
June-August 2017 Newsletter

Oro Valley Historical Society

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Historic Preservation Conference in June

Leaders from across Arizona will meet at the Hilton El Conquistador on June 15-16. Volunteers are needed to help with these events:

June 15 – Workshops at the Hilton

June 16 – Tours and breakfast at Steam Pump Ranch, 6:00-8:30 am.

Contact Jo Di Gennaro at jojo@ovhistory.org if you can help on June 16.

Collections Corner

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Debbie Giese- granddaughter of founders of Russell Ranch School

Nancy Humphry and Paul Andrews

Pat Marshall – granddaughter of founders of Russell Ranch School

Barbara McIntyre – great granddaughter of Geo. and Mathilda Pusch

De Ja Vu Too Antiques

Upcoming Events

June 15

Historic Preservation
Conference at Hilton

June 22

Board Meeting at OV Library,
3:00 – 5:00 pm

August 24

Board Meeting at OV Library,
3:00 pm

Important Announcements

**No Second
Saturdays will be
held until October.
The Society will not
provide tours nor will
it staff a booth at the
Marketplace until
October.**

**The OV Historical
Society Board will
not meet in July.**

Reminder: When offering to donate an item, do not write on it. When approved for acceptance, it will be examined, cataloged and labeled appropriately.

The Society thanks Twink Monrad for designing and sewing the skirting for two jewelry display cabinets in the Pusch House. Her expertise and efforts are very much appreciated!

Help Wanted: We need volunteers who can work with the OVHS Past Perfect program. Contact Sue at schambasian@gmail.com

Annual Dues are Due!

If you were a member before December 31, 2016, your dues for the year are now payable. You can go online at www.ovhistory.org to pay or simply send a check to OVHS at the post box listed at the top of page one of this newsletter. Dues are \$ 20 for individuals or \$30 for a couple. We appreciate your support!

Speakers Planned for Fall

OVHS will again offer speakers at the Oro Valley Library in the fall, starting on Wednesday, October 18 at 2:00 pm with a presentation by John Lacy entitled "Whose Land Is It, Anyway?" Lacy is the former president of the Arizona Historical Society and attorney with DeConcini, McDonald, Yetwin and Lacy. He will focus on disputes over land ownership in territorial southern Arizona and how they affect us today. Other speakers are arranged for December, February and April.

Zellweger Event Planned

The Board approved a fundraiser at the John Zellweger mansion in downtown Tucson on Monday, March 12, 2018 – Please save this date on your calendar!

Who was John Zellweger? He came to America from Switzerland and settled in Tucson about the same time as George Pusch. They became partners in a butcher shop and other businesses, including Steam Pump Ranch.

OVHS Activities

The Building Committee has recommended that the Board focus on work to obtain use of the Garage at Steam Pump Ranch as a permanent home for the Society....The Collections Committee will have a display at the Historical Preservation Conference at the Hilton...OVHS will have an advertisement in the Rancho Vistoso newsletter...Board member Joyce Rychener heads the



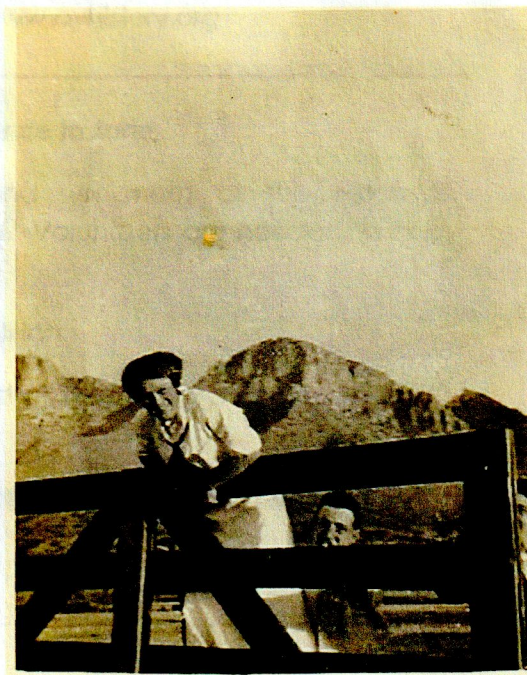
In the Community

UA Humanities Program

This summer, the Humanities Seminars Program will launch its inaugural course in OV. Dr. Peter Medine, Professor Emeritus of English, will present Three by Austen from Aug. 4 to September 1. Go to hsp.arizona.edu for information. The tuition is \$135.

summer education program for children at Steam Pump Ranch. Go to the Oro Valley website for information. Joyce introduced archaeology classes from Basis OV to Steam Pump Ranch this spring.

Keeping Oro Valley History Alive!



Steam Pump Ranch Scene

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