



ORO VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Highlights of 2025 - 2026 Season – 20th Anniversary Year

The mission of the Oro Valley Historical Society is to preserve and share the history of the Greater Oro Valley area through research, education, and community programs.

Preservation, safekeeping and dissemination of our donations and archives

Changing exhibits at Museum and library with research completed by volunteers

Installation of George Pusch panel

Addition of Procter/Leiber family tree in Pusch House Museum

Addition of videos in Pusch House Museum

Volunteers – training on new technology, research

U of A Memory Lab, update technology at Museum, upcoming digitization project

Outreach

Revitalized website

Utilization of MailChimp for communication

Revised newsletter

Weekly updated information to Heirloom Farmers' Market Staff

Initiation of Be Our Ranch Guest program

Visual communication with rack cards, table topper, flag, banner, signs at Ranch

Communication with Magnet Schools

Art State Arizona participation.

Anniversary celebration

Collaboration with other societies

Heritage Garden

Improvements in garden have generated more interest from volunteers, sponsors (Home Depot), and visitors

Invited guests as volunteers - United Way Day of Caring, schools, home school, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts

Replacement of the two heritage garden signs thanks to Pat Spoerl and Pima County

Tours

Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation

Paranormal Society (2)

Kol Ami

State Historical Preservation

Rotary

Naturalist hikes

Speakers' Bureau

7 of the 8 months (no December)

Invitation to Vistoso Casitas

Fundraising

Jim Click

Fry's

Dan Hoffbauer pictures

Donations and grants

Publicity - KGUN 9 to promote 20th anniversary

As needed - YouTube and ExploreOv

Weekly – Parks and Rec and Chamber newsletters, Explorer, NextDoor, ILOVEOV, Tucson Weekly, Arizona Daily Star, Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area, America250az.

Monthly – OV Style, LOVE blog, Lovin' Life

Greater Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce partnership

Installation of interpretive signs thanks to their grant

Attendance at the Chamber annual meeting

Provided facts for the membership guide

Town of Oro Valley partnership

Storage room lease agreement finalized

Attendance at State of the Town meeting

Recognition by Town Council for anniversary

Miscellaneous

Arizona Department of Transportation historical signs installed