## 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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## 2011 Outings

#### Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 9am to noon, Annual Board

*Meeting.* East Flagstaff Public Library Community Meeting Room, 3000 N. Fourth Street, (near the junction with Cedar Ave).

#### January 26-29, 2012 GRAND CANYON HISTORY

**SYMPOSIUM III** Registration begins October 15, 2011.

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

## 2012 History Symposium

The final program for the Third History Symposium is nearing completion! To spark your interest, here is a sample of presentations:

- Time Walkers: Four Decades Of Archaeological Research Along The Corridor Trails Of The Grand Canyon by Jim H. Collette and Charles Webber
- Falling Into the Canyon: The 1944 Airmen's Surprise Visit to the Grand Canyon by Roy Webb
- Glen Canyon Dam Construction 1963 & Reconstruction 1983 by Gary Ladd
- Getting History Right: The Ives Expedition of 1857-58 by Jerry Snow
- The View from the Top: How Stephen Mather and the National Park Service Took Over Management of the Grand Canyon by Cathryn Dippo
- **Peggy Verkamp: A Canyon Life Well-Lived** by Susie Verkamp
- Gunnar Widforss The Artist and the Myths by Alan Petersen
- Otis "Dock" Marston: Dean of Colorado River Historians and Fastwater Boatmen by Richard Quartaroli
- Zane Grey on the North Rim by Alan Pratt
- The Creation of "In the House of Stone and Light: A Human History of the Grand Canyon" by J. Donald Hughes
- Audacity, Logistics, and Skill: The 1960 Jet Boat Trip in Grand Canyon by Phil Smith & Buzz Belknap
- Pioneer Trails "to" Grand Canyon by Dick Brown
- Conquering Grand Canyon's Everest: Hiking the Canyon's Length Below the Rim by Tom Myers
- **Exploring the John Hance Toll Road** by Doug Nering

- Harvey Girls at the Grand Canyon by Pam Knight Stevenson
- **Phantom Ranch: A Junction and a Crucible** by Bob Audretsch

#### Dinner Speakers:

- Friday Banquet Keynote: Geologists by Wayne Ranney
- Saturday Banquet Special Speaker: Bruce Babbitt Why Grand Canyon History
- Saturday Banquet Keynote: Boats, Boatmen, and Techniques of the Colorado River: A Meditation on the Kolb Expedition Centennial by Brad Dimock

Online registration begins **October 15<sup>th</sup>** For more information visit: <u>http://www.grandcanyonhistory.org/symposium.html</u>

## **Elect Your Board**

Each year, the Grand Canyon Historical Society elects new board members to serve a three year term. Board members help guide the organization, coordinate events and serve as officers.

Please read the biographies of the nominees listed below and select FOUR to serve on the board. You may also submit write-in candidates. Either mail the enclosed ballot, or email your vote to GCHS Secretary Tom Martin tomhazel@grand-canyon.az.us no later than Monday, October 24.

#### John Azar

John Azar is the current vice president of the Grand Canyon Historical Society and is running for a second term. John began hiking Grand Canyon in 1985 and became interested in its history soon thereafter. After corresponding with Harvey Butchart for information regarding Canyon events, Harvey suggested John join the Grand Canyon Pioneer Society (now GCHS). He did so and has been involved with the Society since that time. In addition to being current vice president, John is the GCHS Events Coordinator. He has also hosted outings at Jacob Lake and Marble Canyon over the years. John presented at the first two history symposia and was on the organizing committee for both events. This year John received the Pioneer Award for his contributions to Grand Canyon history and to GCHS.

#### Erik Berg

Erik Berg is the current president of the Grand Canyon Historical Society and is running for a second term on the

board. Erik grew up in Flagstaff where he made his first trip to Phantom Ranch at age 12 and has been an avid canyon hiker and visitor ever since. Although he currently works in Phoenix as a software engineer, Erik has had a long passion for southwestern history with a special focus on items related to the Grand Canyon and northern Arizona. He has published several award-winning articles for the *Journal of Arizona History, Arizona Highways*, and *Canyon Views*. His research on the 1937 Carnegie-CalTech Grand Canyon expedition was presented at the 2007 Grand Canyon History Symposium and published in the *Journal of Arizona History*.

Erik was elected to the board of the GCHS in 2008 and served first as the society's Vice President where he organized several presentations as well as a field trip to the historic Red Butte airfield. Erik has served as President for the past three years and has been actively involved in planning and preparations for the 2012 symposium.

#### **Kathy Farretta**

Kathy is fascinated by the way people interact with the world around them. She states: "The cultural and physical landscapes around us influence our lives, thoughts, and ideas. The Grand Canyon is a powerful landscape which draws people to it for reasons as simple as a desire to see what people are talking about, to something as complicated as someone attempting to make a living from attracting people to see it. In this way the Grand Canyon creates an endless variety of human experiences and stories. I admire and appreciate the way the Grand Canyon Historical Society strives to preserve and document these stories as well as the built environment and archival materials."

Kathy is the Education Program Manager at the Museum of Northern Arizona. She coordinates exhibits, schedules public programming, manages docents and volunteers, schedules museum tours and leads the annual Docent Training Program. She joined the MNA staff in June 2010, and was previously the Assistant Park Manager at Riordan Mansion State Historic Park. In December of 2004 she received her Master's Degree in History from Northern Arizona University. Her thesis topic was "Progressive-Era Community Builders: The Riordan Brothers of Flagstaff, Arizona Territory, 1884-1904." A 2006 graduate of the Flagstaff Leadership Program, Ms. Farretta is active in her community. She serves on the Board of the Flagstaff Festival of Science, and is a member of the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame Selection Committee. From 2002-2003 she served as Secretary for the Board of the Museum Association of Arizona, and has volunteered locally at Sun Sounds for 10 years. When she is not educating, you will find her hiking, or curled up with a good book.

#### Wayne Ranney

Wayne has been closely associated with the Grand Canyon since 1975 when he began working as a backcountry ranger within the canyon. He attended Northern Arizona University where he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in geology. He worked as a river guide in the canyon during his years of formal training. Today he continues to work as a free-lance geologist, leading people of various backgrounds on river trips and backpacks in the canyon. He is a popular trail guide with the Grand Canyon Field Institute. His latest book is *Ancient Landscapes of the Colorado Plateau*, co-written with one of his former geology professors at NAU. Other books by Wayne include *Carving Grand Canyon*, and *Sedona Through Time*. Wayne lives in Flagstaff with his wife Helen.

Wayne wants to help GCHS grow its membership, contribute articles to the Ol' Pioneer and Bulletin, and perhaps begin a project to collect video recordings of colleagues and contemporaries about their experiences in the canyon from 1970 onward. He believes that the potential for new members is great and that as the "60s generation" comes of age, that new and exciting possibilities for Grand Canyon history are on the horizon.

#### Current Board Members and Officers

ELECTED in 2010 – Term: 2011, 2012, 2013
• Ellen Brennan
• Keith Green
• Amy Horn*
Tom Martin
<u>ELECTED in 2009 – Term: 2010, 2011, 2012</u>
<ul> <li>Howard Asaki</li> </ul>
Karen Greig
Mona McCroskey
Carol Naille
Paul Schnur *
ELECTED in 2008 – Term: 2009, 2010, 2011- Outgoing 11/2011
• John Azar
• Erik Berg
Jackie Brown
Kirstin Heins
Adair Peterson
* Currently serving a second consecutive term. [Board members are
eligible to serve two (2) consecutive terms and will not again be eligible
for election until one year has passed from their last term of office. (By
Laws, Article IV.1)]
CURRENT OFFICERS
President: Erik Berg
Vice President: John Azar

Vice President: John Azar Treasurer: Keith Green Secretary: Tom Martin Hall of Fame Award & Scholarship Chair: Al Richmond Pioneer Award Chair: Amy Horn Outings Coordinator: John Azar Membership Committee Chair: Paul Schnur

Please complete and return the inserted ballot, or email your vote to <u>tomhazel@grand-canyon.az.us</u> by October 24<sup>th</sup>

## Richard Quartaroli Retires From NAU Special Collections

River runner and research librarian Richard Quartaroli retired from NAU's Cline Library Special Collections & Archives this past June. A detailed article outlining Richard's career can be found in the May 16, 2011 issue of the *Arizona Daily Sun*:

http://azdailysun.com/news/local/nau-s-librarian-riverrunner-set-to-retire/article\_b0ea32f7-2b0f-590b-b208-1b4a6ae77fde.html

Grand Canyon historians owe a special thanks to Richard for his tireless assistance with locating obscure information and documents.

Richard will be focusing on rivers, research, and writing, and has already devoted many hours to assisting GCHS in reviewing the presentation proposals for the upcoming History Symposium.

Enjoy a well-earned retirement Richard!

## **GCA** Community Lecture Series

The Grand Canyon Association has several upcoming lectures of interest. A complete listing with details is at: http://www.grandcanyon.org/events lectureseries.asp

Windy Bunn Managing Fire to Restore and Maintain Grand Canyon's Forests

Thurs Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 7pm NAU Cline Library, Flagstaff.

#### Tom Myers and Michael Ghiglieri Lessons from Life and Death in Grand Canyon

<u>Sun Oct 9<sup>th</sup> 2pm</u> Prescott Public Library. <u>Thurs Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 7pm</u> NAU Cline Library, Flagstaff.

Tom Bean and Susan Lamb Flagstaff's Wild Canyons

<u>Thurs Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm</u> NAU Cline Library, Flagstaff.

## Susan Lamb *The Ponderosa Forest: So Much More than Trees!*

Sun Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 2pm Prescott Public Library.

## 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

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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 **2011 Outings Coordinator** at **TontoWalk@gmail.com**.

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