

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

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OTM 2020 Spring History Highlight

Sativa
Peterson's
workshop on
researching
historic
newspapers,

originally
scheduled for
March 28 at the
Winslow Visitors
Center,

will be
rescheduled as
soon as safely
possible.

Check the
OTM Website &
Facebook Page
for the
latest updates
on all our
public programs.

OTM Responds to COVID-19

Like many businesses and organizations in Winslow and around the world, the Old Trails Museum is closed until further notice. The Board and staff are working on reopening plans, and we will notify the public of the date as soon as we have one.

In the meantime, we hope to stay connected with our supporters online. We're posting "OTM Calendar Highlights" each Monday on the OTM Facebook page until we reopen. The series features a chronological image and caption from our historical calendar archives, and it also previews our 2021 calendar, *Winslow Through the Decades*. Next year's edition will feature images from each decade of Winslow's history that have never been published in an OTM calendar or our *Winslow* book.

We also invite you to go to the "Exhibits" page on the OTM Website and explore these diverse topics from Winslow's rich history:

- *Journeys to Winslow* (2017)
- *The Winslow Visitors Center: A Hubbell Trading Post History* (2017)
- *African Americans in Winslow: Scenes from Our History* (2017)
- *Snowdrift Art Space: One Hundred Years of History* (2014)
- *Flying through History: The Winslow-Lindbergh Regional Airport* (2014)
- *The Women of Winslow* (2011)

The Board, staff, and volunteers of the Winslow Historical Society and Old Trails Museum wish you and yours good health, and we hope to see you in person in the near future.

Homol'ovi Exhibit Opens In Winslow

On January 18, the Grand Opening of the Arizona State Museum's exhibition, *Life Along the River: Ancestral Hopi at Homol'ovi*, took place at the Winslow Arts Trust (WAT) Museum at La Posada Hotel. Over 125 attendees viewed the exhibition and enjoyed refreshments, comments from the project partners, and a special performance by the Hopi Polequaptewa Dancers.

Although the WAT Museum is currently closed until further notice, the exhibition is there until January 10, 2021, so the public will have another chance to explore it. *Life Along the River* features images, maps, and present-day Hopi voices that tell the story of the people who lived in seven villages along the Little Colorado River – near what is now Winslow – in the 1300s.

The project partners were represented at the Grand Opening by **Dr. E. Charles Adams**, Exhibit Curator with the Arizona State Museum (ASM); **Stewart Koyiyumptewa**, Program Manager with the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office; **Chad Meunier**, Manager at Homolovi State Park; **Dan Lutzick**, Chair of the Winslow Arts Trust Board; **Tina Mion**, co-owner of La Posada Hotel, and **Ann-Mary Lutzick**, Director of the Old Trails Museum.

Homol’ovi Exhibit Opens (cont)

Dr. Adams, now retired, directed ASM’s Homol’ovi Research Program (HRP) from 1985 to 2017. He gave attendees a fascinating perspective on the HRP’s research efforts as well as the creation of the exhibition. He credits the HRP’s work with revealing a timeline for life at Homol’ovi, the relationships between the area’s inhabitants, and the importance of the river in their lifeways.

In recognition of its significant resources, the Homol’ovi area became Arizona’s first archaeological state park in 1986 through a partnership between the Hopi people, state agencies, the governor’s office, local civic leaders, and avocational archaeologists. Located just a few miles east of the WAT Museum, Homolovi State Park continues to preserve these important pueblos and artifacts, and visitors will be able to return there soon, as well.

OTM Now on Historic Places Register

Earlier this year, the Winslow Historic Preservation Commission (WHPC) received the good news that their recent application to the National Register of Historic Places was successful. The Winslow Commercial Historic District (WCHD) was first listed in 1989, with nineteen buildings under a “period of significance” from 1883 to 1935. The successful 2020 amendment expands the period to 1970 and lists seven additional buildings, including the museum.

The National Register is the “official list of the nation’s historic places worthy of preservation,” based on their age (at least fifty years old), significance (associations with important historical resources), and integrity (they look much like they did during their times of significance). Getting listed on the Register is an honor as well as a potential benefit when applying for preservation grants and federal tax credits.

The WHPC advises local citizens on how to preserve their historic properties and develop National Register nominations. The Winslow area’s other listings include Baird’s Chevelon Steps, Chevelon Creek Bridge, Chevelon Ruin, four sites at Homolovi State Park, Jack’s Canyon Bridge, La Posada Historic District, Lorenzo Hubbell Trading Post and Warehouse, Winslow Bridge, the Winslow Residential Historic District, and the Winslow Underpass.

The amendment nomination was prepared by WHPC President **Tescue Kenna**, with help from son **Lawrence Kenna**, City of Winslow Economic Development Director **Paul Ferris**, State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Program Manager **Bill Collins**, and OTM Director **Ann-Mary Lutzick**, who provided an historical overview of the extended years of significance in Winslow.

The 2020 amendment adds seven properties within Winslow’s historic commercial core – bounded roughly by 1st and 3rd Streets and Warren and Williamson Avenues – that convey the architectural and commercial character of Winslow’s downtown during the 1940s, 1950s, and 1960s, when railroad passenger traffic was declining and Route 66 was an important avenue for interstate travel.

The newly-listed properties include 110, 112, 118, and 120 East 2nd Street, 110 West 2nd Street, and 109 and 212 North Kinsley Avenue. The latter housed several financial institutions from 1921 to 1985 and is now home to the Old Trails Museum. OTM is extremely proud – and grateful to everyone who made it happen – to be on the National Register of Historic Places.



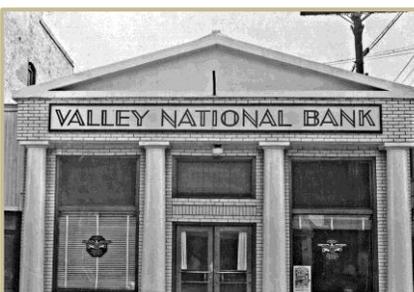
Koyiyumptewa, A. Lutzick, Adams, Meunier, D. Lutzick, & Mion cut the ribbon.



A Hopi Polequaptewa Dancer



Tess & Lawrence Kenna at the 2015 WHS Annual Meeting



OTM’s former façade in the late 1940s

Winslow Loses History Legends

The Board, staff, and volunteers of the Winslow Historical Society extend their heartfelt sympathy to the families of three women who had a tremendous impact on the preservation of Winslow's history.

Janice Patterson Griffith passed away on December 26, 2019. Janice, a 1966 graduate of Winslow High, was OTM's founding Director. She dedicated herself to the museum from before it opened its doors in 1985 through 2005. She helped revive historic downtown Winslow in multiple ways, including leading the campaign to save the sculptures inside the (now) Bank of the West and helping recreate the public gazebo in its historic spot at First Street and Kinsley Avenue.

Janice was also committed to saving La Posada Hotel, a passion she shared with **Marie Evelyn Sharar LaMar**, who passed away on March 12, 2020. Marie, a Winslow native and 1946 graduate of Winslow High, began her historic preservation efforts after she retired from a career in real estate.

After Janice helped get La Posada listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1992, she and Marie organized the Gardening Angels to tend the grounds. They were also co-founders and ongoing leaders of the La Posada Foundation and its descendants, the Standing on the Corner Foundation and Park.

Marie led the team that secured the federal grant funds that were critical to initially saving La Posada. She was also a founding member of the Winslow Harvey Girls, the volunteer group that provides guided tours of the hotel and educates the public about its history. She presented Harvey Girl tours and trunk shows to delighted visitors from 1995 through 2017.

Patricia Crantford Raygor passed away on March 17, 2020. Pat moved to town with husband Lawrence in 1968 and quickly became an integral member of the community. OTM was so fortunate that history was one of her many interests. She worked a weekly volunteer shift for many years, and she was always willing to substitute for other volunteers if needed. She also served on the WHS Board in many capacities over the years, including as President.

Pat was regularly involved in our special projects; in attendance at our public programs and private celebrations; and ready with a helpful suggestion, a needed donation, and her infectious laugh. She is sorely missed by her OTM family.

The OTM Online Store is Here

If you would like to help the museum fulfill its mission during these uncertain times, you can now become a member or donor using the new, secure OTM Online Store. You can access the link from our "Members," "Donors," and "Store" pages on the OTM Website. There you can purchase or renew your WHS membership, or make a one-time donation or a special gift.

A Memorial Gift is a way to honor the life of someone who has passed on. Families sometimes establish memorials in honor of loved ones in lieu of flowers. **Spencer SooHoo** of La Canada Flintridge, California, recently gave a Memorial Gift in honor of **Janice Griffith**. **Pat Raygor's** family requested donations be made to the museum, which OTM Volunteer **Janice Henling** did in her honor.

Other potential donations include Tribute Gifts, which celebrate a birth, anniversary, or other special occasion, and Planned Gifts, which involve leaving a bequest in a will. OTM can provide guidance with the latter upon request.



Janice at the museum when the Colt 45 was donated



"Harvey Girl" Marie with La Posada Owners Allan Affeldt & Tina Mion



Pat with OTM Director Lutzick at the 2018 Winter History Highlight



The OTM Online Store

OTM Supporter Spotlight

The Winslow Historical Society (WHS) hosted its 2019 Annual Meeting on November 10 at the Winslow Visitors Center/Hubbell Trading Post. The free event began with refreshments and a performance by the Way-Better-Than-Nothings, a local supergroup of **Dave Eitenmiller, Casey Gilliam, Greg Hackler, and Ray Tutaj Jr.** performing a mix of acoustic folk and classic rock.

During the meeting, the WHS membership elected new Board members **Gale Jones** and **Linda Mansfield**, thanked departing Board member **Tess Kenna**, and heard brief reports on museum activities over the past year.

Some of the 38 attendees won terrific door prizes donated by the OTM Store, La Posada Hotel, the Winslow Chamber of Commerce, and WHS Board members **Docia Blalock, Carol Eitenmiller, Carol Gilliam, Alex Monsecur, and Toya Rubi.**

The Winslow Historical Society is honored to annually celebrate our members, who are a reflection of the museum's community support and the backbone of our grassroots fundraising efforts. OTM thanks all our members, volunteers, and supporters for another successful year!

From the Museum Floor

Each spring, OTM prepares attendance numbers from the prior year to report to Winslow City Council, which provides the museum with essential funds. In 2019, the museum hosted almost 4,000 visitors. Over 90% of them were from out of town, making the museum one of the city's valuable tourist attractions. The OTM Volunteers make it possible to host all these visitors, which they did for over 1,800 hours last year.

People also explored Winslow's history through our online presence. The OTM Website and Facebook Page are visual archives as well as promotional tools for our exhibits and public programs. OTM counted almost 22,000 website visits and almost 900 Facebook followers by the end of the year.

OTM's three permanently-installed exhibits – *A Hubbell Trading Post History* in the Winslow Visitors Center, the adapted *Journeys to Winslow* in the Skylark Courtyard, and the original *Journeys to Winslow* in the WAT Museum – garnered almost 8,000 visitors in 2019.

The museum's public programs are primarily how we reach Winslow residents and engage in community partnerships. OTM hosted over 400 attendees at our 2019 events, which included three History Highlights, the Winslow Antiques Appraisal Fair, the High-Desert Fly-In, and the WHS Annual Meeting.

OTM's 2020 historical calendar, *La Posada: The History of a Harvey Grand Hotel*, is still available. To order this year's edition – which has been reduced from \$10 to \$5 – mail a check to the "Old Trails Museum" and we will send you one as soon as we receive it. We also plan to make our publications, including our historical calendars, available on the new OTM Online Store soon.

The 2020 edition explores the original incarnation of Winslow's La Posada, the last of the Santa Fe-owned and Harvey-operated grand hotels to open. The calendar uses historic images to illustrate the hotel's original purpose and design, historic heyday, and dormant period as a Santa Fe office building.



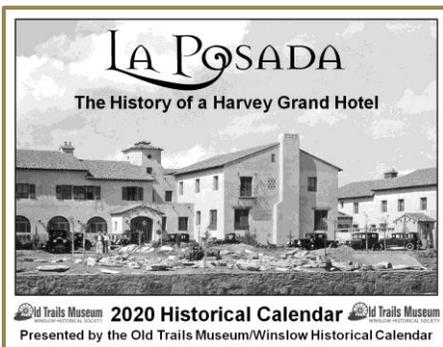
OTM Volunteer David Kronick & WHS Lifetime Member Lori Law



Way-Better-Than-Nothings Hackler, Eitenmiller, Tutaj, & Gilliam



OTM Associate Kim Gould & Door-Prize Winner Dale Mansfield



The 2020 OTM Historical Calendar

Thoughts from the Director

OTM closed its doors on March 13, and even though I miss interacting with our volunteers and visitors, I'm still able to maintain a bit of contact. Working from both home and the museum, I interact with people via the phone, email, Facebook, and GoToMeeting, which is how my Board and I are conducting our monthly meetings.

I also hear from the larger museum world on a daily basis. One of my new tasks is reviewing the resources available to me through OTM's memberships in several state, regional, and national professional organizations. Each group is collecting and sharing information from across the museum field, to help members deal with the many challenges we face due to the pandemic.

In the face of widespread closures, museum staff all over the world are concerned about our finances, about how to safely reopen when the time comes, and about how to stay engaged with our audiences in the meantime, so they might continue to see museums as vital content providers as well as worthy donations recipients.

I review the listserves and watch the webinars in search of insights, suggestions, and tools that might be helpful to OTM. It's clear that the landscape has changed for cultural institutions around the world, and that we will all need to adapt. And it's heartening to see all the expertise and creativity that museum folks are applying to the crisis.

I don't know what the new "normal" will be for our museum, but I do know that our city, supporters, and volunteers value what we do and root for its survival. I hope you and yours stay safe and well, and I look forward to the day we can welcome you back to the Old Trails Museum.

Winslow Historical Society 2020 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

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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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WHS Membership Acknowledgments

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OTM is also online
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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.

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 Online

For now, please enjoy our content on the OTM Website and Facebook page. When we can safely reopen, the Old Trails Museum's hours are 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.

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