

There was a Tile Heritage END-OF-YEAR Appeal "DRAWING" from the names of CONTRIBUTORS to the \$10,000 GRANT-MATCH which was generously met with over \$11,500. THANK YOU ALL! The winner of the drawing (which is this book) is THF supporter and advocate, Craig N., WA.

About this book by Gary Kurutz and Mary Swisher:

Gary Kurutz fairly recently retired, and served as director of the California State Library's special collections since 1980. Prior to that position, he was head librarian at the Sutro Library, library director of the California Historical Society, and bibliographer of western Americana at the Huntington Library. He is currently executive director of the California State Library Foundation and key educator at UCLA's Rare Book School. He writes on California history. Mary Swisher, a photographer working originally with Nikki Pahl and Genevieve Troka, discovered the trove of negatives from Gladding Mc Bean terra cotta installations. She served as archivist, preparing the plates and films which were transferred to the California State Library. Mary spent a decade photographing Gladding, McBean, and since then spent even longer as the honorary curator of the Gladding, McBean Archives at the State Library. Gary, together with Mary brought the story of Gladding McBean to life. We love this book!