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## **Old Trails Journal**

## You Are Invited!

WHS Annual Meeting

Saturday, November 10, 2-4 p.m.

Hubbell/Winslow Visitors Center, 523 West 2nd St

Free Admission
Dessert Reception
Door Prizes

R.S.V.P. 928-289-5861

## Journey Stories Community Meeting

Tuesday, November 29, 5-6 p.m.

Hubbell/Winslow Visitors Center, 523 West 2nd St

Join us in this exciting project!

The newsletter for supporters of the Winslow Historical Society and Old Trails Museum.

## WHS Annual Meeting to Honor 2nd Saturday Volunteers

On November 10, 2012, the Winslow Historical Society will host its Annual Meeting from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post, 523 West Second Street. Admission is free and all are invited!

Join us at 2 p.m. for a dessert reception, socializing, and a slideshow of images from the *Second Saturdays in Winslow* programs. The meeting of the membership starts at 2:45 p.m. and will include a brief report on museum activities and the election of new board members.

The main program will be a tribute to the dedicated volunteers who served on the Winslow Centennial Committee and as *Second Saturdays* presenters in honor of 100 years of Arizona Statehood. The Winslow Historical Society thanks all the volunteers, partners, and venues for their time and generosity.

Meeting attendees can join or renew their WHS memberships for 2013; pre-order the 2013 historical calendar, *Winslow: A History in Images* (see page 3); and take a ticket for a chance to win a terrific door prize.

The Winslow Centennial Committee, which formed in February 2011 under the leadership of long-time WHS member **Barbara Arthur**, included members of the Winslow Historical Society and the community at large.

Together they created a logo and slogan (page 2), hosted a birthday bash for Arizona, and developed *Second Saturdays in Winslow*, a series of programs that explored different aspects of Winslow's diverse history. Volunteers researched and presented on a wide range of topics, which are listed on page 2 along with attendance numbers and program locations. (Continued on page 2.)

#### **Journey Stories Community Meeting on November 29**

OTM is one of six rural organizations participating in the Arizona Humanities Council's upcoming tour of the Smithsonian exhibition *Journey Stories*. As the grand opening site on the statewide tour, Winslow will host the exhibition at our partner venue, La Posada Hotel, from June 22 through August 4, 2013.

This special partnership between the Smithsonian, state humanities councils, and rural host communities is called Museum on Main Street. One key project goal is for the local hosts to develop exhibits and programs that tell their stories that relate to the themes in the Smithsonian exhibition. *Journey Stories* explores the roles that migration, travel, and modes of transportation have played in American society.

OTM's local exhibit, *Journeys to Winslow*, and our related programs will explore the many connections Winslow has to the theme, including the Santa Fe Railroad, Harvey Girls, Route 66, and the Lindbergh-designed airport, to name just a few.

As the applicant organization, OTM invites participation by any and all interested individuals and community organizations, who we hope to inspire to develop new or dovetail existing programming for Winslow's tour stop. (Continued on page 2.)

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WHS President Pat Raygor shared about her military service.



Bunny Buckley Nimtz, Elaine Larsen, & Dona Bruchman Harris on Route 66.



## **WHS Annual Meeting (cont.)**

#### Second Saturdays in Winslow, 2011-2012

- June 11: Human Route 66 Shield (200 on Winslow's West End)
- June 18: Arizona Women's Heritage Trail and Women of Winslow exhibit openings (50 at La Posada)
- July 9: Winslow Harvey Girls' Presentation and Trunk Show (50 at La Posada)
- August 13: Ahead of Her Time: Architect Mary E.J. Colter in the Southwest (50 at La Posada)
- September 10: Territorial Town and Women of Winslow exhibit openings (La Posada and the Hubbell)
- October 8: The Sawbones and Stethoscopes that Kept 'em Standin' on the Corner (50 at the Hubbell)
- November 12: Logs to Lumber (50 at the Hubbell)
- December 10: Paths in the Sky Open House (100 at the Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport)
- January 14: Arbuckle Coffee, Bluebird Flour, & Pawn: A Trading Post History of the Region (80 at the Hubbell)
- February 11: All Roads Lead to Winslow: Early Paths and Trails (80 at the Hubbell)
- February 14: Winslow's 100th Birthday Bash for Arizona on Statehood Day (120 at the Hubbell)
- March 10: Life in Ruins: A History of the Early Native Americans and Settlers of the Region (40 at the Hubbell)
- April 14: Riding the Rails into Winslow (100 at Snowdrift Art Space)
- May 12: Readin', Writin', and 'Rithmetic (50 at the Hubbell)
- June 9: Cowboys and Campfires: A History of Ranching in Northern Arizona (150 in the Eagles Pavilion outside the Hubbell)
- July 14: Winslow's Servicemen and Veterans (40 at the Hubbell)
- August 11: Memories of Arizona's Harvey Girls (40 at the Hubbell)
- September 8: Nickel Night: How News Traveled around Winslow (40 at the Hubbell)
- October 13: Kicks on Winslow's Route 66 (50 at the Hubbell)

## **Journey Stories (cont.)**

The next Journey Stories Community Meeting is Thursday, November 29, at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post, 523 West Second Street. The meeting will start with a brief orientation to the project and an update on OTM's plans for Winslow's tour stop.

In addition, Project Director **Ann-Mary Lutzick** will share information from the *Journey Stories* Program Workshop in Phoenix on November 9, when all six Arizona host sites will meet with key staff from the Smithsonian and Arizona Humanities Council to learn about the resources available to OTM and our project partners. Then Winslow's committee-at-large will break into subcommittees that can start to plan what each one will accomplish.

Contact Ann-Mary Lutzick for more information at info@oldtrailsmuseum.org or 928-289-5861. Please join OTM in bringing this exciting, nation-wide project to Winslow!

#### **2013 Historical Calendars Available Soon**

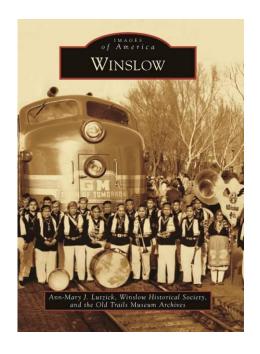
OTM's 2013 historical calendar, *Winslow: A History in Images--A Preview of Winslow's Images of America Book*, will be available for pre-order at the WHS Annual Meeting on November 10, and ready for pick-up at the museum by Saturday, November 17, during the Annual Christmas Parade.

The 2013 calendar is a preview of OTM's installment in Arcadia Publishing's *Images of America* series. Arcadia is the largest publisher of local and regional history books in North America. Their *Images of America* titles illustrate the unique histories of towns and cities across the country with over 200 vintage photographs of the people, places, and events that defined each community. OTM's book (right), entitled *Winslow*, will be available in spring 2013.

The calendar features a selection of images and excerpts from *Winslow*, and the monthly topics correspond to the chapters in the book. The images explore Winslow's early history, expansion, and heyday through the 1960s, and reveal the economic, civic, and recreational lives of its residents over time.

OTM Director **Ann-Mary Lutzick** produced the calendar, and the **Print Raven** of Flagstaff did the graphic design and printing. We thank the advertisers that support our calendar project year after year, and **Paul Ruscha** generously donated towards the printing costs for the 2013 edition.

The calendars will be on sale at OTM, La Posada, On the Corner Gifts, *The Scoop*, Winslow Dental, and the Winslow Chamber of Commerce. Still priced at \$10 (plus \$2 each for shipping), the calendars make great holiday gifts for folks interested in local history. Call OTM at 928-289-5861 and order some today!



## **WHS's 1940 Fire Truck is Back!**

A group of auto enthusiasts from the Winslow Historical Society and the community at large have formed the Friends of the Fire Trucks. Their goal is to restore WHS's 1940 Ford Sitgreaves fire truck (right), formerly owned by the City of Winslow, as well as the 1926 LaFrance fire truck still owned by the city.

WHS thanks the **Kenna family** for safely storing the Sitgreaves indoors for many years. This past summer, **Kenn Evans** and **Jim Pate** moved the truck off the Kenna's property and to Jim's garage, where they cleaned it up and got it running. Meanwhile, Warden **Laura Escapaule** offered the Winslow Prison's woodworking shop to recondition the truck's ladders and seat. They now look great, and the Friends thank them for this wonderful "community service" donation!

The Sitgreaves has already made several appearances, including the 4th of July Freedom Festival, the 9/11 Memorial Service, and the 2012 Just Cruisin' Car Show, where it won 2nd in Class! WHS will enter it in the upcoming Annual Christmas Parade if we can fulfill the requirements to drive it on the street in time.

Both vehicles are authentic representations of fire trucks from their times, and we are fortunate to have these original pieces of Winslow history. There is still work to be done on both trucks, so if you'd like to contribute to these efforts, please make a donation to the Winslow Historical Society/ Old Trails Museum and put "fire truck" in the check memo.



## **Supporter Spotlight**

Since last fall, OTM has been blessed with a small but steady stream of new museum volunteers who open and close the museum, answer the phone, and most importantly, host our visitors. Substitutes Esther Frye, Ruth Gant, Vi Haney, Tommy & Jonnie Horton, Jenny Kinkaid, Gordon and Linda McHood, Bessie Padilla, Becky Proctor, John Smith, and Jane Soehner have filled in whenever we have needed them.

**Sue Currier**, our wonderful Volunteer Coordinator who recruited many of our new substitutes, had to take a leave of absence over some health issues. **Marjorie Herron** and **Phyllis Jensen** filled in for several months, and **Donna Guiher** and **Mary Heldt** have taken over the scheduling for the foreseeable future. We are so grateful to all these OTM volunteers for stepping up and taking on this essential task.

WHS Board Member **Curtis Hardy**, who also chairs our Building Committee, has been busy. He recently had the leak in the back room repaired, and two fans and a digital thermostat installed. The latter improvements will increase the museum's heating and cooling efficiency.

Intern! She'll be indexing and cataloging the museum's existing oral histories, and conducting and transcribing interviews for the *Journeys to Winslow* exhibit (see page 1).

OTM is thrilled to have NAU anthropology major **Brooke Weber** as our new Oral History

OTM successfully applied for a 2012-2013 Arizona Historical Society grant. We'll receive \$1,100 to purchase oral history recording equipment as well as the latest version of PastPerfect software, the industry standard for cataloguing collections in history museums.

OTM prospers thanks to donations and volunteers who are so generous with their time and talents. If you're interested in working with a great group of people and learning more about Winslow's history, please contact us!

## From the Museum Floor

OTM has been busy this past summer and fall. Ninety people turned out for historian **Jim Turner's** presentation, *A Photographic History of Arizona from Prehistory to the Present*, on July 21 at La Posada Hotel. Thanks to our partners, the Winslow Arts Trust and Winslow Harvey Girls, and to the Arizona Humanities Council for providing one of its Road Scholars to our community -- let's do it again soon!

Author **Carol La Valley** signed copies of *Skirting Traditions: Arizona Women Writers and Journalists, 1912-2012* at OTM on September 15. Written by 18 members of the Arizona Press Women (APW), the anthology features chapters on two former Winslow residents and APW members, **Vada Carlson Rodriguez** and **Billie Williams Yost**.

OTM is one of 21 museums and libraries featured in a new brochure (left), produced by the Navajo County Library District and funded by an LSTA grant from the Arizona State Library. Available at OTM and the Winslow Public Library, the brochure is a great guide for visiting the county's cultural and historic sites. You can also pick up the companion Passport to Adventure, and receive a free tote bag if you get it stamped at over half the organizations.

OTM has gotten a tremendous response from our participation in the Historic AZ 66 Geocaching Project, and the series even got a mention in the September issue of *Sunset Magazine!* The project is a partnership between the Historic Route 66 Association of Arizona and several of Arizona's Route 66 communities.

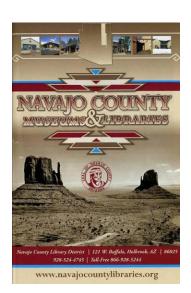
OTM is also featured in freelance writer **Roger Naylor's** new book, *Arizona Kicks on Route* 66, which we've ordered for our gift shop in time for Christmas shopping. You can also pick up one of our new OTM ornaments and magnets created by local folk artist **Randy Hummell**, who generously donated the first batch to the museum.



Margie Herron and grandaughter Alexis at the Trading Post Second Saturday.



Jim Turner with OTM Director Ann-Mary Lutzick and some Winslow Harvey Girls.



## **Old Trails Journa**

## Thoughts from the Director

I'm lucky. The Winslow Historical Society has a board of directors that believes in professional development. Each year they have paid my registration to attend the annual conferences of my most essential organizational connections: the Museum Association of Arizona and the American Association of State and Local History.

I learn so much at these gatherings, and in so many ways – sometimes as a presenter, always by attending sessions and workshops, and very often from my colleagues by just talking with them and asking questions. And there is so much to learn, from governance to collections to visitor studies and more. Some of the knowledge is enduring, while other lessons are about the latest thinking and practices in the field.

One of the disturbing trends in the challenging economy is the fact that many museums have cut back on staff or closed altogether. Stakeholders have been forced to ask themselves: What difference does our history make? Are there implications for people today? Why should anyone care about our museum? If the answers have been compelling enough, some museums have found ways to stay alive through creative partnerships and unorthodox programming.

That a town the size of Winslow can support a museum at all is not something we should take for granted. City funding is essential to maintaining our building, protecting our collections, and keeping our doors open for visitors. The museum also relies on visitor donations, historical society memberships, various grants and sponsorships, and modest sales from our Museum Store, which allow us to meet the city's Challenge Grant and provide valuable services and programs that we would not be able to otherwise. Volunteers are also essential to keeping our doors open, and for providing a host of services and programs.

Winslow has a populace and city council who believe the town's history is important and support the institution responsible for preserving and sharing that history. We're lucky.

#### **Winslow Historical** Society 2012 Board of **Directors**

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Name:
Mailing Address:
Phone & E-mail:
Membership Level:
Enclose this form with a check payable to the Winslow Historical Society and mail it to:

Old Trails Museum, 212 Kinsley Ave, Winslow, AZ 86047

Student Membership: (maximum age 22): \$5 for OTM bi-annual newsletter, special member events, 10% discount in the Museum Store.

Individual Membership: \$10 for OTM bi-annual newsletter, special member events, 10% discount in the Museum Store.

Family/Group Membership: (up to 4 people): \$30 for OTM bi-annual newsletter, special member events, 10% discount in the Museum Store.

Patron Membership: \$100 for Basic Benefits, plus calendar, recognition in newsletter and on website.

Benefactor Membership: (1 to 2 people): \$250 for Basic Benefits, plus calendar, choice of historic photograph, recognition in newsletter and on website.

Lifetime Membership: (1 to 2 people): \$500 for Basic Benefits, plus calendar, choice of historic photograph, recognition in newsletter and on website.

With you, we have a future; without you, we're history!

#### Membership **Acknowledgments**

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- Allan Affeldt, Winslow
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- Richard Randall, Winslow
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## **Support the Old Trails Museum**

The Old Trails Museum is owned and operated by the Winslow Historical Society (WHS), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

OTM is funded primarily by the City of Winslow, with additional support from memberships, donations, and sales. We welcome donations of cash as well as of equipment, supplies, and services.

Become a member to enjoy the *Old Trails Journal*, invitations to special member events, and 10% off in the Museum Store on Navajo and Hopi arts and crafts, regional history books, and our annual historical calendars with Winslow images.

Please join us in our efforts to keep the Old Trails Museum thriving. With you, we have a future; without you, we're history!

## **Visit the Old Trails Museum**

The Old Trails Museum is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Winter Hours are December through March from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free. Photography, group tours, and research opportunities are available.

OTM is located in the heart of Winslow's historic downtown business district and across the street from the Standin' on the Corner Park. There is free parking downtown, and the exhibits are wheelchair accessible.

Housed in the 1921 First National Bank building, the museum has retained the original marble-faced counters, mosaic tile floor, and vault, which provide a historic backdrop for its exhibits and archives.

#### Our Mission...

Founded in 1997, the Winslow Historical Society receives, preserves, and interprets information and artifacts representing the history and cultures of the Winslow area, in order to engage and enlighten all visitors to the Old Trails Museum's exhibits and programs.



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