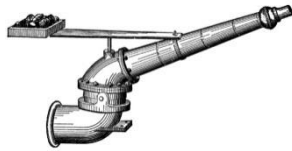
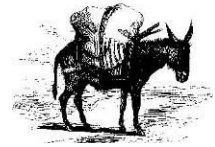


# KENTUCKY CAMP



## CHRONICLE



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

September 2018

## Upcoming 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 11-16. (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 tools and supplies from the “Tool Crib” (the kitchen & pantry of the Headquarters Building); Sort these for retention or disposal, and move whatever we keep into the recently refloored room of the Gold Processing Building.
- Repair and replace the wood floor in the Headquarters kitchen and pantry.
- Replace plywood window covers in the Headquarters kitchen with windows.
- Repair adobe basal coving and surface erosion of all exterior walls (Gold Processing Building, Headquarters Building, Cabin A, etc. )
- Remove materials stored in Cabin A; sort for retention or disposal; construct stable storage racks for historic materials that we keep.
- Run underground electrical service from the power pole to the “new” Tool Crib in the Gold Processing Building.
- Annual Fall maintenance of historic Iris bed

We will once again be joined by a dozen-or-so Verde Valley School students and staff. The school's guiding principles are Academic Excellence; Value of World Citizenship; Service to Others; Value of Physical Labor; and Environmental Stewardship – their contributions at Kentucky Camp have been very welcome! More info about the school can be found at: [www.vvsaz.org](http://www.vvsaz.org)

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If you are interested in participating in any or all of this fun-filled week, contact Mark Doumas. [doumas56@gmail.com](mailto:doumas56@gmail.com) or 520 990-8152.



One of numerous adobe walls in need of new coating. Photo courtesy of Mark Doumas

## Hydraulic Nozzle Gets Preservative Coat

By Mark Doumas

The historic hydraulic water nozzle that we put on display in 2012 has received a protective coating thanks to a recommendation by professional metal conservator Ron Harvey.

Last December, we provided a Kentucky Camp tour to Arizona State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), Kathryn Leonard and staff archaeologist/Forest Service liaison, Jim Cogswell. Jim noted that the iron hydraulic water nozzle has a fair amount of corrosion and suggested there may be preservation measures to prolong its.

Jim got us in contact with Ron Harvey who recommended a couple of light coats of Penetrol to help slow the corrosion process. We applied this coating at the April 2018 volunteer day.



Ron Parrish applies preservation coat to hydraulic monitor. Photo courtesy of Mark Doumas

## Betty Leavengood

By Mark Doumas

Author and Kentucky Camp volunteer Betty Leavengood passed away at her home in Davidson, NC on May 23, 2018.

Betty was an active Kentucky Camp volunteer and board member during the 1990 – 2000's before she moved out of Arizona.

She was an avid hiker and led many hikes in the Kentucky Camp area including the waterline hike.... The portion of the Arizona Trail that follows the route that water was piped to the Kentucky Camp area for the purpose of mining gold.

She wrote numerous books about Arizona. She wrote "Grand Canyon Women: Lives Shaped by Landscape." She is probably best known for the "Tucson Hiking Guide" that has become a trail bible for Southern Arizona hikers.

She also wrote a booklet about Kentucky Camp that is still in print and continues to be used for fund raising today.

During her years in Tucson, she was a schoolteacher and worked at a hospital for a volunteer coordinator.



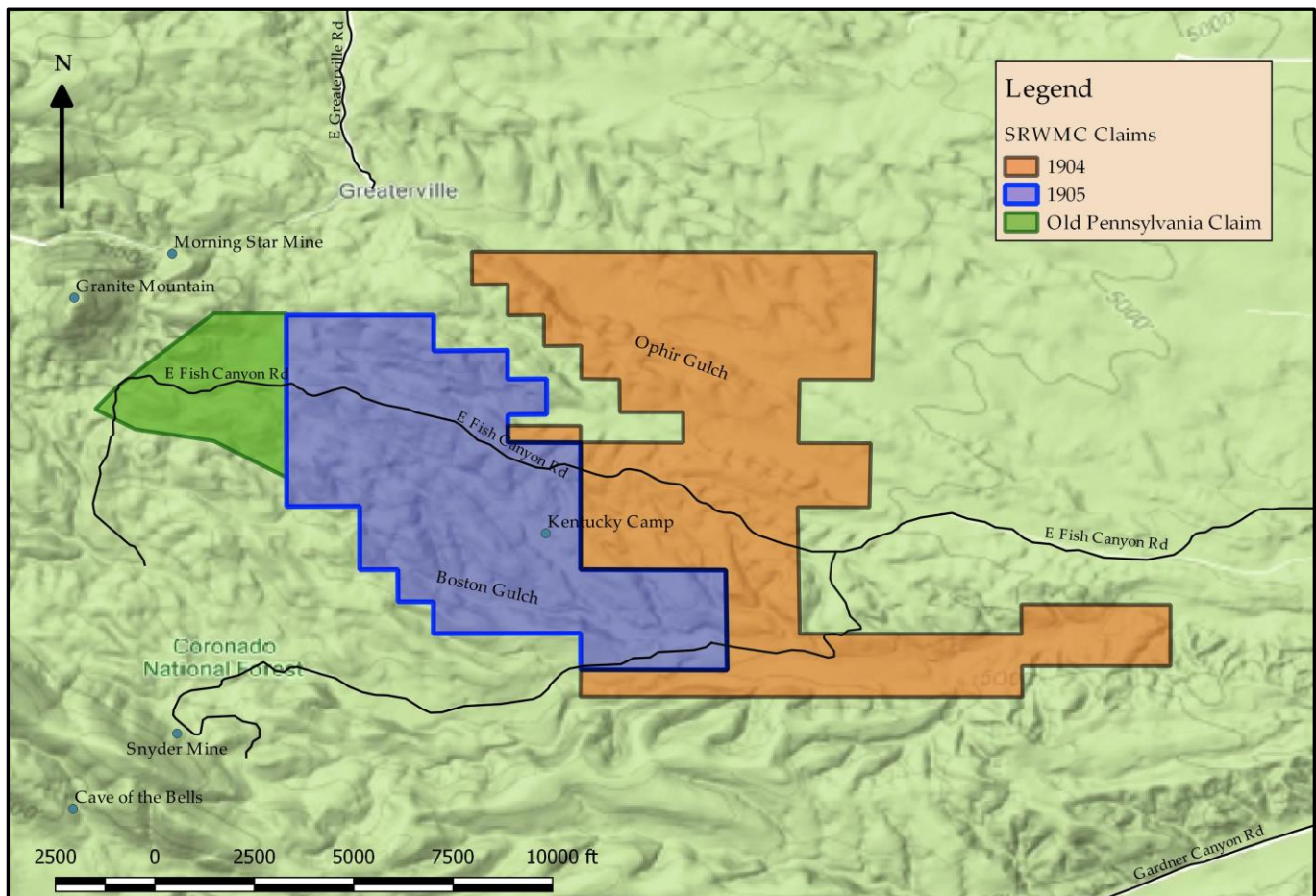




Arizona Trail backpackers from Paris, France get welcomed by "Ringo". No, she was not backpacking in flip-flops, those are just for walking around camp ☺ Photo courtesy of Martha Jo Billy.



White Iris blooming in April. Photo courtesy of Martha Jo Billy.



Ron Parrish has done some research to identify all the mining claims consolidated into the Santa Rita Water and Mining Co. property. Sandy Doumas has superimposed these boundaries onto this current-day relief map.

**Membership Renewal**

Don't miss out on the fun, the excitement, the Chronicle, and the opportunity to participate in Kentucky Camp's future! Renewing your membership is a simple way to support our ongoing rehabilitation efforts at Kentucky Camp and represents our primary source of funding. Student, Individual and Family memberships are very reasonably priced. If you'd like to give at a more substantial level, consider a Supporting or Contributing membership..... Or, even a Lifetime membership! Remember, Friends of Kentucky Camp is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization: your membership fee may qualify as a charitable deduction for federal income tax purposes.

To see if your membership is current, look at the mailing label on the front of this newsletter. If it says "Renew in June of 18" then your membership has expired and it's time to renew. (If your mailing label says "Renew in June of NA", then you are a lifetime member or have received a courtesy copy.) If your renewal year is in error, contact John Weiss at 520 323-0358 or jweiss25@cox.net.

**TWO Ways to Renew:**

1) Renew online at the Friends of Kentucky Camp website:

<http://www.kentuckycamp.org/>

Choose "Support Kentucky Camp". Using the online renewal process, you can also choose to have your newsletter delivered electronically versus hard copy.

2) Renew using the traditional mail-in form on the next page.

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

Our next volunteer day is planned for Friday, October 12 from 8 AM to 2 PM. We'll be doing some light clean-up and preparatory work for next month's work week.

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!

**IMPORTANT!**

If you prefer to renew your membership using the traditional mail-in form, please detach (or copy) this page and return to the Friends of Kentucky Camp asap:

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c/o John Weiss  
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Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_ made payable to Friends of Kentucky Camp for membership through June 2019.

Please circle:

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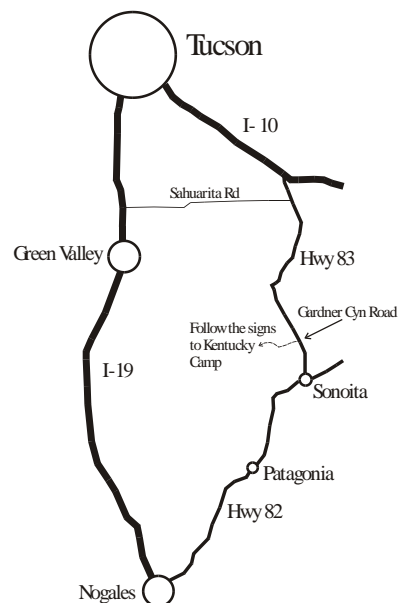
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