



The Stoneman Trail: Scottsdale Yesterdays

Dates of Interest:

- **Sept 21**, Wed, 6-9 pm
 Historical Society Dinner
 "Stoneman Trail"
 FH Community Center
- **Sept 24**, Sat, 1-4 pm
 Smithsonian Museum Day
Free Admission
- **Oct 18**, Tues, 1-4 pm
Winter Hours Begin
- **Oct 26**, Wed, 3-7 pm
 Business Showcase
 FH Community Center
- **Oct 29**, Sat, 9 am-3 pm
 "Life in the Desert"
 McDowell Mountain
 Visitors' Center
- **Nov 7**, Mon, 4-5 pm
 Volunteer's Meeting
 River of Time Museum
- **Nov 16**, Wed, 6-9 pm
 Historical Society Dinner
 "River Runners of the
 Grand Canyon"
 FH Community Center

Our September 21st dinner will feature **Leonard Marcisz**, Vice Chairman of the Historic Preservation Commission in the City of Scottsdale. Len has worked with the Scottsdale Historical Society and Cable Channel 11 staff to create and broadcast a series of historical vignettes titled "Scottsdale Yesterdays." The first episode on the Amundsen Railroad Car at McCormick-Stillman RR Park was forwarded by e-mail a few months past. If you didn't view this, it is available at Scottsdale's YouTube site which you can view by going to the following: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SGPTrBkYXXo>

Responding to outstanding references from several who have heard Len speak, including Scottsdale **Mayor Jim Lane** and our own **Linda Kavanagh**, we asked him to talk to us about the history of the Stoneman Trail in McDowell Mountain Park which once connected Fort McDowell with Fort Whipple near Prescott. This trail was an important conduit for troops, couriers and supplies during the military campaigns of the 1870s in central and eastern Arizona. Initial scouting of the trail by Col. George Stoneman began in 1870. Remnants of the trail are still visible in McDowell Mountain Regional Park. Upon his retirement from the military,

Stoneman moved to California where he became Governor from 1882-1887.

The public is invited to attend this dinner meeting. Reservations for the dinner must be made by Sunday, 18, by telephoning dinner chair Jean Linzer at 837-0762, sending an e-mail to jlizzer@aol.com or going to the museum website (www.riveroftimemuseum.org) and clicking on "Dinner Reservations."

The cost of the dinner is \$18 for members and \$22 for guests. The dinner starts at 6:30 pm; cocktails are available at 6:00 pm at the Fountain Hills Community Center, 13001 N. La Montana Drive.

The menu is Salad, Chicken Marsala, Penne Pasta, Dinner Rolls and Tiramisu for dessert.



Winter Hours
Museum and Store

Tues - Sat
1-4 pm

From the President's Desk by Debbie Skehen

We just received a \$3,000 grant from SRP to help fund the statue of Jack Swilling we have commissioned for our desert water exhibit. A reception is being planned to unveil this sculpture sometime in the fall. I'll be sure to let you know when the date is confirmed. SRP has been a tremendous help to our museum and we greatly value their interest in and generosity to the River of Time Museum.

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The area adjacent to the Community Center and the Library/Museum building - now called The Centennial Circle - is looking better every day! The Arizona Timeline donated by several members of the Historical Society and a few others is up and is located closest to the entrance to the Library/Museum building. By next February, all work on the circle should be complete and we can celebrate our state's centennial in style.

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Tell your friends and neighbors that September 24th is Smithsonian Museum Day and the River of Time Museum will offer free admission all afternoon. It is a great time to come and see the new additions to your museum. We have installed over the summer some new videos telling the story of the building of Roosevelt Dam and also several videos on the Central Arizona Project. Many thanks to **Derrick Moore** from our local Fountain Hills Sears Store who graciously installed the TV-DVDs for us.

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It is our hope that you have been collecting your pocket change to drop into the MidFirst Bank's coin counting van on Saturday, October 29. **John Gibson**, President of the Fountain Hills Coin Club, has arranged for our museum to participate in a fundraising day in collaboration with the bank. The bank's coin counting van collected many handfuls of change which resulted in a contribution to the museum of \$218 at the last meeting of the Coin Club. **Cindy Ruiz** has put a few piggy banks around town to collect change - one sits on the counter of our River Bank Store. Remember, any money collected will be matched by MidFirst! We thank them so much for their collaboration and we thank you all for your pocket change!

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This year's River of Time Museum's scholarship was given to **Emily Summers** at the Senior Recognition Night in May. Emily is going to ASU majoring in Secondary Ed to teach History. She participated in Student Government at the high school for 3 years. We wish her the best in her studies at ASU.

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I must include mention of the Christmas in July event held at the museum. What a wonderful day **Patt Canning** organized, arranging for much to do for families all day long. Many, many people came into the museum, quite a few of them were first time visitors! Thank you Patt for a delightful day.

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I am extremely pleased to announce that we have a new secretary for the Historical Society Board. **Lorena Wigginton** has agreed to take on the responsibilities from **Susan Lickman** who had to resign to take care of personal matters. We are sorry to see Susan go and hope she will come back to our Board in the future. We'll tell you more about Lorena in the next issue of Legacy.

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We hope to be seeing many of our winter visitors returning soon as we all gear up for a busy fall and the holiday season.





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From the Director's Desk by Judy Starr Confer

I want to thank all of you who donated items for the Spaghetti Dinner's Live and Silent Auctions. Also thanks go to those who purchased these auction items, those who bought dinner tickets, those who served food and assisted in so many ways. We couldn't hold the events we do without volunteers like you.

A huge thank you to **Phil Rodakis**, owner of **Phil's Filling Station**, who provided ALL the food for this event.

Gary Lvov of the **Holiday Inn** donated personnel to bartend and music for our entertainment.

John Kavanagh, our **State Representative**, as Auctioneer Extraordinaire, made the evening fun for everyone.

In so many ways, this was the most successful Spaghetti Dinner ever!

Our founder, **Alan Cruikshank**, was unable to attend, but he asked me to thank everyone for their good wishes. He is progressing very well and should be back among us by the end of the month.

I want to welcome our new docents, diplomats and store personnel. You keep our Museum doors open!

It is a pleasure to work with you all and everyone from the Verdes and Fort McDowell.

Historically yours,

Judy Confer
Executive Director

Membership Report and Upgrades by Joe & Debbie Skehen

Welcome **NEW MEMBERS**

Dee Bravos ~ Kelley Harris-Deiley ~ Alan and Cynthia Magazine
Anthony & Carolyn Redendo ~ Ray Wells ~ Jerry & Lorena Wigginton

~~~~~ Membership Gifts for 2011 ~~~~~  
We thank you for your generous donations!  
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# From the River Bank Store by Patt Canning

We welcome back all our vacationers to our River Bank Store. We are eagerly looking forward to a great new season.

Our shop is fully stocked with many new and interesting items. We are now featuring Raku Pottery. Raku Pottery is all handmade and individually signed. We are featuring Dream Catchers and vases among other pieces. Do stop by and see these beautiful items.



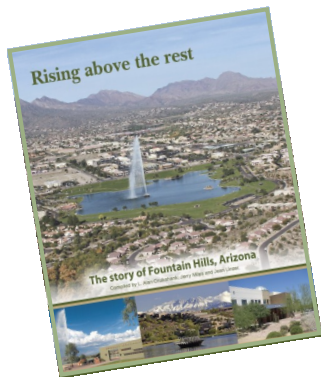
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Our newest feature is a tile featuring a picture of the Fountain Hills Fountain. This tile can be used as a hot plate or a wall hanging or sitting on your table. It is really a beautiful picture of our Town in all its glory. What a great gift or souvenir it will make. We are the only store that has this piece. Come in and appreciate this tile.

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Of course when we resume our regular hours we will have a good supply of soap rocks, beautiful jewelry created by Dee Jackson and a wide array of new and unusual gifts waiting for your visit. Our book shelves have been restocked for both adults and children enjoyment.

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Our book “**Rising above the Rest**”, edited and compiled by **L. Alan Cruikshank, Jerry Miles and Jean Linzer** may be purchased at the store. Over the summer months this has proven to be a big seller and it makes for enjoyable reading. All residents and visitors will love having a copy of this book.

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Watch for the date and more information on our planned **seminar** on Native American Jewelry. This will cover the meaning of the stones used in Native American Jewelry and a demonstration of making the jewelry.

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We, the shopkeepers, look forward to welcoming you and showing you all the shop has to offer.

~ ~ Patt Canning, Store Manager

## Volunteers

A few months ago we had a tremendous boost to the marketing of our River of Time Museum. **John Hepburn**, a retired marketing specialist, joined the Board and working together with **Kurt Pare'**, a veteran of the printing and publishing world, have vastly improved our visibility in the community and region. Both men enjoy the art of photography and have contributed numerous pictures, posters and graphics specially



Kurt Pare'

designed to highlight our society and museum. Right now they are in the process of creating a "pony show" including pictures of Museum exhibits that we can take to clubs and outings to tell our story. The first outing will be our participation in the "**Life in the Desert Fair**" taking place at McDowell Mountain Regional Park on October 29. More about this on page 7 of this newsletter.



John Hepburn

I can't thank these two enough for instituting a marketing plan that puts the River of Time Museum out in front with the large museums, for bringing in new energy and ideas and for never saying no when we ask for their help.

## *From the desk of our Museum Archivist*

The following is excerpted from [The Soul Would Have No Rainbow If the Eyes Had No Tears](#), by Guy A. Zona, New York: Simon & Schuster, Inc., 1994.

### Proverbs


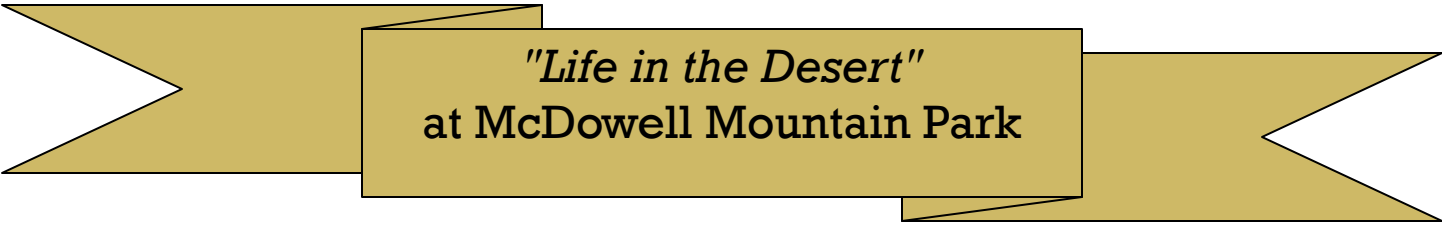
Proverbs are the time-honored truths which condense the collected wisdom and experience of a people and their culture. If you want to know a people, the saying goes, know their proverbs.

"Don't walk behind me; I may not lead. Don't walk in front of me; I may not follow. Walk beside me that we may be as one." Ute, p. 57

"The more you ask how far you have to go, the longer your journey seems." Seneca, p. 59

"You must live your life from beginning to end; no one else can do it for you." Hopi, p. 64

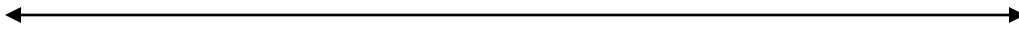
"Don't let yesterday use up too much of today." Cherokee, p. 64

## *"Life in the Desert"* at McDowell Mountain Park

We have been asked to set up a display at the Trailhead Staging Area of McDowell Mountain Regional Park on October 29 from 9 am to 3 pm as part of the **"Life in the Desert"** event. We will have a display featuring our exhibits at the River of Time Museum and will sell copies of the Fountain Hills history book entitled **Rising Above the Rest . . . The Story of Fountain Hills** by L. Alan Cruikshank, Jerry Miles and Jean Linzer. All of the editors will be at this event through the noon hour to autograph copies of the book and answer any questions people might have.

Please plan on coming out for this event. The fair will be conducting educational presentations on desert flora and fauna, proper preparation for hiking in the desert, landscape photography techniques and desert safety and emergency procedures. Guided hikes, chaperoned mountain bike rides, horseback riding and helicopter rides are also planned. It should be a delightful day in the beautiful Sonoran desert.



## *BUSINESS SHOWCASE*

The River of Time Museum will have a booth at the Business Showcase this year. Come visit us on Wednesday, October 26, from 3-7 pm. We will have copies of the Fountain Hills history book, **"Rising Above the Rest,"** available for sale as well as information about happenings at the River of Time Museum and some interesting displays. All this will take place at the Community Center.



## Special Events

Don't forget the River of Time Museum  
when you need to host that  
special event!

The River of Time Museum is a great place to hold special events, especially now that we have a shaded patio area. Rates are reasonable and the atmosphere is unique. Check with Judy Confer at 480-734-7342 for more information.

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# Cookbook Project

## *River of Time Museum Seeks Your Favorite Recipes for A New Cookbook!*

The L. Alan Cruikshank River of Time Museum  
is producing a fabulous cookbook  
comprised of recipe favorites submitted by area residents!

The book will carry the intriguing title  
***Flavors From the Lower Verde River Valley***

It will contain sections for ~~

Appetizers & Beverages

This & That

Soups & Salads

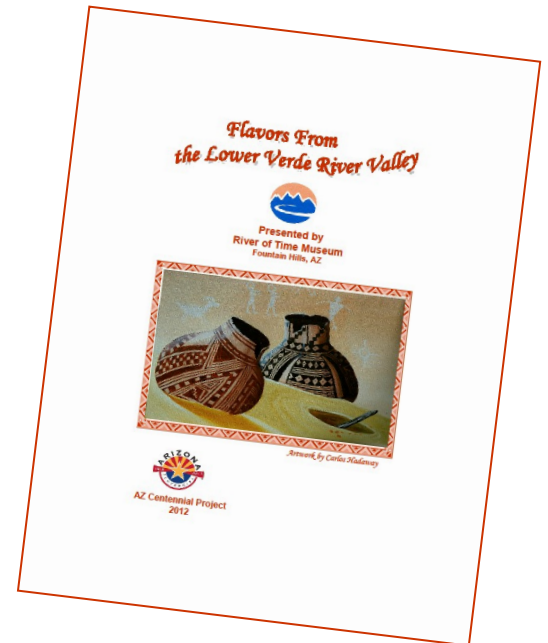
Vegetables & Side Dishes

Cookies & Candy

Main Dishes

Breads & Rolls

Desserts



Have a holiday recipe you would like to share? The deadline has been extended, but time is running short for the submission of recipes for ***Flavors From the Lower Verde River Valley*** cookbook. E-mail your recipes to [cookbook@riveroftimemuseum.org](mailto:cookbook@riveroftimemuseum.org) or download the form from the website [www.riveroftimemuseum.org](http://www.riveroftimemuseum.org) or mail to: Cookbook, PO Box 17445, Fountain Hills, AZ 85269-7445.

There also will be a drawing from all who sent in recipes for a free cookbook when it is published!

Proceeds from the sale of the cookbook will help benefit the many new programs being created by our non-profit River of Time Museum.

Several stores in Town may also have them. Be sure to get enough for your friends and neighbors!

~ ~ Anne Wicklund, Chairperson

## ~ ~ ~ CLASSIFIED ADS ~ ~ ~

### *ITEMS WANTED*

- ⇒ **Push cart** that can be easily moved to different locations to sell items at different events such as cookies, River Bank Store items, etc.

### *HELP WANTED*

- ⇒ **People with a curiosity about our region who like to tell stories.** No experience required; training provided. Pay is the reward received from the expressions of gratitude displayed by visitors. Enjoyable working companions, good hours, and flexible scheduling available. Apply to Barbara Wyman, 837-9686.
- ⇒ **Exhibit Chair.** Have a flair for design? Want to express your creativity? The Pattea Gallery at the River of Time Museum needs an imaginative, resourceful individual to create temporary exhibits in our traveling exhibit room. Pay is the satisfaction received from hearing the sounds of delight and amazement emanating from visitors to the museum. Apply to Judy Confer, 734-7342.
- ⇒ **Summer Activities Director.** Like to teach and/or show children how to make things and learn? We're looking for a dedicated individual to plan some summer sessions for children. These can be hands on or story telling. It can be one session or several. Classes may be held in the River of Time Museum or on its patio. Flexible schedule, hours and requirements. Apply to Judy Confer, 734-7342.
- ⇒ **Historian.** If you like scrapbooking—this is for you. We need someone to put in order and keep order of all of our events, news articles, photos.



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