## **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 Canvon and surrounding area.

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## 2010 Outings

March 26-27 *Grand Canyon River Guides, Guide Training Seminar (GTS) land session* at Hatch River Expeditions warehouse, Marble Canyon, AZ. Sponsored by Grand Canyon River Guides.

Registration is \$40/person.

Bring: a small camp chair, a mug, dress warmly and in layers. Dinner will be available on Friday the 25th for anyone who arrives early. For more details, go to:

http://www.gcrg.org/guide\_resources\_gts.php

July 16 Annual Picnic at Shoshone Point. Details to come.

January 26-29, 2012 GRAND CANYON HISTORY SYMPOSIUM III

Please check our web site for outings updates: http://www.grandcanyonhistory.org/

## Call for Outings!

If you have an outings idea and/or would like to organize an outing, please contact John Azar, **TontoWalk@gmail.com** 

## **Kirstin Heins Injured in Car Accident**

In December, board member Kirsten Heins and her husband Matheiu Brown were in a serious car accident in Oregon. Kirstin suffered significant injuries and had to undergo several operations. Mathieu's injuries were less serious; he had some broken bones but was released from the hospital, while Kirstin remained in the ICU. In early January, Kirstin was released from the ICU to the trauma recovery unit. The last report we received was that she was recovering well and hoped to return home soon. All her friends with the Grand Canyon Historical Society wish for Kirstin's speedy recovery!

A benefit fund has been set up at US Bank in the name of "Kirstin Heins Benefit". You should be able to contribute via any US Bank (the fund was established in Oregon).

#### Cards can be mailed to her at:

c/o Liesl McLean 3421 Watermark Dr Springfield, OR 97477

#### GCHS Scholarship

**WHAT:** A \$1000.00 scholarship for support of research involving history, historic or environmental preservation in the Grand Canyon region.

**WHO:** Any Arizona university graduate student doing work in the above fields of research is eligible.

WHEN: Applications are due by March 4, 2011. The \$1000 award will be made by the Society in April 2011.

#### **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS**

 Any work that results in original research concerning historical individuals, events, sites, organizations, businesses or environmental issues in the Grand Canyon region.

 Any work that results in original research that supports or leads to historical preservation of any historical site, photographs, documents, or diaries with origins in the Grand Canyon region.

**WHERE:** For full details/requirements contact Al Richmond at <u>alrichmond@npgcable.com</u> or 928 606-2781.

Submit applications to: <a href="mailto:alrichmond@npgcable.com">alrichmond@npgcable.com</a> or

GCHS Scholarship Committee c/o Al Richmond 50 Adobe Circle Sedona, AZ 86351

## **Historic Boats Launch from Lees Ferry**

"On February 1, 2011, 16 folks will head downriver from Lee's Ferry on a self-guided river trip, just like Mortenson, Reilly, Fulmer and Litton had done in the 1950s. We'll be documenting the changes we see not only in the river environment, but in the very nature of river running itself. We'll have 5 rubber rafts, coolers with food packed in ice, we'll pack out our own human waste, and we'll have waited years for a permit to do so. Reilly and Fulmer's trip in 1955 was the first year Grand Canyon National Park asked river runners to have a permit. In 1955, there was no waiting, no waiting list, no allocation, no fees and no lottery." (Tom Martin, 1/27/11 Grand Canyon History Yahoo! e-group posting)

On January 31st, the night before the river launch, fifty-two people attended the "Eat Hearty Before We Die" dinner hosted by Dave Mortenson and Tom Martin. The private banquet was held at the Marble Canyon Lodge, not far from the boat ramp at Lees Ferry. The dinner was great and the presentation by Mortenson, Martin, and Ian Elliot was wonderful. They told the story of the replication of the three colorful boats from the fifties and the men and women that ran the river yearly in those days. They would meet in June because they liked the high water levels that existed before the dam was constructed. A flow of 50,000 cfs was considered a minimum level for the river run. Some years it would be more than 100.000!

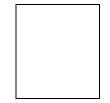
GCHS members in attendance were: Amy Horn, Gus and Sandra Scott, Dan and Diane Cassidy, Dave Mortenson, Tom Martin and Hazel Clark, John Azar, Bill Driscoll, Mr. And Mrs. Richard Turner, Bill Bishop, Dave Monet, Mike Coltrin, and others. A good time was had by all.

The next morning on February 1<sup>st</sup>, the intrepid boaters set forth downriver for a historic journey to Pearce Ferry. You can follow their progress online at: <a href="http://hbaf.info/">http://hbaf.info/</a>

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## **GCA Community Lecture Series**

The Grand Canyon Association has several upcoming lectures of interest. A complete listing with details is at: <a href="http://www.grandcanyon.org/events">http://www.grandcanyon.org/events</a> calendar.asp?category=lecture

Paul Hirt A Surprisingly Short History of Deep Time at the Grand Canyon. Sun, February 13th, 2pm Prescott Public Library. Thurs, Feb 24th, 7pm NAU Cline Library, Flagstaff.

Martha Hahn, Chief, Science and Resource Management Cattalo Gone Wild? Challenges and Opportunities in Management on the North Rim. Thurs, March 3rd, 7pm NAU Cline Library, Flagstaff.

Richard Quartaroli *The Grand Canyon Rose: The Canyon's First Botanist, Rose Collom.* Sun, March13th, 2pm Prescott Public Library.

Thurs, April 21, 7pm NAU Cline Library, Flagstaff

Seth Muller Walking the Canyon Highway: The Story of the Corridor Trails of Grand Canyon. Thurs, March 24, 7pm NAU Cline Library, Flagstaff.

Sunday, April 10, 2pm, Prescott Public Library

## **GCA Lectures Now Online**

If you missed one, live too far away to attend, or want to review a past Grand Canyon Association Lecture, you can now view the archive online at:

http://grandcanyon.org/events lectureseries videoarchive.asp

### Seeking Update on Fern Adkins Townsend

If anyone has a status update on Fern Adkins Townsend of Black Canyon City, please contact Rosaline Turnbull at <a href="mailto:TurnbullRJ@aol.com">TurnbullRJ@aol.com</a>.

## **Nominations Accepted for Pioneer Award**

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2011 Grand Canyon Historical Society Pioneer Award. The Society wants to honor an individual who has made a significant contribution or contributions to the understanding of and knowledge about the Grand Canyon of the Colorado River in areas such as the natural sciences, photography, river running, backcountry hiking, history, administration, art, etc. - any area that advances the knowledge of the Grand Canyon.

Previous recipients of the Pioneer Award: Brad Dimock, 2009; Lee Albertson, 2008; Mike Quinn, 2007; Al Richmond, 2006; Mike Anderson, 2005; Gary Ladd, 2004; George Billingsley, 2003; Bill Suran, 2002; George Steck, 1999; Gale Burak, 1998; and Harvey Butchart, 1997. There was no award in 2010.

To make a nomination, submit the individual's name and their accomplishments and/or contributions that have advanced our knowledge of the Grand Canyon, by **April 15, 2011 to:** 

Amy Horn 2885 W Noria St Flagstaff, AZ 86001

#### 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 at:

Mary Williams 4880 Weatherford Rd Flagstaff, AZ 86001 Phone: 928-779-3377

mary@marywilliamsdesign.com

Outings/Programs: If you have a suggestion for a future outing/program or a question about an upcoming event, contact the Outings Coordinator at TontoWalk@gmail.com.

**The Bulletin** welcomes comments, stories, or reflections and remembrances. Please send them to: kgreig@yahoo.com