



COLORADO RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

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Razorback Sucker

On June 10, 2020 Greg Cummins of the Arizona Game and Fish Department presented the museum with three beautifully mounted fish native to the Colorado River. The donation included the Razorback Sucker (pictured), the Bonytail Chub, and the Humpback Chub. Larry Adams was instrumental in obtaining this great donation on our behalf. The fish have been mounted on the wall near our present display of the 1974 state record Striper Bass. In the near future a mounted six foot Pikeminnow will be added to the collection. All of these fish are on the endangered list and no longer found in the lower Colorado River basin due to the dam system.

Our sincere thanks to Greg Cummins, Larry Adams and the Arizona Game and Fish Department for these wonderful additions to the museum.

VOLUNTEER

The Colorado River Historical Society and Museum is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the history of Bullhead City and the Tri-state areas. We are staffed entirely by volunteers, and we are always looking for a few more reliable volunteers. If you are interested in helping in any way, please give us a call at 928-754-3399 or email us at: crhsmuseum@frontier.com. We would love to have you on our team.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Due to the Covid-19 outbreak and the restrictions placed by the Governor of Arizona, we have chosen to keep the museum closed to the public throughout the summer months for the protection of our volunteers and the general public. We will tentatively reopen sometime in September with some great new displays and exhibits. We will keep you informed as we draw closer to the time we will reopen. We wish you a fun and safe summer. We hope to see you in September!

RECENT DONATIONS

- Dr. Terry Coyle and Rose Jacobs donation of \$100 toward purchase of benches for inside the display area.
- Caryl Detwiler bequeathed her belongings to the museum and we thus far received \$297.00 from a yard sale.
- Dick and Brenda Warnake for purchasing the new bookcases for our reference library.
- Duane Leisle and Pueblo Construction for the stained glass in our main lobby. (More on this next month!)
- Ralf Meithe for the donation of several native rocks and minerals and for helping to ID some of our collection.
- Paul Varner for his donation of a gallon of paint.

What we are looking for is any artifact that is pertinent to our Tri-State area. This includes but is not limited to photographs, family histories, military activity, Davis Dam, Native Americans, steamboats, ranching, fossils, explorers, highways, historical maps, churches and service clubs, businesses, and mining.

Please keep in mind these are the guidelines we use if you choose to donate an artifact in your possession:

- Is it of museum quality?
- Is it pertinent to our area of interest?
- Do we already have as good or a better prime example of the artifact?
- Does the provenance of the artifact or material increase its significance?
- Is the donor the legal owner of said materials?
- Do we have enough volunteers to maintain it, i.e. clean, oil, repair it, and can we provide the correct environmental conditions to preserve the materials?
- Do we have adequate space to store it?
- Do we have adequate space to display it in the foreseeable future?
- We cannot accept an artifact with stipulations on it such as it must be displayed in a particular way or time period.
- We do not accept loans.

THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

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Karole Finkelstein

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OTHER NEWS

Hope everyone had a safe and happy 4th of July! God Bless America!

FORT MOHAVE



This photograph shows Captain Samuel Baldwin Marks Young, 8th Cavalry, who later became Lieutenant-General Young and first Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, his wife Margaret Jane McFadden Young, and daughters Edith and Burton. Behind the captain's chair stands a young Mohave Indian girl, who became part of the Young household at the post.

Young was a Civil War Union Brevet Brigadier General, United States Army General. He had one of the most remarkable American military careers. He began it at the outbreak of the Civil War as a mere Private in the 12th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was later appointed Captain, and rose to Colonel, being brevetted Brigadier General. Commissioned as an officer in the Regular Army after the war, he fought in the Indian conflicts in the West, and became a Major General in the Spanish-American War. He was promoted to Lieutenant General and named the first United States Army Chief of Staff in 1904. (Bio by: Russ Dodge)

The Young's went on to have four daughters, Edith Young Knight (1865), Burton Young Read (1866), Lillian Young Cox (1871), and Marjorie Young Gibbon (1873).

Samuel took a second wife, Anna Dean Young, after Margaret died in 1892.

General Young died in 1924 and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

ARCHIVAL COMMITTEE

Cheryl Mangin – Archivist
Richard Dotson – Asst. Archivist
Carla Lucas – Member
Jim Lucas – Member
Laurie Thompson – Member

ARCHIVAL COMMITTEE ACTIVITY



Rich Dotson has been developing a plan to get the Fort Mohave historical monument moved from the Davis Camp location to the museum, as well as some of our heavier mining equipment. This will entail some ground compaction and heavy equipment. Pallets have been acquired or built to make the move a little easier. We are very excited to have this wonderful piece of history grace the area out in front of the new addition.

Carla Lucas and Laurie Thompson are continuing to work on the inventory of our artifacts, and are making great progress. It is a necessary and tedious job.

Jim Lucas continues to be our go-to guy for running errands, picking up supplies, fielding phone calls, and general maintenance around the properties.

