

Old Trails Journal

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

**You Are
Invited!**

WHS Annual Meeting

**Sunday,
November 5**

2 to 4 pm

**Winslow
Visitors
Center,
523 West 2nd**

**Performance
by Khent
Anantakai**

**Free
Admission,
Refreshments,
Door Prizes**

**Board
Elections**

WHS Annual Meeting on November 5

The Winslow Historical Society (WHS) will host its 2017 Annual Meeting on Sunday, November 5, from 2 to 4 pm at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Building, 523 West Second Street.

The free event will begin at 2 pm with refreshments and a concert by **Khent Anantakai**, who will perform original compositions of “contemporary classical” guitar.

The WHS Annual Meeting will begin at 2:45 with a performance of the *Star Spangled Banner* by twin sisters **Bailey and Madison Hartman**. The meeting will include the election of new Board members and brief reports on museum activities over the past year.

While there, attendees can join or renew their memberships for 2018; buy the Old Trail Museum’s 2018 historical calendar, *Getting Together: Recreation and Celebrations in Winslow*; and take a ticket for a chance to win a terrific door prize donated by the OTM Store, La Posada Hotel, and several Board members.

Please join us for the Winslow Historical Society’s annual celebration of our membership. With you, we have a future; without you, we’re history!

OTM Exhibits In Downtown Winslow

The Old Trails Museum (OTM) now has two exhibits permanently installed in the downtown historic district (and added to the OTM Website).

OTM was thrilled to participate in the Winslow Visitor’s Center’s Centennial Celebration on July 22, when the museum debuted *The Winslow Visitor’s Center: A Hubbell Trading Post History*. The new exhibit was paid for by the Chamber of Commerce and printed and mounted by the Print Raven of Flagstaff.

At the event, Chamber staff **Bob Hall** and **Angela Gonzales Moser** also provided refreshments and hosted artist displays by **Gwen Satella** (Hopi pottery), **Leon King** (handmade spurs), and **Todd Roth** (photography).

The Winslow Visitor’s Center highlights the unique role that trading posts played in the economy of the American West from the 1870s through the 1970s. **John Lorenzo Hubbell** was the most successful and respected trader of the era, and the Hubbell Trading Post in Winslow played a critical role in the family’s trading empire.

In 2002, the City of Winslow submitted a successful nomination to have the building listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Work on its rehabilitation began in 2005, and the grand opening of the new Winslow Visitor’s Center was held in 2009. (continued on Page 2)

OTM Exhibits (cont.)



Chamber staff Hall and Moser



OTM Volunteer Patricia Raygor with a Hubbell exhibit panel



OTM Volunteer Coordinator Debbie Roberts with Morton



Edgecombe and Ware in character

A second OTM exhibit will be permanently installed in the Skylark Courtyard. **Tess and Lawrence Kenna** commissioned OTM Director **Ann-Mary Lutzick** to revise the *Journeys to Winslow* exhibit and to work with Northern Arizona Signs of Flagstaff to reprint the panels.

The exhibit was originally developed by Lutzick as a companion to the Smithsonian's *Journey Stories* exhibition, which explores migration, transportation, and travel in America. Winslow was the grand opening host community for Arizona Humanities' statewide tour of *Journey Stories*, which OTM hosted at our partner venue, La Posada Hotel, in summer 2013.

The *Journeys to Winslow* exhibit has been condensed from ten to eight panels, and the text and images have been revised with tourists in mind. Once the exhibit is installed, OTM and the Kennas plan to host a ribbon-cutting, so watch for details on the OTM Website and Facebook page.

Both of these exhibits, and the residents who have generously sponsored them, make it possible for OTM to reach more people with Winslow's fascinating history.

OTM Program Roundup

OTM has been busy hosting a series of public events, usually in partnership with additional funders and community organizations. The museum once again hosted the Winslow Antiques Appraisal Fair, this year on May 6 at Snowdrift Art Space.

Sean Morton of Morton Appraisals in Scottsdale is a licensed appraiser and regularly appears on Channel Eight's *Arizona Collectibles*. Twenty-five residents brought in interesting historical items for Morton to appraise. The nominal charge per item was only to cover costs, and OTM hopes to offer this event annually as a service to the community.

In partnership with La Posada Hotel, OTM offered its Spring History Highlight on April 8 and 9, when actress **Elizabeth Ware** and producer **David Edgecombe** presented a revival of *A Woman by Design*, a one-act play about La Posada architect **Mary Colter**, to 50 attendees.

Ware portrays Colter at three crucial life stages: a young art student, a self-taught architect at the peak of her powers, and an old woman facing the sale or demolition of her beloved projects. The production featured slides of Colter's major works and a brief talk after the performance.

Also at La Posada, OTM offered its 2017 Summer History Highlight on July 9 when author and historian **Jim Turner** presented *Native Roads: A Pictorial Guide to the Hopi and Navajo Nations* to 35 attendees.

Made possible in part by Arizona Humanities, Turner's presentation was a virtual road trip that highlighted the beauty, history, and folklore of the Four Corners region at sites such as Sunset Crater, Monument Valley, Canyon de Chelly, and Wupatki. (continued on next page)

OTM Program Roundup (cont)

In conjunction with the High Desert Fly-In (see below), OTM offered its 2017 Fall History Highlight on September 14 at the Winslow Visitors Center. Historian **Erik Berg** gave a free presentation of *Coast to Coast in 48 Hours!: Winslow and America's First Transcontinental Airline Service* to twelve attendees. Berg examined Winslow's pioneering role in Southwest aviation using historic photographs and film footage.

In 1929, Transcontinental Air Transport (TAT) offered America's first cross-country passenger service from New York to Los Angeles. As a key stop on TAT's cross-country route, also known as the Lindbergh Line, Winslow was the site of one of the Southwest's most advanced early airports and hosted a steady stream of famous passengers. Today, the Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport is the best preserved of the original TAT airfields and an important landmark in aviation history.

2017 High Desert Fly-In & Gala

The High Desert Fly-In Committee kicked off this year's event with the Fly Back in Time Gala on Friday, September 15, in the Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport's historic hangar.

One hundred and fifty guests entered the hangar — beautifully decorated by the Winslow Public Library — and were greeted by two volunteer groups, the Helldorado Girls and the Modified Dolls. Gala attendees were invited to dress in period attire and try for a prize in the Vintage Threads Contest. Guests also listened and danced to the nostalgic sounds of the Big Band Connection from Flagstaff.

A catered buffet dinner was served, and guests also helped themselves to free retro candy at the Candy Terminal provided by the Winslow Chamber of Commerce. The City of Winslow provided free photos by photographer **Deborah Allen** that she made available online after the Gala.

The next morning, September 16, from 7 am to 12 noon, 150 residents, tourists, and pilots attended the free High-Desert Fly-In. The Winslow Rotary Club hosted a pancake breakfast, and the Just Cruis'n Car Club hosted a Mini Show-and-Shine of vintage automobiles.

Activity on the tarmac included visiting general aviation planes and Guardian Air and Aerocare medical transport aircraft; First Flights, complimentary plane rides provided by Wiseman Aviation that introduced 41 youngsters to aviation; and a ribbon-cutting ceremony for new Runway 4-22.

Inside the hangar, the Flying Fun Kids Area included hands-on activities provided by the Winslow Public Library, a telescope from the Winslow-Homolovi Observatory, and an interactive U.S. Travel Map. Attendees also bid in the High Desert Silent Auction on items donated by local businesses and individuals.

The Flying Through History Area included OTM's *Flying through History: The Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport* and **Bob Hall's** *The Swamp Ghost and World War II* exhibits. Historian **Erik Berg** shared his artifacts on aviation history in the Southwest, former Civil Air Patrol instructor **Dale Mansfield** displayed his World War I aircraft models, and **Steve Owen** of the Western NM Aviation Heritage Museum in Grants, New Mexico, shared material on that area's aviation history.



Left to right: WHS Members Sondra Purcell and Roger and Donna Muhlenkamp with Turner



OTM Volunteer Rosemary Natseway and daughter Denise Estudillo at the Gala



WHS Board Members Jackie Landis and Marsha Childers check out the planes.



WHS Board Member Tess Kenna with Berg

Supporter Spotlight

The WHS Board threw our wonderful volunteers the 2017 Volunteer Thank-You Party at La Posada Hotel on June 12. The event featured delicious boxed dinners from the Turquoise Room; gifts of handmade soap by hotel receptionist **Harmony Wells**; and a tour of the El Gran Garage across the street, which began its life as the base for the Harveycar Detours in Winslow.

WHS Board members **Jackie Landis** and **Marsha Childers** went above and beyond packaging the bars of soap and decorating the room with floral centerpieces. Many thanks to **Allan Affeldt** for letting us host our party at the hotel, and to **Dan Lutzick** for all his work setting up and giving the El Gran tour.

We had an excellent turnout of 50 WHS Board members, OTM Volunteers, and Winslow Harvey Girls. Please come volunteer with OTM and join the fun!

The Friends of the Fire Trucks recently received some much-needed donations. Their goal is to restore and maintain WHS's 1940 Ford Seagraves fire truck and the City of Winslow's 1926 LaFrance fire truck.

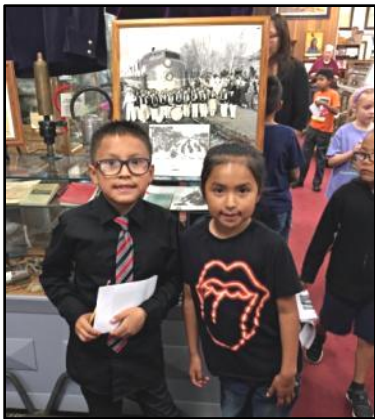
The Winslow Harvey Girls and WHS Board members **Curtis Hardy**, **Dave Hartman**, and **Tess Kenna** donated towards new tires for the Ford Seagraves. The Ford makes several annual appearances including the 4th of July Freedom Festival, the Just Cruisin' Car Club Show, and the Winslow Christmas Parade.



Left to right: OTM Volunteer Debbie Roberts with Winslow Harvey Girl Marie LaMar and Nancy Hanno



The 1940 Ford Seagraves fire truck



The student at left had a relative in the Santa Fe Indian Band.



An Acoma pot on loan from OTM Volunteer John Smith

From the Museum Floor

OTM's 2018 historical calendar, *Getting Together: Recreation and Celebrations in Winslow*, will debut at the WHS Annual Meeting and feature images that have not previously been published in a calendar.

Like all towns, every aspect of Winslow life and history included celebrations and special events. The town also has a proud history of sports and recreation, and the calendar will highlight all of these themes.

The calendar is a fundraiser thanks to our generous advertisers, and at \$10, it makes a great holiday gift. You can purchase it at OTM, La Posada Hotel, Arizona 66 Trading Company, On the Corner Gifts, and the Winslow Chamber. Your OTM Store purchases are sales-tax-free, support the museum, and keep your shopping dollars local!

OTM recently hosted seven classes of first-graders from Jefferson Elementary School. The teachers -- **Ms. Bratt**, **Ms. Montgomery**, **Ms. Reid**, **Ms. Gonzales**, **Ms. Fulton**, **Ms. Bengson**, and **Ms. Ballesteros** -- gave the students a scavenger hunt that engaged them with our historical objects.

Afterward they visited with OTM mascot **Rafa** and posed for group pictures. We had a great time with them and hope they return with their parents soon – Rafa will be waiting!

If you haven't visited the museum lately, come by and check out what's new! We recently added items to the Medal of Honor, Native arts (at left), airport, and toy displays, as well as information on the museum's bank history and Fiesta dress.

Thoughts from the Director

In this newsletter edition, I'm making an appeal for new volunteers. Our current volunteers contribute 2,000 hours a year, and without them, we could not operate! But we have recently been feeling a lack of new volunteers, perhaps because we haven't asked in a while.

Since the most effective way of getting new volunteers is word of mouth, we will try to spread the word – if you love history, you (or someone you know) might enjoy volunteering with OTM!

Many of our current volunteers are retired and bring professional skills to a variety of duties: hosting visitors, organizing collections and archives, and helping with public programs. So you can have your pick of ways to help, in manageable 2-1/2 hour shifts.

And we try to make sure our volunteers know how much they are appreciated. We let them know annually at the Volunteer Thank-you Party (page 4), and we also acknowledge them at the WHS Annual Meeting (page 1).

So what's in it for you? For one thing, you will learn a lot about your home and its history. For another, you will make new friends and deepen established friendships among your fellow volunteers. And OTM benefits from its location just across the street from the Standin' on the Corner Park.

Our volunteers meet and talk with visitors from all over the country and the world. OTM Volunteers serve as our public face to these visitors, as our ambassadors from the museum, from Winslow, from Arizona, and from Route 66 – travelers remember their experiences with our volunteers in all of those ways. That alone makes their volunteer work incredibly meaningful.

"Volunteers are not coming to your museum to make money, they are coming to make a difference. Sometimes that difference is for the museum and sometimes it's to make a difference in themselves."* Here at OTM, we hope we can help you achieve both.

(*From *What a Volunteer Needs* by Mary Nuznov, volunteer, Detroit Historical Museum on February 19, 2014)

Winslow Historical Society - 2018 Membership Renewal Form

(All contact information is kept private by the Old Trails Museum.)

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 N Kinsley Ave, Winslow, AZ 86047

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Patron Membership: (1 to 2 people): \$100 for Basic Benefits plus calendar, newsletter and website recognition

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Lifetime Membership (1 to 2 people): \$500 for Basic Benefits plus calendar, newsletter and website recognition, choice of historic photograph, autographed copy of *Winslow*

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

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Support the Old Trails Museum

The Old Trails Museum is owned and operated by the Winslow Historical Society, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. OTM is funded by the City of Winslow, with additional support from memberships, donations, and sales. We welcome donations of cash, equipment, supplies, and services.

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

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

OTM is free and open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. We welcome photography, group tours, and research appointments.

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 our exhibits are wheelchair accessible.

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

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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