The Mission of the Cave Creek Museum is to preserve the artifacts of the prehistory, history, culture and legacy of the Cave Creek/Carefree foothills area through education, research, and interpretive exhibits.

Karrie Porter Brace, Executive Director; Karen Friend, Museum Assistant; Anne Wallace, Development Director; Thomas Brace, Nuggets Editor

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1:00 to 4:30 p.m.
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Thank you to all who attended our Annual Meeting on May 1, 2018. We thanked old friends, welcomed new ones, and presented the Annual Report. Our Volunteer of the Year for 2018 is Rory Alexander. Rory always greets us with a smile. He serves both on the Dream Team and as a Docent. A native Arizonian and avid traveler, Rory has a curiosity about the world that keeps him active. Our 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award went to Stephanie Bradley. Docent, editor, and scholar, Stephanie kept our publications popping and kept us on task to keep our deadlines. We trust you’ve enjoyed our newsletters and other publications and we thank Stephanie for all her work in support of our communications.

We honored outgoing Board President, Ron Roberts. Ron served the museum for many years and we thank him for his dedication and for his leadership.

Please Welcome Our New Board Members!

Frank Tyrol - Owner of Tyrol Insurance Agency in Carefree.
Bob Flach - Retired CFO for the Scottsdale Unified School District.
Kayce Westfall - PhD student in Public History at ASU and Coordinator of our 2nd Sundays program.
Suzanne Johnson - Gnosis Media, publisher of Cowboys Don’t Do Lunch

Marc Peagler - Proprietor, Frontier Town, Cave Creek

Highlights from Annual Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 22 September - SMITHSONIAN MUSEUM DAY
Saturday 29 September - MEMBERS’ PRESEASON RECEPTION
Wednesday 3 October - OPENING DAY!
Saturday 13 October - 1ST STAMP MILL RUN - 2018-2019 SEASON
Sunday 14 October - 2ND SUNDAYS @ CCM
Saturday 10 November - STAMP MILL RUN
Sunday 11 November - 2ND SUNDAYS @ CCM
Tuesday 13 November - 10TH ANNUAL MINERS’ DINNER
Saturday 8 December - STAMP MILL RUN
Sunday 9 December - 2ND SUNDAYS @ CCM

Join us on every second Sunday at 2 p.m. for our family passport series, 2nd Sundays @ CCM. The topics range from cowboys to mining, history to desert animals, and perhaps a western musician, too. We invite families for an afternoon of fun and learning. We kick things off Sunday, October 14 at 2 p.m. for our new 2nd Sundays @ CCM.

See you here!
Meet Our Summer Intern

Twenty-two-year-old Emily Cannell was a summer fixture this year. The Texas Tech senior and History Major started at the Cave Creek Museum by reorganizing our library.

“I love books! History is The Game of Thrones for me. It’s inspired by the War of the Roses, a series of battles fought in England in the 15th century between the House of Lancaster and the House of York. It’s name derives from the rose badges worn on each side, the Lancaster’s, red and the York’s, white. If textbooks were formatted as novels, I think way more people would love history.”

Emily came to the Cave Creek Museum as an intern and loved her time here. She says that CCM allowed her to explore many aspects of how museums work. “I have worked in the archives, researched exhibits, and helped in the library. I don’t think I could have done all that in a bigger museum.”

She spent a significant portion of her summer researching the museum’s tuberculosis cabin, the last remaining in Arizona. “We are preparing documentation to apply for a federal grant,” said Cannell.

Her focus at Texas Tech is ancient history, especially Napoleon and the French Revolution. “The era was fast paced with lots of evolving and devolving ideology. But, if I had to pick another thing, it’s ancient Roman plumbing. They had public baths, aqueducts, pools and sewer system — all in 800 B.C. Meanwhile, more than a thousand years later in England, people were literally tossing their crap out their windows during “The Great Stink.”

An avid reader, Emily is anticipating her next book to be released. “I can’t wait for Winds of Winter! It’s not even released yet.”

Our Dream Team has worked hard as well. Spring and summer saw them landscaping and diligently working on the historic Stamp Mill Tramway from Continental Mountain. Our men erected new timber towers with original hardware, hung a 100-year-old cable, and fabricated or restored the ore buckets. Their plan is to have all operational by fall with a dedication at the annual Miners’ Dinner Tuesday, 13th November, 2018.

This summer we proudly installed the Grace Schoonover Archaeological Library. The family of our local avocational archaeologist, Grace Schoonover, gave the museum her library and archive of Southwestern books, reports, papers, and research. Last year we also received a donation of six bookcases from Diane Bell, enabling the museum’s staff and volunteers to create a space where patrons may learn more about exceptional cultural resources and ancient peoples of the northern Sonoran Desert.

To get an early glimpse of our endeavors, please mark your calendars for our pre-season event, Smithsonian Museum Day, Saturday, September 22, 2018. Along with museums across the nation, Cave Creek Museum will open that afternoon to all visitors free of charge. In keeping with tradition, we will be hosting our annual Members Preview Reception that evening. Watch your mailboxes! Your invitations are coming soon!
**In Memorium:**

**Dennis Driscoll (May), Ed Hunold (May), Kirk Nelson (June), Morris Jackson (August)**

**Our thoughts are with the families of our recently departed friends and family.**

**Dennis Driscoll, 1942-2018**

Dennis, beloved husband of Judy Driscoll, worked as a civil engineer overseeing projects ranging from dams in the U.S. to the Middle East air base for the 1978 Camp David Accords. After retiring, he worked as a freelance computer programmer. Dennis volunteered for the school district and his church. He enjoyed camping, fishing, geo caching spending time with his dog, Bluey.

**Ed Hunold, 1938-2018**

Ed Hunold, husband of deceased Cave Creek Museum collections volunteer Fran Hunold. Ed served in the US Air Force and retired as a commercial airline pilot.

**Kirk Nelson, 1971-2018**

Phoenix resident and brother of CCM historian, Kraig Nelson, Kirk Nelson relocated to Arizona from Markalo, working for many years at the Pointe Hilton at Tapatio Cliffs. He enjoyed international travel, following the Grateful Dead, and sports, especially the Twins, Vikings, and all Minnesota teams.

**Morris Jackson, 1930-2018**

A long time volunteer at the museum. Morris Jackson ended his journey in this life on August 18, at age 88. He touched the lives of hundreds of people, especially the Connells. Charlie and Cathy moved to AZ in December 1981. Within a month or two Charlie met Morris at Palo Verde Nuclear Power Station where they were employed. Since they lived a few blocks from each other they car pooled to work. A friendship developed that lasted for over 36 years. In 1986 Morris got Charlie to join APA, a gold prospecting club. From prospecting he ended up volunteering at the AZ Mining Museum, Cave Creek Museum, and then started re-storing old mining equipment from headframes to stamp mills, crushers, muckers, gyrocrushers, etc. This is how one man’s life touches another, which go on to touch hundreds of people. Some of you may not recognize his name, but you should remember his model stamp mills produced over the years. If it wasn’t for Morris, who developed his hobby of stamp mill model building, Charlie never would have gotten into restoring old mining equipment. Charlie really cared for Morris. And over the last year and a half after Morris fell ill at his home, Charlie visited him a 3-4 times every month to show him videos, slides, and tell stories of what he was doing. This is what a true friendship really is.

In Memoriam: Beverly’s Bits

The old Cave Creek School was on the corner of Cave Creek and Schoolhouse Roads where over sixty students were enrolled. That building was the old one-room schoolhouse originally at New River and Cave Creek Roads. When workers came to build the Horseshoe and Bartlett Dams, suddenly fifty new children came into the district. The old school was moved to Schoolhouse Road and another room was added by George Smith, Cave Creek’s local builder at the time. The school had a little corral for horses that some children had ridden as there were no school bus at the time. When the dams were completed, the workers returned to Phoenix. There was no kindergarten in the school; that was run separately by the Mothers’ Club.

The Mothers’ Club did so much for the children and the Town of Cave Creek—more than any other organization in its history. The Mothers’ Club established the kindergarten, printed telephone books, and did other community activities. The club hired the teacher, rented the hall, bought all the supplies for the students, and put up all the outdoor play equipment, such as the swings. The kindergarten was in Nelson Hall on the grounds of the Good Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church where the Gold Mine Thrift Store now stands. My wonderful children, Rusty and Randi Ann, went to that kindergarten.

When I came to Cave Creek in 1960, the new school had just been built at the Schoolhouse and Cave Creek Road location. It was originally four rooms and a few years later four more rooms were added. We held Campfire Girls and Cub Scout meetings there in addition to classes. When Rusty and Randi Ann were ready for elementary school, they had a nice shiny new building in which to attend. Jim Leathers was the Principal, Mary Ann Davis was the secretary, and Betty Garrison was the school nurse. All of them were wonderful people and competent public servants. A third building, Ventana School, was eventually built on that spot after the two-room school had been taken down. In the 1970’s my children attended Black Mountain Middle School, and later, Paradise Valley High School. Thank Goodness for all the wonderful memories my children and I have of all the fun and learning!
The Grace Schoonover Archeological Library arrived at Cave Creek Museum this summer. Gifted posthumously in 2013, Grace left the her extensive literary legacy of books and reports on the Ancient Southwest. Our thanks also goes especially to donor, Diane Bell, for shelves to house the collection.

Long time Cave Creek residents, the lives of Grace and Paul Schoonover were filled with adventure, according to daughters Ann Rice and Paula Dalton Scully. From her early years, Grace was passionate about Southwest Archaeology, working on digs throughout Arizona and New Mexico including Snaketown, Mesa Grande, Pueblo Grande, Elden Pueblo, and Chaco Canyon. She surveyed and recorded most of the prehistoric and rock art sites in the Desert Foothills. She was a force behind establishing the Spur Cross Ranch Conservation Area, featuring her namesake petroglyph site, Schoonover Rock. Grace eagerly shared her knowledge, taught many classes, and published on the rock art of Table Mesa’s Arrastre Creek sites. She and Paul explored and documented many rock art sites in the caves of Baja California.

Grace’s many affiliations included the Arizona Archaeological Society, Desert Foothills Archaeological Society, and the Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve. Her life’s work was often recognized, including the Foothills Community Foundation’s 2001 Quail Award; Arizona Archeological & Historical Society’s 1986 Victor Stoner Award; the 2004 Arizona Archeological Society Advocacy Award; and the 1991 American Rock Art Research Association’s On The Rocks Award.