



TIME LINES

Tempe Historical
museum

Under Construction

In the coming months, the museum building will be undergoing significant changes that will impact operations. Once the exhibit gallery closes to the public, there will be no access through the front doors for most of the year. However, that doesn't mean the staff are going away!

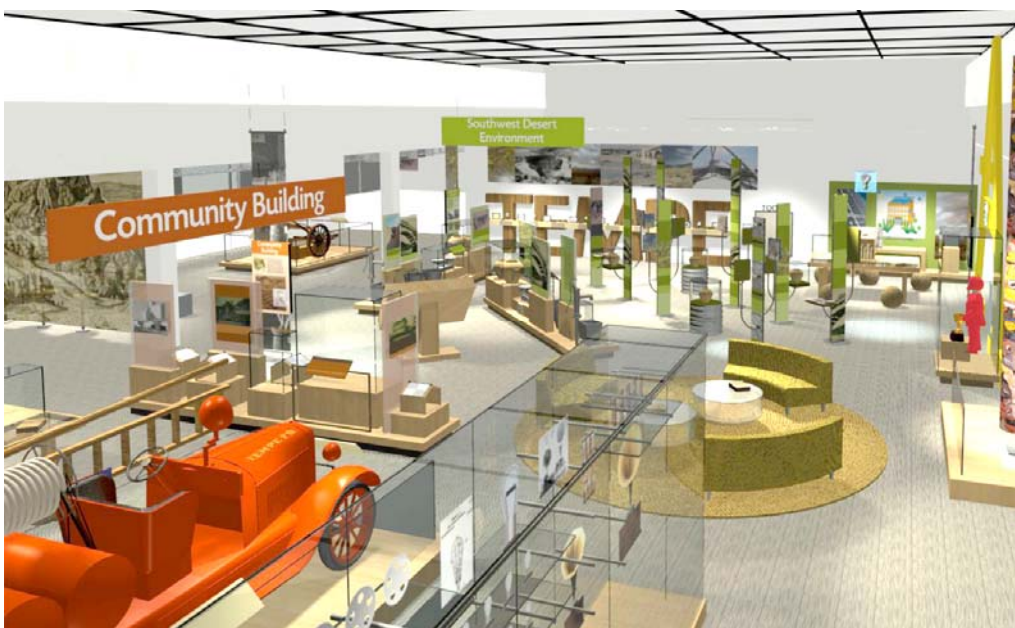
The museum staff will continue to work in the building and can be reached by phone or email. Staff will be busy keeping pace with the progress of the exhibit design and fabrication, writing the exhibit text, creating graphic panels, preparing artifacts for exhibit, reproducing photographs, and designing hands-on activities.

Research, collection and photographic reproduction services will still be available. Appointments will need to be made in advance so that requests for services can be accommodated and researchers can be given access to the building. Please be mindful that the staff will not be able to guarantee that immediate access will be given to anyone who chooses to come to the museum without an appointment.

Ongoing programs, such as the *Third Thirstday Night Café* and the *Tempe Historical Society Lunch Talks* will continue on their regular schedules. However, they will take place at the Tempe Public Library (see calendar on page 3).

The Petersen House Museum will remain open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm for guided tours. If you would like to bring a group of nine or more to tour the House, please call 480-350-5100 to schedule a docent for your group. Stay tuned for news on recent changes to the House in the next issue of *Time Lines*.

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Conceptual rendering by Gyroscope, Inc. shows a "bird's-eye view" looking from the center of the exhibit hall back toward the entrance and museum lobby.

Museum Renovation Update

This is the latest timeline for the upcoming renovation. For online information visit: www.tempe.gov/museum/CIPinfo.htm

- January 31, 2009 - Anticipated date of exhibit hall closing.
- April 2009 - Construction begins.
- August 2009 - Exhibit installation begins.

New Exhibit

The City of Tempe says goodbye to 121 years of newspaper coverage by the East Valley Tribune in January. An exhibit honoring the paper's history includes a timeline, local political cartoons, original papers dating back to the 1800s, and metal plates used to print the story about the assassination of John F. Kennedy.

Continuing Exhibits

A Proud Journey Home: Cambodian, Laotian and Vietnamese Communities in Arizona

This exhibit explores Cambodian, Laotian and Vietnamese refugee experiences in Tempe 30 years after the Vietnam War. It was funded in part through an Arizona Humanities Council grant. Open through January 4.

Tempe Police: Their Own Story

The exhibit chronicles the changes that the Tempe Police Department has undergone as Tempe has grown. Bring your camera for a photo of you sitting on a real Tempe Police motorcycle. Open through January 18.

City Hall Gallery Exhibit

Jewel in the Desert: Getting Acquainted with Our Muslim Neighbors

A collaboration of the museum, Arizona State University, the City of Tempe Diversity Office and the Tempe Muslim community, this exhibit chronicles the history, experiences and contributions of Arizona Muslims. Open through April 3 in the **City Hall Gallery**, 31 E. Fifth Street.

Programs Honor Veterans



Arizona State Historian and Arizona Veteran's Hall of Fame inductee, **Marshall Trimble**, participated in the program on November 7.

A special fundraising luncheon program, *From Baghdad with Love*, was held on November 7. The event, which honored United States veterans, was co-sponsored by the Arizona Veteran's Hall of Fame (AVHOF), Kiwanis International Nuevo Club, and the Tempe Historical Museum. The featured speaker, **Marine Lieutenant Colonel Jay Kopelman**, told the true story of the rescue of a puppy named Lava during the U.S.-led attack on Fallujah, Iraq. These events are included in Lt. Col. Kopelman's book, *From Baghdad with Love*.

The luncheon was primarily organized by Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board member

Frank Schmuck, who is also the President of the AVHOF Society, and an AVHOF inductee. Other veterans participated in the luncheon program, including Arizona State Historian **Marshall Trimble**, and former Maricopa County Attorney **Rick Romley**. Both of them have also been inducted into the Arizona Veteran's Hall of Fame.

Induction into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame is the highest honor awarded by the Governor's Office to veterans for their contributions outside of their military service. With more than 60,000 veterans estimated to live in Arizona, just 164 have been recognized since the program's inception in 2001. This year, **William H. Wallace**, a Tempe Historical Society member and long-time museum volunteer, was among 20 veterans inducted into the Hall of Fame. "Bill" Wallace has been a member of the Tempe Historical Society for many years, and has served as its president. He has coordinated golf tournaments and put together a veterans' lunch that featured various veterans telling stories about their military service, as fundraisers for the Society. Bill also served as a docent at the museum.

Petersen House Danish Christmas a Success

Thank you to the following for their contributions to this year's *Danish Christmas at the Petersen House Museum*:

- **Judy Lee Aguiar**
- **Annette Andersen**
- **Annegrethe Christensen**
- Danish Club of Tucson, AZ
- The Danish Immigrant Museum, Elk Horn, IA
- Flensted Mobiles Ltd., Brenderup, Denmark
- Hans Christian Andersen Museum, Odense, Denmark
- Nielsen Trading Co., Highland Village, TX
- **Karl Rehmer**
- **Linda Rising**
- Tempe Historical Society

Tree (right) at the Petersen House, decorated with Danish *papir klip* ornaments.



The Larry Campbell Tree of Lights

Once again this holiday season, the Tempe Historical Society's 7th annual *Larry Campbell Tree of Lights* proved to be a success. Over \$1200 was raised. These funds help support the museum's oral history program. This year, the trees were located on the second floor of the Tempe Public Library. A reception was held on December 14, with many of the donors, honorees, and family members of those people being remembered in attendance.

The project was named in memory of **Larry Campbell**, past president of the Tempe Historical Society, as he originally suggested the fundraiser. Donors have the option of honoring or remembering a special someone with a light and/or ornament. In addition to the original *Tree of Lights*, another tree that is specifically for veterans and armed services personnel was added a few years ago. The museum staff would like to thank everyone who supported the program this year.



Members of the newly-formed African-American Advisory Committee pose with **Mayor Hugh Hallman** and City of Tempe staff. Left to right, **Amy Douglass**, Museum Administrator; **Aaron Monson**, intern; **Warren Livingston**; **James Burns**, Curator of History; **Carol Livingston**; **Earl Oats**; **Phyllis Oats**; **Mayor Hugh Hallman**; **Edward Smith**, co-chair; **Mary Bishop**, co-chair; **Charles Cobbs**; **Wilma Patterson**; **Arthur Reeves**; **JoAn Cooks**; **Dan Miller**, Exhibits Coordinator; **Rosa Inchausti**, Diversity Manager; **Fred Warren**; **Ginny Belousek**, Diversity Specialist.

JANUARY

JANUARY 1, New Year's Day. Museum closed.

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

Tuesday, January 13, 1:30 pm
Museum Board Room / Free

Explore behind the scenes and find out all that volunteers can do at the museum during this hour-long orientation.

TEMPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY LUNCH TALK

Wednesday, January 14, 11:30 am
Tempe Public Library Program Room / Free

Bring your lunch and hear Chautauquan **Judy Nolte Temple** as *Mary Austin*. Sponsored by the Arizona Humanities Council. Coffee is provided.

3RD THIRSTDAY NIGHT CAFÉ

Thursday, January 15, 7 pm
Connections Café
Tempe Public Library / Free

Jay Mark, *Tempe Republic* columnist, will present "*Marked Men*" – *Tempe on the Big Screen*. His fascinating talk features clips from *Marked Men*, a rare 1940 motion picture filmed in downtown Tempe.

JANUARY 19, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Museum closed.

FEBRUARY

ANTIQUÉ SEMINARS

Tuesdays, February 3 through 24
7 – 9 pm

Pyle Adult Recreation Center

Presented by the Hayden's Ferry Questers. Proceeds benefit the Petersen House Museum. For more information call (480) 350-350-5140. **Registration fee.**

Seminar topics:

- **February 3:** Old vs. Modern: Antiques, Collecting and the Internet; Antique Clocks
- **February 10:** Potty Talk; Quilts
- **February 17:** Beads
- **February 24:** 1950s Vintage Collectibles; The History of M.I. Hummel Figurines, 1935 'til Now

TEMPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY LUNCH TALK

Wednesday, February 11, 11:30 am
Tempe Public Library Program Room / Free

Bring your lunch and hear Chautauquan **Jody Drake** as *Sharlot Hall*. Sponsored by the Arizona Humanities Council. Coffee is provided.

FEBRUARY 16, President's Day. Museum closed.

3RD THIRSTDAY NIGHT CAFÉ

Thursday, February 19, 7 pm
Connections Café
Tempe Public Library / Free

Dr. Matthew C. Whitaker presents *History, Hip Hop and American Popular Culture*. His talk will demonstrate that Hip Hop and Rap are arguably the post Civil Rights Era's highest form of communication and expression. Sponsored by the Arizona Humanities Council.

MARCH

TEMPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY LUNCH TALK

Wednesday, March 11, 11:30 am
Tempe Public Library Program Room / Free

Bring your lunch and hear Chautauquan **Joan Sandin** as *Eulalis "Sister" Bourne*. Sponsored by the Arizona Humanities Council. Coffee is provided.

ROCK ART TOUR

Thursday, March 12, 10 – 11 am
Hayden Butte Preserve / Free

Learn about Hohokam rock art with **Dr. Amy Douglass**, Museum Administrator and archaeologist. Wear comfortable shoes; bring water and binoculars. Moderate hike. Call for directions.

3RD THIRSTDAY NIGHT CAFÉ

Thursday, March 19, 7 pm
Connections Café
Tempe Public Library / Free

Mary Melcher will present, *Mothers, Midwives and Babies: Giving Birth in the West*. Sponsored by the Arizona Humanities Council.

MARCH 31, Cesar Chavez Day. Museum closed.

Thank You, Tricks!

The museum would like to express sincere thanks to **Robin Trick** and Trick's Restaurant for donating the proceeds from their 17th annual Wine Fiesta, held on November 9, to the Tempe Historical Society. The funds will be utilized for the exhibit hall renovation. The hard work the restaurant staff put into making this event such a special occasion is deeply appreciated. The event has become a Tempe tradition and sells out every year. This year's Fiesta also provided the opportunity to showcase the upcoming museum renovation.

"Thank You" to the Donors Who Contributed to the Artifact Collections in 2008

Eva Allebach • Mary Ann Thompson Archbold • John Balfour • Richard Bauer • Linda Bordwell • James Burns • Margaret Cawley • Yvonne Cranson • Mark Curtice • Jonscott Douglas • Dianne Ellis • Meity Finley • Gail Fisher • Janice Gay • Larry Hendrick • Jim Holcomb • Shirlee King • Victor Linoff • Debbie Lolling • Jim McBride • Dan Miller • James K. Moore • Charles Randall Morrison • Ray Murdock • Jane Neuheisel • SueAnn Owens-Singer • Norma J. Pinate • Margaret Podlich • Jennifer Ricca • John O. Rich • Lisa Roach • Bettina Rosenberg • Josie Sanchez • Stu Siefer • Kelly L. Smith • Denise Snedeker • Robert J. & Nancy N. Stahl • Virginia Thompson • Donna Wells • Elna Rae Zeilinger



STEP INTO HISTORY

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In addition, exhibits will continue at different locations throughout Tempe. For example, *Jewel in the Desert: Getting Acquainted with Our Muslim Neighbors* will be on display at City Hall through April 3 (see Exhibits on page 1). An exhibit regarding the renovation and a downtown photographic "scavenger hunt" can be viewed in the storefront at 680 South Mill Avenue, Suite 109.

The staff has had requests to produce temporary exhibits for different events around town, so the museum's engaging stories, images and logo will continue to appear around Tempe! In fact, if you send a photograph of yourself by one of the travelling exhibits, along with your contact information, you will be entered into a drawing. The winner will be invited to the preview reception which will take place before the public opening of the renovated exhibit hall! (See address information, this page or email to museum@tempe.gov.)

The anticipated date for closing the Tempe Historical Museum's front doors is January 31, 2009. After that date, research and photographic reproduction services will be available by appointment only. For further information, please call 480-350-5100.

The Tempe Historical Museum is a center where the community comes together to celebrate Tempe's past and ponder the future.

Time Lines is a quarterly newsletter for museum supporters and volunteers.

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Comments, suggestions?
Call 480-350-5100.

MUSEUM HOURS

Monday - Thursday and Saturday
10 am - 5 pm
Sunday 1 - 5 pm
Closed Fridays & major holidays.

PETERSEN HOUSE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday and Saturday
10 am - 2 pm

Visit the museum's website at
www.tempe.gov/museum