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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FROM THE DESK OF RUTH ANN HOGAN



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June is "busting out all over" and I have mixed feelings about giving up my wonderful year as President of the Historical League, Inc. It has been a banner year for the League due to all the enthusiastic members who have given of so much time and energy. It was definitely an honor for me to serve as your President and I thank you for that privilege. As I pass on the gavel to **Pat Faur**, I know that she is already working hard to make it another good year for the League. I am very comfortable leaving her in charge as I know that she is very capable!

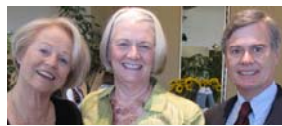
The year unfolded like a continuous adventure! It began with the fabulous Membership Open House at the AHS Museum in Papago Park planned by the President-Elect, **Pat Faur**, and her co-chair, **April Riggins**. What a lovely event it was and with a record-breaking attendance, we were entertained by **Sandra Day O'Connor** and her brother, **Alan**, telling of their life growing up at the Lazy B Ranch in Arizona. A very large and capable group of "foodies" under the tutelage of **Leslie Christiansen**, served gourmet food to members/guests, prior to the ribbon cutting ceremony of the Sandra Day O'Connor Exhibit funded by a \$30,000 grant from the League. Membership Chair, **Linda Cathey**, was there to welcome and sign up 28 new members.

Monthly tours were led by **Pam Ryan** and **Jeannie Fletcher** with the first being a tour of the Biltmore Hotel. The Fall Bus Tour was to Globe where we rode an historic train and had a traditional lunch prepared for us at the Apache Cultural Center. Our final tour of the year was the last week of April when we ventured to the historic Rancho de la Osa Guest Ranch on the Arizona/ Mexico border. What a fun time we had riding horses, taking a cooking class and hiking to look at the border fence!

November included our largest New Member Orientation and Luncheon under the direction of **Bonnie Newhoff**. New members were given information regarding all standing committees and opportunities to participate in League activities followed by a tour of the Museum and archives led by our Director, **Dr. Peter Welsh**.

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AWARD WINNERS 2010



Out-going President, Ruth Ann Hogan, welcomes In-coming President, Pat Faur and her husband, Peter

This year there were a total of 10,661.5 hours volunteered for the League, 416.25 hours volunteered for the museum, with a grand total of 11,077.75. Over all the years the League has volunteered 93,210.5 hours to the Museum. Amazing!!!!

"OLD NED" CHARM: **Tobe Daum, Pat Faur, and Kay Holcombe**

1ST GOLD CIRCLET: **Mary Parker**

2ND GOLD CIRCLET: **Ruth Ann Hogan, Carolyn Mendoza and Jeannine Moyle**

100 Volunteer Hours or more: **Jackie Berkowitz, Joan Robinson-Blumit, Janie Burke, Linda Cathey, Leslie Christiansen, Norma Jean Coulter, Susan Dale, Tobe Daum, Betsy Davis, Renee Donnelly, Pam den Draak, Nancy Evans, Pat Faur, Kathleen Fischer, Jeannie Fletcher, Linda Fritsch, Ruth Ann Hogan, Kay Holcombe, Lindy Isacksen, Zona Lorig, Gail Lucky, Sharron McKinney, Ruth McLeod, Mary Pat McNamara, Carolyn Mendoza, Jeannine Moyle, Peggy Murphy, Bonnie Newhoff, Marilyn Parke, Mary Parker, April Riggins, Pam Ryan, Barbara Simons, Dee Steen, Delores Tomasek and Carolyn Wood.**

Leslie Christiansen Awards Chair



Justice O'Connor, Carolina Lopez and her daughter Sophia

We are now encouraging League members to keep track of their volunteer hours on their home computers, on an excel spread sheet. If you can accept Excel 2003, I (Leslie) would be happy to send you a spread sheet, all ready to go and very easy to follow. Our new Awards Chair, **Linda Bergstrom**, will also be available to help. It will also be available on the League's website www. HistoricalLeague.org.



Dr. Peter Welsh and Zona Lorig



Linda Fritsch, Sharon Montegary and Terri Mainwaring



Jeannine Moyle, Delores Tomasek, Barbara Patterson, Nancy Evans and Julie Tribbey



Kay Holcombe, Renee Donnelly, Janie Burke and Ruth McLeod wait for their awards

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *continued*

December brought the annual Holiday meeting hosted by **Gail Lucky** and gracious League Members. One hundred and seventy-eight pounds of dry and canned goods were collected that day to be donated to the food bank. The 27th Annual Children's Holiday Party was held at the Kierland Resort and chaired by the dynamic duo of **Pam den Draak** and **Carolyn Wood**. It was enjoyed by children of all ages!

The monthly Programs this year were under the organization of **Kathleen Fischer**, who procured so many interesting speakers, including former Historymaker, **Elisabeth Ruffner**. We were regaled with stories from early Phoenix and Scottsdale to wild cemetery stories told by **Paul Messinger**.

At every monthly meeting, League members were welcomed by colorful and cleverly decorated tables laden with a beautiful presentation of salads and desserts prepared for us by members. **Janie Burke** led the Hospitality Committee composed of **Mary Pat McNamara**, **Nancy Evans** and **Judy Lewis**.

Mary Parker took over as editor of the Old Ned Newsletter and we all look forward to the color editions full of pictures of League Activities! We just hope that *Arizona Highways* doesn't find out about her!

Delores Tomasek, **Julie Tribbey** and **Sharon Montegary** planned a wonderful Spring Party for all members and guests at the newly renovated and still very historic El Chorro Lodge in April. Another record breaking crowd was in attendance.

Since March of 2009, **Marilyn Parke** has been working night and day on the Arizona Centennial Historymakers™ Gala to be held on February 11, 2011. Be sure to mark your calendars now for this event! Many League members are on this large and talented committee to make this Gala a great kickoff to launch the Centennial celebration for Arizona! **Susan Dale** has also been working diligently as the Table Host and Sponsor Chair.

Tobe Daum has done an outstanding job at Public Relations this year. She has formed relationships with many important people and has attended many meetings to promote and get publicity for the League.

Ruth McLeod, **Kay Holcombe** and the Cookbook Committee have also worked around the clock promoting and selling the cookbooks statewide this year! They procured two new distributors for *Tastes & Treasures* while on the bus tour this spring. The Historical League is definitely a "techie" group and **Joan Robinson-Blumit** has developed our web-site and blog, Facebook and twitter accounts for the league. **Carolyn Mendoza** as the E-mail Chair is very prompt and responsible at keeping all members informed of all activities and meetings by e-mail. For those Members without e-mail, **Margaret Pogue**, made monthly telephone calls to keep everybody up-to-date.

Jackie Berkowitz kept our mailings going out in a timely way and **Linda Fritsch** was always there with the credit card machine to keep us in competition with all other organizations and businesses.

The Annual Recognition Luncheon at Troon Country Club was planned carefully by **Gail Lucky** and **Mary Pat McNamara** and was attended by over 100 members and guests! The room was a lovely spot to hear Sandra Day O'Connor speak to us for the second time this year! **Betsy Davis**, our Historian, created several large posters and a beautiful scrapbook showing the activities of the year. The Awards Chair, **Leslie Christiansen**, presented all members donating over 100 hours of time this year with sachets of lavender as a thank you for their time. She also presented Old Ned Awards to those accumulating many hours.

A special thank-you to **Sharron McKinney**, our recording secretary, who was always so prompt in getting the minutes back to us with hardly any corrections ever needed. **Lindy Isacksen**, who was the Corresponding Secretary, was always ready to send cards for every occasion.

We wonder how we could ever get by without our faithful treasurer, **Barbara Simons**. She has been our longest serving officer and keeps careful tabs on our finances, both the outgoing and incoming. She carefully helped us to plan our grants for the 2010-11 year so that we were able to donate \$24,929 to the different departments of the Museum. Another long term office holder is **Margaret Baker**, who records of the ever changing addresses which are on several different lists by category. It's a mind boggling job!

Jeannine Moyle has been more than just an Advisor this year. She has become a close friend and confidant. She has always been there to answer all my questions both large and small ones and always left me wondering why I hadn't thought of that answer. Jeannine also served as Vice President of the CAC Board and this spring headed up the highly successful Photo Fair which attracted many new visitors and more photo entries that ever submitted before to the Museum.

2010 has been an historically significant year for the League with two visits from Justice O'Connor and a record-breaking total of 36 new members. It is all because of the enthusiasm and devotion of all our Members and the partnership with the Museum staff under the direction of Dr. Peter Welsh.

Thank you all,

Ruth Ann

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Special Events

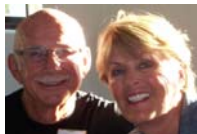
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| Membership Open House | Sharron McKinney |
| *Children's Holiday Party | Pam den Draak, Jeannine Moyle |
| Spring Party | Linda Bergstrom, Linda Fritsch, Lindy Isacksen |
| Recognition Luncheon | Nina Filippi, Kay Holcombe |
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SPRING PARTY El Chorro Lodge April 18th



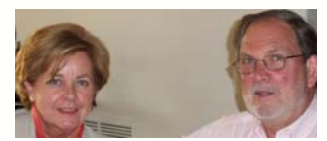
Julie Tribbey, Sharon Montegary and Delores Tomasek (pictured upper right) would like to thank everyone who attended this years' Spring Party on April 18th. They were delighted with 80 members and guests in attendance. This party is special to us all as this is the time when we get to meet and know spouses and friends of our members. Julie, Sharon and Delores chose to have our party at the newly renovated "El Chorro Lodge". The evening started off meeting for cocktails at their new indoor-outdoor bar and then on to the "Casa Paloma" (a private room) where dinner was served.



We enjoyed a delicious dinner which began with their famous "Sticky Buns" (recipe is in our *Tastes & Treasures* cookbook on page 78). Next, we had an Organic Caesar Salad garnished with Parmesan Polenta Croutons, then onto our entree of Herb Roasted Chicken, Au Gratin Potatoes, Sugar Snap Peas and Baby Carrots. Dessert was "Sticky Bun" Bread Pudding topped with a Bourbon Sauce. It was yummy! The evening was delightful as our guests took in all the wonderful new changes made at El Chorro and delighted in things that were left in place as a part of their long history here in the valley.



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League Legacy Project Awarded Funding

The Arizona Historical Advisory Commission has sanctioned over fifty Arizona Centennial Legacy Projects and recently provided the Arizona Historical Society \$3000 in funding to support the project (s) of its choice. The Historical League, Inc. was selected by the Society to receive this funding to assist in the production of the video *IN OUR OWN WORDS, Reflections and Recollections of Arizona Historymakers*. A League Gala Committee, chaired by **Susan Dale**, is actively seeking funding and sponsorships to underwrite the remaining funds needed for this production to be premiered at the Arizona Centennial Historymakers™ Gala, a designated Centennial Special Event, on February 11, 2011.

The video is a major component of the League's Arizona Centennial Legacy Project that also encompasses making hours of oral history interviews with Arizona's most influential leaders accessible to the public. League volunteers are transferring over one hundred fifty hours of Historymakers' oral histories to www.HistoricalLeague.org. A work in progress, many of these oral histories can be viewed on the website at this time. Previously these transcripts were only available by appointment at the AHS Museum Papago Park Library. **Anne Woosley**, Executive Director of the AHS, feels that the video project is "particularly worthy,"



PROGRAMS



Elisabeth Ruffner, a 2008 Historymaker, spoke at the League meeting in April. Elisabeth gave her slide presentation entitled, "Yavapai: Mother of Counties, Cradle of Statehood". This is a State Centennial project for which she is seeking legacy and status as a Historian.

Dinny Henze, Elisabeth Ruffner with Kathleen Fischer

In March, **Norma Poling** told the story of her mother, **Mabel Gumersell**. As an orphan, Mabel was sent on an Orphan Train to the Midwest by the Children's Aid Society in New York City. Her home became Bigelow, Missouri in 1901.

Norma Poling with Kathleen Fischer



ANNUAL RECOGNITION LUNCHEON



Gail Lucky and Mary Pat McNamara Chairs of the Luncheon

Troon Country Club was the setting for the 2010 Awards Luncheon. Each reservation included a glass of champagne (if desired); raspberry chicken salad with a cous cous tower, tender greens and garden relishes; zucchini bread and Parker House Rolls; and a spectacular labor-intensive chocolate tower dessert. Silk “fortune cookie” favors were included at each place setting. One hundred seventy-two people

(122 Historical League Members and their guests and 50 Troon Country Club Members) attended the event.



Working at the check-in table are Kathleen Fischer and Pam den Draak



Nancy Evans and Dianne Linthicum

The day’s *piece de resistance* was our honored speaker, Justice **Sandra Day O’Connor** (Retired). Her topic was four historic and remarkable conflicts between the Judicial and Executive Branches of our U.S. Government. Those who came early on Wednesday had the rare treat of watching Canine Explosives Expert, **Gamma**, and her U.S. Marshal partner thoroughly inspect the premises – inside and out.



Susan Dale and Davie Garrison

Awards Chairman, **Leslie Christiansen**, used humor and deep appreciation as she distributed awards to members for the hours they served the League in 2009 – 2010. She distributed uniquely packaged lavender sachets to all 100 + hour recipients.

Outgoing President, **Ruth Ann Hogan**, lovingly gave presents she had sewn herself to all officers and chairmen. She also installed new President, **Pat Faur**, and the rest of the officers and chairmen for 2010 – 2011.

Co-chairmen **Mary Pat McNamara** and **Gail Lucky** are luxuriating in a rest before their next League “challenge.”



Barbara Simons



Mary Parker, Peter Welsh, Carolyn Wood and Dee Steen



Pam Fischer, Ruth McLeod and Betsy Davis



Joan Robinson-Blumit and Leslie Christiansen



Mary Lou Kush, Ali Pappas, Sharon Montegary, Barbara Patterson and Julie Tribbey



Jackie Berkowitz and Tobe Daum



Deb Hester, her husband, Ken, Barbie Baugh and Sally Schaefer



Linda Cathey and Leslie Christiansen



Jeannine Moyle and Kathy Barrow



Jeannine Moyle swears-in next year’s Executive Board: Ruth Ann Hogan, Advisor, Pat Faur, President, Sharron McKinney, President-Elect, Jackie Berkowitz, Recording Secretary, Barbara Simons, Treasurer, Linda Cathey, Membership Chair and Ruth McLeod, Cookbook Chair



Ruth Ann Hogan presents **Dr. Peter Welsh** a poster-sized check to celebrate the amount the Historical League has given the Museum in grants in its 30-year history. The amount is over one million dollars.



On the right, Ruth Ann and new League President, **Pat Faur**, exchange presidential gavels.

TOURS



Pam and Jeannie are eager to get started on their "bling".

Delores Tomasek shows her partly finished bracelet.



Kay North and April Riggins listen to last minute instructions.

Pam Ryan and Jeannie Fletcher, Tour Chairs



In March, 21 League members and guests visited the Bead Museum in Glendale, the first and largest museum in the world dedicated to beads and related artifacts. We enjoyed the presentation on beads from nature that have been used as human adornment and currency long before recorded history. The rich diversity of ancient beads from the private collection of museum founder **Gabrielle Liese** had never been on display before the exhibit opened in September. We later had the opportunity to learn how to make our own "bling," a beaded bracelet, in the museum craft room. Ladies remarked that they could see how it could be addicting as well as relaxing to make beaded items.

Lunch was at Kimberly Ann's Victorian Tearoom. We enjoyed the tearoom's fare of quiche, salads, soups and sandwiches in its vintage setting.

Lindy Isacksen, Nancy Evans, Linda Bergstrom and Jeannine Moyle are admiring Linda Fritsch's beautiful bracelet.



Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the Cantina, the oldest continuously-used building in Arizona.

Rancho de la Osa in Sasabe was the destination for the annual overnight tour in April where 28 League members were exclusive guests. Our trip began with our first stop at the Tucson Museum of Art in the presidio district. We enjoyed a docent-led tour of their block of historic buildings, including the site of a 1775 Spanish fort. We learned that the mission revival style J. Knox Corbett House had one of Tucson's first air conditioning systems as well as the fact that gin was manufactured in the attic during prohibition! We had time to view the work of Western artist **Ed Mell** as well as visit the museum gift shop and the varied boutiques in the historic "Old Town Artisan" warehouse.

The 300-year old hacienda that is Rancho de la Osa became a guest ranch in 1923 and has hosted many famous people throughout the years-**Lady Bird** and **Lyndon Johnson**, **John Wayne**, and **Margaret Mitchell**, among others. Owners **Veronica** and **Richard Schultz** were most gracious and offered a guided walk of the property which included an up-close view of the controversial border fence and a visit to the old cemetery. We all gathered for an evening social hour in the "cantina," the oldest continuously-used building in Arizona before we were served dinner outside "cowboy style." Other fun activities included a cooking demonstration in the hacienda kitchen and an evening campfire with s' mores where Veronica gave a talk on the history of the ranch.



Julie Tribbey, Mary Parker and Leslie Christiansen are back in the saddle again.

The morning found us trying on hats and boots as we mounted up for a fun-filled horseback ride into the Buenos Aires National Wildlife refuge. Do you know what a "leaker" is? Ladies that took the trail ride certainly do!

A delicious breakfast and lunch were served in the hacienda's impressive dining room at a table so large that it had to be cut in two before it could be brought into the room. The Ranch has a chapter in our cookbook, *Tastes & Treasures*, and many of the recipes have been published in the League blog.

The drive back to Phoenix was broken up with a stop at Tonto Chul Park. This botanical gem in the foothills of the Catalina Mountains offered rest and refreshments. Its lush oasis offered scenic walking paths for our enjoyment of the beautiful Sonoran Desert.

We had a great time on this trip so please don't miss our next adventure together as we learn more about our Arizona history!



The Appaloosa (horse on the left) is blind. But, she (?) has a seeing-eye-horse. The white horse is deaf, but is able to lead her (?) blind buddy around the corral.

The fence on the border kept these lovely desperados out of Mexico!



Campfire with s'mores.



Pam den Draak and Linda Fritsch are waiting for grub in the beautiful and colorful dining room.



Ready for the morning's activities are: Ruth McLeod, Carolyn Mendoza, Pam den Draak, Linda Bergstrom, Norma Jean Coulter, Lindy Isacksen, Jeannie Fletcher, Pam Ryan and Linda Fritsch.



League Online by Joan Robinson-Blumit

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IN FONDEST MEMORY



Being part of the Historical League is a 'sisterhood' of sorts, as was evident April 16, 2010, when members rallied to bid farewell to friend and loyal member, **Terrie Sanford**.

Terrie died, April 13, 2010. She served as President of the League (2002-2003) as well as other offices on the Board. Her most recent involvement was co-chairing the Historymakers™ Gala held in February, 2009 along with **Nancy Evans** and **Delores Tomasek**.

Nancy Evans and President, **Ruth Ann Hogan** orchestrated the delivery of a spread to match any fine reception put out by League members who gathered to remember Terrie. She was a devoted advocate of preserving history and acted on her convictions by her contribution through the Historical League. In turn, the League was there to provide support to the family when the need arose. Much appreciation was expressed by family members.

A committee composed of Nancy Evans, Delores Tomasek and Ruth Ann Hogan will be working with **Dr. Peter Welsh** to use donated funds to purchase something permanent for the Museum in Terrie's memory. If you would like to remember Terrie Sanford with a donation to the Historical League, please send your donation to **Carolyn Wood**, 28913 N. 111th Street, Scottsdale, 85262.

Leatrice "Lea" Nach joined the League in 2000. She had been a teacher at Cortez High School for over 30 years. Her influence spanned generations and her community volunteer work was an integral part of her life. She served in leadership positions and was a spirited volunteer for many other causes. Ill health kept her being an active part of the Historical League, but she enjoyed the parties and luncheons.



Springtime at the Museum

Summer is here, and we are working in a number of areas. We have an intern this summer who is a communications and journalism major, and who will be developing a number of initiatives in public relations—from good old press releases to social networking opportunities such as Twitter. One of her first efforts is to highlight the completion of our "Keeping Cool" exhibit, and to remind folks that even when it is sizzling outside we keep our AC way, way down. And who wouldn't love to see an old-fashioned milk shake machine or a viewing coffin designed to be surrounded with ice?

In a related vein, we are working on raising our profile in our neighborhood, reaching out to local residents and businesses to develop new and lasting relationships. With a range of promotions and incentives, such as an ice cream social, we are looking to build a strong local constituent base.

We received some good news and some bad news from granting agencies. We learned that our proposal to begin archival processing of the KOOL film collection was approved by the Arizona Historical Records Advisory Board (\$3,600), but we were unsuccessful with our proposal for a federal grant to process the St. Mary's Food Bank Collection. Undeterred, we are already working on how we can recast the proposal so that it will be funded in the next round.

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Dr. Peter Welsh

CENTENNIAL STORIES

Anna Deane Millett

Anna Deane Millett's paternal grandparents, **William Wilson (W.W.)** and **Catherine (Katie) Rankin Pace**, were both born in Utah in the mid-1800s. They were descendants of pioneer Mormon families.

In 1880, W.W. and Katie, and 15 other families answered a call by the Mormon Church to help settle Nutrioso, Apache County, Arizona. They arrived with cattle, horses, wagons and oxen-drawn carts. Not long after they arrived, a fort was built for their protection from the Indians. W.W. pastured his cattle on a fork of the Blue River, and chased horse thieves to Ft. Thomas, as an outside Ranger under the well-known Arizona lawman, **Commodore Owens**. Some of their cattle-rustling troubles were from neighbors that **John Slaughter** had chased out of Tombstone and Charleston and some were from fugitives who had run from the Texas Rangers. W.W. still found time to serve a mission in England and Scotland in 1892-4, even though he had 6 children at the time.

The Pace family arrived in Thatcher, AZ, in 1896 and would eventually number 9 children.

Like the other settlers, they were very busy farming, starting an orchard and caring for their cattle and horses. W.W. and **Orlando Pace**, a relative, contracted for the distribution of water for the Union Canal and for the maintenance of the system. W.W. served as Town Constable in 1900. His interest was in schools and he reopened the Academy (now Eastern Arizona Community College) in 1898. He was active in community affairs, including highways, airports, and the Chamber of Commerce.

W.W. served on important committees in Territorial and State sessions of the House and Senate. One of his pet bills was "local option" for the controlling of the sale of liquor (the Pace Bill).

You could find Katie's horse and buggy wherever or whenever there was sickness or sorrow. She helped the sick and prepared the deceased for burial when needed in both Apache County and Thatcher. She depended on *Hill's Manual* and *Dr. Gunn's Family Physicians Book* for medical guidance in the absence of a physician. Devotion was a hallmark of her family, with 17 members serving in the military in World War II.

William Wilson (W.W.) Pace died in Thatcher in 1931. Catherine Rankin (Katie) Pace died in Thatcher in 1950.

Anna Deane's father, Donald Clyde Pace, was W.W. and Katie's 7th child.



NEW MEMBERS

Bonnie Newhoff,
New Member Mentor



With several of her friends as members, joining the League was a natural for **Rosemary Bonaguidi**. Vacations spent here as a child made her no stranger to the desert when she moved to Fountain Hills from Illinois 6 1/2 years ago.

An elementary teacher by profession, she has taught boys with behavior problems and worked in an early reading intervention program. Three years were also spent as a research librarian for Sears Roebuck. Husband **Russell** is retired from Morgan Stanley. After her children were born she became a stay-at-home mom and "professional volunteer." She has worked with the PTA, Girl Scouts, Women's Clubs, Church and Community organizations and on her proudest achievement, The Safety Village of Darien. When a friend's son was killed by a hit and run driver at the age of 9, she helped organize fundraisers to start a safety program for children. They built a permanent site with a classroom and a miniature village with buildings, streets and functioning traffic signals. Over 2,500 children attended classes to learn about pedestrian, fire, first aid and Stranger Danger safety. Their program won several Illinois governors awards. Rosemary was not only on the board but taught classes as well. She has been involved in fundraising for various organizations, worked on the St Jude's Hospital fashion shows in Chicago and was the fundraising co-chair for the General Federation of Women's Clubs in Illinois.

A voracious reader she belongs to 3 book clubs! She enjoys golf and entertaining and both she and Russell are gourmet cooks. For Christmas they enjoyed portraying Santa and Mrs Claus for various charity organizations. They have two grown daughters and a two year old granddaughter with a baby brother due this June. She admits to being a good planner, very organized and able to either accept responsibility or follow others. With so many talents and a myriad of experience she should no doubt be in great demand in the future with our League.

A friendship with member **Ruth Ann Hogan** brought **Ann Janes** to the League. Her charming and distinctive British accent is proof that you can take the girl out of England but not the England out of the girl, even after 21 years! Since moving from England to the US she has called the Valley home. Quite an adjustment and a challenge, she says, the change from a rural English village to metropolitan Phoenix!

Before moving to Phoenix, Ann worked as a career counselor in a High School in the UK. Ann and husband **Brian** have one son and a daughter-in-law living in Phoenix, a three year old grandson and brand new baby granddaughter.

Gardening is a favorite hobby and she enjoys nature and travel, though usually out of the heat of Phoenix. She and Brian especially enjoy traveling around Arizona discovering interesting places and treasures. Other hobbies include reading and do-it-yourself projects. A self-professed hard worker, she likes to be organized, works well in a team, and especially enjoys interacting with people. She is out-going and a little cheeky, ever the Brit, and ready, it seems, to tackle anything. What a jolly good addition to the League!



The Ill-fated trip to Williams did not dampen the enthusiasm of our new member **Sharon Johnson** who then accompanied us on our California excursion to Hearst Castle. Introduced to the League by her friend **Julie Tribbey**, she so enjoyed the learning experience that she knew that she needed to join to learn more about our beautiful country.

A Fountain Hills resident, she and husband **Dennis**, born and raised in Minnesota, lived in Nebraska and New Mexico before settling in Arizona 12 yrs ago when Dennis retired. Each summer they return to Breezy Point, Minnesota Lake Country, to escape the Arizona heat and visit family.

Both Sharon and her husband had three girls when they married 27 years ago. With six daughters there are bound to be weddings, with different themes and ceremonies. One wedding took place on a yacht, another was a traditional Native American ceremony. This year their oldest granddaughter will be married, the first of 15 grandchildren!

Cooking and entertaining are favorite activities as is flower gardening. She enjoys good times boating on the lake with her family. We welcome her to the League and look forward to sharing more of our fascinating history and many more adventures in learning.

Dorothy Verbal became acquainted with the League through friend and fellow Fountain Hills Resident **Julie Tribbey**. A part-time resident of Arizona since 1991, she has lived here permanently since 2003. Though a speech pathologist by trade, she has also been in the women's clothing business and was a self-employed store owner for twelve years.

As "First Lady" to her husband **Claude**, the first African- American president of the International Society of Automobile Engineers, she was able to travel extensively to fourteen countries. She found that year, 1996, to be a great year for learning and discovery as she met many foreign dignitaries and executives from global businesses. Having the honor of representing SAE International at events on many foreign soils was an experience that she will treasure always.

Dorothy and husband Claude had five children, four sons and one daughter, the eldest son deceased. They have been blessed with eight grandchildren and one great granddaughter. She enjoys reading and golf but her family and her husband bring her the most pleasure. Helping others is something that she finds rewarding.

Her skills are many. She admits the ability to handle many tasks and responsibilities simultaneously and efficiently, and to tackling tasks ahead of time. A good organizer, she enjoys staging educational events, sales and working with people. I don't think that we could have found a better match for our organization. We look forward to putting this kind of talent to work!



I had the pleasure of interviewing our new member **Phyllis James** in person and enjoyed it thoroughly. A native New Yorker though, honestly, there is barely a trace of a remaining accent, she was brought to the League by her friend **Lorri Hibbert**, and an abiding interest in History. It quickly became apparent that it was becoming a mutual interview as this engaging new member was as interested in me as I was in her. I did, however, manage to glean a few facts.

She and husband **John** have lived in the Valley for about 20 years, having moved here from Greenwich, Connecticut. A graduate of Smith College, Phyllis then earned two masters degrees, in History and one in Special Ed and Psychotherapy. Though now retired, she has been a professor of History at the University of Massachusetts and the department chair of History at Desert Mountain High School here in Phoenix where she taught both US and Arizona History. She has also been involved with the NAU Grad program here in Phoenix. Her husband is a retired IBM Executive. They have three married children, two daughters and one son and five grandchildren.

Travel is a special interest as is opera and she is an avid reader and belongs to a book club. A strong belief in exercise keeps her fit as she routinely does both aerobics and works with weights. She admits to being creative and to enjoying funky things and says it reflects in her rather eclectic home. As the interview drew to a close I couldn't help but think that this new member, with her knowledge of Arizona history, and gregarious nature and intelligence, will make a great addition to our League, and I look forward to getting to know her better.

An enjoyable evening at the Membership Open House convinced **DeDe Radford** to join the League. A friend and fellow design associate of **April Riggins** she came to Arizona and ASU from Iowa in 1974 and never went home.

The Design Services Professional for Dunn Edwards in Phoenix for 15 years, DeDe is an interior designer and ASU graduate. She works with designers, developers, builders and corporations to colorize palettes for interior and exterior uses. Working in the Phoenix Metro area as well as in Sedona, Flagstaff, and Tucson, she creates the Arizona color trends for consumer and contract applications.

She has lived in both Phoenix and Scottsdale and especially enjoys her time in Sedona, where she and husband **Keith** own a time share. Originally from Kansas City, Keith works for the DES. Their two daughters are both college age, with one majoring in Psychology at ASU West and looking towards a Master's degree and the other headed for a career in Entertainment law.

DeDe enjoys travel, painting on canvas, sewing, dancing and any kind of sports. Her greatest pleasure in life is peace, beautiful music and art. She says she is very organized and balanced and in 2009 was the International Furnishings and Design Arizona Chapter President. Doing charity work and supporting other organizations is important to her. We are pleased to have such an accomplished new member and look forward to her colorful addition to the League!



STAFF APPRECIATION, JUNE 7TH



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Ruth Ann Hogan's last duty as League President was a fun one: presenting the grants to the department heads of the Museum.



Jeff Hotchkiss (upper left), **Peter Welsh** (upper right), **Ashley Smith** (middle left) and **Seth Willey** (right) are happy to accept their grants for the year 2009—2010, totaling \$24,929.



After a delicious luncheon which included lasagna, supplied by **Mary Pat McNamara** and **Deb Hester**, and salads, bread and dessert supplied by League members, **Ruth Ann** presents in-coming League President, **Pat Faur**, with the President's Notebook.



Ruth McLeod, Cookbook Chair

COOKBOOK EVENTS

Carolyn Mendoza had a lovely display of cookbooks at the AHS Photo Fair organized by **Jeannine Moyle**.

Tequilazona was a blast with a sold out crowd. **Kay Holcombe** and I worked with **Dr. Peter Welsh** to promote the AHS Museum, the cookbook and Historical League.

Deb Hester and **Jeannine Moyle** enjoyed the crowd at Moon Valley Country Club ladies luncheon. **Susan Crotty** admired her new cookbook.

AZ Highways Travel Show was a great way to showcase the cookbook. Of course, they loved to sample granola pg 196. Thanks to **Kay**

North, Jackie Berkowitz, Margaret Pogue, Lindy Isacksen, Pat Faur and Tobe

Daum.

Tucson Museum of Art and Tohono Chula Park were stops on the overnight tour to Sasabe, AZ. **Kay Holcombe** and I showed them the cookbook and they didn't hesitate to buy boxes for sale in their gift shops.

Many League members made recipes from *Tastes & Treasures* for meetings.

Thanks to **Betsy Davis** for Berry Fruit Salad with Mint Sugar pg. 118.

Remember the "melt in your mouth" chocolate tower at the Spring Recognition Luncheon with **Sandra Day O'Connor**? Try the Chocolate Sherry Cream Bars pg 153 and add 2 more layers to make an equally impressive

dessert.

Centennial merchants are very interested in purchasing our cookbook. Go to

www.tastestreasures.blogspot.com for updates all summer along with stories and photos of many Historical League adventures.



NEW FALL FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Mary Garbaci is organizing a new, fun fundraiser for the Fall.

Location: McCormick G C, Scottsdale Rd & McCormick Prkwy.

Type of Play: Scramble Format

Time: 12:30 PM start

** No handicap is necessary. All names will be put in a draw for prizes.

5:30PM One hour hosted bar w/ hot hors d'oeuvres

Cost: \$150 per player. (regular green fees are \$104 + tax) (fee includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres & prizes)

Cocktail Party Only \$30

Watch for more information

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE HISTORICAL LEAGUE AND AHS MUSEUM

MON., SEPT. 13

MON., OCT. 4

OCTOBER TBA

MON., NOV. 1

SAT., NOV. 6

SUN., NOV. 11

TUES., NOV. 30

SAT., DEC. 4

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR: FEBRUARY 11, 2011
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All League members are welcome at general meetings
Lunch@11:30 am (\$5) Program@12:15 pm Meeting@1 pm