



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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FALL MEMBERSHIP OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 20 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

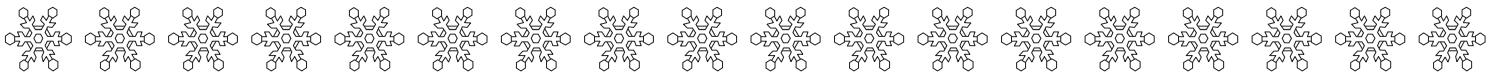
The Historical League is very excited about this year's Fall Membership Open House to be held at a beautifully restored craftsman style home. When it was built in the early 1900's, this area was a farming community with only dirt roads. Shelley and Griff Hearn will be our gracious hosts for the Open House to be held on Thursday, October 20, 2011 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at 1548 W. Northern Avenue.

Tour the home; listen to Reba Wells Grandrud, Ph.D., speak about the early history of the area; enjoy hors d'oeuvres and beverages and hear about the Historical League and their activities. The cost is \$25.00 per person.

Historical League members, be thinking of your potential relatives, friends & neighbors that you can invite to the Fall Membership Open House. To add encouragement, for each potential member you bring to the Open House, your name will be entered into the "Paid Dues" drawing. The winner's dues will be paid for 2012- 2013.



Shelley and Griff Hearn House



CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2011

ARIZONA BILTMORE

COME ONE, COME ALL!

Join in the excitement of our 29th Annual Children's Holiday Party! Our goal is to make this a memorable, fun-filled event for ALL!!

How perfect to enjoy this special season with family and friends at the beautiful, historic Arizona Biltmore Hotel. The decorations will be fabulous, with centerpieces that may be purchased. Expect many new vendors with great items, special crafts and games for children and entertainment that will involve and thrill all those attending.

HELP! Please drop by your favorite boutique, jewelry store, restaurant, salon, car wash, resort, etc. to ask for a donated item or gift certificate for our Silent Auction. No item is too small! Our appreciation will be shown through recognition in the program and on our website.

WANTED! There are committees in need of assistance. Your help is appreciated and can be customized to your busy schedules. Please call one of us and join this fun group!

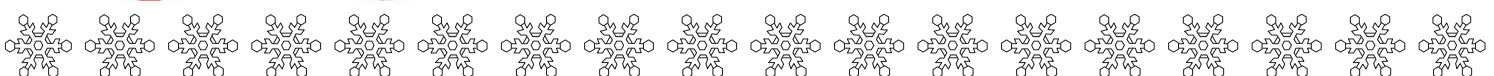
Contact: Terri Mainwaring at 602-943-4095, Kassie Walters at 602-997-1142 or Ruth Ann Hogan at 602-909-7877.



CHP Chairs Kassie Walters, Ruth Ann Hogan and Terri Mainwaring



New CHP logo designed by Joan Robinson-Blumit





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
From the Desk of Sharron McKinney

As the Historical League, Inc., begins its 32nd year, I look forward to the challenge of continuing in the very capable footsteps of the previous 32 presidents. Not many organizations last as long as the League has. This is due to the dedicated members who have continued to support the Arizona Historical Society Museum at Papago Park financially by providing grants to support programs, exhibits, education and operations. This is especially needed because of cutbacks in funding museums throughout the state. It is so important that we continue to provide information and education to the future generations of Arizona.

We also welcome our new Museum Director, **Kyle McKoy**, who has been with AHS for many years. We know that in this economy, directors are dealing with not only preserving the past, but thinking about the future of our state museums.

I encourage all of you to attend our monthly Board Meetings, held on the first Monday of the month, in the Board Room of the Museum at 11:30 a.m. Please join us for a fabulous luncheon provided by our very capable League cooks, hear a speaker talk about an interesting aspect of Arizona, and stay for our business meeting. There are many opportunities to sign up to serve on a committee, or just have fun, including: Hospitality, New Member Open House, Touring, Children's Holiday Party, the Spring Party, Recognition Luncheon, helping promote our award-winning cookbook *Tastes & Treasures*, and our Centennial book *Arizona Recollections and Reflections*, and many more.

We look forward to meeting our new members and greeting our current members for 2011-2012.



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The Historical League thanks the following sponsors who made significant contributions for the Centennial book: **Arizona Public Service; The Arizona Republic; Blue Cross Blue Shield; First Solar; Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold; Hidden Meadow Ranch; O'Neil Printing; Pat Petznick; Roswell Bookbinding; Salt River Project; Snell and Wilmer; US Airways; and The Wigwam.**

Information on ordering the book, *Arizona Recollections and Reflections*, can be found at www.HistoricalLeague.org and in this newsletter.



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Judy Scott Blackwell
Touring Chair

TOURING

The 2011-2012 Tour season begins Thursday, October 27, with a guided visit to Terminal 4 at Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport to view the "100 Years 100 Ranchers" photo exhibit, part of the Arizona Centennial celebration. Sky Harbor boasts the largest art collection of any airport in the country, although most of us are in too big a hurry when we are there to appreciate it. Lunch will follow at the Golden Buddha Restaurant at the Chinese Cultural Center. Details will be available at the next Historical League meetings and newsletters. We will be given five parking vouchers, so we

will need to carpool. Or you can park your car on the light rail line, take it to the airport extension at 44th Street, do the tour, and meet us at the restaurant.

Scott Baxter, a Phoenix photographer, traveled tens of thousands of miles in his Ford pickup for nearly a decade, rounding up Arizona ranchers and shooting more than 15,000 frames of film for these 100 black and white portraits. Each photograph features a rancher whose family has been working the land since statehood or longer. At Terminal 4 from October to May, the photographic legacy then moves to the Desert Caballeros Western Museum in Wickenburg and to the Tucson Museum of Art. James Burns, Desert Caballeros museum director, praised Baxter's work, saying "...I can't imagine having a state centennial celebration and not having a project like Scott's."

Our Bus Tour this year will take us to Prescott on Monday, November 7, where we will be treated to a walking tour presented by a costumed guide from the Arizona Women's Heritage group. Lunch will be at the historic Hassayampa Hotel, and there will be free time to roam the downtown area on your own. A short meeting will be held on the bus on our return trip to Phoenix.

MUSEUM

The Museum at Papago Park's new Director, Kyle McKoy, will spend three weeks in October and November attending a leadership development program in Indiana. She was one of fifteen people chosen from the U.S., Canada and Mexico. The SHA, Seminar for Historical Administration, is sponsored by the AASLH or the American Association of State and Local History.

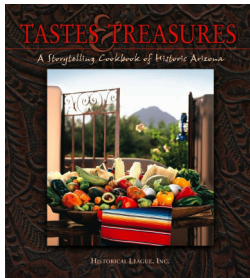
*Kyle McKoy
Director, Central*



The Museum at Papago Park is the principal museum in the Phoenix metropolitan area covering the changes that have made Arizona what it is today. Concentrating on Arizona in the 20th and 21st centuries, the museum is filled with stories—stories about World War II and its effects in Arizona, stories about the rise of desert cities, and stories about Arizona popular culture. The museum brings stories to life through engaging exhibits, hands-on and multimedia displays, children's activities, and a variety of educational programs

Modern Recipes from Historic Places for Today's Cooks

*Ruth McLeod
Cookbook Chair*



Holiday gift giving is a whole lot easier with *Tastes & Treasures: A Storytelling Cookbook of Historic Arizona*. The book is a great way to celebrate the Centennial by sharing the story of Arizona's historic hospitality venues, its Historymakers, Arizona Historical Society and some delicious recipes. Order two or more books at www.HistoricalLeague.org and get free shipping. Send it to friends and relatives and we will save you a trip to the post office. We also have Centennial aprons and hats.

Arizona History Forum is a 10-week series of afternoon classes.

3 hours per session from 1-4pm; total 30 hours training.

Join us for a program on Arizona History and learn to engage and excite visitors as a volunteer gallery guide at AHS.

Dates on Mondays: October 17, 24, 31; November 7, 14, 28;
December 5, 12; January 23, 30

Find out more: **Megan Gately**, 480-929-0292, EXT 137,
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*Megan Gately
Educator*

Life-long learning opportunity; Skill and knowledge development; Involvement in challenging and rewarding work supporting your community; Social opportunities and interaction with those of similar interests; Free or discounted admission to AHS programs; Museum store discount

Cost: FREE

AL MERITO AWARD

Marshall Trimble is shown on the right, between **Elisabeth Ruffner**, a 2008 Historymaker, and **Dr. Anne Woosley**, Executive Director of the AHS, after receiving the Al Merito Award at the History Convention in Yuma last April.

The Al Merito Award honors individuals and organizations from every corner of the state, that have preserved and promoted Arizona history with museum programs and exhibitions, by collecting and conserving historical objects and archives, and by recording oral histories from Arizonans of today for the benefit of future generations.

The AHS established the Al Merito Award in 1973 to recognize those who have made outstanding contributions and serve as role models for preserving Arizona's rich history. Named for the nineteenth century award bestowed by a newly independent government of Mexico for meritorious service to the Republic, Al Merito literally translates "for merit." Today, the AHS's highest honor acknowledges meritorious service for those who, by their efforts, celebrate Arizona history.



GET WELL SOON



Many of you have heard that our Historymakers Gala Chair **Marilyn Parke** was in a terrible car accident on July 29th, near her summer home in Victoria, B.C. Her car was t-boned by a man in a truck who ran a stop sign. After spending time in the hospital, her husband had her flown to Barrows on August 10th. She was able to go home September 8th, but will continue rehab for some time. The League sent a beautiful orchid arrangement while she was at Barrows. **Reneé Donnelly** and **Susan Dale** visited her in the hospital several times and reported that Marilyn was making great progress.

Marilyn is very grateful to all the League members who sent notes and cards. Reneé will continue to keep the Historical League posted on her progress. Please keep well wishes for Marilyn and her family and in your thoughts and prayers. We wish her well in her recovery and hope to see her at League functions.

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE HISTORICAL LEAGUE AND AHS MUSEUM

FRI., SEPT. 30	DIA DE LOS MUERTOS EXHIBIT 6 TO 9 P.M.
MON., OCT. 3	GENERAL MTG., AHS MUSEUM ZONA LORIG, RUTH MCLEOD AND JOAN ROBINSON-BLUMIT, SPEAKERS
SAT., OCT. 8	NATIONAL HISTORY DAY WORKSHOP
SAT., OCT. 15	4TH ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHS FAIR
THURS., OCT. 20	MEMBERSHIP OPEN HOUSE
THURS., OCT. 27	TOUR, SKY HARBOR AIRPORT
SAT., NOV. 5	AHS ANNUAL MTG., TUCSON
MON., NOV. 7	GENERAL MTG ON THE TOUR BUS
MON., NOV. 14	NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION
MON., DEC. 5	CHRISTMAS PARTY/GENERAL MEETING
SAT., DEC. 17	CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY, ARIZONA BILTMORE
MON., JAN. 9	GENERAL MTG., AHS MUSEUM

All League members are welcome at general meeting
Lunch@11:30 a.m. (\$5) Program@12:15 p.m.
Meeting@1 p.m.

**SAVE-THE-DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20TH
MEMBERSHIP OPEN HOUSE**



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Lloyd Clark

Lloyd Clark, longtime member of the AHS, was one of the honorees of the Culturekeepers at a luncheon held September 11 at the Westin Kierland Resort & Spa. He came to Arizona in 1948 from Texas. In 1957, he took the initiative as a reporter in asking **Frank Lloyd Wright** to comment on plans for an Arizona capitol. Mr. Clark interviewed the architect at his Taliesin West quarters, and had Wright's concept sketches published in *The Phoenix Gazette*. After legislators rejected Wright's offer for the capitol, Clark arranged for Wright to meet **Dr. Grady Gammage**, president of ASU, and asked Wright if he might be

interested in designing a structure for the college campus.

This resulted in the construction of Gammage Auditorium.



Also attending were: Michael Wade, President of the AHS State Board, Frank Barrios, member of the AHS State Board and 2010 Culturekeeper honoree, Kyle McKoy, Museum Director of the Museum at Papago Park, and Kevin McKoy, representing the Buffalo Soldiers, who were honored as Culturekeepers in 2008.



Attending the Culturekeepers Luncheon were: Janice Bryson, member of the Central Chapter Board and 2008 Culturekeepers honoree, Susan Dale, Sharron McKinney, League President, Pat Faur and Margaret Baker.

4TH ANNUAL HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS FAIR
October 15th AHS Museum at Papago Park
11:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.

Centennial Celebration Quilt Exhibition
"100 Years – 100 Quilts" February 2012 to February 2013

