## **Grand Canyon Historical Society, Inc.**

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



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## \*\*\*Time to Renew\*\*\*

Membership is on an annual basis with dues payable on the 1st of January. A Membership Renewal Notice was sent out by email on January 9<sup>th</sup>, and is also included with this Bulletin.

Please return it at your earliest convenience. You can also renew and/or donate to the scholarship fund via PayPal using the link at: www.grandcanyonhistory.org/membership.html

## Symposium Proceedings Now Available!

The Proceedings from the 2012 Grand Canyon History Symposium, *A Rendezvous of Grand Canyon Historians*, is now available for purchase. It contains 41 chapters on a multitude of Grand Canyon history topics, many written by GCHS members.

Special thanks to Richard Quartaroli and Hazel Clark for their hard work and patience in editing and designing this publication. And thank you to Grand Canyon Association for their publication and distribution assistance.

Order from the Grand Canyon Association at: <a href="http://www.grandcanyon.org/shop/online-store/rendezvous-grand-canyon-historians">http://www.grandcanyon.org/shop/online-store/rendezvous-grand-canyon-historians</a>

## **Expanded Scholarship & Research Fund**

In November, the GCHS board decided to expand its support of Grand Canyon historical research with the addition of a research grant. This grant will be open to anyone researching Grand Canyon history. It will be designed to support small projects (under \$1,000) such as digitizing a historic photo collection, a scholar's travel to access a collection, or similar research expenses. The board hopes to have a simple application process, but wants the research to result in a product suitable for publication or for inclusion in a museum collection. We will announce specific limits, research parameters, reporting requirements, and application deadlines later this year.

In the meantime, we hope you will contribute to the Scholarship & Research Fund when you renew your membership!

#### **Board Election Results**

GCHS members have elected four new/continuing board members. They are: Lee Albertson, Ellen Brennan (2<sup>nd</sup> term), Tom Martin (2<sup>nd</sup> term), and Frank Romaglia. Congratulations! Board Officers are:

President - Wayne Ranney Vice President - Beth Hickey Secretary - Tom Martin

Treasurer - Erik Berg

Membership - Frank Romaglia

Hall of Fame Award/Research Grants Scholarship - Al Richmond

Pioneer Award Chair - Lee Albertson Oral History Chair - Tom Martin Outings Chair - Erik Berg <u>Continuing board members</u> not previously mentioned are: **Howard Asaki, John Azar, Karen Greig, and Carol Naille**.

And thank you outgoing board members **Keith Green** and **Amy Horn**. You both have contributed to GCHS above and beyond!

### Seeking Nominations for 2014 Pioneer Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2014 Grand Canyon Historical Society Pioneer Award. The Society wants to honor/recognize an individual who has made a *significant contribution* to the *understanding of and knowledge about* the Grand Canyon of the Colorado.

The individual would have made a significant contribution in areas such as the natural sciences, photography, river running, backcountry hiking, history, Park Administration, art, etc. – any area that advances the knowledge of the Grand Canyon.

Past recipients of the Pioneer Award and their knowledge of the Grand Canyon can be found at the following Grand Canyon Historical Society web site:

#### www.grandcanyonhistory.org

When submitting a nomination provide sufficient detail such that a non Grand Canyon enthusiast can judge those nominated:

- Does the individual nominated have a significant understanding of and knowledge about a specific area(s) of interest (see paragraph #2)?
- Is the individual nominated recognized as an "expert"?
- What credentials does the nominee have?

The Pioneer Award is presented to the individual at the Historical Society Annual picnic at the South Rim.

To make a nomination, submit the individual's name, their accomplishments, and/or contributions (submitted as an email attachment or surface mail) by March 1, 2014 to:

Lee Albertson Pioneer Award, Chair 12219 South 71<sup>st</sup> Street Tempe, Arizona 85284 Phone: 480-838-2710

email: lalbertson2@cox.net

## **GCHS Annual Board Meeting Minutes**

The Grand Canyon Historical Society Annual Board Meeting was held Sunday, Nov 17, 2013, 10:30AM to 1:0PM at the home of Lee Murphy Johnson, 1511 N Aztec St Flagstaff, AZ.

Attendees: Lee Albertson, Mike Anderson, Howard Asaki, Erik Berg, Ellen Brennan, Dick Brown, Kathy Farretta, Beth Hickey, Amy Horn, Tom Martin, Carol Naille, Wayne Ranney, Frank Romaglia, and Christian Wright.

10:00 Call to order/accept minutes from previous meeting. Wayne motions approval of July minutes, Tom seconds, motion passes.

Board Election Results - Tom Martin noted all 4 candidates were approved by member vote. They are: Lee Albertson, Ellen Brennan, Tom Martin, Frank Romaglia with terms to run from 2014 to end of 2016. Tom motions and Amy seconds to ratify the election results, motion carries. Discussion of officer positions; Frank Romaglia and Wayne Ranney offer to do Membership communication. Beth offers to review form letter language.

**Treasurer's Report – Membership** 2011: 200, 2012:213, and in 2013: 190 members.

Balance of all accounts 28,387

General Funds: \$10,800 Scholarships: \$4,092 Symposium: \$13,495

Income this year \$5,600 while expenses projected are \$6,247. See written report. Amy notes a Membership coordinator could balance the books by making sure members renew. Estimate for expenses next year is projected to be the same as 2013. Discussion included allowing advertisements in the Old Pioneer. Lee notes this had been discussed in years past and was not undertaken, as it was not considered appropriate. General consensus is to keep the Pioneer ad-free. Wayne encourages Board and members to consider funding ideas. Amy also recommends a separate Symposium account.

#### **Clarification of the Pioneer Award Selection - Lee Albertson**

Lee notes he has little background data on nominations. Lee suggests no change, but wants the Board to be aware of that. Also, how do we recognize runners-up for the Pioneer Award? Beth notes this is not necessary, and Wayne notes we need to move the nominations forward. Amy thinks there should be fresh nominations each year. Wayne suggests the committee go to the nominators and encourage the nominators to nominate their candidates again the next year. Lee thinks this can be done, and reviews how he selects nominations in Jan-March and reviews them with prior winners, sending a recommendation to the Board.

Wayne notes Lee has put together a schedule of organizational events and recommends we keep this handy and review it as the year goes on.

Research grant funding process - Amy Horn The suggestion was to include a Research Grant outside of the Scholarship Fund. Tom suggested, and the Board supported \$250 for digitization of a film. Amy suggests a research fund up to \$2,000 that can be used for small or large projects. This would be in addition to the scholarship. Would need a simple form to be filled out by the applicant. This would need a set budget and be publicized. We may require an article for *Ol' Pioneer* and or a report to the Board by the grant recipient. It could include oral history research. Amy will work with Beth on wording for this. Board members agree to expand Scholarship Fund to include a Research Grant, not to exceed \$2,000 for the 2014 year.

**Website Administration tasks -** Wayne agrees to do this and will contact Diane Cassidy. Kathy will help with this as well. Wayne encourages any Board member to jump in as well.

**2012 Symposium Proceedings publication update** - Wayne notes Beth, Helen, and Richard looked at the pre-publication product and really liked it. We need to determine who gets a complimentary copy. The print run will be 500, and e-copies will be included. Future monographs will have print and e-book

types. How costs will be allocated has yet to be determined, but Wayne and Lulu Santamaria with the Grand Canyon Association will be meeting soon to finalize how sales revenue will be distributed. Tom Martin motions we accept Richard Quartaroli's amended list of complimentary hard and e-copies, Erik Berg seconds, motion carries.

2017 Symposium Preliminary Planning - Review timeline and volunteer requirements. The 2017 Symposium will need to be kicked off in July of 2015. We will need an outstanding banquet speaker or two. That selection should happen now. Payment is \$250 and a room at the ET. Possible speakers were discussed. Beth suggests contacting GCA as they have authors in the hopper and they might be possibilities. Carol recommends a local astronaut. Discussed changing location from Grand Canyon to accommodate more folks. Ellen recommends the GC School bleacher. Problems there are parking and acoustics. Closed circuit TV might take the presentations to the NPS theater. Erik also mentions concurrent presentations would decrease the venue size. Lee also notes we would need a banquet space. Discussion about surveying members to see what they would prefer. It is possible Flagstaff hotels/banquet facilities would provide good rates in the "off season." Shrine seating was 250. Xanterra may have capacity limits both room and food-wise. This would need to be checked into. Discussion also included continuing at the South Rim. Many good reasons are presented to remain at the South Rim. Discussion also includes using the Symposium price point to control applications, and discussion also included moving the Symposium date to 2016, then 2019.

**Revisit/Discuss Strategic Planning initiative** - No comments on Objective 3. Please provide additional comments, as we should start tracking how well we are achieving our goals. Who will be responsible in the coming year to keep us on track and focused?

Other Business - Oral History discussion; may include training.

**Election of Officers** - The following slate of officers for 2014 was drawn up:

President: Wayne Ranney Vice-President: Beth Hickey

Treasurer: Erik Berg (with assist from Amy Horn)

Secretary: Tom Martin
Outings Chair: Ellen Brennan
Membership: Frank Romaglia
Oral History Chair: Tom Martin
Pioneer Award Chair: Lee Albertson

Hall of Fame Award, Research Grants and Scholarship

Chair: Al Richmond

Amy Horn motions to approve the above listed officers and chairs for 2014, Carol Naille seconds, motion carries

Next Meeting: Wayne motions morning of annual picnic, Saturday July 19, be our next Board meeting.

1:00 Adjourn

Submitted by Tom Martin



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# **Membership Renewal**

PayPal option: Renew and/or donate online at: www.grandcanyonhistory.org/membership

**To pay by mail:** Please complete this form and prepare your check for the membership amount and any additional donation you wish to contribute. Mail your check and the application to:

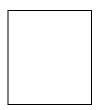
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Note: If you became a new member after July 1, 2013 you are paid through December 2014. Annual dues are payable each January.

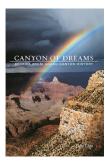
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#### New Book "Canyon of Dreams"



University of Utah Press has just released a new Grand Canyon publication by prolific author and GCHS member, Don Lago. *Canyon of Dreams: Stories from Grand Canyon History* presents fourteen narratives, most previously unknown or known only by a few, ranging from "The Apollo Astronauts Hike to the Moon", to "Roger Miller's Big Adventure", to "British Writers Discover Grand Canyon", and much

more.

You can purchase this directly from University of Utah Press at

http://content.lib.utah.edu/cdm/ref/collection/upcat/id/1898 It is also at Amazon and elsewhere. Don Lago can be contacted at drlago@infomagic.net .

#### **Another Published GCHS Author**

The Northern Arizona Authors Association has published an anthology. Longtime GCHS member Nancy Green has written three short stories for this edition, one of which is about hiking Grand Canyon. For purchase information, contact Nancy at <a href="mailto:kngreen4@msn.com">kngreen4@msn.com</a> or 928-635-1378.

#### 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 Ellen Brennan at ellen brennan@nps.gov

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