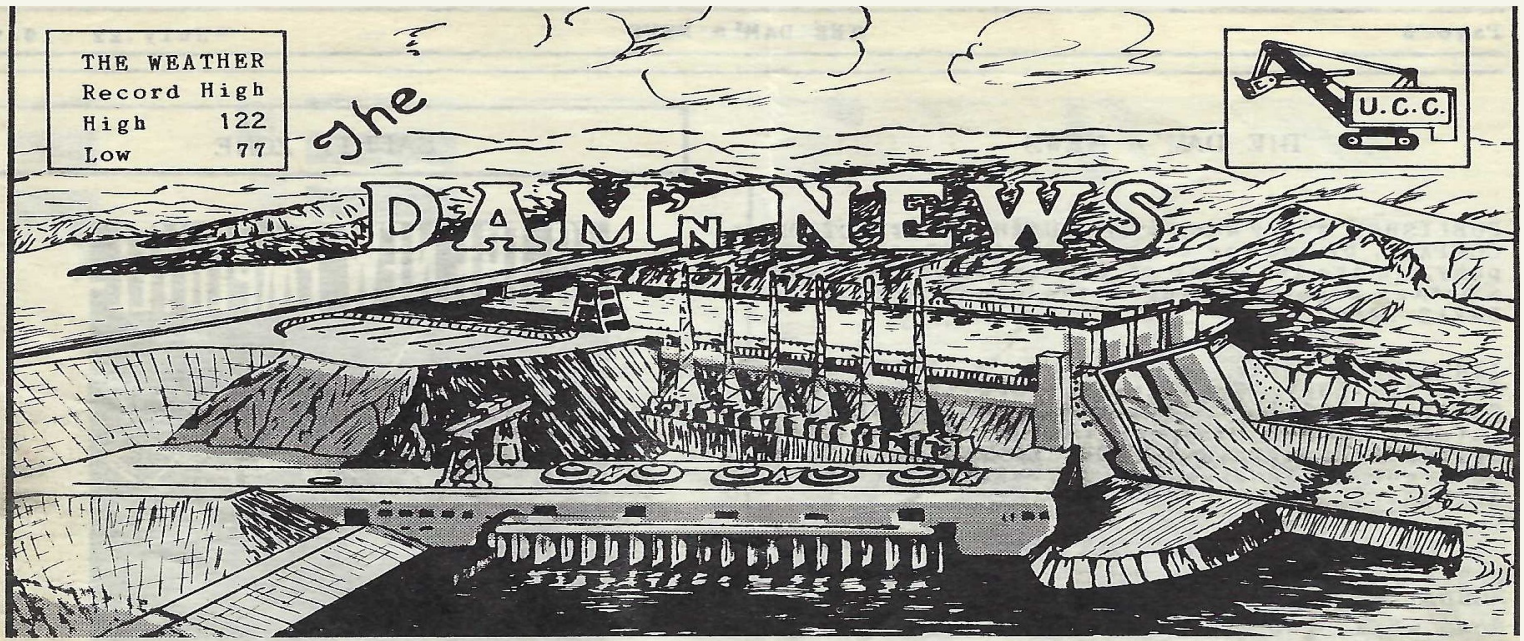


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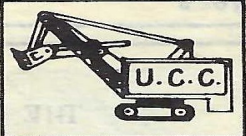


COLORADO RIVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

## Excerpts from the DAM'n News Davis Dam, Nevada



THE WEATHER	
Record High	
High	122
Low	77



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July 22, 1949

### Visitors At The Dam

Mr. H.W Morrison, President Morrison, Knutson company and Mrs. Morrison dropped in on us Friday, July 15. They were accompanied by Mr. Owen Daly. Excavation superintendent at the Boston Dan project.

### Joint installation

At the joint meeting on July 13, the Joshua Wayfarers Club and the Joshua Starlighters Club installed their officers for the ensuing six months. This was the first time these two organizations had held a joint installation and it proved to be a decided success.

Mrs. Dorothy Danahue was installing officer for Starlighters, and Mr. Art Thomas for the Wayfarers.

New officers for the Starlighters are:

- Darren Smith - *President*
- Irene Chipman - *Vice President*
- Barbara Whitford - *Secretary*
- Selma Watson - *Treasurer*
- Lena Garnet - *Chaplin*

New officers for the Wayfarers are:

- Vera Wheatley - *President*
- Albert Olsen - *Vice President*
- Tom Freeland - *Secretary*
- Jeanne Asli - *Treasurer*

Following the installation, there was a program under the direction of Burt Willis Shirley Boyd sang a little ditty to each other new officers words of which were written by Flo Orr.

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Cub scouts Whitney and Smith lead the Pledge of Allegiance, answered historical questions regarding the flag, and recited 'The Flag Is Passing By'. Barbara Graham demonstrated her very able patriot, baton twirling

Georgina Warlock and Joanne or did a very tricky sailor dance.

**Dogs Must Be Licensed**

The animal welfare officer will be at the police headquarters on Sunday, July 24. For the purpose of issuing licenses for all dogs in this area.

After this date all unlicensed dogs must be impounded will be impounded at the county animal shelter in Las Vegas.

License fees are as follows:

- Males \$2
- Spayed females \$2
- Female \$3

Spayed animals will have to be certified by vets certificate.

Be sure the license your dog Sunday July 24 hours are 10am to 2pm. For further information, see chief Litchfield.

**FOR SALE:** Mrs. George Carpenter has a Kenmore hand vacuum for sale if interested call house 412

*Davis Dam Theatre*

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Sat. July 23 Mat. 1:00 P.M. Aite 7x9  
*Johnny Mack Brown Ted Dornaldson*  
*Hidden Rusty Leads*  
*Danger The Way*

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Sun. July 24 Continues from 1:00 P.M.  
*Cat O'Orion Dean Stockwell*  
*Boy With The Brown Hair*  
*also*  
*Lark LaQue Tugay St. John*  
*Son Of A Cadman*

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Mon. July 25 Mat. 1:00 P.M. Aite 7x9  
*Cash Aite Truman Cowen*  
*\$200<sup>03</sup> Johnny Apollo*

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Tue. & Wed. July 26-27  
*Frank Sinatra - Esther Williams - H. Kelly*  
*Take Me Out To The Ball Game*

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Thur. & Fri. July 28-29  
*Ronald Reagan - Patricia Neal*  
*in*  
*John Loves Mary*

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Kid Show - Sat. July 23 - 10:00 A.M.



PLACING CONCRETE SLOPE PAVING ON RADIUS CORNER UPSTREAM FROM INTAKE STRUCTURE

**THE DAM' n NEWS**

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**DAVIS DAM CIRCULATING LIBRARY**

U.S.B.S RECREATION HALL - GOVERNMENT CAMP  
MONDAY 8--9:30pm FRIDAY 8--9:30pm

Now when the mercury is rising every day, is a good time to stay inside and catch up on some of the reading you've been meaning to do. How about some of these popular books now on the "Best Seller" list?

- Pride's Castle by Frank Yerba
- Opus 21 by Philip Wiley
- Prairie Avenue by Arthur Meeker
- The Track Of The Cat by Walter Clark
- The Chain by Paul I. Wellman.

**FANCY VERSE**

**TOOTHACHE**

Did you ever have a toothache when just a little tyke and cried all night while it just ached like sitting on a spike? And when your Ma put on hot salt to take the swelling out, but all it did was make you squirm, complain, and yell and shout.

Today tomorrow, it's all the same--we hunt the dentist chair, and often leave our teeth behind with gums all sore and bare. Why, oh why does Nature play such dirty tricks on us?

Our teeth have always been well fed, they shouldn't start a fuss!

But, so it is, that all through life from babyhood to age we cry and fret because of teeth and go into a rage, whenever teeth start shooting pains and ulcerating jaws. There ought to be some remedy--perhaps through Federal laws.

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**THROUGH THE KEYHOLE**

Frank Walton's nephew Robert Walton from New Jersey arrived by train Sunday to visit until the first of August. At the time, Anna and Frank will take him back to New Jersey where, they will make their home for the while.

That long sour face of on Harry Duty is not from not because he is leaving Davis Dam but from a from all those shots he has been taking in preparation for his take-off for the Persian Gulf with Bechtel International. Good Luck Harry.

St. Petersburg, Florida was the destination of Ann Cook when she left by train last Thursday night from Kingman. She will stay with her sister, Mrs. Francis Doyle.

Barbara Whitford is flying from Las Vegas tonight to attend Cole Porters "Kiss Me Kate" which is being presented at the Philharmonic Auditorium.

Mrs. Arch Jeffreys' sister and niece are visiting from Utah.

Wimpey and Zella Winfrey's daughter, Mrs. Jacqueline Frank and son Johnny are visiting them.

Last week-end Mr. And Mrs. Si Schwairey, spent a few days visiting the Winfreys. When they returned to their home in Denver, Colorado, their daughter, Ruth Waddel who was been there for a month went home with them.

Clara and Golden Jensen, Bob and Gary are due home tomorrow from a two week visit to Gunnison, Utah where they attended Golden's parents Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Don Better celebrated his 18th birthday on July 14, by treating his guests to a wienie roast. A good time was had by all.

Mary Lou Wagner and Mrs. Alex Rankin flew to Ogden, Utah last Sunday. Mary Lou will visit their mother, Mrs. C. J. Humphris.

Just carrying top batting honors should be enough but now *Jim Ayers* is going in for spectacular razzle dazzle as demonstrated by his big league running catch a week-ago Tuesday night. Of course they later hit him with a ball but a champ just can't be slowed down.

Thursday, having reached the grand old age of

7, Chris Braffet gave a combined basement and backyard party to a startling total of 22 kids. Brother Teddy gave a magic show, ice cream and cake disappeared in large quantities, and the party was a great success.

Just as the sun was rising over the mountain Saturday morning, the Barney Rakes left on their vacation. With them was Marilyn Morrow who is going home to El Cerritos after visiting here in camp for the past month. Their first stop will be Carson and Virginia City, then on to Lake Tahoe. From there they will drive to Yosemite National Park and then to Frisco. All this in one week.

**BUREAU DRAWER**

Kathleen Fordham is recovering nicely from a recent tonsillectomy performed in Boulder City. Being reluctant to part so abruptly with part of her anatomy, Kathleen brought her tonsils home in a jar and exhibited them happily for all who cared for a precious peek.

The Waltons' buick is due for a good workout for Gene and Betty plan to drive to Grand Canyon, Bryson and Zion national parks, Durango, Colorado, Raton New Mexico, and Tucumcari while on their vacation.

The Women's swimming classes will continue all through July and August on Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 10am.

Doug Whitney celebrated his birthday Tuesday evening by inviting all the cub scouts to party and the movies.

Industrious Hannah Burke is spending the next five weeks in Flagstaff studying for her Master's Degree.

Linda Wilkins left Saturday for a two week vacation at Camp Arrowhead - a music Camp located and Running Point California.

The George Lyles embarked by train for points east last week. Blanche will visit her son and daughter and friends in Casper, Wyoming. While George goes on to Montana to pick up a bus for the Gov't., then they will both return to camp by bus.

Bert Wilkas and Reva Webb armed with sandwiches to take the edge off their off healthy young appetites met the girl scouts in Las Vegas Thursday and drove them back home. Faithful Tommy Lewis was on hand with a government pickup from to bring back the sleeping bags and luggage

## EVENTS CALENDAR

All events are at the museum unless otherwise stated

**No events are scheduled for July and August**

## WORD PUZZLE

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June 2024 answers: Rose-Baley Massacre

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## PRESIDENTS CORNER

Hi All,

Well here it is July and I hope everyone had a wonderful 4th. I don't think we've seen this kind of heat in a long time and I hope everyone is surviving the heat and taking care with hydration and not too much movement outside. Anyway, you can always come down to the museum on Tuesday to Saturday 10:00 to 2:00 and it's air conditioning and how much fun it would be to be in the museum, . Just note though, if there are no more visitors at the 1:00 hour we do close as it does take almost an hour to go through the museum longer if you want to go watch the movies etc.

If you have any questions concerning the museum please call me at 928-219-2582 or call the museum at 928-754-3399. Other than that, all of our projects are kind of on hold right now as a lot of our members are on vacation out of state or are snowbirds. We have several things coming up and plans for a few programs, but nothing in stone is yet. I'm just hoping that everyone is enjoying their summer and if possible can come to the museum. Also don't forget, now is a good time to renew your membership or if you know anyone that would like to join, please send them our way.

If there's anything that you have to donate I'll have the archival committee check it out and see if it's good for the museum.

Anyway again have a great summer keep in touch and don't forget membership and volunteers are what help keep our museum going.

Sincerely

Karole Finkelstein  
President

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Colorado River Historical Society Museum is seeking volunteers. If you enjoy history and want to learn more about the area, the society needs you. This is a chance to meet area visitors from all over the world and form friendships with a wonderful group of volunteers. Many of our volunteers are part-time residents and retirees. Hours are flexible and duties are as easy or challenging as you would like.

Examples of the types of volunteer we need:

Docent	Handyman
Gardener	Data Entry
Teachers	Marketing
Fundraising & Event Coordinators	



### ***Brittlebush***

***By Dottie Holman***

***Master Gardener Emeritus-Lake Havasu***

Of the many native plants that grow freely here in Lake Havasu City and the surrounding areas, brittlebush (*encelia farinosa*), which is a member of the sunflower family, is probably the most common. Its ability to germinate throughout your yard can make it either a friend or a foe; so, prior to pulling new shoots up, let's look at what this plant can do for you in your landscape.

Brittlebush is a non-poisonous, dense evergreen mounded shrub, growing no more than three feet tall and three feet wide. The leaves are hairy and have a beautiful silver-grey (almost white) color and are lance shaped. The hair acts like a blanket over the leaves to protect them from the heat and cold. The white color reflects the sunlight which helps keep the plant cool and aids in water retention. Between March and May, this plant erupts with bright yellow daisy-like flowers. It loves south and west facing slopes and reflective heat.

Minimal care is needed for brittlebush to look its best. It prefers light, gravely soil with good drainage. Removing the spent blooms can be done anytime during the growing season. Since it is a low water use plant, having a water source near is not necessary although some supplemental water during our hot summer months would be beneficial. Brittlebush is not susceptible to pests or disease. Bees, insects and wildlife

use this plant as a gathering spot and enjoy the seeds. This plant is hardy to 20°F as long as the soil is dry and not wet; you can kill this plant with too much water. If the plant becomes gangly, you can prune it nearly to the ground to rejuvenate it. However, this is rarely necessary here in Lake Havasu City.

Here are some interesting facts about brittlebush. In the early days, Spanish priests burned the resin that is found in the brittlebush stems as incense in the churches - giving the plant its Mexican common name, *incienso*. Additionally, indigenous people chewed the resin as a gum and used the resin as anointment for pain.

So, should you use this plant in your landscape or not? Since brittlebush is a perennial, it mixes well with other native plants. Ruellia, globemallow, penstemons, Texas rangers, ocotillo, desert spoon, and agaves are just a few. If grown on a hillside, it provides erosion control for the slope. I have had several volunteers spring up in my landscape and depending on where they spring up, I determine if they are a keeper or a weed. Since they are easy maintenance, need practically no water, and are not messy - they are a keeper if they have planted themselves in the appropriate location. Better yet, you can transplant them where you would like them. Many nurseries carry them for purchase, so think of them as a free addition to your landscape. Happy Gardening!

*Come see the Brittlebush in the museums "Educational Gardens".*

### **Pioneer Family Tips:**

*courtesy of the Mohave Museum of History & Arts*

#### **For a Dry, Irritating Cough**

Smoke in a common clean pipe equal quantities of coffee and rich pine saw-dust. Swallow all the smoke you can.

#### **Cold and Cough Remedy**

Cook onions till done—in 2 cups honey—add pepper. Keep on back of wood stove and take spoonful for cough as needed.

*Melba Gardner Smith*



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*Mission Statement*

*The mission of The Colorado River Historical Society shall be to operate a museum to promote interest and knowledge concerning the history of the Lower Colorado River area, most specifically the Tri-state area.*

**GIFT SHOP NEWS**

**Featured items**

Attention history buffs, off-roaders and nature enthusiasts.

We have a new poster sized Mohave Trail Map is now available in the museums retail store. The map marks all the historical landmarks, campsites and restrooms. Size approximately 18” x 24”.

Price \$12.00



**SEEKING COLLECTION  
DONATIONS**

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

- ◆ 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.

Give us a call at the museum if you have an artifact or historical item you would like us to consider.