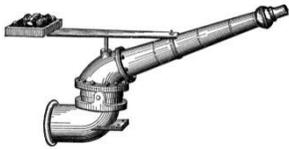


KENTUCKY CAMP



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Newsletter on the gold mining and ranching heritage of Kentucky Camp, AZ

October 2017

November Project Week

By Mark Doumas

We are seeking volunteers for a week-long gathering at Kentucky Camp to tackle some of the projects that are too big for our regular monthly volunteer days. This event will be November 13-17. (Monday –Friday)

Accommodations are tent camping with access to our “five star” solar shower facilities or bring your camper or RV. Campers can arrive the weekend before to set-up camp.

Here are the projects we are planning:

- Remove, rehabilitate and replace a 100+ year-old wooden tongue-and-groove floor in the Gold Processing Building
- Apply sacrificial adobe coat to exterior walls of Gold Processing (and possibly other) adobe buildings
- Restack sections of stone retaining wall that have slumped
- Treat the wood siding on the vault toilets
- Annual Fall maintenance of historic Iris bed

We will be joined by a group of 10 students and two teachers from Verde Valley School. The school's guiding principles are Academic Excellence; Value of World Citizenship; Service to Others; Value of Physical Labor; and Environmental Stewardship – their contribution at Kentucky Camp will be very welcome! The school has done numerous field trips on the Coronado National Forest over the years, including a previous project at Kentucky Camp... the cross-hatched basal coving repairs on the Headquarters Building are their handiwork.

If you are interested in participating in any or all of this fun-filled week, contact Mark Doumas. doumas56@gmail.com or 520 990-8152. Don't wait until the last minute: you will need to fill-out a simple volunteer form before you arrive.

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We removed a few of the Gold Processing Building floorboards on October 3rd. We now have a good idea of what's required to completely rehabilitate this floor at the November project week.

Ryan Hummel Site Visit

By Mark Doumas and MarthaJo Billy

In the Spring of this year, Kentucky Camp had a visit from a descendant of one of Kentucky Camp's historic families. Ryan Hummel is the grandson of Gordon Hummel who, as a very young boy, lived at Kentucky Camp.

Ryan now lives in Colorado and was visiting southern Arizona to visit his "family roots". As an interesting side-note, Ryan was the last Kentucky Camp visitor before the site was evacuated for the Sawmill fire back in April!



April 2017: Ryan Hummel points to an historic photo of his grandfather, (Gordon Hummel on tricycle) during his recent visit to Kentucky Camp. Photo courtesy of MarthaJo Billy



October 2004 (Kentucky Camp Centennial Celebration): I-r Ryan Hummel, Mike Hummel, Barbara and Gordon Hummel with Michelle Hummel Harris. Photo courtesy of Jeff Burton

Site News

By Mark Doumas

We had a productive volunteer day at Kentucky Camp on October 3rd.... and we had help from about a dozen students from University Middle School in Tucson!



Students from University Middle School taking their lunch break.

Did you know that Kentucky Camp has a Facebook Page? Search for us at: @FriendsofKentuckyCamp

Raving Raven Raids Retreat

By Mark Doumas

Kentucky Camp has a repeat visitor that is intent on vandalism. For the past year or so, our Kentucky Camp caretakers have noticed ripped-up window screens on the Headquarters building.

After careful observation, the culprit was determined to be a Raven. (Either a Chihuahuan or Common species) Apparently this one individual Raven is getting annoyed at seeing his reflection in the window and proceeds to rip up the screens in an attempt to attack his doppelganger.



Many thanks to our caretakers Steve Waylett MarthaJo Billy and Neil Auten for observing, shooing and repairing damage created by this disrespectful visitor.



We have an email discussion group for Friends of Kentucky Camp where we discuss current events. To join the discussion group, send an email to:

FriendsofKentuckyCamp-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

If you have changed your email address recently and wondered why you no longer receive discussion group email, you need to resend an email to the above address from your new email account. To unsubscribe, send an email from the email account you want to be removed from the discussion group to:

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You don't need to put anything in the subject line or body of the email. Look for a confirmation email after you send the email... If you don't see one within a few hours, remember to check your spam folder. Additions to the distribution list are screened for spammers!

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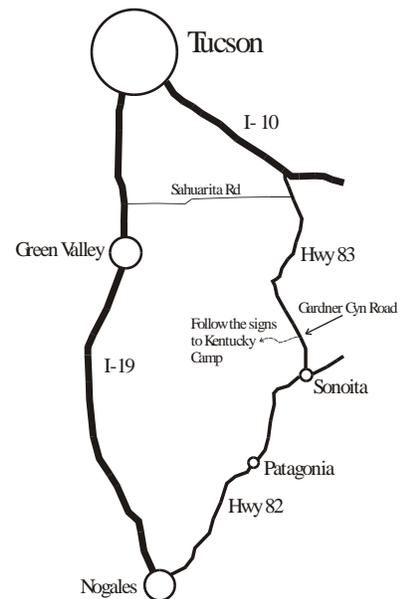
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