



The mission of Historical League, Inc., is to support the Arizona Historical Society and the Arizona Historical Society Museum at Papago Park by contributing the services of its members, securing and allocating resources, and conducting informational and promotional activities.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FROM THE DESK OF PAT FAUR



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This newsletter is crammed full of activities and events that the Historical League has recently sponsored or that are coming up in the near future. It's hard for me to keep track of everything! I hope you are enjoying our upgraded emails we are sending you through *Constant Contact*. **Joan Robinson-Blumit** has been very busy designing attractive reminders and invitations that you can forward to friends and family. It is a work in progress, and we hope you are finding these emails useful (and eye catching).

Our Fall Membership Open House was a lot of fun thanks to **Sharron McKinney** and the volunteers who helped make it a success. The food was wonderful and the decorations reminded us that Fall was actually here. It was great to hear early stories of the League from our guest speaker, **Wanda Carlock**, the 1983-84 president.

I just returned from the Jerome bus tour and everyone had a great time. **Pam Ryan** and **Jeannie Fletcher** arranged a wonderful tour of the Honeymoon Cottage, and a great lunch at the Jerome Winery catered by the Marmalade Café. Of course, we also sampled wine. **Margie Graziano**, owner of the house and winery, was a great tour guide and hostess.

**Linda Wegener** and **Bonnie Newhoff** have gotten wonderful speakers for our meetings. In September, **Dr. Amy Douglass**, the Director of the Tempe History Museum, spoke about the Tempe History

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28TH ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2010 JW MARRIOTT DESERT RIDGE

HOLIDAY TIME IS HERE,

BRING OUT THE CHILDREN FOR OUR PARTY !!!



CHP Chairs **Jeannine Moyle** and **Pam den Draak**

Even if the children in your family are far away.....on December 4th, we have such a party planned that you will want to come and enjoy all of the children having a good time at our Children's Holiday Party.

There are clowns, crafts, games, Santa and his Mrs. (to take the children's list of wishes while having their photo taken.) Plan to shop with a large selection of vendors, or bid during the Silent Auction and hopefully take home a special item while the Historical League helps the AHS Museum's Children's Educational Programs.

With the purchase of tickets, children can select that special toy they see in the collection and have the opportunity of having their name called out as a winner. For adults, there is a raffle of a "Staycation" at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa and two special breakfasts included. A door prize of a spa package is also being given away.

All of this is wrapped up in the fun of a very special meal, topped off with the best entertainment ever !!! Children participate in all the activity and it makes for a very special day that has become a tradition for so many.

Reserve now through [ninafilippi@aol.com](mailto:ninafilippi@aol.com). Remember, this is a major Annual Fundraiser for the Historical League, Inc. Come support the Museum while having great Holiday fun !!!



Preparing CHP invitations before lunch are (front row from left): **Margaret Baker, Kay Holcombe, Pat Faur, Leslie Christiansen, Gail Lucky.** (Back row from left): **Kassie Walters, Carolyn Mendoza, Ruth Ann Hogan, Deb Hester, Ruth McLeod, Linda Cathey and Jeannine Moyle**



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *continued*

Museum, and in October, **Ben Williams**, a fifth-generation Arizonan, related interesting stories about ranching and his 50 years of practicing law in Arizona.

**Mary Garbaciak**, who just joined the League last year, was brave enough to offer to chair our first Fall Golf Outing at the McCormick Ranch Golf Club on Sunday, November 7. I am writing this a week before the event and have hopes of making it an annual event. It's been delightful to have Mary involved with this.

Just around the corner is our much-anticipated 28<sup>th</sup> annual Children's Holiday Party on December 4. Chairs **Pam den Draak** and **Jeannine Moyle** and their committees are hard at work to ensure this will be another great holiday party for children and adults. Please join us for this lovely afternoon.

The biggest event we are anticipating is the Centennial Historymakers Gala on Friday, February 11, 2011 at Camelback Inn. **Marilyn Parke** and her committee have been working on this for more than a year. This event honors all of our Historymakers and is the first state-sanctioned event of Arizona's centennial celebration in 2012. Many League members have volunteered their time to make this a wonderful event. Please support our efforts by spreading the word. We want this to be a great celebration that will be long remembered.

I encourage you to get involved with the Historical League, Inc. It's a great organization. I joined because I love history. My husband, **Pete**, and I moved here 8 years ago from St. Louis, and I thought it would be a great way to visit interesting places and learn more about Arizona—and the rest is history! If you are not involved but would like to be, please call or email me. We have many needs and would love to have you.

Sincerely,

*Pat Faur*



**Linda Bergstrom,**  
*Awards chair*

**VOLUNTEER HOURS**

To all of you hard working women in the Historical League, please make sure you are keeping track of your volunteer hours.

It is important for League members to keep accurate records of all volunteer hours, both for work with the Museum and the League. These hours are used to demonstrate to the state of Arizona and prospective donors the amount of Historical League, Inc. volunteer activity.

The League would like each member to contribute at least 15 hours to the League. These hours can include:

- \*Attending meetings (note: the Recognition Luncheon and Christmas Party, are also meetings, but are allotted 2 hours only.)
- \*Making telephone calls and sending emails
- \*Planning and preparing for special events
- \*Preparing food for League meetings and functions
- \*Working at special league or Museum events (**not just attending the event**)
- \*Driving to and from League meetings and League or Museum functions at which you are working
- \*League tours (2 hours are allotted per day, regardless of the actual length)

Blank time sheets are available in the League office or you can get them from me.

This year you can keep track of your hours online. Just log in to [www.HistoricalLeague.org](http://www.HistoricalLeague.org). Click *Membership* on the right hand side. Click *Download Excel spreadsheet to use for volunteer hours tracking* on the lower left hand side.

Please call me at 480-247-2882 or email me at [lindasb43@cox.net](mailto:lindasb43@cox.net), if you have any questions. You can email your completed form to me or you can mail it to me at:

**Linda Bergstrom** 9515 East Corrine Drive Scottsdale, Arizona 85260

You can turn in your hours at any time. But, remember you accumulate your hours beginning on May 1<sup>st</sup> and ending on April 30<sup>th</sup> of every year.

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**Special Events**

Membership Open House	Sharron McKinney
*Children's Holiday Party	Pam den Draak, Jeannine Moyle
Spring Party	Linda Bergstrom, Linda Fritsch Lindy Isacksen
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*Centennial Historymakers™ Gala Chair	Marilyn Parke
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*In August, the State Board met at the Pioneer Museum of in Flagstaff. The meeting was held in the barn behind the Museum. To have room for lunch and the meeting, the covered wagon had to be moved outside. Board members help return it to the barn.*

## MUSEUM



*Barry Goldwater's Ham Radio 1960s-1990s*

**Senator Barry Goldwater** is a beloved figure in Arizona history. Not only was he a much-loved statesman and senator, he was also an author and amateur ham radio operator. During the Vietnam War, Senator Goldwater was granted a rare honor by the U.S. Army: he was given a MARS radio to assist the Army in relaying calls from soldiers serving in Vietnam to their families state side. Goldwater was allowed this for several reasons beyond being an amateur ham radio operator; he had also been an Air Force Pilot which gave him a military background which was respected by the Army along with his many years of service in the Senate. This tower is only one component of the ham radio he operated. The entire radio installation took up Senator Goldwater's entire pool house! (Editor's note: can you see the original masking tape on the lower left?)



*Ashley Smith, Museum Registrar, shows Dee Steen and Davie Garrison the newly opened visible storage area during the Open House. League members were asked to name the new exhibit. Ashley created and designed the exhibit.*

*Permanent Wave Machine 1928-1940*

The Permanent Wave Machine was invented in 1872 by **Marcel Grateau** as a way of using heat to create a longer lasting hair style. The machine evolved over time into what is on display at the Arizona Historical Society today, a model made for the Helene Curtis Hair Salons. The hair was rolled around a curling rod and then clamped together with the clips. The temperature and time were adjustable based upon hair and how tight of a curl the client wanted. This allowed for woman to have a hair style that would last for days without the need to return to the salon; touch ups could be done at home. The first patent held by an African American woman, Marjorie Stewart Joyner, was for the design of a Permanent Wave Machine in 1926. In 1938 a cold perm was invented, and the Permanent Wave fell out of use.



*Goat Treadmill 1880s:* Treadmills like this have been used for centuries to power various machines. This specific device was for dogs, goats, and sheep (and possibly even small children) to run household appliances like washing machines. Larger tread mills were designed for horses and mules to power water plants and mills. Talk about green renewable energy! The goat treadmill was pictured in the September 2010 issue of *Old Ned News*.

The people who helped Ashley were: **Ron Larson**, Preparator, (building the wall, all object mounts and the shelving), **Quency Darcy**, Intern, and **Kevin Strong**, Volunteer, (assisted with all the heavy lifting and positioning of objects), and **Margaret Solomon**, Volunteer, who assisted with some research, label writing and object moving/installation.

## COOKBOOK: *Tastes & Treasures*



Holiday gift giving couldn't be easier since the new Aprons, Baseball Caps and Visors have arrived with colorful Arizona Centennial logos on them. The washable black adult aprons are \$20 with silkscreen designs. The hats and visors are \$20 with embroidered Centennial logos.

Don't forget to share the stories and recipes of Historic Arizona with *Tastes & Treasures: A Storytelling Cookbook of Historic Arizona*.



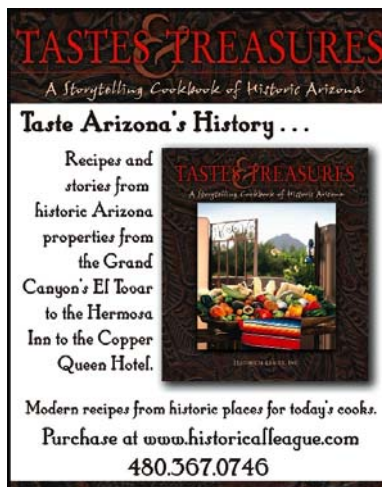
*Ruth McLeod, Cookbook Chair*

Historical League members get a 40% discount when buying a box of ten books. \$24.95 regular price per book becomes \$14.97 per book so a box of ten books = \$149.70.

Contact [RuthMcLeod@earthlink.net](mailto:RuthMcLeod@earthlink.net), 602-861-9490.



*Leslie Christiansen brought minty Chocolate Chip Meringues to the lunch following envelope-stuffing for CHP.*



*Margaret Pogue arrives at the Open House with her Crème de Menthe bars.*



# THIRTIETH ANNUAL FALL MEMBERSHIP OPEN HOUSE THURSDAY, OCTOBER



**Sharron McKinney**  
*President-elect*

Despite a leaking roof, five large trash containers of water, and a damp floor at the museum, the League members who arrived early to set up did a wonderful job. By the time members and guests arrived, you wouldn't have known anything had been wrong.

It was a trip down memory lane for many members as we celebrated the last 30 years of the League's existence and prepare for the next thirty years. Our guest speaker, **Wanda Carlock**, past president number five during 1983-84 regaled us with some of the work the League was doing back then. The fact that they could use state vans to drive on tours reminds us that Phoenix was still a small city. I doubt we could call up and borrow a van today.



**Lindy Isacksen, President-elect Sharron McKinney and co-chair, Margaret Pogue check-in guests.**



**Special guests Sue Spahle, James Shackelford and Melissa Shackelford greet speaker, Wanda Carlock, second from the left. James used to live in the Shackelford House.**

There are always stories from any of our tours, but leaving League

member **Louise de Wald** in Prescott is hard to top. Tackling the Tovrea Castle, cleaning it, and having it open for tours must have been quite a job. Then, to attract 4,000 people and make \$28,000 dollars was very impressive. Who could forget the Barbie Fashion Show where League members wore original adult sized Barbie costumes, complete with long blond tresses? They definitely knew how to have fun. Learning how the Old Ned quilt came to be was interesting, and a big thank you to **Ruth Ann Hogan** for taking it down and getting it ready for more



**Nancy Evans, Ruth Ann Hogan and Carolyn Mendoza have a chat with speaker, Wanda Carlock, second from the right. Wanda and Ruth Ann used to be neighbors.**



**Peter and League President, Pat Faur**

signatures.

The food, as usual, was excellent. The table looked festive with gourds, mini pumpkins, and tea lights. A special thank you to **Rosemary Bonaguidi** for being in charge of the food table and **Mary Parker**, for asking if she could bring anything, and when I said we needed a cheese tray, certainly outdid herself.

Many League members pitched in to help set up, prepare food, chauffeur our speaker, and clean up. **Ruth Ann Hogan** and **Jeannine Moyle** brought shrimp, **Bonnie Newhoff**, cowboy caviar, **Ruth McLeod** and **Nina Filippi**, meatballs, **Margaret Baker**, pecan pinwheels, **Mariamne Moore**, fruit, **Carolyn Mendoza**, pecan squares, **Sally Schaefer**, cranberry lemon bars, **Margaret Pogue**, crème de menthe bars, and **Pam den Draak**, pumpkin cookies. It was truly a team effort, and **Margaret Pogue**, my co-chair, and I could not have accomplished the evening without all the League help.



**Mariamne Moore, Laurie-Sue Retts, Ruth McLeod and Joan Zuchowski**



**Donna Esposito, Dianne Linthicum, Leslie Christiansen and Linda Cathey**



**Delores Tomasek and Margaret Baker**



**Joe, who is a new member, and Mary Lou Kush**



**Marilyn Parke and Bonnie Newhoff**



**Pam Stevenson and Susan Dale**



**Barbara Simons and Margaret Baker enjoy the hors d'oeuvres table**

## New Members



**Linda Cathey,**  
*Membership Chair*

Sally P. Falck   Patricia Isaacson   Amy Jerome   Joe Kush

Dotty Schmit (Past President 1986-87)   Judy Scott   John Wikle

*The Historical League, Inc., welcomes you!*

## TOURS

**Pam Ryan and  
Jeannie Fletcher,  
Tour Chairs**



### ARIZONA MINING AND MINERALS MUSEUM TOUR

Oct. 14 found twenty-three members and guests of the Historical League meeting at the Arizona Mining and Minerals Museum in downtown Phoenix. Dating from 1917 and housed in the historic El Zaribah Shrine Temple building, this museum is one of the state's hidden gems. Staff member **Shirley Cote** began our tour with a short video on the importance of mining in our everyday lives. Following the video, she gave us a humorous example of the demonstrations presented to school groups. Now under the direction of the Arizona Historical Society, Shirley shared with

**Sharron McKinney, Pat Faur and Deb Hester**

us that changes to the museum for the proposed "Centennial Museum" are still in the planning stages with fund raising the most pressing issue. We especially enjoyed the exhibit dedicated to the many honors and awards of former **Governor Rose Mofford**, including a stuffed rattle snake. The Copper Gallery is a highlight as are the 3000+ gemstones, rocks and minerals on display. Quite a few members found a treasure for themselves in the gift shop.

Lunch followed at the historic Tom's Tavern, where members made their lunch choice from an extensive menu. Opened in 1929, the original Tom's was in a converted old City Morgue and has been a favorite ever since. It was usually packed with all kinds of big shots like governors, senators, judges, lawyers and various captains of industry. It is said that more cases were decided in Tom's than in the courthouse. It was torn down to make room for "progress" in 1977. With the rebirth of downtown, Tom's moved in 1988 to One Renaissance Square, about a block and a half from the original hang-out. Politicians, lawyers and city council members still meet there and just about anything can happen. A special governors' corner can be found in the front where you'll find a reserved sign on a table for four. Tom's Tavern truly carries on the tradition of Phoenix-old and new.



**Iclia Wilkinson, Joan Galloway and Mary Garbaciak**

### ANNUAL BUS TOUR VISITS HISTORIC JEROME

If you haven't joined the League for an "out of town" tour and experienced a meeting on a moving bus, then you're missing out on some great fun.

Forty-three members and guests made the journey to the "ghost town" of Jerome on November 1<sup>st</sup> for a private tour of the "Honeymoon Cottage." The home was built in 1921 by **James Douglas** as a wedding gift for his son, **Lewis**, and his bride, **Peggy**. They lived in the home for only one year before moving to New York. The home was neglected and abused for decades before **Margaret Graziano** purchased



**Jeannie and Pam with Margaret Graziano in the middle**



*Enjoying the view from the Honeymoon Cottage*

the decaying house in 2001. Her book, *Lady Lost*, tells the story of the restoration of the home to its former glory. Dressed in period costume, we were personally greeted by Marge who led us on a short walking tour to the home site. We passed several buildings important to the history of mining in the area including the Little Daisy Hotel, now a 40,000 square foot private residence! Marge explained the daunting process of restoring the home and grounds of the Honeymoon Cottage and then turned 43 strangers loose to explore at our leisure. Her charming home is perched on a hill with a sweeping view of the



**Renee Donnelly, Gail Lucky, Linda Cathey and Pat Faur**



**Linda Wegener, Ruth Ann Hogan and Jackie Berkowitz**

Verde Valley that is truly spectacular.

An unexpected bonus of the day was the chance to visit the recently reopened Jerome State Historical Park also known as The Douglas Mansion. Built by **James S. Douglas** in 1916 and designed for entertaining mining officials and investors, it was donated to the state in 1962 by his sons as a memorial to their father. While there, we explored exhibits and viewed a video on the history of the town.

**Zona Lorig, Barbara Cardinal, Judy Matsko and Donna Esposito**



**Linda Fritsch, Terri Mainwaring, Lindy Isachsen and Kassie Walters**

Lunch was catered by the Marmalade Café and was served on the patio of the Jerome Winery. We enjoyed a wine tasting as well

as a tasty lunch and views of Jerome—a National Historic Landmark. After lunch, there was time to explore the many historic buildings that house art galleries, boutiques and restaurants before we traveled back to Phoenix at the end of a very enjoyable day.

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**Leslie Christiansen and Ruth McLeod do a little shopping**

*Posing at the Honeymoon Cottage*



## PROGRAMS



September's program featured **Dr. Amy Douglass**, the Administrator of the Tempe History Museum. Dr. Douglass, who has been Administrator since 1988, has overseen two major renovations of the Museum. Her talk was a fascinating glimpse into the principles of efficient use of space in which to create comfortable and compelling display areas. Her presentation with pictures and floor plans was enlightening as well as enticing. This beautifully renovated Museum is a must-see destination!

A visit from **Ben Williams Jr.** brought laughter to our October meeting. Mr. Williams, a 5<sup>th</sup> generation Arizonan, regaled us with stories of his childhood and family who owned ranches near the Arizona -Mexico border. A lawyer for 50 years, Mr. Williams was the city attorney of Tombstone as well as four-term mayor of Douglas. He is a regular contributor to the Tombstone Epitaph newspaper, and has published articles in Range magazine and Precision Shooting magazine. Retired from the practice of law, he has authored two books about life on the border, his family and local characters. *Tales of My Southwest and More Tales of My Southwest* are loaded with amusing anecdotes and evoke the color and flavor of that part of Arizona in another era.

His most recent book, *Pancho Villa: A Lifetime of Vengeance*, recounts the many times Villa had crossed his family's path during the Mexican revolutions. His books may be ordered from his website: [smoking-z.com](http://smoking-z.com).

On January 10, 2011, the Historical League speaker will be **Ron Dinchak**. The title of his presentation will be "Ethno botany-More than just how our indigenous peoples use native plants". Ron has always enjoyed the "Plants and People" trail at the Desert Botanical Garden because native peoples were involved in the consultation and construction.

Mr. Dinchak has grown a lot of native crops and uses the Native Seed Search's website to learn more about native plants. The video from Saguaro National Park on the spiritual nature of native peoples and their respect for Mother Nature is one of his favorite teaching tools. He will bring some demonstration materials for our group.

Ron Dinchak has been a Life Science professor at Mesa Community College for 38 years. He has done graduate work at many universities as he studies unique ecosystems. He has developed courses in botany, environmental biology and natural history of the Southwest. His concern about science education

has led him to teach a cohort class of environmental biology for education majors. He has worked closely with Arizona Game and Fish departments in facilitating Project Wild classes.

The February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting speaker will be **Georgia Lucas**. Georgia has written a book about her experiences as a teacher on the Apache and Navajo reservation. *White Woman Living in a Red Man's World* will depict the author's love, awe, and respect of the Native Americans. She was inspired to write this book after a former student visited her Mesa home.

Mrs. Lucas writes of her struggles during her early teaching years. She went on to teach Native American students at the junior high, high school, and college levels. The author also served as a Title 1 writer coordinator for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, while stationed on the Navajo Reservation. Lucas also taught at Northern Arizona University, Yavapai Community College and Northland Pioneer College. She retired from Whiteriver Middle School in 1996.

Since her retirement, Georgia Lucas has written the historical novel, *The Hanging of Hiram the Hoss*, and her teaching memoir book, *White Woman Living in a Red Man's World*.

Thank you **Linda Fritsch** for sending us this program lead from the *White Mountain Independent* newspaper.



*Program chairs, Bonnie Newhoff and Linda Wegener, are shown with Ben Williams, Jr., the speaker in October.*



*Ruth Ann Hogan is at the head of the line for an autographed copy of Mr. Williams' book.*

### JOIN THE LEAGUE FOR TOURS IN THE NEW YEAR

Mark your calendars for the fun and interesting tours we have planned for 2011. On January 20<sup>th</sup>, we will visit the *House of Broadcasting*. Located at 7150 E. Fifth Ave. in Scottsdale, this museum features paraphernalia preserved from Arizona's broadcast industry. Special favorites include collections from **Buck Owens, Mary Jo West, Marty Robbins, Karl Eller, Tom Chauncey and Pep Cooney**. Join us at 10:00 a.m. as we walk back in time with Arizona's radio and television legends. Lunch will follow at the *Scottsdale Culinary Institute*.

*Jeannie Fletcher and Pam Ryan serve muffins and juice on the bus trip to Jerome.*



The tour committee has also planned a trip to the new *Musical Instrument Museum* for 10:00 a.m. on February 15<sup>th</sup>. This stunning new quarter-billion dollar museum, located at Tatum and the 101, houses musical instruments from every country on the planet, including the piano on which **John Lennon** wrote "Imagine." With more than 3,000 instruments and cultural treasures on display, we will enjoy music from around the world using the latest audio and visual technology. It will be fun to discover the power and unifying force of the world's music. Lunch will be in the museum cafeteria, after which, league members may return to the museum if they wish to see more. If interested

in either tour, please contact **Pam Ryan** (602-277-3890) or **Jeannie Fletcher** (602-561-4143) to make your reservation.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Thanks to the League, we have a name for our new exhibit. There were some wonderful suggestions left by members during the Open House. Suggestions included "Arizona Potpourri," "Second Hand Memories," and "Guess What from When." After long and wrenching deliberations by a highly select committee (whose anonymity must be preserved, of course) we have chosen to call the exhibit "Windows to the Past," which is only slightly modified from **Leslie Christiansen's** singular contribution.



*Dr. Peter Welsh*

### From the "Windows to the Past" exhibit

Now that the World Series is over (a completely Cactus League World Series, by the way), we are starting our warm-ups for our own Cactus League exhibit, "Play Ball." We have been reviewing some of the wonderful items that we will be able to show, such as some of the caricatures that used to hang in the Pink Pony Restaurant, or objects from the short-lived Seattle Pilots (ever hear of them?). Although the exhibit will occupy the space that was the Wallace and Ladmo exhibit for years, Wallace and Ladmo are not going to disappear. We will be moving some of the cases from the exhibit upstairs to be highlighted in the "Desert Cities" exhibit, while others will find a home in "Windows to the Past."

## New Member Bio



**George Hartz** is a "Jersey Boy" who came west in 1968 when his father was transferred to Arizona thus setting up his love of the area. He graduated from Georgetown University with a degree in theology and was involved in the political scene for several years when he worked on the staff of Morris Udall and George McGovern. Marriage brought the need of a "real career and a paycheck" so he followed the career choice of his father who was in the insurance industry. Eventually George settled into a career in the reinsurance industry – catastrophic insurance for insurance companies. He is now retired, but don't visualize him sitting in a striped canvas chair on some exotic beach as he reads the latest best seller. This man serves on more boards and committees than seems humanly possible. He is currently the president of the Central Arizona Chapter of the Arizona Historical Society Board, involved with Sister Cities, and on the State Board of AZ Historical Society to name just a few.

*Janie Burke,  
New Member Mentor*



During the interview, it felt like George was a living encyclopedia of information on Arizona history and as evidence of his involvement, he is actively supporting the preservation of it. He and his wife, **Donna**, have written a book, *The Phoenix Area's Parks and Preserves*, which gives information and history about the area's seven most important parks. It is available for sale at the Museum.

George foresees writing another book with his wife after she completes her doctorate from ASU sometime next year. Keep in mind that this couple can provide a multitude of interesting future programs.

His career took him on travels all over the world. Both he and Donna continue to love a new challenge of exploring new places. His favorite destination was Antarctica with the Arctic being a close second. The unspoiled natural beauty of both poles provided special moments in his life. (Getting a personal interview tour of Santa's North Pole was pretty cool too.)

George and Donna have three grown children (two boys and a daughter) who are scattered from the west coast to the east coast and one in Texas. Traveling to see their grandchildren remains a top priority in their lives. Recently the whole family enjoyed a Caribbean cruise. George and Donna are heading to Spain, Portugal, and Morocco in November.

## Culturekeepers



*League members attending the luncheon honoring Reba and Frank are (from the left): Donna Roe, Susan Dale, Pat Faur, Zona Lorig, Frank, Norma Jean Coulter, Reba, Mary Parker and Renee Donnelly.*

League member **Reba Wells Grandrud** and State Board member, **Frank Barrios**, were among this year's Arizona Culturekeepers inductees, at a luncheon September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Westin Kierland Resort & Spa. The inductees were honored for making a positive impact on the state's history, culture, environment or economy. Reba and Frank are both historians.



*Frank Barrios and  
Reba Wells Grandrud*

Also honored this year was former Governor and 1999 Historymaker™, **Rose Mofford**. Culturekeepers represent Arizona's rich, ethnic heritage, and honorees range from small towns and ranches around the state to large urban areas. Proceeds benefit the AHS and Sharlot Hall Museum in Prescott.

Reba, from Phoenix, is a past National Register of Historic Places coordinator and has taken an active role in researching, preserving, teaching and publishing state, local and regional history of Arizona and New Mexico. She was also Director of the AHS Museum in Papago Park.

Frank is also from Phoenix, and is the author of *Mexicans of Phoenix*. He has done a lot of work towards the preservation of the Pioneer Cemeteries of Arizona.

**Kevin** and **Kyle McKoy** (pictures on lower, right) were in attendance. Kyle spoke on behalf of **Anne Woosley**, Executive Director of the AHS, and is Director of the Education and Outreach Division of the AHS. Kevin is President of the Greater Southern Arizona Area Chapter of the Buffalo Soldiers.



