

# Welcome Walkers!

Walkers — Your participation today evokes the spirit of Los Angeles and its settlers, Los Pobladores and celebrates the contributions of generations of people who settled the region. You find in the footsteps of the original settlers whose walk 228 years ago from San Gabriel Mission, along what is now known as Mission Road, led to the establishment of El Pueblo de la Reina de los Angeles (The Town of the Queen of Angels).

Reenactment — The 1781 trek of the original Spanish settlers of Los Angeles, known as Los Pobladores. The Pobladores were NOT Spanish grantees. They were mostly poor farmers and soldiers who were recruited from northern Mexico by Felipe de Neve, Governor of the Captaincy General of San Gabriel and Los Angeles today. The Pobladores were a racially diverse group. Over half were of central African ancestry. They were a mix of Native Americans, Africans and Europeans. They came in two groups across the hot deserts of Sonora and Baja California and the original road when they prepared for their departure was for a 10-year-old San Gabriel Mission (1777). Here at the mission, they rested and were outfitted and ordered by Governor de Neve for their new homes along what is now known as the Los Angeles River.

The Mission — Established on September 8, 1771 by Padres Antonio Gonsalvo and Pedro Carbon under the direction of Fr. Junipero Serra, San Gabriel Mission celebrates 233 years at the "238th Fiesta de San Gabriel" from Fr., 9/4 — Sun, 9/6. Join us over the Labor Day Weekend or attend to celebrate San Gabriel, Birthplace of the Los Angeles Region!

A City is Born — During the first week in September, 1781, 44 people — 11 families, plus four soldiers left Mission San Gabriel and proceeded on a mule train down the trail to the river. "Here, on September 4, 1781, they established El Pueblo de la Reina de los Angeles (The Town of the Queen of Angels) — today, the great City of Los Angeles — one of the world's greatest metropolitan cities!

A faithful settler, Antonio Alvarado Rodriguez, a 30-year-old Filipino was also asked to settle in the new Pueblo. But his daughter fell ill to rheumatism in Loreto (Baja California), and he remained in Loreto.

The heads of Los Angeles' seven founding families were Antonio Clemente Villanueva, a Spaniard; Antonio Alvarado, a Major; Jose Fernandez Leray, a Spaniard; Jose Romayon, an Indian; Pablo Rodriguez, an Indian; Manuel Gomez, a Mexican; Jose Antonio Albornoz, a Mexican; Don Hermosa, a Mexican; Jose Benito Rios, an Indian; Alejandro Pizarro, an Indian; and Luis Quiroga, a Major. The Spanish settlers who escorted the Pobladores to the new Pueblo were Colonel Jose Vicente Ruiz, Private Pablo Antonio de Cota, Private Roque Juarez de Aza, and Private Francisco Salvador de Liza. (Source: [www.losangeles.com](http://www.losangeles.com) and [www.pobladores.org](http://www.pobladores.org))

# Walkers — when you arrive in San Gabriel — GET A WALKER BAND, T-SHIRT AND A FACT SHEET



**THE WALK** — From San Gabriel Mission go west along Mission Road (nearby the river) and take three turns. The trail ends at Los Angeles' El Pueblo Historical Monument (Golden Street). Where walkers are greeted with a warm Los Angeles welcome (don't make the entire mile walk). Then, meet us at Lincoln Park to walk the last three miles!

**Lincoln Park** — A great stop/getting area with restroom facilities and other Lincoln Park.

**Restroom** — A restroom for you in San Gabriel, along the route, at Lincoln Park and throughout El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument.

**The Route** — From San Gabriel Mission go west along Mission Road through Alhambra, Mission Road loops left, past Lowe's and turns into Alhambra Avenue. From Alhambra Ave, go right on Valley to Lincoln Park. From Valley St, make a left on Mission Road to Cesar Chavez, then right on Cesar Chavez over the bridge to Alhambra. Turn left on Alhambra to **BEVERLYWOOD**, a Front of Union Station **BEFORE** we walk **TOGETHER** to El Pueblo Plaza (Crown Street).

# Miles from San Gabriel Mission to El Pueblo Monument

- Mission San Gabriel 0.0
- East 7th Avenue 0.1
- Alhambra Boulevard & Mission Rd. 1.6
- Fremont Avenue 2.8
- Alhambra Avenue & Concord 3.4
- Valley Boulevard 4.5
- Eastern Avenue 4.8
- Santa Fe Avenue 5.9
- Lincoln Park 6.1
- Mission Road 6.4
- Golden State Freeway 7.0
- Cesar Chavez Avenue 7.8
- Los Angeles River 8.0
- El Pueblo Historical Monument 8.5



Congratulations, walkers — you've arrived

# LOS ANGELES 228TH BIRTHDAY

Concluding the nine-mile trek from San Gabriel — walkers will be greeted with a warm LA welcome at Los Angeles' 228th festive birthday celebration at El Pueblo Plaza.

# RETURN TO MISSION

# PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

PUBLIC transportation is also available from the south side of Union Station on bus #487 departing for San Gabriel every hour. (Cost for public transportation is \$1.85.)



# Registration Form

# Walk to Los Angeles

6:00 am., Saturday, September 5, 2009  
 Plaza Park @ San Gabriel Mission  
 428 South Mission Drive  
 San Gabriel, CA 91776

Remove Los Angeles founders' footstep. Join the Walk to LA from San Gabriel Mission to the Plaza of El Pueblo Historical Monument, (home of the World Famous Crown Street). The event is free and everyone is welcome.

YES, please register me to participate in the Walk to LA from San Gabriel Mission to El Pueblo Historical Monument, Los Angeles. (Please complete a registration form for each adult.)

Name for Self and/or Ch. of Please Print: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Self) First / Last: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Child) First/Last: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Waiver (Must be signed):  
 I hereby release the sponsoring agencies (County of Los Angeles, City of Los Angeles and San Gabriel, and Los Pobladores 2009), and any of their officers, employees, agents or volunteers, from responsibility for any injury, death, or damages that may result from my participation or that of my descendant in the 9-mile walk exercise activities. I agree to make no claim against the aforementioned for any injury or incident arising from this activity, however caused, including liability for negligence. I consent to and agree to pay for any medical treatment I or my dependent needs while related to this activity. I hereby consent to the use of event photographs for any non-related purposes.

Signature of participant (or parent if under 18 years): \_\_\_\_\_  
 CLIP and MAIL (or FAX) this form to:  
 El Pueblo Historical Monument  
 Attention: Special Events  
 225 Paseo de la Plaza, Suite 200  
 Los Angeles, CA 90012  
 Phone: 213/485-9376 or 213/485-1130  
 Facsimile: 213/485-8238 or 213/622-3555  
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e-mail: 228@lacity.org

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www.sangabrielcity.com

You can also REGISTER online at

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—or—

Download a Registration Form at

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Thank you, Walkers!



San Gabriel Mission (c. 1771)

SEPTEMBER is Birthday month!

• San Gabriel Mission (f. 1771)

— Celebrating 238 years!

• Town of Los Angeles (f. 1781)

— Celebrating 228 years!

• Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels (f. 2002)

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**Public Transportation back to**

**San Gabriel Mission**

**BY CAR:**

*From the 10 San Bernardino Freeway:*

Exit New Avenue, go north 1-1/4 miles staying  
in the right lane (New Ave. becomes Ramon).  
Follow the signs to the Mission District.

*From the 210 Freeway:*

Exit San Gabriel Boulevard, go south. Turn  
right on Los Turcos Drive and left on either  
Santa Anita St. or Mission Drive.

**PARKING IN SAN GABRIEL:**

In addition to available on-street parking,  
Public Parking is available at public and private  
lots, the legendary San Gabriel Mission  
Playhouse, San Gabriel City Hall, and more.  
For maps and parking information, visit:  
[www.sangabrielcity.com](http://www.sangabrielcity.com).

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