1, folder 06  Events and Festivals
box 1, folder 07  Mission Olive Tree DNA Analysis
box 1, folder 08  Mission Olive DNA Testing
box 1, folder 09  Pilgrimage to Missions and Ancient Grove
box 1, folder 10  Docent Presentation Manual
box 1, folder 11  Care of Mission Olive Trees--Misc. Articles
box 1, folder 12  Olive Tree Care Handbook
box 1, folder 13  Organic Olive Production Short Course
box 1, folder 14  Olive Festivals
box 1, folder 15  Olive Articles and Pictures
box 1, folder 16  Historical Sources
box 1  Preservation and Restoration Projects 2005-2011

box 1, folder 17  California State Parks
box 1, folder 18  Cline Winery Greenhouse and Museum
box 1, folder 19  Jalama Mission Olive Trees
box 1, folder 20  Jalama Grove
box 1, folder 21  Mission/Vallejo Olive Harvest 2005
box 1, folder 22  Mission Nuestra Senora de la Soledad
box 1, folder 23  Mission Carmel
box 1, folder 24  Mission San Antonio de Padua, MOPREP Meeting 2020-04-11
box 1, folder 25  Mission San Miguel/O’Dell Grove
box 1, folder 26  Mission San Rafael
box 1, folder 27  Mission Santa Clara
box 1, folder 28  Mission Santa Cruz
box 1, folder 29  Sonoma Project
box 1, folder 30, Disk 01  Olive Grove 2005--Compact Disk
box 1, folder 30, Disk 02  Capitol Olive Tree--Compact Disk
box 1, folder 30, Disk 03  Brochure photos, Sonoma, Gen. Vallejo, Misc.--Compact Disk
box 1, folder 30, Disk 04  Docent Manual and Pictures--Compact disk

box 2  Photographs 2001-2011
  Physical Description: 1 Linear Feet- 5 albums in 1 record storage box

box 2  Media Coverage 1884-2011
  Physical Description: 1 Scrapbook
  Scope and Contents note
  Scrapbook of clippings