

# Grand Canyon Historical Society, Inc.

To develop and promote appreciation, understanding and education of the earlier history of the inhabitants and important events of the Grand Canyon and surrounding area.

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### 2007 Outings

**July 21 – Annual Jacob Lake Campout.** Spend a day and a night in the North Kaibab Forest with fellow Canyon adventurers. John Azar is planning a historical tour of the Jacob Lake area and will be showing the film “River Runners of the Grand Canyon”. The evening meal will be a Dutch oven cookout and other goodies that participants bring to share.

**RSVP to John Azar** at tontowalk2003@yahoo.com.

**August – Community Service Project.** There will be no community service project for 2007. We need a committee to organize it for future years. Anyone interested?

**September 15-16 – Toroweap Geology Campout.** George Billingsley is planning a geological show and tell in this interesting, remote area. A more detailed description can be found later in this newsletter

**October 13 – Annual Board Meeting.** Flagstaff Public Library meeting room, 10:15 AM. *Note change of date.*

**November – suggestions welcome**

**December – no outing**

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### Welcome New Members

David K. Barnes	Hebron, KY
George & Pauline Childs	Salt Lake City, UT
Eric Deitemeyer	Pagosa Springs, CO
Susie Garretson	Flagstaff, AZ
Susan & Michael Golightly	Flagstaff, AZ
Peter Huntoon	Boulder City, NV
Virginia Martin	Grand Canyon, AZ
John R. Rockwell	OWINGS, MD
Jim & Arleen Seybert	Mount Hermon, CA
Scott Thybony	Flagstaff, AZ
Don Whitter	Scottsdale, AZ
Marjorie Woodruff	Grand Canyon, AZ

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### A Great Day for Annual Picnic

On June 9th, members of the Grand Canyon Historical Society gathered at Shoshone Point on the South Rim for the Society's annual picnic. The picnic was a success with no bugs, smoke, or wind. The sky was clear.

George Billingsley proudly announced the **2007** recipient of the **GRAND CANYON HISTORICAL SOCIETY PIONEER AWARD - Mike Quinn**. The plaque read:

Presented with appreciation to

Mike Quinn

For his expertise in digitizing, accessing, and archiving Grand Canyon historical photographs from local collections and other sources around the country for the permanent collections at Grand Canyon National Park;

for serving as a photo archivist at Grand Canyon National Park to help answer researcher's questions on cultural subjects or persons through digital historical photos;

for his assistance in documenting the historical changes at Grand Canyon Village, Tusayan, Phantom Ranch, Desert View, and the North Rim as well as trails, archaeological sites, and flash floods;

for maintaining the Grand Canyon National Park website, answering emails, and providing additional research resources; and

for his personal contributions to the cultural history of Grand Canyon municipalities through videos such as “Tusayan Forever,” Fred Harvey training films, 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations and other local cultural celebrations at Grand Canyon.

Granted this 9th day of June, 2007  
Shoshone Point, Grand Canyon National Park  
GRAND CANYON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## Board Elections – 2007

The GCHS Board of Directors continues to build and guide the organization. The strengths of the organization are worth repeating: monthly outings; community service projects; *The Bulletin* (monthly newsletter); *The Ol' Pioneer* (quarterly magazine); the Pioneer Award; scholarship of \$1,000 to a student at NAU doing research on Colorado Plateau issues; collection of historical and significant documents to be housed at NAU's Cline Library Special Collections; and organizing the next Grand Canyon History Symposium.

Do you love the Grand Canyon? Do you think the Historical Society is a worthwhile organization? During the next year, which will have 8,760 hours, do you think you can find a few hours, say 6 to 8 hours, to devote to the Grand Canyon? If the answer is yes to any or all of these questions, then you are an excellent candidate for the Board of Directors of GCHS.

Are you thinking, "No way"? Why? If you are a new member of the Grand Canyon Historical Society - wonderful! The board is always in need of fresh ideas and new perspectives. If you are a very busy person - great! As the "old saw" goes, give the job to the busiest person and they will get it done. If you're thinking "I have been there and done that for years" - fabulous! Your experience is invaluable.

**Don't hesitate to nominate yourself or others** (with their permission) to the board. Call or write Todd Berger for more information or to submit your nomination. Please submit your nomination by **August 20, 2007**.

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## Toroweap Geology Campout September 15 & 16

Friends and family are welcome along on this geological show and tell by George Billingsley. This is a car camping trip. You will need a vehicle with good tires and fairly decent clearance. Most cars should do ok as the roads are well traveled. Bring your own camping gear, food, plenty of water, stove, fold up chairs, tents, etc. We will be in the outback country of the Arizona Strip 60 miles from the nearest highway. Be sure to have a good spare tire, check air pressure. Not suitable for large RV's. Cell phones do not work on the Arizona Strip. **COME AT YOUR OWN RISK AND EXPENSE**

**Friday 9/14:** Plan to stay at a motel of your choice in Kanab, UT or Fredonia, AZ, or camp out nearby. Be sure to fuel up for the trip. It's about 160 to 175 miles round trip at most.

**Saturday 9/15:** Meet in Fredonia by 10:00 AM Arizona time (MST) at the North Kaibab Ranger District parking area (430 S. Main) located on the SW side of Highway 89A near the junction with Highway 389. We will travel as a convoy west of Fredonia on Highway 389 about 14 miles to the Toroweap turnoff where we begin the dirt road travel.

Follow the dust across the Arizona Strip. We will make a short geology stop or two on our way to Toroweap Overlook and have lunch. We will spend most of the day walking around the overlook area discussing geology. It could be hot, 95 to 110 F. You will need hat, sunglasses, chapstick, sunscreen, and water. Late afternoon, we will drive back up Toroweap Valley to Mt. Trumbull and camp in the pines near Nixon Spring. No facilities. Elevation is about 7,000 ft.

**Sunday 9/16:** We will carpool 6 miles to the top of Mt. Logan and hike the last bit to overlook the Arizona Strip and Whitmore Canyon area and discuss geology. We'll then head back down the mountain to stop at Little Springs Volcano and hike about a half-mile into the volcano. Then we'll do lunch and head home.

**Hope to see you there!**

**RSVP to George Billingsley** 928-526-3610  
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## Is there a 3rd Grand Canyon History Symposium in GCHS's Future?

At the October 13, 2007 GCHS Board Meeting an Agenda item will be a discussion on a 3rd Grand Canyon History Symposium. The 2007 Symposium was well-attended (280 registrations - paid and complimentary), and had outstanding presenters (about 40), interesting speakers at the luncheons and banquets (8 speakers), more than adequate accommodations for lodging and meals, and an auditorium and room for presentations.

Please attend the October 13, 2007 GCHS Board Meeting and voice your opinion about a future Symposium. A suggestion – prepare for the discussion by going to the web site and reading the “feedback” from the 2007 Symposium.

## Submit Your Stories for Ol' Pioneer

Mary Williams will be the new editor for the Ol' Pioneer, our quarterly magazine containing stories of old time happenings at Grand Canyon written by members giving tales of Grand Canyon never found in history books. Help make this an outstanding publication by submitting your stories to Mary at:  
Mary Williams

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***Outings/Programs:*** If you have a suggestion for a future outing/program or a question about an upcoming event, contact the **2007 Outings Coordinator** at [Outings@GrandCanyonHistory.org](mailto:Outings@GrandCanyonHistory.org).

***The Bulletin*** welcomes comments, stories, or reflections and remembrances.  
Please send them to: [Pioneers@GrandCanyonHistory.org](mailto:Pioneers@GrandCanyonHistory.org).