

# Grand Canyon Historical Society

Promoting the study and preservation of Grand Canyon cultural and natural history



## The Bulletin

### 2017 Outings

#### **June 9-10 Kanabownitz Cabin, N. Rim Stewardship Project**



Kanabownitz Cabin Protected for Fire

#### **Date Pending: Grandview Entrance Cabin Stewardship Project**

#### **June - August: Monitor N. Rim Archaeology Sites for Bison Impact**

*See article in this issue for more details on the above outings.*

Contact Ellen Brennan for more details or to sign-up for the above outings: [ellen\\_brennan@nps.gov](mailto:ellen_brennan@nps.gov)

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**Saturday, July 8th Noon to 4pm  
Annual Picnic at Shoshone Point**  
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### Service Outings for 2017

Ellen Brennan has assembled an interesting schedule of service outings for GCHS members. Descriptions follow and more details will be available as plans firm up. You can also send questions to Ellen.

#### **Kanabownitz Cabin stewardship project on the North Rim June 9 and 10.**

**Description:** The cabin is located in an area where fire frequently occurs. As a result, the cabin has been covered with fire-resistant fabric many times, resulting in 1000's of staples being punched into the wood of the structure. This simple project would involve removal and disposal of all the staples, and careful evaluation of the condition of the structure to plan future preservation needs for the building.

**June 9** drive to Jacob Lake and meet park staff by 1pm (meet in front of the forest service visitor center next to Jacob Lake Inn). Carpool if necessary and drive to Kanabownitz Cabin. Begin assessment and work. Camp out overnight.

**June 10** finish condition assessment and staple removal. Pack up and return to Jacob Lake. Return home.

Group size limited to 9 Society participants plus two NPS staff to lead work. Each participant is responsible for their personal food and equipment. No alcohol allowed on NPS trips. NPS will provide tools and work equipment. Volunteers will need to complete volunteer packets in order to participate.

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**Coming Soon: Grandview Entrance Cabin Stewardship Project** in association with the Park's Historical Architect and Cultural Program Manager Ellen Brennan. More information to follow when available.

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**Coming Soon: June-August. North Rim Bison Impact on Archaeological Sites.** Join Grand Canyon Archaeologists in conducting bison effects monitoring on archaeological sites on the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. These week-long sessions will take place throughout the summer, with more information as the schedule is confirmed. Limit two volunteers per session, food may be provided. Camping without services.

#### **Phil Payne Leaves Board for New Adventures Brian Blue Steps In**

Board member Phil Payne has resigned from the GCHS Board; he is leaving Grand Canyon headed to Acadia National Park for a new adventure. Brian Blue has agreed to step into Phil's spot. Brian has also agreed to take over as Treasurer, giving Amy Horn a much deserved break. Amy will remain on the board.

Thank you Phil for your contributions. And enormous thanks to Amy for all she's done behind the scenes, especially in helping make the 2016 History Symposium a success. And thank you Brian for agreeing to take on the treasurer's duties.

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**Arizona Railroad Heritage Park Will Soon Break Ground**

GCHS member and Scholarship Chair Al Richmond's dream of a railroad museum will soon become a reality. The *Arizona Railroad Heritage Park* will encompass the Arizona State Railroad Museum and Arizona Northern Railway on its 21-acre family-oriented campus in Williams, Arizona. Thanks to a significant grant by the Kemper & Ethel Marley Foundation the Arizona State Railroad Museum Foundation has secured its 21-acre site for the railroad park in Williams, Arizona. This was a critical element for advancing the project.

In addition to locomotives and a variety of rolling stock...some over 100 years old...interactive exhibits of surveying equipment, railroad, logging and mining artifacts, simulators, a large model layout, toy trains, and signal equipment will educate and entertain young and old alike. Museums can be fun!

For the serious historian and interested visitor, the David F. Myrick Archive will house many collections of historic documents, engineering drawings, photographs, publications, and books. These growing collections currently number in excess of 250,000 items. Opportunities to support the Park and Museum may be tax deductible as the Foundation is a designated nonprofit under IRS Code 501(c)(3). Donations of historic items related to railroads, mining, logging, ranching, and other aspects of Arizona's railroad legacy are always welcome.

For additional information visit the Arizona State Railroad Museum Foundation web site at:

<http://www.azstatermuseum.org/Home>

**Submit Your Stories for *Ol' Pioneer***

The *Ol' Pioneer* is the Society's magazine featuring stories, photos, and letters of historical relevance to the Grand Canyon. Submit your stories, photos, etc to the editor, Mary Williams. Deadlines are: January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1.

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