



# River of Time Museum

Fountain Hills & Lower Verde Valley  
MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## Legacy

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### Special Dates of Interest:

- Sept 19, Wed, 6 pm  
Historical Society Dinner  
Speaker artist Carlos  
Hadaway, the "AZ kid"
- Oct 17, Wed,  
**Winter Hours** begin
- Oct 24, Wed, 3-7 pm  
Community Center  
Business Showcase
- Oct 27, Sat, 2-4 pm  
Open House at Gallery  
Home and Museum of  
Carlos Hadaway
- Nov 1, Thurs,  
Tickets on sale for  
Holiday Home Tour and  
"Letter from Santa"
- Nov 22, Thurs, 9 am  
Thanksgiving Day Parade
- Dec 1, 2, 8 & 9  
Holiday Mart and Open  
House at the Museum
- Dec 9, Sun, 4-8 pm  
Holiday Home Tour
- Jan 16, Wed, 6 pm  
Historical Society Dinner
- Jan 31, Thurs,  
Pony Express Days
- Feb 2, Sat  
Poker Night at the Casino
- Feb 9, Sat  
"Meet the Miners" and  
"Gems of the Verdes"  
raffle drawing

## CARLOS HADAWAY

### The Arizona kid



Western Artist Carlos Hadaway, professionally known as "The Arizona Kid," is the oldest of six in a family known as "The Wild Bunch." As a youngster, his keen interest in art was encouraged and nurtured by his third-grade teacher, Sister Helen Theresa.

During service in the Navy, Carlos was a cartoonist and created the original logo for the San Diego Padres, the little bat-swinging Friar. After leaving the military, Carlos relocated to Arizona where he launched his professional art career.

Carlos participates in top shows in all the western states including the Fountain Hills

Fairs and has garnered numerous awards, including Best of Show at Old Town Tempe's Festival and the George Phippen Popular Award at the George Phippen Western Art Show in Prescott. One of his paintings hangs in the Arizona State Capitol, presented to the State by Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. Licensed by Anheuser-Busch, Carlos created a series of six western prints featuring Budweiser® that has since become a collector's item.

In 1999, Scottsdale's Parada Del Sol, Arizona's premier rodeo, commissioned Carlos to create the original artwork for the year 2000 celebration. He was selected as the 1994 Grand Marshal at the world's oldest rodeo, Prescott Frontier Days, and in 1992 was Grand Marshal at the Pine Country Pro Rodeo in

Flagstaff.

Carlos is a member of the Los Artistas Vaqueros, a select group of artists dedicated to preserving the essence and history of the old southwest through depiction of its culture and tradition.

The public is invited to attend this event. Reservations for the dinner are needed by Sunday, September 16. They can be made by either going to the River of Time Museum website:

[www.riveroftimemuseum.org](http://www.riveroftimemuseum.org), and clicking on "Dinner Reservations" on the second (main) page, or sending an e-mail to [reservations@riveroftimemuseum.org](mailto:reservations@riveroftimemuseum.org) or telephone the Museum at (480) 837-2612. Cost is \$18 for members and \$22 for guests. The dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.; cocktails are available at 6:00 p.m. at the FH Community Center, 13001 N. La Montana Drive, Fountain Hills. The menu for the dinner is a mixed salad, meat or vegetable lasagna and dessert.

## *From the Desk of Alan Cruikshank*

Can you believe summer is almost over (except for the temperatures)? And that means it's time to start marking our calendars for the season of Historical Society dinners.

We are looking forward to the first speaker, Fountain Hills' own artist cowboy, Carlos Hadaway. You're probably seen his artwork at the local art fairs and he has appeared in movies and has a museum-quality collection of western movie posters and memorabilia in his home. It should be an entertaining program.

Also that night, we'll have the unveiling of the first two mannequins for the museum. Artist Rex Witte has been working on the sculptures of a Yavapai mother and child for the early-day Yavapai display as well as a conquistador for the Explorers and Trappers display.

You can be a sponsor of one of these display mannequins for a \$5,000 donation. A plaque with your name on it would be placed at the base of the mannequin.

I want to thank Earl and Ann Stavely for all of their volunteer hours in starting and operating our Museum River Bank store. We are welcoming the new store manager Stephen Jones.

In closing this month's column, I would like to see as many of you as possible at our functions . . . and invite some friends and neighbors to come also. We always need more volunteers at the museum.

Let's make this our best year since the opening. See you Sept. 19.

~~ Alan

## *From the Desk of our Museum Archivist*

The following is excerpted from *Arizona 2000: A Yearbook for the Millennium* by © Marshall Trimble, Arizona's State Historian, Flagstaff: Northland Publishing Company, 1996, pp. 132-134.

### In a Tavern in Sedona . . .

In 1965 the world-famous group of painters who call themselves Cowboy Artists of America was born in uptown Sedona at the Oak Creek Tavern. The original founders were cowboy artists Charlie Dye, John Hampton, George Phippen, and Joe Beeler. They created a charter dedicated to "perpetuate the memory and culture of the Old West . . . to insure authentic representation of the life of the West as it was and is."

Prior to the 1960's cowboy artists worked as illustrators for pulp magazines or drew for cowboy comic books. They usually sold their works out of the back of their pickup trucks and the only buyers were ranchers. There wasn't much money to be made in cowboy art. Joe Beeler, a transplanted Oklahoman who decided he could just as well "starve in Sedona as in Oklahoma," moved to Arizona. As Americans had more discretionary money and Texas oil men became flush, cowboy art became a hot item. For Beeler, Phippen, Hampton, and Dye, the timing was perfect.

"We wanted to maintain the integrity of artists like Charlie Russell," Beeler said, and they have succeeded. Members have since shown their works all over the world, making cowboy art popular and lucrative. Today these artists are earning what Russell used to call "dead man's wages" for their work.

Cowboy art, like cowboys themselves, is plainspoken and straight-forward. "The difference between modern art and cowboy art," Beeler explain, "is with cowboy art, you don't have to have somebody stand there and tell 'em what it is."



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## *From the Director's Desk by* **Judy Starr Confer**

Our annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser, traditionally held during the "dog-days" of August just before Labor Day, was a huge success. Many thanks are due to Chair Debbie Skehen, our V.P., and her committee of Linda Kavanagh, Niobe Borman, Teena Jowers, Gwen Laske, Gail Appeldorn, Alan Cruikshank, Bruce Hansen, Jean Linzer, and all Board Members and spouses.

Teena Jowers organized the silent auction items with a little help from her friends and mother, Niobe Borman. GREAT JOB, Teena!!! Debbie Skehen and Linda Kavanagh had fun describing the live auction items for our now-famous auctioneer, State Representative John Kavanagh. Gridley's, Sami's, Beall's and the TIMES sold tickets for us as did our Board Members. We thank you, one and all for your super donations for the live auction and silent auction. The children attending were entertained by the Movie "A Night at the Museum". This year the event was held at the F.H. Presbyterian Church. We appreciate their hospitality and especially Marta's help. It was convenient that Board Member Jean Linzer was able to serve as "Master of the Church Keys" for the church.

My personal gratitude to ANN AND EARL STAVELY (now officially retired from the RIVER BANK Museum Store) for the many years and thousands of hours they have contributed to the River of Time by establishing our beautiful and profit making store. Watch for the date when we will be officially honoring them at the Museum. In October, we welcome Stephen Jones as the new manager of the RIVER BANK Museum Store.

We have missed you all over the summer. Mike Downes had to escape to Michigan for the month of August to stop being the docent on duty - nine straight days he substituted for many of you - THANK YOU MIKE!!

WELCOME BACK to an exciting 2007-2008 Season! While many of you have been enjoying your summer months away, our Board Members have been diligently planning future events and obtaining sponsors for them. Watch for our special announcements about these events as the plans "gel" and see page 6 of this issue.



# Membership Report and Upgrades by Joe and Debbie Skehen

We welcome many new faces to our Historical Society:

Doris B. Albus \* Paul & Gail Appeldorn \* Sherry L. Dillard \* Mary & Lynn Endorf  
Patricia Hemmer \* Elizabeth J. Olejar \* Bill & Gail Pape \* Pam Smoldt \* Frank & Sharon Tull

**A special thank you to the following members who renewed their memberships  
at an elevated level for 2007!**

## **Adventurer Level: \$1,000+**

Alan & Diane Cruikshank	Doug Schmidt
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## **Pioneer Level: \$500-999**

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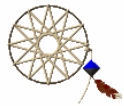
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## *From the River Bank by* **Stephen Jones**

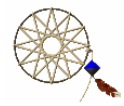
### **"What's up at the River Bank Shoppe?"**

Our new manager, Stephen Jones, has some exciting plans for our special store. More news soon about Stephen and his strategy to make our little shoppe a successful financial operation.

Read the next issue of Legacy to find out all about it...



This is a very generous community with many who volunteer to make Fountain Hills the special place that it is. We want to say a special thank you to the following businesses and organizations that helped in many, many ways to make our **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Spaghetti Dinner** in August a success:



Arizona Museum for Youth

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Beall's Outlet Store

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MCO Realty, Andi Bell

Noon Kiwanis

Phoenix Conexion

Phoenix Zoo

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Safeway

Sami Fine Jewelry

Sellzy's

We Ko Pa Golf Club

### **Did you know ~ ~**

**The artist's group "Cowboy Artists of America" (CAA)**

**was founded in a bar in Sedona**

# Upcoming Events

- \* Carlos Hadaway's open house to benefit the River of Time;
- \* Our booth at the F.H. Fair in November;
- \* Thanksgiving Parade being planned by Arlie Denomme and Dr. Clinton Pattea;
- \* Time Traveler junior docent program expanding with more tours and a special new water festival under the auspices of Joe Bill, Doug Schmidt, Jean Boatman, Rick Wambach, Charlotte McCluskey, the Town of Fountain Hills, and Chaparral Water;
- \* Holiday Home Tour, Preglow, and Holiday Mart, and
- \* Gems of the Verde annual Raffle, both being worked on from north of the border by Arlie Denomme;
- \* Pony Express 50th Anniversary celebration chaired by Niobe Borman;
- \* Los Artistas Vaqueros chaired by Charlotte McCluskey and help this year from Tony Basche, Paul Kolwaite, Chris Marchell, Carlos Hadaway, and Doug Katonak;
- \* Hall of Fame "KIOSK" and new museum sign for the lobby soon to be erected with help from Scott Joachim, Rex Witte, Bonnie Kline, Paul Kolwaite, Alan Cruikshank, Jerry Miles, myself, grants from the Fountain Hills Community Foundation (formerly Sunridge), and the Mazatzal Questers, plus the generosity of many Hall of Fame Members are making this possible;
- \* Travel Excursions hosted by Arizona Travel to benefit the River of Time Museum;
- \* Charity Fundraiser at the Casino - a major Poker Tournament to benefit the Museum held on February 2nd, the night before the SUPER BOWL - chaired by Linda Kavanagh and Mike Byrne, Poker Manager at the Fort McDowell Casino, and committee of Clinton Pattea, Linda McThrall, Alan Cruikshank, Niobe Borman, Charlotte McCluskey, Sami Jack, Debbie Skehen and myself.

## WINTER HOURS

Open hours at the River of Time Museum for the winter months begin on Wednesday, October 17. The museum will be open Wednesday through Saturday from 1-4 pm. During the month of December the museum will also be open on Sunday.



Bashas' Thanks a Million Program begins September 1 and will run through March 31, 2008. Our magic number to raise funds for the River of Time Museum is:

# 23927

The first time you shop at Bashas' beginning September 1, please ask the cashier to link the above number to your Bashas' Thank You Card. You only have to link the number once during the program and the link remains active until March 31. Everyone who participates in this program must link the above number to the Thank You Card every year.

Don't forget . . . Link 23927 to your card on your first visit to Bashas' beginning September 1.

## TRAVELING EXHIBIT— OPENS Sept 1

### FARM WORKERS IN ARIZONA AND SONORA WHO WILL TELL THEIR STORIES

On loan from the University of Arizona, Mel and Edith Zuckerman College of Public Health

In 1785, Thomas Jefferson told John Jay "cultivators of the earth are the most valuable citizens."

Cesar Chavez said, "it is ironic that those who till the soil cultivate and harvest the fruits, vegetables, and other foods that fill the tables with abundance have nothing left for themselves."

Come see this photographic collection compiled by Jill Guernsey de Zapion and Sonia Medina (U of A) and El Colegio de Sonora, documenting the similarity of the lives of agricultural workers on both sides of the border.

Opening Saturday, September 1, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in our Traveling Exhibit Room.



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