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**Old Trails Journal**

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**OTM Spring History Highlight**

_Cowpokes, Crooks, and Cactus: Arizona in the Movies_

Saturday, May 19 at 2 pm, La Posada, 303 East 2nd St

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Call OTM for Appointment at 289-5861

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**Spring History Highlight on May 19**

The Old Trails Museum offers its 2018 Spring History Highlight on Saturday, May 19, at 2 pm at La Posada Hotel, 303 East Second Street. Author **Gregory McNamee** will explore the tradition of movie-making in Arizona with the free presentation of _Cowpokes, Crooks, and Cactus: Arizona in the Movies_.

In the spring of 1872, a 44-year-old immigrant from New Hampshire named **Henry Hooker** bought a herd of 10,000 longhorn cattle from Texas and moved them to a grassy valley in southeastern Arizona. He hired “cowboys” – the first Arizonans who would fit the description we think of when we use that word. With cowboys came outlaws, and with those outlaws, came the birth of the western novel – and with it the western film.

In this entertaining talk, you’ll learn about westerns made in Monument Valley, on the sand dunes of Yuma, in the grasslands on the Mexican border, and even in downtown Prescott, as well as sound stages and movie lots in Scottsdale and Tucson.

McNamee will discuss classic and contemporary examples such as _Stagecoach_ (1939), _The Outlaw_ (1943), _Red River_ (1948), _Junior Bonner_ (1972), _Tombstone_ (1993), and _Geronimo_ (1993). (Continued on Page 2)

**Antiques Appraisal Fair on July 14**

If you’re ever wondered about the value of that old family heirloom, bring it to the Winslow Antiques Appraisal Fair! The Old Trails Museum will host the third annual fair on Saturday, July 14, from 10 am to 4 pm at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post, 523 West Second Street. **Sean Morton** of Morton Appraisals in Scottsdale is bringing his expertise back to Winslow so that residents can have their historic items identified and appraised.

Morton will offer verbal appraisals (not in writing) of objects including, but not limited to: fine art paintings, prints, and sculpture from the 17th century to the modern; porcelain, crystal, silver, and antique furniture; clocks, antique jewelry, art glass, and pottery; manuscripts and signatures; and Asian art and Native American arts and crafts. (No guns, coins, or stamps will be appraised.)

To schedule your one-on-one appointment with Morton, call OTM at 289-5861 by Thursday, July 12. Attendance is limited to forty people, and each person is limited to two items for appraisal. The charge for the first item is $15 and for the second item is $5 – an excellent value versus the cost of a private appraisal. (Continued on Page 2)
Spring History Highlight (cont)

After taking a quick-moving tour through westerns made in the Grand Canyon State, McNamee will explore crime dramas, love stories, war movies, science-fiction classics, and creature features through films such as Sahara (1943), Lilies of the Field (1963), Raising Arizona (1987), Near Dark (1987), and Three Kings (1999). He’ll even tell us about a few films shot in and near Winslow, including Starman (1984) and Natural Born Killers (1994).

McNamee has written about films and film history for The Hollywood Reporter and Encyclopaedia Britannica. As a writer, journalist, and photographer, he has authored forty books and more than 5,000 periodical publications including articles, reviews, interviews, poems, and short stories.

McNamee is also a contributing editor for Kirkus Reviews and Bloomsbury Review; publisher of Sonora Wordworks and Polytropos Press; and a research fellow at the Southwest Center and lecturer in the Eller School of Management, both at the University of Arizona. He also gives courses and talks on writing, journalism, publishing, media and technology, and cultural and environmental issues.

The 2018 Spring, Summer, and Fall History Highlights are made possible in part by Arizona Humanities, a non-profit organization and the Arizona affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

On Saturday, August 11, at 2 pm, Dr. Barbara Jaquay will present the Summer Highlight, Sheep Ranchers and Herders of Arizona, at La Posada Hotel. Using family memoirs and images, Jaquay’s talk will explore how Arizona’s sheep ranchers raised their families on the frontier, weathered economic downturns, and ultimately had a lasting impact on the state’s economic and ethnic diversity.

Kenneth Zoll will present the Fall Highlight, Arizona’s First Meteorite Man: H H Nininger, on Thursday, October 11, in conjunction with the 2018 High Desert Fly-In on October 13, 2018 (see page 3).

Antiques Appraisal Fair (cont)

Morton was born in Phoenix and grew up around antiques. He formed Morton Appraisals in 1993 as a certified, licensed, and insured appraiser as well as a member of the Antique Appraisal Association of America.

Morton provides advice and fair market insurance appraisals to individuals, estates, companies, and public institutions. He regularly appears on PBS’s Arizona Collectables, which airs on Channel 8 on Thursdays at 7:30 pm and Saturdays at 11 am.

The Winslow Antiques Appraisal Fair is presented as a service to the community; the event is not a fundraiser and the charge is only to cover the museum’s costs.
High Desert Fly-In & Gala on October 13

As a community partner on the High Desert Fly-In, OTM will host its Fall History Highlight in conjunction with the event. Kenneth Zoll will present Arizona’s First Meteorite Man: H H Nininger on Thursday, October 11, at 5 pm at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post, 523 West 2nd Street.

Nininger was an American educator who revived interest in the scientific study of meteorites in the 1930s. Considered the Father of American Meteoritics, he assembled one of the world’s largest personal collections and founded the American Meteorite Museum near Meteor Crater.

Two days later, on Saturday, October 13, from 8 am to 12 noon, the High Desert Fly-In will host residents, tourists, and pilots from around the country at Winslow’s historic airport. Along with the Winslow Rotary Club’s pancake breakfast, activities on the tarmac will include the Just Cruis’n Car Club’s Mini Show-and-Shine, First Flight plane rides for kids, and general aviation and medical transport aircraft.

Inside the hangar, attendees can explore the Flying Fun Kids Area, the Flying Through History Area with OTM’s Flying through History: The Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport exhibit (upper right), and the High Desert Silent Auction.

From 6 to 9 pm that evening, the Fly Back in Time Gala will feature a buffet dinner, dancing to the Big Band Connection, the Vintage Threads Contest, the High Desert Silent Auction, and much more! Go to the High Desert Fly-In Website (www.highdesertflyin.org) and Facebook page for the latest updates.

OTM Program Roundup

In partnership with the Winslow Chamber of Commerce and Just Cruis’n Car Club, OTM and Tess and Lawrence Kenna hosted a Ribbon-Cutting on October 7 – the morning of the Club’s annual Car Show – for the permanent installation of OTM’s Journeys to Winslow exhibit in the Skylark Courtyard.

The courtyard is a stop along the Journey Through Winslow Pathway, a trail through the downtown historic district developed by the Kennas so visitors and residents can explore Winslow’s history and current downtown revitalization. Many thanks to the Kennas for printing and mounting the exhibit!

OTM offered its Winter History Highlight on February 17 at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post. As part of a statewide tour funded by Arizona Humanities, author Alison Moore and musician Phil Lancaster presented the free program, Riders on the Orphan Train – Arizona’s Hidden History, to seventy attendees.

Their multi-media presentation illustrated how this nearly eighty-year experiment in child migration was filled with both tragic stories and happy endings. OTM thanks the Winslow Fire Department for delivering extra chairs for the large turnout.

On February 19, OTM and the Gemini Gallery jointly hosted A Stroll Through Black History: A Museum and Art Experience. One in a series of Black History Month events hosted by the Winslow branch of the NAACP, OTM’s event featured NAACP member Susan Warren’s historical artifacts, textiles, and books displayed alongside the museum’s African Americans in Winslow: Scenes from Our History exhibit.
OTM Supporter Spotlight

The Winslow Historical Society hosted its 2017 Annual Meeting on November 5 at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post. The free event began with a reception and guitar performance by Navajo musician Khent Anantakai. Forty attendees socialized, renewed their memberships, and bought the 2018 historical calendar, *Getting Together: Recreation and Celebrations in Winslow*.

The WHS Annual Meeting began with a performance of the Star Spangled Banner by twin sisters Bailey and Madison Hartman. During the meeting, the membership elected new WHS Board Members Maxine Bazan and Carol Gilliam, thanked departing Board Members Ruth Gant and Gordon McHood, and heard brief reports on museum activities over the past year.

Some attendees won terrific door prizes handed out by Board Member Anne Doyle. Ellen Pfulb won the OTM basket, Kenn Evans won the gift basket donated by La Posada Hotel, Volunteer Joe Rohr won the tea gift basket donated by Board Members Marsha Childers and Jackie Landis, Volunteer Donna Guiler won the cheese gift pack donated by Board Member Tess Kenna, Volunteer Dave Kronick won the decorative arrangement donated by Volunteer Patricia Raygor, Doris Rohr won the bird house donated by Winslow artist Randy Hummel, and Volunteer Kim Gould won the beer-and-wine gift basket donated by Doyle.

Thanks to all our members and supporters for their continued donations and hard work. With you, we have a future; without you, we’re history!

From the Museum Floor

Each spring, OTM collects attendance numbers to report to Winslow City Council, which provides the museum with critical funds. OTM’s in-house visitation in 2017 was 3,923, whom OTM Volunteers hosted for 2,108 hours – a $49,538 in-kind value! We hosted over 518 attendees at our 2017 public programs and partnerships, and over 350 attendees viewed OTM exhibits at various events. OTM had over 20,132 visitors make over 34,637 visits to our website, which acts as a visual archive of our exhibits and public programs.

OTM’s 2018 historical calendar, *Recreation and Celebrations in Winslow*, is still available at the museum, Arizona 66 Trading Company, La Posada Hotel, On the Corner Gifts, Winslow Chamber of Commerce, and Winslow Dental. The calendar – now priced at $5 – features images from photographer George Sutherland’s extensive collection. OTM thanks his descendants for the donation and also Tom Alexander Photography of Flagstaff for making their use possible.

OTM recently received an historic pump organ from Jacob Baker, former principal of Jefferson Elementary School. Prior to the 1960s, Father Robert Kirsch of Madre de Dios Catholic Church had regularly transported this organ to use during Hopi and Navajo services on tribal lands. OTM thanks Baker; Dr. Henry Watts for facilitating the donation; Baker’s friend Stan Makow for delivering the organ from Cottonwood; and the La Posada Hotel crew for placing the organ in the museum.

OTM recently hosted Mrs. Beatty’s fourth-grade class from Joseph City Elementary School. Bring your parents and come back for a visit soon!
Thoughts from the Director

Please help me welcome the new OTM Associate, Kimberly Gould!

Kim (at right, with OTM mascot Rafa) grew up in South Florida and attended the University of Florida.

She and her husband, George, moved to Winslow in 1997, when she began commuting to Flagstaff for work. She managed Bath & Body Works for fifteen years and Cost Plus World Market for seven years.

I’m so grateful that when Kim was ready for a new challenge, she first volunteered at OTM and then decided to apply for the new part-time position.

As OTM Associate, Kim assists me with ongoing collections management as well as special projects. She also hosts museum visitors and assists researchers with their inquiries. Kim says, “I’m thrilled to be learning about the town I live in, and to share that history with visitors from all over the world.”

Free of her commute and full of energy, Kim is also a substitute teacher for the Winslow Unified School District and a volunteer for Alice’s Place, the Elks Lodge, and Sweetland Community Garden.

As we go to press: Congratulations to David Andreasen, recipient of the Museum Association of Arizona’s Community Support Award! More in our next issue…

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

Student Membership (max age 22): $5 for biannual newsletter, special member events, 10% discount in the OTM Store
Individual Membership: $15 for biannual newsletter, special member events, 10% discount in the OTM Store
Family/Group Membership (up to 4 people): $30 for biannual newsletter, special member events, 10% discount in the OTM Store
Patron Membership: (1 to 2 people): $100 for Basic Benefits plus calendar, newsletter and website recognition
Benefactor Membership (1 to 2 people): $250 for Basic Benefits plus calendar, newsletter and website recognition, choice of historic photograph
Lifetime Membership (1 to 2 people): $500 for Basic Benefits plus calendar, newsletter and website recognition, choice of historic photograph, autographed copy of Winslow

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

The Old Trails Museum 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 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

The Old Trails Museum is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Admission is free. Photography, group tours, and research appointments are welcome.

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.