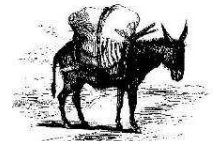

Kentucky Camp Chronicle



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

September 2009

Kentucky Camp Open House and Annual Meeting

Don't forget the annual Kentucky Camp annual meeting and open house being held in conjunction with the Coronado National Forest. The event takes place at Kentucky Camp on Saturday October 10, 2009. The event is free to the public and we are advertising in a number of area newspapers and internet outlets. Plan on attending and bring a friend.

The Friends of Kentucky Camp will conduct their annual meeting from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Donuts will be served and the program will consist of a recap of rehabilitation efforts during the past year as well as plans for the coming year. If you have an interest in participating in upcoming projects, this would be an excellent way to get involved.

The open house will begin at 10:00 AM and conclude at 3:00 PM. Activities planned for the Open House include demonstrations of gold panning and making adobe bricks; hands-on participation by guests is encouraged! For lunch, we are requesting everyone to bring a picnic. We will have BBQ grills available for public use. The Friends of Kentucky Camp will be selling mugs, t-shirts, postcards and other memorabilia to support preservation programs at the site.

We are also very excited to include live bluegrass music at this year's open house! The Desert Bluegrass Association will be providing an ensemble of guitar, banjo, bass, fiddle and mandolin performers.

There will also be site tours and a special walking tour to nearby Boston Gulch where portions of

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the historic water system and hydraulic workings are still visible. The event is free.

For more information, contact Kathy Makansi (520-760-2502) at the Coronado National Forest, or Mark Doumas (520-299-4281) of the Friends of Kentucky Camp. Additional information is also available at :

http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/coronado/forest/heritage/kcamp/kcamp_rentals.shtml



Young "prospector" looks for "color" at the gold panning demo. (From the 2008 open house)

Board of Directors Election of Officers

The Friends of Kentucky Camp is happy to announce the results of the recent Board of Directors election. With the re-election of Pat Spoerl and Nancy Hough, our officers will remain the same for the next year. This is great for continuity in our programs, but we also are always looking for new people and ideas to enrich our organization and the restoration activities at Kentucky Camp.



Friends of Kentucky Camp Officers:

President: Mark Doumas – term expires 6/2010
Vice President: John Weiss – term expires 6/2010
Secretary: Pat Spoerl – term expires 6/2011
Treasurer: Nancy Hough – term expires 6/2011
Director at-large: Pete Van Cleve – term expires 6/2010

Site Progress Report

Crown molding has been re-installed in the Headquarters building Blue room and office.

In the previous newsletter, we reported on the application for a Sustainability Microgrant. These grants provide funding for projects at National Forest sites that conserve energy or tap into alternative energy sources. The proposal to install solar hot water at the care taker's trailer was approved and the hot water heater has been installed and is in operation.



John Weiss and Drum Haverstock inspect the new solar hot water heater.

Membership Reminder

If you have renewed your membership (see article in the June 2009 newsletter), or are a Lifetime member, there should be a Friends of Kentucky Camp membership card enclosed in this newsletter. We appreciate your continuing interest and support. If there isn't a card and the date on the mailing label of your Newsletter is earlier than 2009 it's time to renew.

Please use the form in the June Newsletter or simply send your renewal to:

Pat Spoerl
12250 N Copper Spring Trail
Oro Valley, AZ 85755

Individual (\$10), Family \$15), Contributing (\$25),
Supporting (\$50), Lifetime (\$200), Student (\$5)

Remember that Friends of Kentucky Camp is a 501c 3 non-profit organization where all contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowable by law.

Thank you!



Leaning barn wall - photo by Bob Rogers



Headquarters building porch and chairs - photo by Steve Wilson

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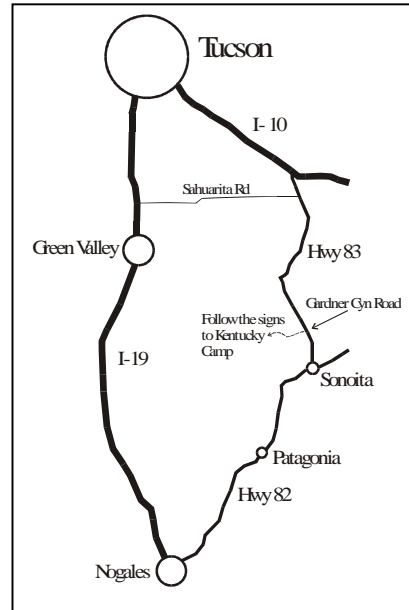
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Pat Spoerl	Secretary	520 297-7347
Nancy Hough	Treasurer	520 578-9053
Pete Van Cleve	At-large	520 378-1956

Forest Service Liaison:

Kathy Makansi 520 760-2502



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