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THE CONVENTION PROGRAM

Sessions for
THURSDAY, April 15

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Pre-conference Workshops:

8:00 A.M. – 11:45 P.M. – Introduction to Historic Preservation.

Location: Pisces Room.

Jim Garrison, Arizona State Historic Preservation Officer, “A Brief Overview of The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966”; Rebecca Ossa, Nevada State Historic Preservation Office Architectural Historian, “The Secretary of Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties” (**Note:** these two items can be used for public presentation and for attendance by CLG members and counted as part of their training). Mara Jones, Nevada State Historic Preservation Office Architectural Historian, “Commission for Cultural Affairs (CCA) Grant Program and Green Technology Applications”; Courtney Mooney, Las Vegas Historic Preservation Officer, “SHPO/CCA-funded Projects in Las Vegas.” Discussion will include strategies for preserving recent past resources, including forming partnerships, mixing funding mechanisms, and getting beyond the report to implement preservation projects. **Registration deadline:** April 12. **Cost:** \$25. Make checks payable and mail to: Arizona Historical Research, 5025 N. Central Ave., Suite 575, Phoenix, AZ 85012-1520. For information, contact Vince Murray at (480) 829-0267 or e-mail vince@azhistory.net.

Noon – 2:00 P.M. & 2:20 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. – Teaching American History Grants & Teaching State History On-Line. *Location:* Pisces Room.

Two workshops in one: 1) Michael Green and DeAnna Beachley, College of Southern Nevada, and Doris Dwyer, Western Nevada College, will discuss how to obtain and conduct Teaching American History grants; 2) Sondra Cosgrove and Fran Campbell, College of Southern Nevada, will explain how to teach state history on-

line, using Nevada history as an example. **Registration deadline:** April 1. **Cost:** \$15 per workshop; \$25 for both. Make checks payable and mail to: Arizona Historical Research, 5025 N. Central Ave., Suite 575, Phoenix, AZ 85012. For information, contact Vince Murray at (480) 829-0267 or e-mail vince@azhistory.net.

8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. (with a lunch break) – Water, Water Everywhere: Recovering from Archival Disasters.
Location: Gemini Room II.

Sponsored by Friends of Arizona Archives (FAZA). Retired librarian and professional genealogist Betsy Frith Gottsponer will provide guidance on how to prepare for the unexpected archives disaster and recover from one. The first half of the workshop will review some notable Arizona archives disasters and the kinds of damage that can happen, particularly water damage. We will look at hands-on methods for book, paper, and electronic record recovery. The second half of the program (after lunch on your own) will discuss how to AVOID a disaster through proper planning. **Registration deadline:** April 12. **Cost:** \$25 for FAZA members; \$35 for non-members. Make checks payable and mail to: Friends of Arizona Archives, P.O. Box 64532, Phoenix, AZ 85082-4532. For information, contact Doug Kupel at (602) 380-9900 or e-mail faza.events@gmail.com.

3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. – Conference Registration. *Location:* Lobby.

Booksellers set up. *Location:* Scorpio Room.

4:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. – Plenary Session. *Location:* Pavilion B.

Welcome – Bullhead City Mayor Jack Hakim

Fifth Annual McFarland Forum – Guy Rocha, former Nevada State Archivist, “If It Wasn’t True It Should Have Been: Debunking Myths for the Sake of History”

6:30 P.M. – Opening Night Dinner. *Location:* Pavilion A.

FRIDAY, April 16

7:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. – Registration. *Location:* Lobby.

Book Displays. *Location:* Scorpio Room.

8:30 A.M. – 9:45 A.M.

Session 1A: The Colorado River. *Location:* Pavilion B.

Chair: Vince Murray, Arizona Historical Research.

Michael Duchemin, “Hoover Dam and the Making of the New West”

Kathleen L. Waymire, “Frontiers Created and Erased: The Lost City”

Frank M. Barrios, “Colorado River Flood of 1983”

Session 1B: Mining. *Location:* Gemini Room I.

Chair: Doris Dwyer, Western Nevada College.

Stephanie Capaldo, “Smelter Pollution and the Cultural Construction of Environmental Narratives in Southern Arizona”

Matthew G. McCoy, “The Copper Mining Strike of 1967-1968”

Graham Moore, “The Historic Consequences of Greed and Poor Mining Techniques on the Nevada and Arizona Landscapes”

Session 1C: Race and Ethnicity. *Location:* Gemini Room II.

Chair: F. Arturo Rosales, Arizona State University.

Donna Crail-Rugotzke, “Native American Defendants and Inmates in Arizona and Nevada”

Earnest N. Bracey, “The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow Racism in Las Vegas”

Bernard Wilson, “The Discovery of Black Tucsonans”

Session 1D: “Remembering Citizen Legislators: Oral History in the Digital Age” documentary film. *Location:* Pisces Room.

Presenters: Dale Erquiaga and Gwendolyn B. Clancy, Nevada Legislature Oral History Project.

10:00 A.M. – 11:15 A.M.

Session 2A: Art and Visual Culture. *Location:* Pavilion B.

Chair: Betsy Fahlman, Arizona State University.

Tricia Loscher, “The Arizona Exhibit at the Chicago World’s Fair”

Robert W. Audretsch, “The CCC at Grand Canyon, 1933-1942”

Jennifer McLerran, “Mary-Russell Colton and 1930s Navajo Weaving Revivals”

Session 2B: Beyond Tombstone Legends: Litigation of the “Real” Disputes. *Edward Field vs. Michael Gray and The Vizina Mining Claim.* *Location:* Gemini I.

Presenters: Anne Collier, John C. Lacy, Nancy Lewis Sosa, and Robert Palmquist.

Session 2C: Party Politics in Arizona and Nevada. *Location:* Gemini II.

Chair: Joanne L. Goodwin, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Dana R. Bennett, “Memory and Procedure in the Split Nevada Assembly of 1995”

Patricia V. Roeser, “‘A Bipartisan Minority’: The Arizona Senate, 2001-2002”

André DeLeón, “The Crass, Monetary, Mystical Powers of George Wingfield”

Session 2D: Drawing on History: A True West Roundtable.

Location: Pisces.

Panelists: Executive Editor Bob Boze Bell, Managing Editor Meghan Saar, Production Manager Robert Ray, Designer Abby Goodrich, and Art Director Dan Harshberger.

Noon – 1:30 P.M. – Arizona Historical Society *Al Merito* Luncheon. *Location:* Pavilion A.

2:00 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.

Session 3A: Common Threads/Common Threats.

Location: Pavilion B.

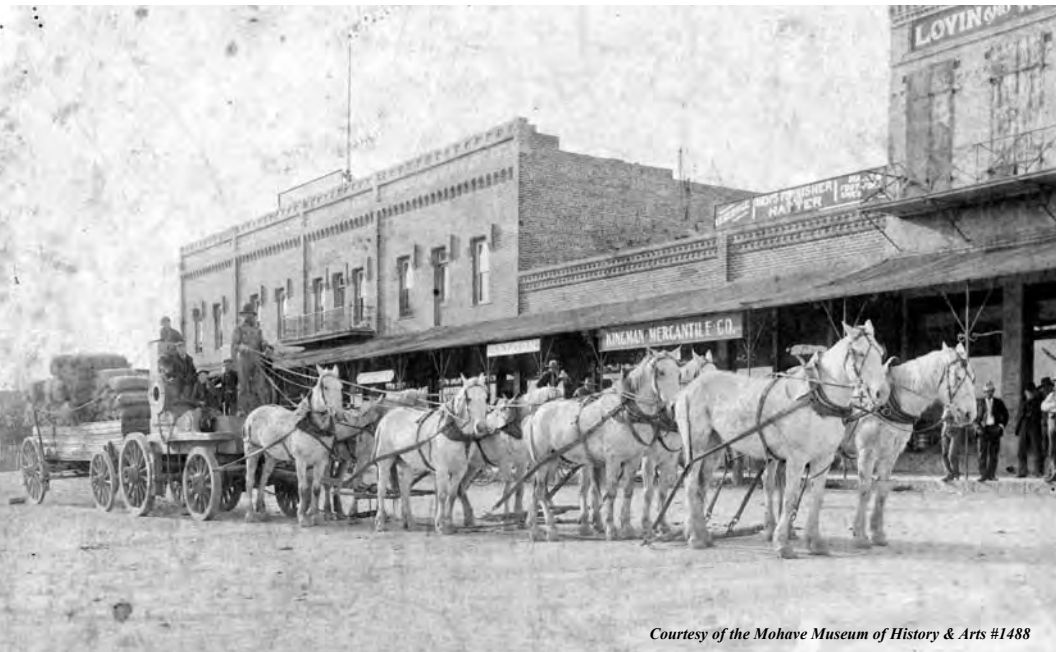
Chair: Sondra Cosgrove, College of Southern Nevada.

William Clayson, “Mike O’Callaghan’s 1970 Gubernatorial Campaign”

Diana Ahmad, “Nevada, Arizona, and the Campaign Against Smoking-Opium, 1875-1900”

Trevor Henson, “‘Jim Crow Visits Las Vegas’: Racism in the West During WWII”

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Session 3B: Biographies. *Location:* Gemini I.

Chair: Erik Berg, Phoenix.

Janolyn LoVecchio, “Kingman’s Innkeeper: Lulu Hall, Beale Hotel Owner”

James W. Hulse, “Samuel L. Clemens in Nevada History and the Birth of Mark Twain”

Greg Seymour, “William Eimbeck and Mapping the 39th Parallel Across the West”

Session 3C: Resorts and Casinos. *Location:* Gemini II.

Chair: William Porter, Kingman.

Catherine H. Ellis, “The Acacia Ranch Health Resort: Tuberculosis in Oracle”

Patrick Gaffey, “Pico, Frankie and The Meadows”

Donald Virgil, “Indian Gaming in Arizona: A Legal Success Story”

Session 3D: Preserve Nevada. *Location:* Pisces.

Preservation challenges of a railroad complex within a National Historic Landmark located within a National Heritage Area.

Presenters: Mark Bassett, Director, Nevada Northern Railway; Peter Barton, Acting Administrator, Nevada Division of Museums and History; and Dan Gooch, Executive Director, Great Basin National Heritage Area.

3:30 P.M. – 4:45 P.M.

Session 4A: National Parks. *Location:* Pavilion B.

Chair: Robert Spude, National Park Service, Santa Fe.

Benjamin Carver, “Park Service Management of Grand Canyon Disaster Crash Sites, 1956-2006”

Jim Steely, “Documenting Willow Beach Ranger Station”

Jim Klein, “The Enduring Legacy of S. J. Holsinger”

Session 4B: Peoples of Las Vegas. *Location:* Gemini I.

Chair: Tom Wright, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Kathleen Ja Sook Berquist, “Koreans in the Diaspora”

Michael Green, “The Irish in Las Vegas”

Carole Cosgrove Terry, “Germans in Las Vegas”

Session 4C: 19th-Century Connections. *Location:* Gemini II.

Chair: Matt Becker, University of Nevada Press.

Jan Cleere, “The Daughters of Charity on the Comstock and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet in the Old Pueblo”

Patricia Cafferata, “The First State of Nevada Supreme Court, 1864-1870”

Austin W. Smith, “Arizona’s Territorial Exhibits at the 1893 Chicago World’s Columbian Exposition”

Session 4D: New Decade, Same Old Challenges: State Archives in an Era of Uncertainty (FAZA). *Location:* Pisces.

Chair: Doug Kupel, President, Friends of Arizona Archives.

Presenters: Melanie Sturgeon, History and Archives Division Director, Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records; and Jeffrey M. Kintop, State Archivist, Nevada State Library and Archives.

6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. – Mohave County Shindig

(cash bar, entertainment, and dinner).

Cash bar and Mexican buffet hosted by the Colorado River Historical Society at the Bullhead City Chamber of Commerce room, 1251 Hwy 95. Entertainment includes a performance by the **Fort Mojave Tribal Dancers** and a skit by the famed **Oatman Ghost Riders**. A performance by **Marshall Trimble**, Arizona’s Official State Historian, will highlight the evening.

SATURDAY, April 17

8:00 A.M. – noon. – Registration. *Location:* Lobby.

Book Displays. *Location:* Scorpio Room.

8:30 A.M. – 9:45 A.M.

Session 5A: Historic Trails. *Location:* Pavilion B.

Chair: Dennis Casebier, Goffs, California.

Donie Nelson and Douglas S. Daniels, “On the Trail With Our Mountain Men”

Elizabeth von Till Warren, “Antonio Armijo Forges a Land Link Between Santa Fe and Los Angeles, 1829-30”

Kevin Rafferty, “The Other Arrowhead Trail: An Early Transportation Route through Southern Nevada”

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Session 5B: Seeds for Science in Flagstaff.

Location: Gemini I.

Chair: Peter Welsh, Arizona Historical Society.

Susan Deaver Olberding and Kathy Farretta, “Planting Seeds for Science in Flagstaff, 1882-1934”

Kevin Schindler, “The 1894 Lowell Expedition to Arizona”

Michael A. Amundson, “Seeing Arizona, Imagining Mars”

Session 5C: 20th-Century Women. *Location:* Gemini II.

Chair: Anne Woosley, Arizona Historical Society.

Heidi Osselaer, “Women in Arizona Law Enforcement”

Emily A. Fiocoprile, “Bodies and Gender at the University of Arizona, 1920-1930”

Jane Eppinga, “Black Women in the Military”

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Session 5D: Remembering the Past. *Location:* Pisces.

Chair: Courtney Mooney, City of Las Vegas.

Shalese Palmer, “A Small Sacrifice: The Atomic Bomb and the Nevada Test Site”

Brandon Bayne, “Resurrecting Kino: Recovering, Remembering, and Revealing a Saint”

Michelle Crowley, “The USS *Arizona* and Custer’s Last Stand: Monumental Tragedies”

10:00 A.M. – 11:15 A.M.

Session 6A: McFarland Student Scholar Session. *Location:* Pavilion B.

Chair: Bill Phillips, McFarland State Historic Park Advisory Committee.

McFarland Scholars present their award-winning projects straight from the Arizona State Finals of the National History Day competition.

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Session 6B: Highways and Roadsides. *Location:* Gemini I.

Chair: Reba Wells Grandrud, Phoenix.

Jeremy Rowe, “Arizona Roadside Images by Burton Frasher”

Dori Griffin, “George Avey, *Arizona Highways*, and Illustrated Cartography”

Paul R. Bruno, “James G. Scrugham and Nevada’s First Great Highway Construction Boom”

Session 6C: Community Building. *Location:* Gemini II.

Chair: Fran Campbell, College of Southern Nevada.

James E. Babbitt, “Early Development of Flagstaff’s Municipal Water System”

Joan Brundige-Baker, “Flagstaff’s Basque Ball Court and Tourist Home”

Carol Palmer, “Redefining Surprise: Losing a Community, Growing a City”

Noon – 1:30 P.M. – McFarland Scholar Awards Luncheon.

Location: Pavilion A.

Jay Cravath. “Musical Instruments as Time Capsules,” sponsored by Arizona Humanities Council.

2:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Session 7A: Territorial Justice Forum. *Location:* Pavilion B.

Historians and legal experts, working with Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park, discuss the historic and contemporary issues involved in *United States v. James Revis and the Barony of Arizona*.

1:30 P.M. – 5:15 P.M. – Field Trips.

Oatman Tour. Buses will leave the Aquarius for a guided tour of the historic Mohave County mining town.

Colorado River Museum/Davis Dam Tour. Buses will leave the Aquarius for guided tours of the Colorado River Museum, the Davis Camp petroglyphs site, and Davis Dam. All persons on the tour must be ten years or older and U.S. citizens or resident aliens. Participants must wear long pants and no open-toed shoes. Requires considerable walking. Maximum of 40 participants. **Registration deadline:** April 1.

6:00 P.M. – Reception. *Location:* Pavilion A.

7:00 P.M. – Awards Banquet. *Location:* Pavilion A.



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SUNDAY, April 18 – 7:00 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.

Kingman/Hoover Dam/Boulder City Museum Tour.

The bus will leave the Aquarius and stop in Kingman for a continental breakfast and a tour of the Mohave Museum. From Kingman, participants will travel to Hoover Dam for an approximately two-hour tour. The bus will then continue on to the Nevada State Railroad Museum, where attendees will ride the narrow gauge railroad. Following a tour of historic downtown Boulder City, the bus will return attendees to Laughlin.

Accommodations: Aquarius Casino Resort, 1900 S. Casino Dr., Laughlin, NV 89029. Phone: 1-800-292-3711.

www.aquariuscasinoresort.com. Rates: \$29 per night (Thurs.), \$59 per night (Fri. & Sat.), plus tax. *Make reservations by April 1.* For conference information, call Nancy Stonehouse or Bruce Dinges at (520) 628-5774. Or, visit our website: www.arizonahistory.org. **Space for meals and special events is limited. Please register early.**

Bus Transportation from Tucson and Phoenix.

For attendees who wish to relax, leave their automobiles at home, and enjoy a leisurely ride to and from the conference, a bus will leave the Arizona History Museum, 949 E. 2nd St., Tucson, at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 15, pick up Phoenix area travelers at the Arizona Historical Society Museum at Papago Park, 1300 N. College Ave., Tempe, at 9:00 a.m., and proceed to Laughlin, arriving at approximately 2:00 p.m. Box lunches are available at an additional charge. The bus will leave the Aquarius for the return trip at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, April 18. Free parking is available at both the Tucson and Tempe museums. Advance registration is required.

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