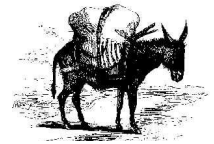
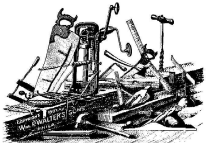

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PIT-like Event Planned

We're in the early planning phases for another "PIT-like" event this spring. (April 30-May 4) This will be a week-long event at the Kentucky Camp site where we'll tackle some of the more substantial projects. Accommodations will be the usual on-site camping and we are planning to organize an optional food/meal pool. It's also a great event for meeting with fellow Friends and having a good time. If you've ever participated in a "Passport in Time" event, this will be very similar with the only exception being that this will be sponsored by the Friends of Kentucky Camp rather than the Forest Service. We're still figuring out which projects to tackle at the PIT but our preliminary list is shown at the end of this article.

We're not likely to do all of these projects during the PIT week, but this is a sampling of what we're thinking. Please contact Mark Doumas at 520 299-4281 or doumas@mindspring.com if you are interested in joining the fun. Please indicate which project you are interested in and if you would like to plan and lead a project. We'll need to limit attendance to about 20 folks, so get your name on the list early.



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Project List :

- Install inside doors in Headquarters building (led by John Weiss)
- "Detail" the Headquarters building – Scrub and repaint all the inside window sills, frames, ceilings, baseboards.
- Adobe - Continue mud repairs at Cabin A (basal coving), Bldg B (sacrificial cap coat), and Bldg E (sacrificial coat).
- Rebuild hallway floor – the "short" hallway in the Headquarters building is getting some "soft" spots. We may need to pull up the floor boards, reset the underlying beams and relay the original floor boards.
- Roof Maintenance – All the roofs at the site could use some maintenance: replacing broken shingles and replacing flashing.
- Refinish desk – Repair, sand and refinish the desk in the "Gold room". Then move the desk to the new FKC office.
- Photo Archive – We have a bunch of Kentucky Camp photos and slides (from pre-digital camera era) that could be digitized and labeled. We could set up a couple of computers and a scanner, then digitize and label the images.
- Tool Room Clean-up – Do a major clean-out of all the "stuff" in the Headquarters building tool/store room.
- Solar shower enclosure – Build another solar shower enclosure next to the new vault toilet, like the one that's already at the original vault toilet.

James Stetson Follow-up

By John Weiss

In the August 2006 issue of the Kentucky Camp Chronicle, we discussed James B. Stetson's grave, located in the Mountain View Cemetery in Oakland, California. The article ended with more questions than answers about the grave site. Specifically, who were all the people whose names share his obelisk at the grave site?

Fortunately, we have received unexpected and extremely welcome information about the mystery. Linda Hummel Roslund (daughter of Gene and Alvessa Hummel) has done some genealogical research for us. Her findings indicate that the lives of the Stetson and Shuey families are interconnected in several places.

James Burgess Stetson was born in 1865 in Fruitvale, California, to parents Charles R. Stetson and Margaret Shuey. Charles was a huckster (hawker, peddler), born in Massachusetts and Margaret was born in Illinois. James had a brother, John Walter and three sisters, Ellen, Emily Miriam and Edith O. The Family in 1870 lived in Brooklyn Township, Alameda County, California.

Margaret Shuey had four siblings, John, Sarah (the Doctor), Henry and Homer. Homer Shuey married Generva Shuey, a possible cousin marriage. They had a son, Charles Stetson Shuey, who married James B. Stetson's sister, Ellen, a first cousin marriage. Charles Shuey's middle name, "Stetson", is another hint that

the families were close.

Going further back in history, Margaret and Homer's parents were: John Shuey (born 1811) and Lucinda Burgess (born 1809). (James' grandparents)
James' middle name is Burgess, after his grandmother's maiden name.



Majestic Red Cypress at the gravesite of James Stetson

We know from previous genealogical research by Friends member, William Lord, that James Burgess Stetson married twice and has two surviving great-grandchildren by his first wife. Wes Stetson of Angels Camp, California, was able to join us at the 2004 Kentucky Camp centennial celebration. Wes has a sister, Sierra, in Reno Nevada.

Many thanks to Linda Roslund and William Lord for providing this information.

I. John Shuey born 1811
married Lucinda
Burgess born 1809

1. Margaret Shuey
married Charles R.
Stetson

a. James
Burgess Stetson born
1865

b. Ellen Stetson
born 1868, married
Charles Stetson
Shuey

c. Emily Miriam Stetson, born 1869

d. John Walter Stetson, born 1872

e. Edith O. Stetson, born 1881

2. John Shuey

3. Sarah Shuey

4. Henry Shuey

5. Homer Shuey married Generva Shuey
(cousins?)

a. Charles Stetson Shuey

Site Progress Report

Our efforts at Kentucky Camp continue to focus on getting the large Headquarters building rehabilitated.

Over the past few months, we have almost completed the kitchenette. It looks great and should be a convenient place to prepare light meals. All that remains is to stock it up. There is a nice set of cabinets and a full-sized refrigerator but we still need a set of basic appliances and utensils. (See "Kitchen Donations Sought" article elsewhere in this newsletter.)

The Headquarters attic continues to be a priority. The majority of attic has been cleaned of debris. This has been particularly distasteful job for which special thanks goes to Mary Farrell, Chris Schrager, Kathy Makansi, Pete Van Cleve and Drum Haverstock.

Two of our younger members, Max Schrager and Alex Doumas, have teamed together to cut and place the fiberglass insulation in the attic. They've used all the insulation that we bought last year which has covered the majority of the attic floor but we'll need some more insulation to finish the project.



Max Schrager and Alex Doumas install insulation in the attic of the Headquarters building

Upcoming Activities:

During the next couple of work days, we plan to finish the Headquarters attic clean-up. The area over the

tool room (old kitchen) is about all that remains to be cleaned.

We'll also need to buy a few more rolls of fiberglass insulation and finish the remaining bare areas of the attic floor.

With John Weiss's leadership, we'll prepare for installation of the internal doors on the Headquarters building.

**Our next work day is Saturday
March 10th... come on out and
join the fun!**

Kitchenette Donations Sought

The new kitchenette in the Headquarters building looks great but it needs a few things to make it useful. Please consider donating any kitchen items you no longer need. The kitchenette is small (6' X 10') so we don't have room for all the modern conveniences, but here are some of the items that would be most helpful:

- Cooking pots and pans
- Cooking utensils, can opener, cork screw
- Plates, bowls and eating utensils
- Drinking glasses and coffee mugs
- Knives and cutting board
- Coffee maker
- Microwave oven
- Toaster oven
- Hot plate
- Paper towel holder

Start your spring cleaning early and see if you have any donations that would make the kitchenette more functional! Contact Mark Doumas at 520 299-4281 or doumas@mindspring.com

Hummel Photo Correction

In last December's newsletter, we incorrectly identified one of the family members in the Hummel family photo. The young girl on the far left in the photo is Aline Seybold Donau. She was the daughter of Villette (standing behind Aline) from a previous marriage. Al Donau Sr. adopted Aline after he and Villette were married.



The Hummel family in Arizona. Adults from left to right: Villette, Alfred Donau (Villette's 2nd husband), Flossie Hummel Fenter, Gene, Louis C., Louis G., Emma. Children in front row: Aline Seybold Donau, Don, Gail. Photo is courtesy of the Hummel family and was taken in 1917.

Donation Options Improved

We are pleased to announce that Friends of Kentucky Camp now has an on-line PayPal account. Thanks to the efforts of our Treasurer, Nancy Hough, we can now accept secure, on-line donations and make on-line purchases from companies that accept PayPal.

Check-out the "Donate" button on the Friends of Kentucky Camp website support page:

<http://www.aztecfreenet.org/fkcamp/Support.htm>

We can still accept mail-in donations, but the new website option makes it easier to handle "impulse donations" from anyone visiting our website. All that's needed is a credit card or, you can simply transfer money from your own PayPal account. (The donation tube at Kentucky Camp is also an option, but keep in mind these donations go to The Forest Service rather than the Friends.)

In the future, we may be able to expand the PayPal account to accept online purchase of mugs, t-shirts and possibly even membership renewals.... Stay tuned!



Important Dates – Mark Your Calendar

It's a new year, so get out your pencil and mark your calendar for key important events at Kentucky Camp. We'll continue our tradition of work days on every second Saturday. To help even-out planning work, though, we've decided to move our open house event to October.

- February 10, Saturday - Work Day
- March 10, Saturday - Work Day
- April 14, Saturday - Work Day
- April 30 – May 4th – PIT-like work week
- May 12, Saturday - Work Day
- June 9, Saturday - Work Day
- July 14, Saturday - Work Day
- August 11, Saturday - Work Day
- September 8, Saturday - Work Day
- October 13, Saturday – Annual meeting and open house
- November 10, Saturday - Work Day
- December 8, Saturday - Work Day

Important dates for Kentucky Camp can always be found at the Friends of Kentucky Camp web site:

<http://www.aztecfreenet.org/fkcamp/>

Please bookmark this site and visit it frequently!

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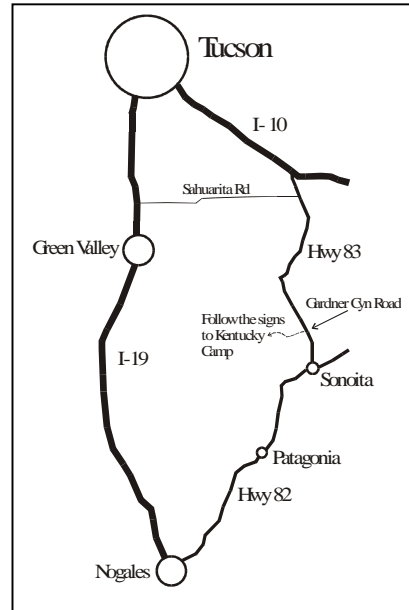
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