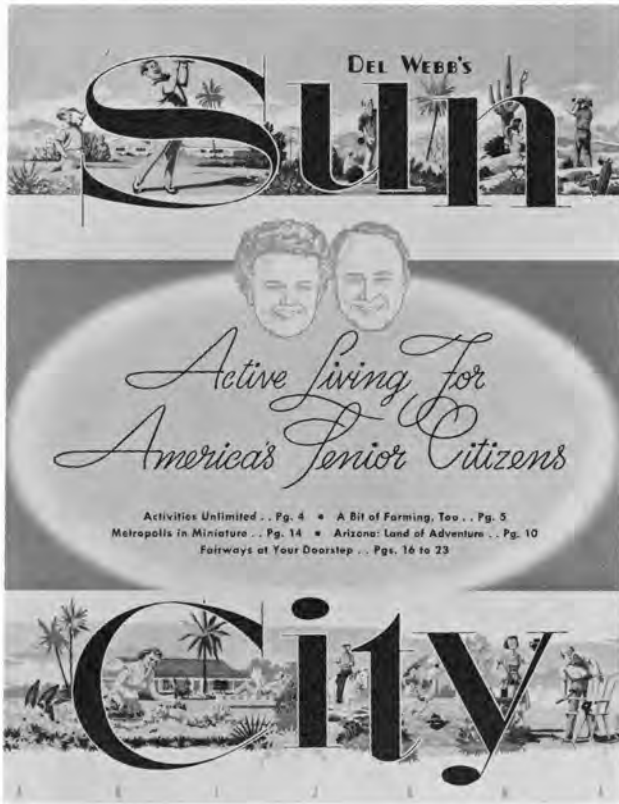


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How We Looked In Print



"Concrete, steel and lumber can make the buildings, but People make the community. Together we can realize a Way-Of-Life unprecedented in America."

Del E. Webb
President

ORIGINAL SUN CITY brochure cover is reproduced at top. Immediately above is a prophetic quote by Del Webb, part of the brochure's introduction, which became a truth now widely recognized.

'We Remember It Well'



JOHN MEEKER, right, and Owen Childress reminisce about Dec. 31, 1959, at Sun City West groundbreaking luncheon.

We asked Devco President John Meeker and Webb Exec. Vice-Pres. Owen Childress, who played key roles in the first Sun City, to sum up their feelings as Webb launched a billion dollar phase of expansion.

John Meeker — "In my fondest dreams I could not envision the progress that would occur during the next 18 years. Little did we know the number of lives that we would affect, touch or change when this new community was started.

"Because of the courage of our company to undertake and fulfill all its promises, thousands of people have been able to enjoy more meaningful and happy retirement years.

"These past 18 years have been a most rewarding experience for me personally and I hope I will be able to continue to be involved with the dynamic development of Sun City West."

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Owen Childress — "I remember that John Meeker and I spent New Year's Eve putting the final touches on the sales office in preparation for Sun City's opening the following day. As we were leaving the project, and had just locked the sales office door, almost as if by a signal we turned to each other and asked the same question: 'Do you think anybody will come?'

"The answer to that question, of course, is history and is certainly demonstrated in what I think everyone will agree is the premier retirement community in the world.

"Also a reward I have gotten from Sun City, over and above the pride in being associated with an operation which has been successful for the Company, has to do with the residents themselves.

"I can remember talking to one couple who had just finished signing their sales agreement, and were very excited. The husband was so racked with arthritis that he could barely sign the sales agreement.

"I remember the warm feeling I received when by chance some eight or nine months later I happened to run into them on the golf course. They had just finished playing the first nine holes of golf they had ever played.

"Seeing years added to this gentleman's life, as well as other Sun City residents I have come in contact with, is something I will carry with me for many years to come."

Fun Run In Sun City Sun Citians Living Up To Their 'Active' Reputation!

On Feb. 12, more than 400 people gave new meaning to the word "active" in Sun City's original slogan.

They walked, jogged and ran in Sun City's first annual 5,000 meter "Fun Run."

Winner was Les Hebert, 43, of Phoenix. He ran the 3½-mile back street "course" in 19:05, averaging 6½ minutes per mile.

In the 50-59 age bracket, the winners were Clair Decker of Glendale, 20:00, and Norma Richardson of Tempe 30:04.

In the 60-69 year class, the winning marks were set by Richard Elton, 21:49, and Edna Laffin, 28:40, both of Sun

City.

In the 70-79 year class, winners were "Mac" McLeod, 23:02, of Mesa, and Mia Wilhusen, 39:05, of Sun City.

The previous day a three-hour physical fitness seminar included an address by 70-year-old "Mac" McLeod of Mesa, winner of his age bracket in the Sun City contest, who recently completed the 26-mile Hawaii Marathon.

McLeod had been averaging 2500 miles per month, and last November completed 24,000 miles of running.

Also speaking at the seminar, open and free to the public, were three doctors and a nurse.



SCENES FROM Sun City's first annual 5,000 meter "Fun Run."

That Magic Lake Powell Appeal



Rainbow Bridge National Monument

Another wedding has borrowed the appeal of Lake Powell as a setting.

Lucy McCormick and Gary Gassaway were married Jan. 7 under Rainbow Bridge National Monument. Lucy, a National Park Service (NPS) ranger, and Gary, an NPS supervisor, were united in a formal Catholic ceremony.

Among observers were Francis Owens, Bullfrog accountant. She said a golden eagle circled in the bright sunshine above the newlyweds, who were garbed in traditional apparel over insulated underwear. A reception followed at Wahweap Lodge.

Other couples in recent years have been married beneath the world's tallest stone arch, as well as aboard houseboats and tour boats in Lake Powell.

Visitation Soars At Powell

Figures don't lie! That's why we can't demonstrate the increasing popularity of Lake Powell any better than by reprinting statistics from the National Park Service.

NUMBER OF VISITORS - 1977

Grand Canyon National Park	2,848,519
Wahweap, Bullfrog, Hite & Rainbow marinas	2,075,875

Among the three major resorts/marinas on Lake Powell operated by Del Webb, Wahweap visitation increased the most - 244 percent over 1976.

Visitation to Hite in 1977 was up 95 percent over the previous year, while Bullfrog's increase was 33 percent.

DEWGUARD Branches Out

A service launched by Del E. Webb Realty & Management has "branched out."

DEWGUARD, conceived in 1974 to secure company-owned buildings, was soon providing security for property managed (but not owned) by the Webb subsidiary. Today it "guards" 18 projects, including three not managed by Webb - Biltmore Hotel & Resort, Continental Bank branch offices and Park Central Shopping Center. All are located in Greater Phoenix.

Guard Discovers Fire

It was at Park Central in January that DEWGUARD Willie Hammond detected a controls fire in a heater, and shut off the gas supply. The center's operation manager later wrote: "Guard Hammond, through his diligence and attention to duty, prevented what could have been a major property loss."

Profits from DEWGUARD operations in 1977 were up 41 percent over the previous year, according to Jim Johnston, general manager. He terms the outlook for the first quarter of 1978 "very encouraging."

"The key to success in security is supervision," says Johnston, "and we have the very best."

Chief Of Operations

Lt. Jerry Rasmussen is chief of operations, with nine years experience in the field. He doubles as small arms safety and marksmanship instructor. For several years he was range master at the Phoenix Police Range.

Jim Gannarelli is DEWGUARD'S registered security officer.

Johnston feels selective hiring practices, detailed training and employee benefits are attracting and maintain personnel. The benefits include vacation, sick leave, group health insurance, life insurance and uniforms.

DEWGUARD has begun a basic first aid training program. A sew-on uniform patch designates course completion.

Some companies prefer that security personnel be unarmed (supplied with mace and baton only). Other firms want non-uniformed security. DEWGUARD can supply each type of service.



Willie Hammond



'Right Hand' Secretaries Span 96 Years Combined Service

We apologize to 'career' secretaries in the Webb Corporation who are distant from our Home Office, whose interesting background we couldn't detail because of time and space limitations.

By Toni Hellon

Jobs, titles and responsibilities may vary, but there is one thing all corporate executives have in common . . . a loyal, competent, efficient executive secretary . . . a right hand.

The Webb Corporation is no exception. This article is about seven of them who total 96 years of service, an average of 14 years each.

Each lady handles not only the obvious secretarial tasks, but everything from reminding her boss of his dentist appointment to getting him to the airport on time.

Marge Klinefelter

Marge Klinefelter, secretary to President Johnson, is a soft-spoken, rather unassuming lady who began her association with the Company in mid-1961. She first worked in the commercial division, going to W. J. Miller's office in 1962.

She did some work for "Mr. J" as she calls him, beginning in 1965 when he was flying in from Los Angeles two-three days a week. Her responsibilities grew as his did.

In 1970 Marge married Alan Klinefelter and moved to a farm in Illinois. But, in 1971, as she and Alan looked out their window at their "weedy beans," she called Phoenix and found that her old job was vacant.

Alan said, "Let's go." They returned to Phoenix where he works on the sales staff at Sun City and treks to the farm twice a year for planting and harvesting.

"We lead a quiet life," says Marge. "After working all day, I don't care to spend my free time belonging to clubs." Between them, the Klinefelters have four sons and nine grandchildren.

Mary Beth Festing

Mary Beth Festing, better known as "M.B." started with Webb in fall, 1961, as secretary to the land department manager. Later she filled the public relations secretarial position when an opening occurred.

Financial reversals within the company required personnel cutbacks in all departments in 1965. Mary Beth left the home office to take a position with the Sun City administration. She still shares pride in Sun City's success, and has many friends there.

In the spring of 1967, M.B. returned to headquarters to work for Exec. Vice-Pres. F. P. Kuentz, head of the Development group, an affiliation that has existed ever since. "This assignment has been challenging, rewarding and never dull. Working with such a dynamic personality has given me many opportunities to expand."

She is currently the Webb Bowling League secretary and has been a member since its inception in 1962.

She talks of her second occupation, home builder. She and husband Bob have spent many a weekend in Prescott, AZ, constructing Festing's Folly. She now feels qualified to act as a consultant, but declined any invitation to wield a hammer or paint brush.

"There is absolutely no doubt about it," says Fred Kuentz, "she is my right arm. I think the word 'secretary' is really a misnomer. She has so many functions. After so many years you begin thinking alike and can accomplish so many things."

Maxine Newman

A lady who worked as closely with Del Webb as anyone still employed with the corporation is Maxine Newman.

Working first in the payroll department for one year, she was asked if she would like to become a part of Mr. Webb's staff.

"It came as a complete surprise to me. I had never even seen the man at that point, and working for him was the farthest thing from my mind. I did want to get into secretarial work and, although I was a little scared, I accepted the position."

In early 1965, she became secretary to Mr. Webb's assistant. As investments outside the company grew, she spent most of her time working on other Webb's interests. One year later, when Webb's personal secretary left, she took over those tasks while continuing her previous assignments.

"Mr. Webb was a very demanding man to work for. I remember taking a day off to wallpaper my new apartment. Each time I would get the paste-covered paper up to the wall, the telephone would ring . . . it would be Mr. Webb.

"After three tries at hanging that paper, it was dried and ruined and I was frustrated. Then the phone rang again. 'Maxine, are you as busy as a one-armed paperhanger?', he drawled. Now, how could I possibly stay angry with a man like that?"

They worked together until his death in July, 1974. Because she was familiar with his estate, she was asked to devote her time to getting it in order, a task which took her one full year.

Today, Maxine is secretary to Owen Childress, executive vice-president, finance and corporate treasurer. She continues her duties with the Webb estate and foundation.

In 1977 she was very instrumental in the formation of the Del E. Webb Federal Credit Union and serves as vice president.

Tommye Ware

The Commercial Group has Tommye Ware, secretary to Exec. Vice-Pres. George Reeve. In fact, it has had her for the past 14 years.

She knew George before joining Webb and later found herself working for him when he was an assistant property manager. Today, he is head of the group and Tommye is still working for him, as well as for Jim Gannarelli in purchasing.

"George has never hired a secretary of his own, he just inherited me."

She spends much of her time working via telephone, as many secretaries do. One of her embarrassing moments took place during a call from a woman in Washington, D.C. who was taking a federal government survey.

The woman said, "This is Ruth Thayer, is Mr. Reeve in?" Tommye quickly replied, "Yeth, he is." (This is called a 'thlip of the tongue.')

Once very active in organizations, Tommye has given up that busy life. "Once clubs find out you take shorthand, you become secretary to all of them," says Tommye. She has belonged to many groups including PTA, Jaydettes and Gompers.

Interests now include reading, crewel and spectator sports. She also bowls in the Webb league.

With Webb Corporation

Margaret Espy

Margaret Espy and Exec. Vice-Pres. Bill Collins worked together before coming to Webb. In fact, he encouraged her to join the corporation.

She began in 1965 as receptionist for the contracting department, doing work for Joe Sangster. In 1971 she started working for Collins, where she remains today.

"I've practically raised him. I've been his only secretary since a few months after he took his position in charge of the Contracting group."

Margaret never forgets a favor. During the years when her children were young, she had trouble getting to work before 8 a.m. Because of this she was never able to take her turn preparing the coffee. Today she comes in early every morning and sets up the coffee for the entire floor . . . a kind of "thank you" to everyone for their understanding all those years.

Margaret and Clarke Espy spend their spare time working with plants in their green house, made from a converted patio. They also raise tropical fish.

Katie Dougher

Katie Dougher spent years working in the eastern United States for radio stations, newspapers, an insurance agency and her father's architect business before she and her family moved to Sun City in 1967.

She loafed until August of 1968, then decided to look for a job with Webb in Sun City. She was hired as a contract secretary.

In May of 1969 she was offered the job as secretary to Sales Manager Ken Parker, and accepted it. She has been working in that capacity ever since.

"Hard work, but fun and never dull," says Katie.

Activities outside the office include quiet interests such as reading. She also has a "spoiled dog." "You have heard it said that if there really is reincarnation, everyone wants to come back as a dog in Sun City!," Katie explains.

Lucy Krug

A remarkable lady with unlimited energy is Lucy Krug of Sun City. She is secretary to Devco President John Meeker, and Bill Chapman, project consultant.

Although known professionally as Miss Lucy Krug, her married name is Mrs. Richard Shields.

She has a fascinating background in Phoenix media . . . six years with the *Arizona Republic* and *Gazette* in promotions, followed by 13 years with KPHO radio and television before coming to Sun City. During her stint with the newspapers she was the only woman AAI boxing commissioner in the world.

She has worked for many departments at Devco since joining its public relations staff in January, 1970, and has been with Meeker for the past two years.

Lucy's weekends are busy gardening her 13-acre "Rancho Venture" (ranch of happiness) in Sun City and keeping up with her seven cats. The Shields also have a palomino registered Tennessee walking horse named Palappadan. She and Dan-Boy ride the Aqua Fria river bed on weekends.



Katie Dougher

Margaret Espy

Mary Beth Festing

Marge Klinefelter

Lucy Krug

Maxine Newman

Tommye Ware



Newporter Manager



FORMER general manager of Del Webb's Kuilima Resort Hotel & Country Club on Oahu, Dorsey Brady, has been named general manager of Webb's Newporter Inn in Newport Beach, Calif. He joined the Kuilima in 1975 after 10 years in Hawaii in various management capacities. Before succeeding Jim Villers at the Newporter, Brady was a Del Webb Hotels project director and supervised the Park Tahoe project at Lake Tahoe. In 1976 he managed the Fresno TowneHouse.

Rancho San Diego



REVIEWING PLANS for construction of 724 single family homes over the next six months, are Frank Parks, Rancho San Diego general manager, right, and Paul Petit, director of marketing for the 4,620 acre master planned community. At completion of 1977, 728 single family and 74 apartment units had been sold. Rancho San Diego offer builders a road system, parks, and underground utilities including cable television. The community, located 12 miles east of downtown San Diego, is devoting 40 percent of its total acreage to open space. Rancho San Diego is a Webb Corporation subsidiary.

Consumer's Corner

Compiled By Carol Cook
Loss Control Department

The auto industry is now offering memory jogging features to forgetful car owners. Honda started the trend by introducing lights on the dash that flash when it's time to change oil and rotate tires, as well as a mini TV screen to warn the driver when exterior lights need replacement. American manufacturers are following suit; Oldsmobile, for example, is offering a multifunction tone generator which checks eight automotive functions and emits both audible and visual warnings if a problem exists. The device monitors voltage and engine temperature, and also reminds the driver to buckle his safety belt, turn off his headlights, refill his gas tank, and remove his key from the ignition.

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Many airline passengers unknowingly carry illegal items in their luggage. Most are aware that federal law prohibits air travelers from taking on board luggage containing explosive, flammable or corrosive materials — such as throwaway butane cigarette lighters, firecrackers, materials for hand-loading of ammunition, and chemicals — but few realize that book matches are at the top of the list. The Federal Aviation Administration reports that an average of one fire per month is started by matchbooks carelessly tossed into a suitcase. The covers open and match heads rub against the striking strip of another book. A passenger can be fined up to \$10,000 if he unknowingly carries dangerous material in his luggage. Intentional violations can carry a penalty of \$25,000 and five years in prison.

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The National Highway Traffic Safety Commission has announced that 12.6 million motor vehicles were recalled during 1977 — a dramatic increase over the average three million cars recalled annually from 1974 to 1976. Included in the 1977 totals were over 10.5 million domestic cars, and over 2 million foreign models. The growing number of recalls has been attributed to increased enforcement and investigation activities by the NHTSC. Consumers are urged to submit complaints either by mail or to the NHTSA Hotline 1-800-424-9393.



FAST COMPANY — In the Pro-Am portion of the Phoenix Open, the sponsoring Thunderbirds paired these golfers. From left: Bill Franke, president, Southwest Forest Industries; R. H. "Bob" Johnson, chairman, Webb Corporation; Tom Watson, leading PGA money winner; Germaine Ball, president, Harmon Investment Co. and George C. Scott, actor. The fivesome did not register a winning score. John Meeker, president of Del E. Webb Development Co., played in a group which included Bruce Lietzke, another leading pro golfer, and Entertainer Lawrence Welk.

From The Del Webb Point Of View

March entertainment in **Hotel Sahara's** Congo Room: 3-4, Johnny Carson; 5-8, Tennessee Ernie Ford and Buddy Hackett, dinner and midnight shows respectively; 9-12, Don Rickles and Buddy Greco; 23-29, Totie Fields, and March 30-April 5, Eddie Arnold and Hackett, dinner and midnight * * * **Sahara-Tahoe**, which hosted a sled dog race Jan. 28-29 for a \$5,000 purse, has scheduled Natalie Cole and Olivia Newton John on March weekends * * * At **Mountain Shadows**, kitchen worker **George Myles** has been named Employee of the Year. At the resort since 1965, Myles hasn't missed one day of work in eight years according to **Udo Mueller**, director of food and beverage * * * Back at Tahoe, **Bob Brackett** has returned as executive director of public relations, advertising and promotion. He was publicity director there in 1970-1971. At the new **Sahara Reno**, **Larry Close** has been promoted to the same post Brackett holds at "the Lake." **Steve Gordon** moves from the Sahara Vegas to the **Primadonna** to direct publicity * * * **Jerry Svendsen**, whose office organized the Sun City Fun Run, finished seventh among 425 runners with a time of 21:45. He vows to improve the time next year * * * **DEWGUARD Russel Oliver** was surprised when he was stopped by a Phoenix policeman and issued a Courtesee Driving Certificate * * * At **Sun City**, citizens celebrated the town's 18th birthday with four dances on one evening. The Sun City Stadium, which each spring hosts the Milwaukee Brewers American League baseball team and outdraws all other Valley training facilities, will open free Brewer training sessions beginning March 1 * * * Webb Vice-Pres. **Bob Sheer** has been elected first vice-president of the General Contractors Association of Hawaii * * * The **Newporter Inn** has a new director of sales and marketing, **Andrew Lucich** * * * Devco President **John Meeker** is the first honorary member of Sun City's oldest Rotary Club, after being cited for "major services and contributions to the community" * * * Building the best of anything is an achievement, even sewage projects which are now dubbed "waste water treatment

plants." The general manager of the facility now being finished by Webb builders at the Truckee-North Lake Tahoe area calls it "the most advanced in the world." * * * New promotions in Webb Realty & Management include **Bill Whiteside** as leasing manager; **Jim Johnston** to general manager of DEWGUARD and **Ken Shortreed** as assistant leasing and property manager in the Tucson regional office * * * DEWR&M figured its 15 leasing people corralled \$29 million in contracts in 1977, an average of \$114,000 per day * * * Please let the editor bend a rule about birth announcements to report to her many friends that **Toni Hellon**, Spinner assistant editor and public relations secretary, "produced" a baby on Jan. 16. Toni and Mike named the new edition Scott Michael * * * He also would like to thank **Lisa De Pinto** who has been filling in so well for Toni.

Department Manager



RICHARD (DICK) HASCALL has been promoted from acting manager to manager of the corporate internal auditing department. He joined Webb in 1972 as an auditor in the same department. Hascall's accounting degree is from the University of Washington. He is a Certified Internal Auditor and a member of the Institute of Internal Auditors.

Spinner Spotlight On Eileen LaBarre

Eileen Charlotte LaBarre was born in Duluth, Minn. and later moved to Phoenix in 1949. Eileen would not reveal her birthday as she remains a perennial 39 years. However, she has a daughter and a son who are rapidly approaching their mother's age.

Eileen's first and present home in Phoenix is near 42nd Street and Thomas. She recalls that in 1949 the vicinity was considered "country". Her home was surrounded by farms and orchards. Life was made interesting by the turkey farm behind her home and cows that meandered across her front yard. Now, of course, this area between Tower Plaza and Thomas Mall is very much a part of the "city".

In September, 1962, Eileen came to work for Webb in corporate accounting. In 1964 she took charge of the books for North Central Development Co. Her title is now NCDC accountant in the Rosenzweig Center building office. Her cheerfulness and accuracy are an asset to any office.



She has worked with a number of bosses including George Sapp, Marv Todd, Duane Roberts, Bill Whiteside and Cliff Everts. Some have moved upward to other jobs in the company (Thanks to Eileen?) Eileen, however, has moved down in life. She has worked on the 16th, 15th, 14th, 11th and is now on the ground floor of the Webb Building. Next step seems to be the basement. However, we're certain whichever floor she works on, her fellow employees will consider it to be "the top!"





Retirees Tell Of Future Plans

JANUARY

25 YEARS – Robert Miller – Mint; Adam Pfaff – Sahara-Vegas.

20 YEARS – Paul Syphus – Sahara-Tahoe.

15 YEARS – Billie Graves – Sun City; Atilano Arriaga, Jr. – Mint.

10 YEARS – Genevieve Morin, Angela Youngkins, Bill Chapman – Sun City; Julia Tabor – TowneHouse; Robert Cook – Sahara-Tahoe; Harold Kramer – Los Angeles; Felipa Reveles, Donald Mojado, Edward Beck, Pablo Arteaga, Alfonso Raza, Severino Ladua, Frances LeMoine, Hilda Wroten, Edna Holmes, Mary Marshall – Sahara-Vegas.

FEBRUARY

15 YEARS – Ben Varnum – Sun City; Edward Wawro, Helen Van Matre – Mountain Shadows; Kathleen Jameson, Landry Williams, Joseph Leavitt, Justino Garcia, Thomas Vlahos – Sahara-Vegas.

10 YEARS – Janice Reinke, Frank Alcantar – Sun City; Patricia McGuire – Home Office; Alfonso Diaz, Eloise Koenig – Sahara-Vegas; Joseph Soprano, Richard Kennedy, Barbara Phillips – Mint.

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 Special congratulations to Robert (Bob) Sheer, who celebrated 20 years service in November, 1977. (Not reported).

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Top Safety Award

Del Webb's Newporter Inn is one of only 19 large hotels – the only property in California – to receive a 1976 safety award from the American Hotel & Motel Association.

The Newporter was among 7,000 eligible properties to be honored in December, 1977. Among Webb hotels the Newport Beach resort has won the majority of annual safety honors.



Ralph Wanless



Mabel Seitz

Two retirees have shared their immediate plans with the *Spinner*.

Ralph Wanless has ended a 27-year career in project operations at the Los Angeles contracting office.

An avid golfer, he intends to "keep trying." He is also active as a secretary in the Masonic Lodge.

In the Home Office, after 19 years with Webb, Mabel Seitz plans to "sleep till 10 every morning, dig in my garden

and clean my dirty house."

Her first Webb accounting projects were shopping centers and Navarres Restaurant. Since 1966 she had worked on general ledgers. "I've done it all . . . cash flow, budgets, taxes.

"I remember when Mr. Webb owned the Yankees," said Mabel. "I had been trained all my life to be punctual, work hard, punch time clocks. Yet there I was, watching the World Series on television during work hours. I never felt so guilty in my life."

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DEPARTING FROM its traditional Man of the Year banquet, the Nate Mack Lodge of B'Nai B'rith in February honored the Webb firm as "Corporation of the Year." Accepting the award from Jerry Radstone, right, chapter president, was Bill Dougall, president of Del Webb Hotels. A spokesman for the lodge said Webb is an outstanding example of a company participating in the growth of a state, the resort/casino industry and the community.

SUN CITY HISTORY PROJECT

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Dear Les,

We have not forgotten your interest in the formation of the Sun City Historical Society. There has been a little action and to bring you up to date we are getting a copy of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for the Central Arizona Museum of History. Their director, James E. Moss has said he will be happy to consult and advise with us at our convenience!

I have also written to the American Association for State and Local History. This is the professional organization which services local historical agencies and they have published a number of publications relating to the initial organization of local groups along with sample constitutions and bylaws. If any of you have had contact with historical groups "back home" you might want to see what they have.

With the holiday season rapidly approaching let's use this time to collect information and schedule a meeting in January and have Mr. Moss meet with us at that time. Will you reserve Friday, January 18th, 10 a.m. and we will plan to meet ??? (will have to let you know).

We have been promised many large scrapbooks of information about Del Webb. They are coming from Bill Acton, Executive V.P., Public Relations, Webb Corp. and we will have them on "permanent loan." When they come they have asked we have some publicity about the gift. Acton is a history buff and interested in our project. I'm so glad I sat next to him at a dinner last August. We'll have to keep in touch with him!

Until January have a happy holiday season - Hallowe'en, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Jane

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

SUN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this organization shall be Sun City Historical Society, Inc.

ARTICLE II - Purpose

This corporation is organized and is to be operated as a non profit corporation exclusively for civic and educational purposes and to promote the common cultural interests of the residents of Sun City, Arizona under chapter 5 of title 10 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, and in compliance with Sections 501 (a) and 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future law). Such laws shall be applicable to the business and affairs of this corporation.

ARTICLE III - Place of Business

The known place of business of this corporation shall be Sun City, Arizona.

ARTICLE IV - Initial Business

The business and purpose of this corporation shall be:

1. To bring together those people interested in history, and especially in the history of Sun City, Arizona and environs.

2. To discover and collect any material which may help to establish or illustrate the history of the area: its exploration, settlement, development, and activities: its progress in population, government, education, cultural activities, sports, recreation, commerce and transportation. It will collect printed material, such as histories; genealogies, biographies, descriptions, gazetteers, directories, newspapers, pamphlets, catalogs, circulars, handbills, programs, and posters: manuscript material such as letters, diaries, journals, memoranda, reminiscences, rosters, service records, account books, charts, surveys, and field books; and museum material such as pictures, photographs, paintings, portraits, scenes, aboriginal relics, and material objects illustrative of life, conditions, events and activities of the past and the present.

3. To provide for the preservation of such material and for its accessibility, as far as may be feasible, to all who wish to examine and study it, to co-operate with officials in insuring the preservation and accessibility of the records and archives of the county, municipalities and institutions, and to undertake the preservation of historic buildings, monuments, and markers.

4. To disseminate historical material in the newspapers or otherwise; by holding meetings and pageants, addresses, lectures, papers and discussion; by marking historic buildings, and sites and by using the media of radio and television to awaken public interest.

5. To do such other things as shall be consistent with the foregoing purposes of this corporation and as the corporation may be

empowered to do under applicable state and federal law.

ARTICLE V - Prohibited Activities

This corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under sections 501 (a) and 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future law). No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its exempt purposes.

ARTICLE VI - Members

Any individual interested in the activities and purposes of the corporation shall be eligible to become a member of the corporation on such terms and conditions as from time to time shall be provided in the By-Laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VII - Perpetual Existence

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE VIII - Dissolution and Liquidation

In the event of the dissolution or liquidation of this corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of this corporation, distribute any and all surplus, capital, or assets thereof to one or more domestic nonprofit (as defined under the then existing Arizona Revised Statutes) corporations, societies, or organizations engaged in activities and having purposes substantially similar to those of this corporation and which are tax-exempt under section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future law), or if none exists, to one or more funds, foundations, or corporations located in the State of Arizona, conducted solely and exclusively for civic, charitable or education purpose, no part of the net earnings of which shall inure to the benefit of any private member, trustee, officer, or individual of that entity.

Any such assets not so distributed by the board of directors shall be distributed by the Superior Court of the State of Arizona, in and for the County of Maricopa, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as such court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IX - Board of Trustees and Officers

The business and affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of trustees, who may exercise on behalf of this corporation all powers of a nonprofit corporation not expressly prohibited by state law. The initial number of trustees shall be _____. The following individuals shall be the corporation's trustees until the first annual meeting or until their successors are elected and qualified.

The officers of this corporation shall be a chairman, a vice chairman, a secretary, and a treasurer, all of whom shall be members of the board of trustees. The aforesaid officers shall be elected in such manner as may be prescribed by the bylaws. The offices of chairman and secretary may not be held by the same individual. The duties of the officers and number of trustees shall be prescribed by the bylaws.

ARTICLE XI-Statutory Agent

The corporation hereby appoints _____ of _____ Sun City, Arizona _____ as the statutory agent of the corporation. This appointment may be revoked at any time by the filing of an appointment of a successor agent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporators have hereunto set their hands as of the _____ day of _____, 1985.

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
County of Maricopa)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 1985 by

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Internal Revenue Service

Department of the Treasury

1100 COMMERCE STREET
DALLAS, TX 75242-0000

4-5422 (0-8-80)

Date: **MAY 06 1988**

Employer Identification Number:

~~74-2439569~~ 74-2439569

Contact Person:

EO TECHNICAL ASSISTOR

Contact Telephone Number:

(214) 767-3526

ent. Tax Form

THE SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL
SOCIETY INC
~~16828 99TH AVE~~ 10801 OAKMONT DR.
SUN CITY, AZ 85351-0000

Our Letter Dated:

APRIL 17, 1987

Caveat Applies:

N/A

Dear Applicant

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization which is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(2). Your exempt status under Code section 501(c)(3) of the code is still in effect.

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination until the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(2) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act that resulted in your loss of such status, or acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a section 509(a)(2) organization.

If the heading of this letter indicates that a caveat applies, the caveat below or on the enclosure is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in you permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Glenn Cagle
District Director

V. P.

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 10-035, Arizona Revised Statutes, the undersigned corporation adopts the following Articles of Amendment to its Articles of Incorporation:

1. The name of the corporation is SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC., an Arizona non-profit corporation

/s/Jane J. Freeman

President

ATTESTED:

/s/Rita Z. Wright

Secretary

STATE OF ARIZONA, County of Maricopa

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this

day of November, 1986, by Jane J. Freeman, and Rita Z. Wright, who are

respectively the President and Secretary of Sun Cities Area Historical

Society, Inc., an Arizona non-profit corporation, on behalf of the

corporation.

/s/Karen B. Zuckerman

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

May 8, 1987

EXHIBIT "A" AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

1. Article II of the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

II

Purpose. This corporation is organized and is to be operated as a non-profit corporation exclusively for educational purposes and to this end shall have the power to further its purposes and affairs including any and all lawful affairs for which non-profit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Arizona.

2. Article V of the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

V

Prohibited Activities. This corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future law). No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its exempt purposes and powers. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

3. Article VIII of the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

VIII

Dissolution and Liquidation. In the event of the dissolution or liquidation of this corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of this corporation, distribute any and all surplus, capital, or assets thereof to one or more domestic non-profit (as defined under the then existing Arizona Revised Statutes) corporations, societies, or organizations engaged in activities and having purposes substantially similar to those of this corporation and which are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future law), or if none exists, to one or more funds, foundations, or corporations located in the State of Arizona, conducted solely and exclusively for

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Number _____

Articles of Amendment

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

The Record Reporter

STATE OF ARIZONA

ss.

COUNTY OF MARICOPA

JEAN STEVENS, being first duly sworn, upon oath deposes and says: That she is the associate publisher of

THE RECORD REPORTER

a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Maricopa, State of Arizona, published at Phoenix, Arizona, and that the copy hereto attached is a true copy of the advertisement as published daily except Sunday and Legal Holidays in The Record Reporter on the following dates:

January 15, 16, 17, 1987

Jean Stevens
Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 17th day of

January A.D. 1987
Archie D. Swaine

Archie D. Swaine
My Commission Expires: Oct. 4, 1990





ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

DATE: 12/1/86

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This letter is in regard to the document, as checked, which has been approved for filing with the Corporations Division of the Arizona Corporation Commission.

- AMENDMENT
- MERGER
- NEW AUTHORITY
- INTENT TO DISSOLVE (NONPROFIT)

In regard to the item check above, your document must be published for three (3) consecutive publications, within sixty (60) days of the filing date--in a newspaper of general circulation in the Arizona County of the known place of business of the corporation. The Affidavit of Publication must then be returned to this office within thirty (30) days of the last day of publication.

- RESTATEMENT OF INFORMATION
- INTENT TO DISSOLVE (PROFIT)

In regard to the above item checked, the publication requirements must take place within thirty (30) days of the filing date in a newspaper of general circulation in the Arizona County of the known place of business. The Affidavit of Publication must then be returned to this office within fifteen (15) days for the INTENT TO DISSOLVE and thirty (30) days for the RESTATEMENT OF INFORMATION, of the last day of publication.

If you have questions, you may contact us at our Phoenix Office. Hours are 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., weekdays, (602) 255-3135.

Very truly yours,

Sonia Brewer
Examiner Technician
Corporations Division
Arizona Corporation Commission

PUBLICATION MUST BE IN
Maricopa COUNTY

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DATE _____ TIME _____

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STATE OF ARIZONA
ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
TO THE
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 10-1035, Arizona Revised Statutes, the undersigned corporation adopts the following Articles of Amendment to its Articles of Incorporation:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

SECOND: The document attached hereto as Exhibit "A" sets forth the amendments to the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, which were adopted by the Board of Directors of the corporation as of November 3, 1986, in the manner prescribed by the Arizona Revised Statutes Section 10-1034(A2).

THIRD: The date of the adoption of the Amendment is November 3, 1986.

FOURTH: The Amendments attached hereto as Exhibit "A" were duly adopted by the acts of the Board of Directors of this corporation.

DATED: November 7, 1986.

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.,
an Arizona non-profit corporation

By: Jane J. Freeman

Its: President

ATTESTED:

By: Rita Z Wright

Its: Secretary

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
County of Maricopa)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of November, 1986, by Jane J. Freeman and Rita Z. Wright, who are respectively the PRESIDENT and Secretary of SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC., an Arizona non-profit corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

Karen D. Zuckerman
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

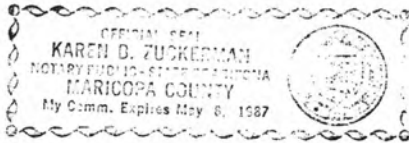


EXHIBIT "A"
AMENDMENTS TO THE
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

1. Article II of the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE.

This corporation is organized and is to be operated as a non-profit corporation exclusively for educational purposes and to this end shall have the power to further its purposes and affairs including any and all lawful affairs for which non-profit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Arizona.

2. Article V of the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE V - PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

This corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future law). No part of the net earnings of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that this corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its exempt purposes and powers. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

3. Article VIII of the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII - DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

In the event of the dissolution or liquidation of this corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of this corporation, distribute any and all surplus, capital, or assets thereof to one or more domestic non-profit (as defined under the then existing

Arizona Revised Statutes) corporations, societies, or organizations engaged in activities and having purposes substantially similar to those of this corporation and which are tax-exempt under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future law), or if none exists, to one or more funds, foundations, or corporations located in the State of Arizona, conducted solely and exclusively for charitable or education purposes, no part of the net earnings of which shall inure to the benefit of any private member, trustee, officer, or individual of that entity.

Any such assets not so distributed by the Board of Directors shall be distributed by the Superior Court of the State of Arizona, in and for the County of Maricopa, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as such court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

October 15, 1987

GOOD NEWS!

Because you are a good friend we want you to know in advance about the program for the annual meeting of our Society to be held

THURSDAY , NOVEMBER 19, 1987
1:30 P.M. - Smoot Hall
Lakeview United Methodist Church
103rd Avenue and Thunderbird

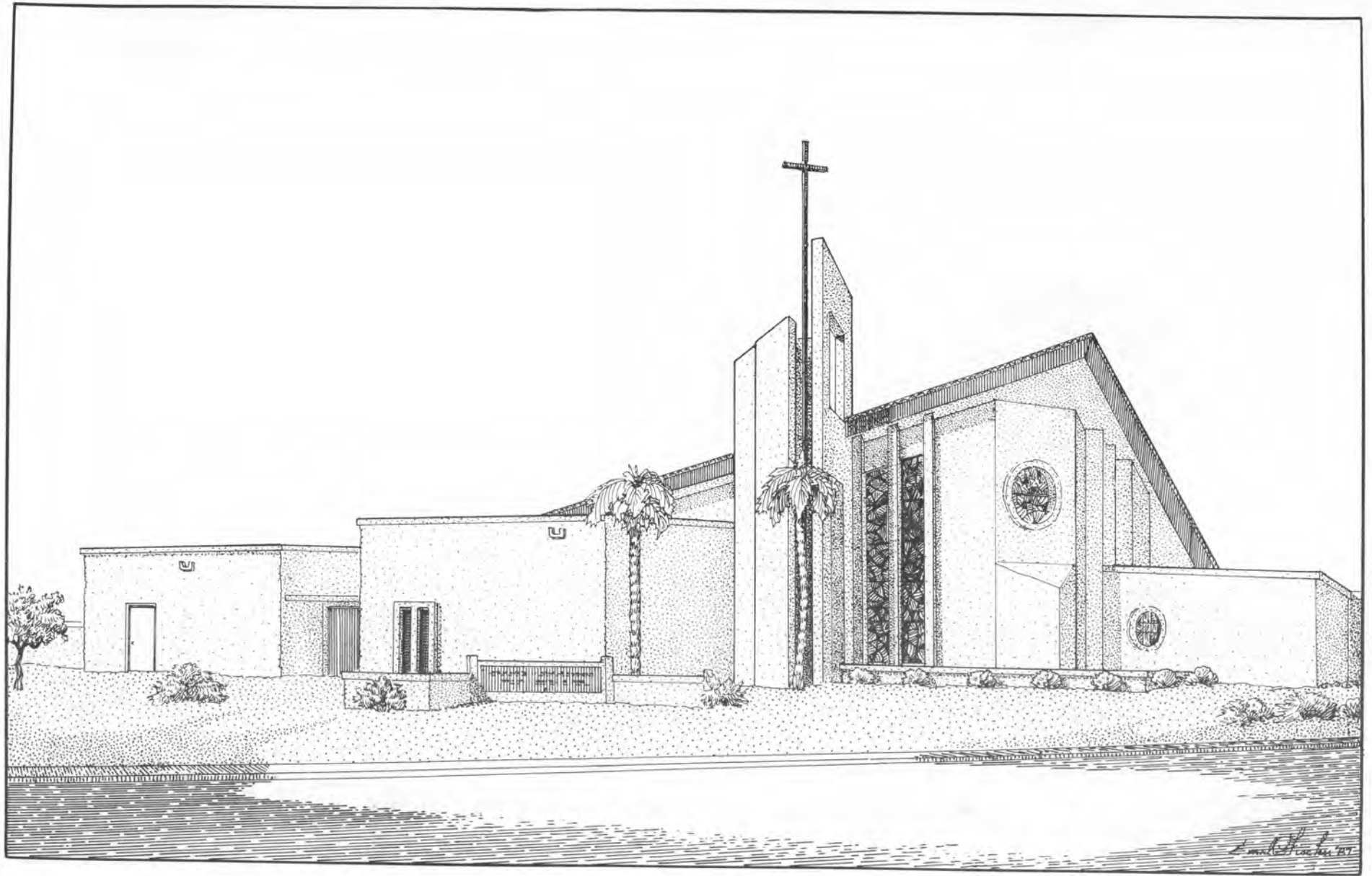
By special arrangement and at the request of hundreds of Sun Citizens who have attended his summer classes at Utah State University, Dr. Ross Peterson, noted author, lecturer and historian will be the speaker. Dr. Peterson comes to Sun City because he believes we have something to offer the society in which we live. Don't miss this golden opportunity to become informed, entertained and inspired.

And an added surprise! For the first time offered - the beautifully illustrated book by Emil Fischer, THE CHURCHES OF THE SUN CITIES. An accomplished artist, Emil Fischer is well known for highly artistic pen and ink drawings and has shown interior and exterior views of each church. A limited number of copies have been printed and will be available at a very nominal price.

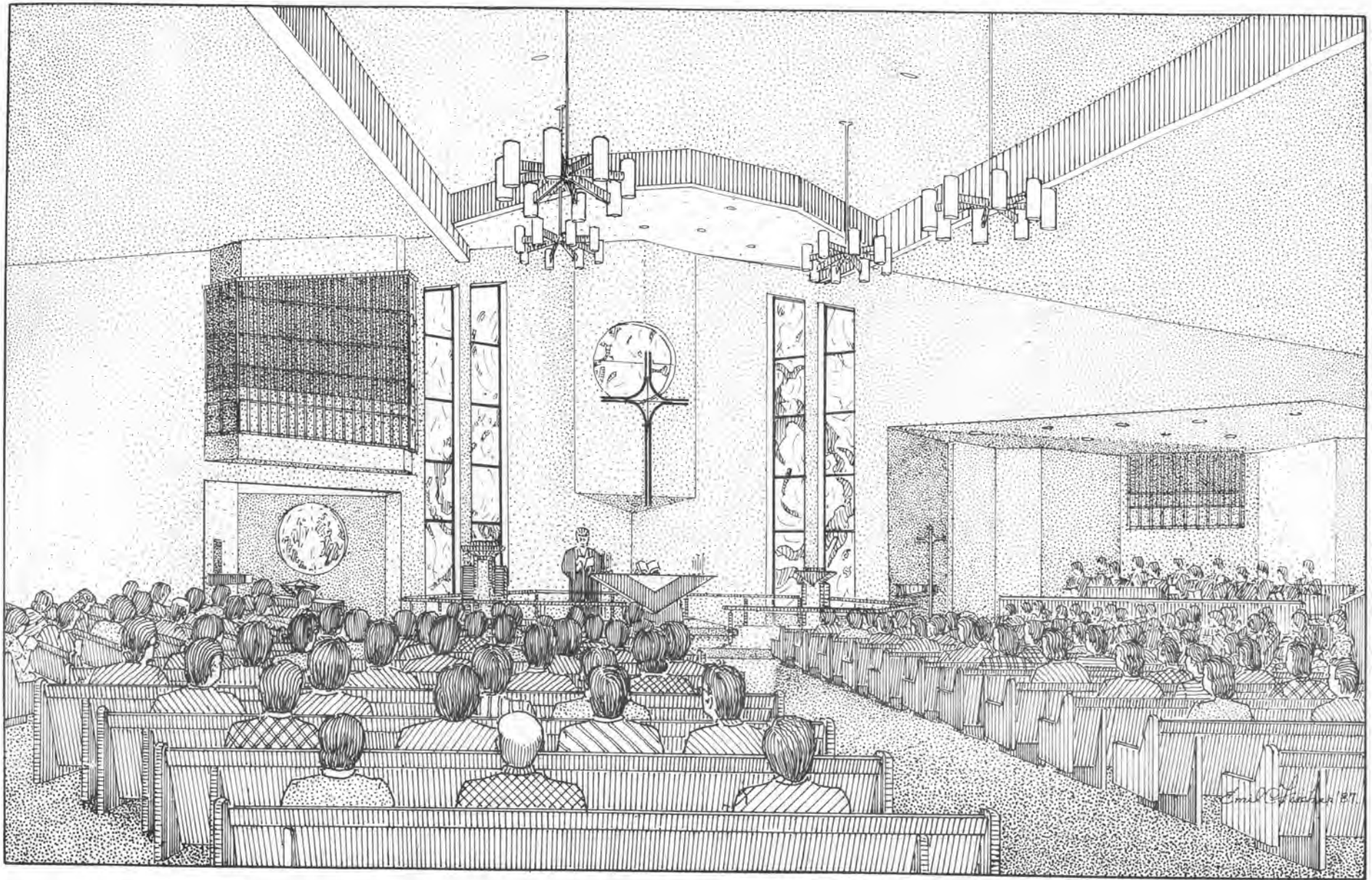
Mark your calendar now for this historic meeting - Tuesday, November 19th, 1:30 P.M., Smoot Hall, Lakeview United Methodist Church.

Cordially,

Jane Freeman
Jane Freeman
President



The Lord of Life Church viewed from Meeker Blvd.



Interior of the Lord of Life, Lutheran Church. The baptismal font is located to the front, left



THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY's first meeting featured Jane Freeman and Glenn Sanberg presenting life memberships to Sun City legends Jim Boswell, John Meeker and Owen Childress.

Sun Cities Area Historical Society

By Jane Freeman

Ever since the publication of *Jubilee*, the chronicle of Sun City's first 25 years, a small group of dedicated residents have been busy sorting and recording documents to form the nucleus of a permanent historical collection. Out of this endeavor, the non-profit Sun Cities Area Historical Society, Inc. (SCAHS) was born and is now incorporated under the laws of Arizona.

Because of its unique nature, the Sun Cities have become an object of great interest on the part of social scientists and researchers. Indeed, these twin communities are now considered one of the most important gerontological laboratories in the world.

Caught up in the importance of retaining a storehouse of historical information about their place of residence, many locals contributed invaluable memorabilia such as photographs, key chains, postcards, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, etc., during the writing of *Jubilee*. Del E. Webb Communities, Inc. (formerly DEVCO) generously turned over many of its files and records as well.

Underscoring the Society's motto, "Today Is Tomorrow's History," Webb President Paul Tatz noted, "It's important that these documents be compiled now while they are still available. Every resident within the Sun Cities is a valuable part of this process and I hope they continue to provide items that are part of the communities' history."

SCAHS' next meeting is slated for November 19, at which time there will be a well-known speaker. Interested parties are encouraged to attend and SCAHS memberships will be available.

SUN CITIES TRIVIA QUIZ

Questions Compiled by Jane Freeman
President,
Sun Cities Area Historical Society

1. Where was Sun City's (SC) first fire hydrant installed?
2. What was the first business to open in Sun City West (SCW)?
3. Who was the first director of the SC Symphony?
4. When did incorporation of SC first become a heated issue?
5. How many people will the Sundome seat?
6. Where was the first SC softball field located?
7. What was the cost of the first model home in SCW?
8. Who was the first medical doctor in SC?
9. When did SCW groundbreaking ceremonies take place?
10. How much was the downpayment on a SC house in 1960?
11. Who were the first lawyers to serve the SC area?
12. What featured entertainment opened the Sundome in 1980?
13. Who is considered to be the "mother" of the SC Library?
14. What date did R.H. Johnson Recreation Center open in SCW?
15. What is the total number of acres comprising SC?
16. What department is Del E. Webb Hospital slated to have that is not presently found at Boswell Memorial Hospital?
17. Where were the first bowling lanes in SC?
18. What year was the first Homeowners Directory published?
19. Who won the LPGA Classic Golf Tournament in 1980?
20. Which service club, organized in 1960, is still in existence today?
21. How many acres will SCW encompass when finished?
22. How many homes had been sold in SC prior to its Grand Opening?
23. What was the first church built in SC?
24. Why was the Sun Bowl built?
25. What college, in 1960, first offered classes in SC?

Answers to Trivia Quiz on page 47.

Trivia Quiz answers for page 30

1. corner of 107th Ave. & Sun City Blvd.
2. Crestview Restaurant
3. Jennings Butterfield
4. March, 1961
5. 7,169
6. Grand Ave. Shopping Center
7. \$40,990
8. Dr. Robert M. Stump
9. February 15, 1978
10. \$500
11. Melvin Swartz & Harvey Finks
12. Lawrence Welk & orchestra
13. Ruth Mildner
14. October 20, 1979
15. 8,900
16. Obstetrics
17. Lakeview Center
18. 1961
19. Jan Stephenson
20. Host Lions Club
21. 5,700
22. approximately 400
23. United Church
24. an advertising tool to promote home sales
25. Phoenix College

A T T H E C R O S S R O A D S

I suppose you have all read the news that the Del Webb Corporation may be taken over by new owners in the near future. We don't know whether it is a friendly or a hostile takeover proposal.

This could be bad news for the Sun Cities Area Historical Society or it could be good news depending on how we look at it.

If you are looking for bad news, this means that the Historical Society will probably lose forever Devco's generous offer to pay half the cost of the purchase of one of the first homes built in Sun City to be used as a historical exhibit and headquarters for our Society.

However, if we look upon the current situation as an opportunity, it may turn out to be extremely good news.

This Historical Society is at a crossroads. If we continue holding meetings in any available free space we can find, talking about how we can raise \$25,000 by holding garage sales or selling mementoes we are not going to attract new members or significant contributions.

We must have something tangible to show people. We must have a building with things in it that people can see. We must have tangible objectives to attract participation and money. We must be able to say: "The Society needs landscaping." - "The society needs furniture and shelving." - "The Society needs \$3,000 for paint and floor covering."

Now there is something bigger than the future of the Historical Society involved in this proposed takeover. Somewhere, stashed away in various Devco storerooms are countless legal documents, files, engineering drawings and specifications that have to do with Sun City. These materials are of no use to Devco or anyone else but they are extremely valuable to the people of Sun City. Many are irreplaceable and some of them are probably already gone.

For example when Citizens for Self-Government wanted a copy of the original agreement made when the Sun City Water Co. bought the Sunburst Water Co. from Devco. we had to pay

an investigative firm down in Phoenix to dig it out of the Recorders Office for us. We have spent at least a thousand dollars in the past few years for such things as copies of the deeds on the sale of the Stadium to Bade Boyes and the sale of the Regional Shopping Center Site at 99th and Bell to the Kuwatis on which they doubled their money in two years. The Devco files relating to such documents would be very interesting and in some cases worth lots of money to Sun City people.

Now what does that have to do with the Historical Society? The Historical Society should offer to be the trustee and custodian of these documents and hold them until Sun City people establish a municipal government to take possession of them.

What would be more reasonable than for a newly incorporated Sun City to appropriate sufficient funds to the Historical Society to pay off its mortgage in exchange for valuable services rendered?

Now I have a proposal for this board to consider. I propose that the Society buy LOT 1, NEW LIFE UNIT 1 which is immediately adjacent to the Oakmont Recreation Center premises. This is not one of the first group of houses that was built in Sun City, it is the first house.

It has unequalled visibility and the location is easily identified as being nextdoor to Oakmont. There is overflow, off-street parking available next door and across the street. It should be easier to obtain approval of future alteration or addition plans because it is on the border and not in the middle of a residential area.

A good sized room and a second toilet facility has been added on the rear of the house.

The house and premises are in deplorable condition and the neighbors will probably be happy to have the Historical Society spruce up the property.

Now for my proposal. I suggest that this board authorize Jane Freeman, Glenn Sandberg and Les Merydith to come up with a definite proposal that would gain provisional

title and immediate possession of the property at 10801 Oakmont Dr. The funds would be provided as follows: Approximately half from a charitable grant from Devco and half by a mortgage loan guaranteed by Les Merydith. I would agree to assume the entire interest payment on the first year and phase in gradually the interest on the unpaid balance in future years.

No personal financial liability would be assumed by present or future trustees of the Society. No financial gain would accrue to any officer, director or mortgage holder except reasonable interest charges to be phased in.

If this board approves my proposal Jane, Glenn and I would work with Devco and my attorney and if an acceptable agreement is worked out, come back to this board for approval or rejection at the earliest possible date.

Les Merydith

1/12/89

CORPORATE FOCUS

Del Webb Turns Corner—Finds a Suitor

Bid of \$17 a Share Comes as Firm Struggles to Regroup

By PAULINE YOSHIHASHI

Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

PHOENIX—Del E. Webb, who started out as a semiprofessional baseball player with an off-season carpentry business, knew the value of a calculated risk. The lanky, bespectacled contractor parlayed a knack for developing property into a national real-estate and casino empire, and helped build such landmarks as the Pentagon and Yankee Stadium before his death in 1974.

But today, gambling and Sun Belt land speculation have dealt a one-two punch to the Arizona tycoon's company. Del Webb Corp., reeling from a disastrous year of casino-related losses, a sagging real-estate market and the abrupt departure of its chairman, is fighting to regroup as a specialized real estate concern.

Philip J. Dion, Webb's current chairman and the man behind the restructuring, may not see the end results, however. Earlier this week an investment group with a 5.12% stake in Webb said it wants to discuss a \$17-a-share purchase proposal with the board, and said it may consider an unfriendly offer if the company refuses to negotiate.

The group includes Calmark Financial Corp. of Los Angeles, ESA Associates LP and other investors interested in Webb's real-estate developments.

Mr. Dion said in a statement that the company would respond after it evaluates the proposal and receives more informa-

tion on revenue of \$288.4 million in 1987.

In a Securities and Exchange Commission filing, Calmark and the other investors said they might sell off some of Webb's assets or combine them with some Calmark assets if the group gains control of the target.

Because Webb's raw land is difficult to value, analysts' estimates of Webb's per-share breakup value range from \$17 to as high as \$24.

Turning the Corner

The new bid comes just as Webb appears to be turning the corner. Since announcing its restructuring last March, Webb has sold the Mint hotel-casino in Las Vegas for \$27 million and a second casino in Laughlin, Nev., for \$40 million. Webb sold its recreational properties to ARA Services Inc. of Philadelphia for \$72.4 million, and is talking to possible buyers of its casino in Lake Tahoe, Nev.

Mr. Dion says Webb will realize a net gain of about \$14 million from the discontinued leisure operations. But the company will also incur a loss of about \$20 million from its discontinued commercial and industrial real estate projects, and may report a consolidated net loss of about \$9 million for the year, Mr. Dion says.

Under the Claridge's restructuring plan, Webb hopes to be free of further costly obligations to the casino by next March. The complex agreement, which requires the approval of several parties, calls for Webb

Webb soon turned around, reporting increasingly higher earnings from 1984 through 1986. But clouds appeared again in early 1987, when Webb said it wouldn't match its previous-year earnings. By July, Webb had forecast hefty write-downs from casino operations and Mr. Swanson began discussing a possible restructuring. Two investor groups informed Webb that they each held a 9.3% stake in the company and were considering seeking control, but nothing came of the threat.

In October 1987, Webb suspended its regular quarterly dividend. A few weeks later, Webb reported a stunning \$65.7 million third-quarter loss, which sent the stock plummeting to about \$8, compared with a 52-week high of more than \$26. Mr. Swanson resigned, citing an unspecified illness. Three of 11 board members followed him out the door.

Shareholder Lawsuits

Shareholders promptly sued, accusing Mr. Swanson of selling most of his Webb shares before dropping the financial bomb-

shell. Other shareholders have sued Webb and its executives, charging them with using illegal tactics to block an acquisition and using insider information for personal profit. Webb has denied those charges, and is fighting the suits.

Mr. Dion hasn't let the turmoil derail him. "We had to make up our minds what we wanted to be when we grow up," he says. By positioning itself as a developer of adult communities such as the well-known Sun City projects, Webb hopes to tap the swelling ranks of aging, financially established Americans looking for sunny retirement homes. A new adult community in Las Vegas set to open in January has already attracted 290 orders, far ahead of Webb's plan of closing 225 sales in the coming year. Webb has an option on acreage in Roseville, Calif., and is scouting other sites.

Even before the current bid surfaced, Mr. Dion knew Webb could attract such an offer. He takes a philosophical view about takeovers. "I've worked for people before," he says.

But he notes that Webb's community development business isn't for those investors seeking quick returns. "It's three yards and a cloud of dust," Mr. Dion says of Webb's current operations. "No long bombs for touchdowns."

Webb sues suitor, may stall takeover

\$156.4 million offered
last month by group
in hostile buy-out try

By Lisa Morrell
The Arizona Republic

Del Webb Corp. of Phoenix filed a lawsuit Monday to block a group of investors from buying more of Webb's stock as a possible move toward a hostile takeover.

The group offered to buy Del Webb for \$156.4 million last month.

The suit also seeks to force the group, headed by Calmark Financial Corp. of Los Angeles, to respond to what Webb described as "misrepresentations and omissions" in the group's disclosures to the Securities and Exchange Commission during the buy-out offer.

Del Webb is a real-estate development company involved in retirement communities and gaming properties.

Among the allegations in the suit is that Calmark's president was married to two women at the same time and that one of Calmark's companies once had close ties to Ivan Boesky.

The group plans to respond to the charges.

The suit further seeks an undetermined

amount of damages and an injunction against Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. of New York, which has worked for both Webb and Calmark.

In the suit, Del Webb says Oppenheimer provided the investors group and others with confidential financial information that Webb disclosed as part of its relationship with the Claridge Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City, N.J. Such an action would be a breach of federal securities laws, the suit says.

Oppenheimer has been the financial adviser to the Claridge since April, a month after Webb announced its plan to sell off its leisure operations. But in December, the Calmark group hired Oppenheimer as financial adviser in connection with its bid for Webb, the suit says. It charges Oppenheimer with breaching its responsibility as a financial adviser.

On Dec. 27, a group headed by Calmark offered \$17 a share for Webb.

The group disclosed that it had acquired 5.1 percent of Webb's 9.2 million common shares outstanding. The group also threatened a hostile takeover or proxy fight.

The suit names Calmark, ESA Associates of Los Angeles, North Shore Associates and others associated with those groups.

Webb's objections to "misstatements" in the group's SEC filings focus on the group's

— See WEBB, page C15

Webb-lawsuit chronology

March 1988: Del Webb Corp. announces plans to sell its leisure operations, which include a 10 percent interest in the Claridge Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City, N.J.

April 22: Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. signs an agreement to be financial adviser to the Claridge. As part of its divestiture plan, Webb subsequently discloses confidential information to Oppenheimer.

June 21: ESA Associates of Los Angeles approaches Webb about financing a leveraged buy-out of Webb.

July 21: ESA expresses interest in acquiring Webb.

Dec. 27: Calmark Financial Corp. of Los Angeles discloses it represents a group, including ESA, that has acquired more than 5 percent of Webb's outstanding shares. Calmark makes an offer to buy Webb and threatens a hostile takeover or proxy fight if rejected.

December: Calmark hires Oppenheimer as its financial adviser in connection with a possible buy-out of Webb.

Jan. 16: Webb asks Oppenheimer for materials on the proposed financing for the Webb buy-out.

Monday: Webb files suit against the Calmark group and Oppenheimer.

Have you heard?

Historical society moves collection

PEORIA — The Sun Cities Area Historical Society moved its collection into larger but still temporary quarters Saturday.

"Priority one is to develop a headquarters to preserve and display the vast amount of material we have acquired," said President Glenn Sanberg, who was elected last week.

The materials are now in donated quarters in Office F2 at the Plaza del Rio Medical complex. This will permit members to complete sorting, cataloging and filing in more ample space.

The assortment of pictures, clippings and other memorabilia originally was donated (much of it by the Del E. Webb Corp.) to the group which organized informally in a windowless second floor office of the Daily News-Sun.

The group produced "Jubilee — The 25th Anniversary of Sun City, Arizona" in 1984 in time for the 1985 activities. Since vacating the News-Sun quarters, materials have been stored at the home of new Vice President Jane Freeman.

"We hope to be able to announce our new, permanent home within 60 days," said Sanberg.

Other officers recently elected are Secretary Rita Wright and Treasurer Al Thompson.

Sun City plans to house 29-year past in museum

By Holly D. Remy
The Arizona Republic

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society on Tuesday announced plans to turn a house into a museum of Sun City history — all 29 years of it.

"As we like to say, 'Today is tomorrow's history,'" said Jane Freeman, the society's vice president.

The museum will contain items squirreled away by donors, including restaurant menus, programs for Easter services, a 45-rpm record from 1964 titled *Santa Claus and Sun City*, and a

uniform and softballs used by the Sun City Saints women's professional team, which was disbanded in 1985.

The house, which also will be the historical society's headquarters, is at 10801 Oakmont Drive.

"It is the first house that Del Webb built and one of the three models that opened on the first weekend in January 1960," said Glenn Sanberg, the society's president.

According to the society's records, Del E. Webb Development Corp. sold
— See SUN CITY, page B2

two-bedroom homes like the model for \$9,300 in 1960, plus \$1,250 for a lot next to a golf course and \$600 for air conditioning.

The group is paying \$44,000 for the house, which has been unoccupied for about a year, and expects to spend \$16,000 to renovate it, Sanberg said. The funding is from donations and a \$30,000 grant from the James G. Boswell Foundation. The sale is expected to close within 10 days.

If all goes according to plan, the museum will open before Sun City's first 30-year mortgages are paid off.

"We hope to use the summer months to renovate the house and then open the museum in the fall," said Les Merydith, chairman of the society's building committee.

Because it will contain thousands of photographs, newspaper clippings and

ig museum

ooks by area authors, Freeman said, the museum will be used mainly as an archive.

Eventually, she said, the society hopes to have collections dating to the 1850s, when settlers arrived in the area.

The museum idea was born in 1985, the year the historical society was begun and Sun City celebrated its 25th year.

The society already has asked that the house have a special designation.

"We've already contacted the state and have been assured that the house will be listed as a historical site," Merydith said.

Such designations are reserved for buildings at least 50 years old or of special significance, said Pat Stein, a preservation planner for the historic-preservation office of the Arizona Parks Department.

A Proposal
to
The Del E. Webb Corporation

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society

Budget

Calculations

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1988

Financial
Statement

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SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

March 20, 1989

Mr. Charles Roach, Executive Vice President
Del E. Webb Communities, Inc.
13950 Meeker Boulevard
Sun City West, Arizona 85375

Dear Mr. Roach:

As you requested, we are pleased to attach this proposal which outlines our plans for the purchase of the first house built in Sun City at 1081 Oakmont Drive to serve as headquarters for the Society.

We have included both short and long-range cost projections for the conversion of the house into a useful headquarters and exhibit building. We propose that the property be named The Del E. Webb Historical Site.

An earnest money payment of \$2500 was made at the signing of the sales contract. The earnest money was a donation by trustee Les Merydith. Robert Farrer, Merydith's attorney who negotiated the sales agreement is named as buyer. The deed will be made out to Sun Cities Historical Society.

The Society sincerely appreciates your willingness to help us acquire this historic property as a memorial to the founder of the Webb Company that has made such a significant contribution to the social fabric of the nation.

Very truly yours,

Glenn Sanberg, President

SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THREE YEAR OPERATING BUDGET

	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
OPERATING INCOME			
Membership Dues	2,545	5,090	7,635
Contribution (LEM)	2,200	---	---
Interest	500	500	500
Book sales & misc.	200	200	200
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	5,445*	5,790	8,335
OPERATING EXPENSE			
Electricity	450	450	450
Gas	180	180	180
Water & Sewer	150	150	150
Telephone	---	275	210
Janitorial, Yard, Rubbish	---	100	100
Office supplies	60	60	100
Archival supplies	100	100	100
Printing	150	200	250
Mailing	85	100	120
Casualty & Liability Ins.	1,880	1,880	1,880
Real Estate Taxes	190	95	95
Mortgage Interest	2,200	2,200	2,200
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	5,445	5,790	5,835
Mortgage Reduction	---	---	2,500
TOTAL OUTGO	5,445	5,790	8,335

* Current level of income

Jay Woods

977-2683

Les Merydith

Thursday morning

Jane - 80,000
150,000

Chuck Roach called
and wants more itemization
of proposed operating
budget for first few
years.

Les

Les - have itemized some
expense categories - you may
think of others.

Liability Insurance - heavy on this -
Fire insurance - replacement value
on house
Property insurance - contents

122⁰⁰ electric

233⁰⁰ sewer and water

286⁰⁰ gas

90⁰⁰ truck pick-up - (?) or we can do our own

243⁰⁰ telephone - necessary first few years?

? yard maintenance

? house maintenance

Archival supplies

office supplies

office expenses

} working on

} this -

Done

The \$ figures are what I paid
last year 1988 8 -

SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THREE YEAR OPERATING BUDGET

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
OPERATING INCOME			
Ind. Membership Dues @ 10	<u>330</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>1990</u>
Family Dues @ 15	<u>660</u>	<u>1320</u>	<u>7980</u>
Sustaining Dues @	<u>1555</u>	<u>3110</u>	<u>4665</u>
Contributions (Non Capital)	<u>2200</u>	<u>1100</u>	<u>—</u>
Interest	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
Book sales & misc.	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	<u>5445</u>	<u>5790</u>	<u>18335</u>
TO DEBT REDUCTION			<u>2500</u>
OPERATING EXPENSE			
Electricity	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>
Gas	<u>180</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>180</u>
Water & Sewer	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>
Telephone	<u>212</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>210</u>
Janitorial, Yard, Rubbish	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
Office supplies	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
Archival supplies	<u>500</u> 100	<u>300</u> 100	<u>200</u> 100
Printing	<u>150</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>250</u>
Mailing	<u>85</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>120</u>
Casualty & Liability Ins.	<u>1880</u>	<u>1880</u>	<u>1880</u>
Real Estate Taxes	<u>190</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>95</u>
Interest on mortgage	<u>2200</u>	<u>2200</u>	<u>2200</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>5445</u>	<u>5790</u>	<u>5835</u>
MORTGAGE REDUCTION			<u>2500</u>
TO REDUCE MORTGAGE			<u>8335</u>

2 two month weekly
1 annual

SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THREE YEAR OPERATING BUDGET

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
OPERATING INCOME			
Ind. Membership Dues @ 10 x 50	<u>2215</u>		
Family Dues @ 15 x x 27	<u>435</u>		
Sustaining Dues @			
Contributions (Non capital)			
Interest	<u>500</u>		
Book sales & misc.	<u>200</u>		
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME			

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15 600
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\$ 800.00

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483 284
363 233
212 243

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
OPERATING EXPENSE			
Electricity	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>450</u>
Gas	<u>180</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>180</u>
Water & Sewer	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>
Telephone	<u>212</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>212</u>
Janitorial, Yard, Rubbish	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
Office supplies	<u>50</u>		
Archival supplies	<u>100</u>		
Printing	<u>150</u>		
Mailing	<u>60</u>		
Casualty & Liability Ins.	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
Real Estate Taxes	<u>190</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>95</u>
Interest on mortgage	<u>2,200</u>	<u>2,200</u>	<u>2,200</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>4,030</u>		

S.C.AREA HISTORICAL SOC. **1989**1ST INT BK ** REG. CHECK ACCT. #865-07743

DATE	CHECK NO.	TO WHOM	FOR	AMOUNT	DEPOSIT	BALANCE
2/6/89		SIGNATURES AUTHORIZED	BALANCE FORWARD			1580.91
2/9/89	220	Jane Freeman, Move,	stamps, Cpy	93.70		
2/9/89		DEPOSIT	book sales from EMIL FISCHER		51.00	
2/13/89		DEPOSIT	book SaleSCHWRecCtrs 4.50+5.00 Jubilee B/C		9.50	
2/14/89		DEPOSIT	from Mkt.Intr.Acct. #869-7743		5290.01	6837.72
2/14/89	221	SWest S&L	90 Day CD#7-0008285	4500.00		
2/14/89	222	SWest S&L	for Check Acct.7-6759	2337.72		
			Account Closed			0.00

SOUTHWEST SAVINGS & LOAN CHECK ACCT 7-6759 INTEREST at 5% ON AVERAGE BALANCE.

DATE	CHECK NO.	TO WHOM	FOR	AMOUNT	DEPOSIT	BALANCE
2/14/89		DEPOSIT (Check #222 from old acct. #869-7743)			2337.72	2337.72
2/16/89	101	AzCorpCommission	AnnualReport	10.00		
2/18/89	102	PlazaDelRio	UtilityFeeJan-Feb89	112.50		
2/20/89		DEPOSIT	Membership M/M Robert Bell		15.00	
3/3/89	103	PlazaDelRio	UtilityFeeMar.1989	75.00		
3/4/89		DEPOSIT	Interest 2/12to 2/26		4.16	
3/10/89		DEPOSIT	Members Thompson&Randall		50.00	
3/16/89		DEPOSIT	Mem.Rock-Book-Klarkowski		33.00	
3/26/89		DEPOSIT	Interest MARCH		8.65	
3/1/89		Charge	for Printed Checks	7.91		
4/1/89	104	PlazaDelRio I	Utility FeeApril	75.00		
4/1/89	105	PMGraphics	890370-71 Prtg.	89.31		
4/3/89		DEPOSIT	Woods25Coffman15-9ChBks		85.00	

2163.81

4000.00

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Financial Statement
Calendar year 1988

Checking Account Balance 1-1-88		\$1,468.63
<u>Income</u>		
Memberships	\$ 385.00	
Book Sales	1,117.70	
Contributions	215.00	
Luncheon Receipts	<u>797.50</u>	
		2,515.20
<u>Expenses</u>		
Newspaper Advertising	\$ 179.40	
Printing	66.54	
Gov,t Reports	10.00	
Postage	207.38	
Luncheon (Annual Meeting)	769.60	
Trfd. to Money Market Account	<u>1,170.00</u>	
		<u>2,402.92</u>
Check Book Balance 12/31/88		<u>\$1,580.91</u>
Market Interest Account Balance 1-1-88		\$3,851.02
Interest Earned thru 12-13-88		219.94
Trfd. from Checking Account		<u>1,170.00</u>
Balance thru 12-13-88		<u>\$5,240.96</u>

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SOURCES OF INCOME *** SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY 1989

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BASED ON DEPOSITS IN CHECKING ACCOUNT # 7-6759

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DATE	BOOK SALES	MEMBERSHIP	INTEREST	DONATIONS
2/9	51.00			
2/13	9.50			
2/21		15.00		
3/4			4.16	
3/10		50.00		
3/16	8.00	25.00		
3/26			8.65	
4/3	45.00	40.00		

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Projections - Membership & Finances
1989 - 1994

Cash on Hand and in Banks.....	\$ 6,737
Furniture, Fixtures (Estimated).....	2,000
Memorabilia (Irreplacable but no way to value).....	-0-
Total Assets.....	\$ 8,737

Estimated Growth

With a headquarters established and the accompanying publicity the public will be aware of the work of the Society and will support it. We feel confident that membership will be increased greatly by the development of the following activities:

- 1- The Board of Trustees has been increased in size and leadership.
- 2- The formation of an Historical Society Auxilliary which will help establish the headquarters and prepare the first of several regular displays which will be publicized
- 3-A concerted campaign next fall and in 1990 will be mounted to enroll 500 new members resulting in approximately \$7,500 income per year for operating expenses.

Capital Requirements

Cost of Building.....	\$ 44,000
Estimated Upgraded expense	16,000
Total Cost.....	\$60,000

Financing

Special Gifts Trustees and Friends.....	\$12,500
Matching Funds from Corporation.....	30,000
Balance to be financed over 10 year period.....	\$17,500*

* Estimated monthly payments of \$300 paid from the operating budget. In addition, we feel that over a five year period we should be able to develop enough soecial gifts to retire the indebtedess in five years.

SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

April 5, 1989

Mr. Charles Roach, Executive Vice President
Del E. Webb Communities, Inc.
13950 Meeker Boulevard
Sun City West, Arizona 85375

Dear Mr. Roach:

The attached is a proposed three year operating budget which is based on the following assumptions:

1. That Del Webb Corporation will provide matching funds of \$30,000 to assist the Society in purchasing and rehabilitating the first house in Sun City to be used as headquarters and exhibit hall by the Society.
2. That projected income for the first full year will be equal to the current rate of income.
3. That membership income will double for the second year.
4. That membership income will increase 50% for the third year.
5. That capital fund drives will pay off the \$20,000 mortgage in approximately five years.

I mentioned in our phone conversation the other day that the sales agreement signed by my attorney apparently had no escape clause. My attorney has informed me that we can reject the agreement and recover the \$2,500 earnest money if we act before April 28.

President Glenn Sanberg is still out of town. Please call me if you have any questions.

Cordially,

Les Merydith

SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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* Current level of income

9/6/89 l ad.



WEBB DONATES to Historical Society. Sun Cities Historical Society board members Les Merydith, left, and Al Thompson, center, accept a \$5,000 contribution from Chuck Roach, Del Webb Corporation vice president and general manager of Sun City West. The donation will be used to renovate one of the first model homes ever built in Sun City. The home was recently purchased by the Society and will be turned into a museum and office.

Webb donates \$5,000 to SC Historical Society

The Del Webb Corporation has presented the Sun Cities Historical Society with a \$5,000 contribution.

The organization recently acquired one of the first Sun City model homes. The home will be preserved as a historical landmark and the Historical Society will move its offices there.

The donation is expected to help defray some of the renovation costs.

"It is important the history of Del Webb's Sun City be preserved, as it is the world's first active adult community and served as a prototype for other such communities worldwide," says Chuck Roach, Webb vice president.

Del Webb's Number One House has unique advantages.

1 -- Is is the first house built. Not one of the first.
Not the third house built.

2 -- Unique visibility. Easily located: "Next door to
Oakmont Rec. Center."

3 -- Plenty of extra parking next door and across the
street.

4 -- Two extra rooms for immediate use as office and
storage.

5 -- Two toilet facilities.

6 -- Unequalled location on back of lot for future meeting
room and office. Visibility, view, parking. Less problem
with neighbors in obtaining zoning change for new
construction.

7 -- Original layout of front rooms can be restored at
modest cost.

8 -- Purchase price could be \$5 or \$10 thousand lower than
other available properties.

We may want to rent the property with an option to purchase
and get zoning clearance before purchase.

FACT SHEET

FIRST MODEL HOME

10801 Oakmont Avenue

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BUILT: 1959. Open for viewing January 1, 1960. Plaque in driveway.

NAME: The Kentworth MODEL NUMBER: 1-C

SITE: Lot 1, New Life Unit 1, Parcel # 200-87-001

SIZE: House= 697 square feet; with patio & carport = 851 square feet

BASIC COST: \$8,500 AIR CONDITIONING = \$600 GOLF COURSE = \$1,250

ROOMS: Living room, 2 bedrooms, kitchen, bath; attached carport
and storage room.

ADDITION ON BACK: Built _____. Consisted originally of one
bedroom, full bath, and Arizona room. Dividing walls and
bath removed when SCAHS purchased house.

SCAHS PURCHASED HOUSE: May, 1989

purchase price = \$41,500

OPEN HOUSE & RIBBON CUTTING: January 12, 1990

SALES OFFICE ADDED: June, 1991

OCCUPANTS: 1962-1973 John G. & Chloe MacDonald

—-1988 Jean Painter

1989 - present SCAHS

SCAHS was incorporated April 1986 and we are a tax exempt organization
under 501(c)(3)



The Kentworth

2 BEDROOMS, 1 BATH, PORCH & PATIO

This lovely home is perfect for two-person living and offers compact efficiency for easy care. Designed with spacious kitchen-dining room, big-windowed living room and king-size master bedroom, it features such convenience details as an entrance directly from the carport, guest closet at the front door and large walk-in closets with floor-to-ceiling louvered doors.

Plan 1-C
\$8,500.00 including all improvements



CHECK ONE

[x] NEW
[] REISSUE

AD # 50571

RED CARPET PROUDLY PRESENTS

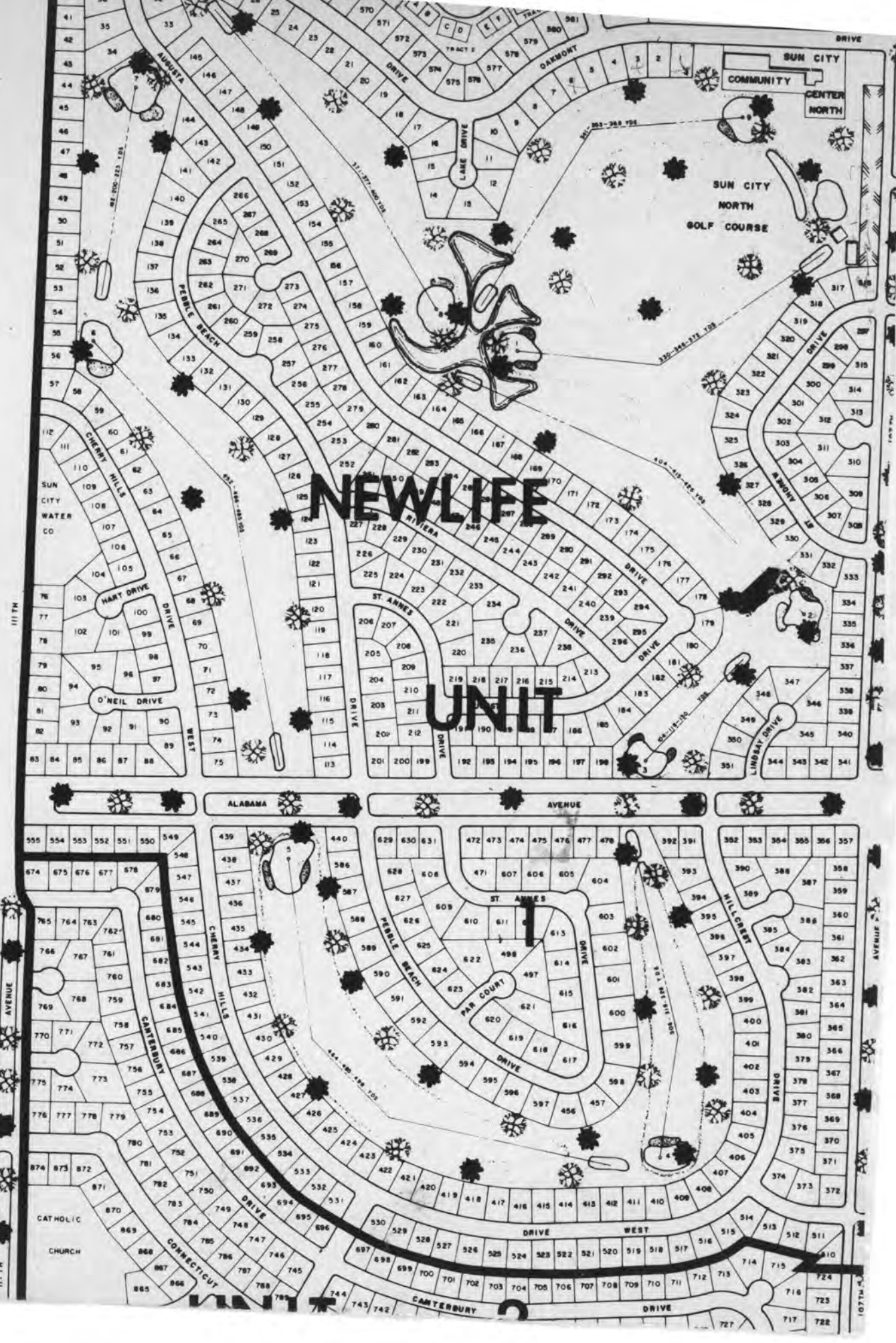
 OCCUPIED Yes TOUR Yes FURNISHED PRICE \$ -- UNFURNISHED PRICE \$ 56,000
~~62,500~~

Owner PAINTER, VERA JEAN	MLS#
Address 10801 Oakmont Drive, Sun City, Az. 85351	ResPhone 942-1627
Legal Lot 1, Sun City New Life 1	Enc\$ 40,000 Int 12 %
Parcel# 200-87-001	MoPmt\$ 482.08 PI X PITI
Listed by Nancy Clayton HmPh 933-3731	PayTo Private Loan
Listed by HmPh	Loan#
ListOffc Village Tower Ph 974-3616	TrFee\$ %toBuyer
Bdrms (2) 14x14 Model# H-1 Modified	MustBuyerQualify? Yes
13.6x11.3 11.9x9.11(sitting room)	Taxes\$ 248.08 19 84
Baths 2 WalkInShr Yes Const Block	OwnerCarry Buyer can assume
LivRm 16.10x14.10 YrBlt 1959 S.F.Ap 1239	loan upon acceptable
DinRm 16.0x8.0 Patio No Cov No	credit report at buyer's
ArizRm 16.0x14.2 Roof Hip Fenc No	CondoAssmt\$ expense
OthrRms Utility/storage Elec APS Gas SW Gas	CondoImpd\$
Kit Step saver Wtr SC Swr SC C Yes	Incls: Txs Wtr Swr
BuiltIns: RO Yes DW No Disp No Gar -- Crpt 1 car	ExMaint Trash Ins
Appliances Refrig. W/D Cool Refrig. Heat Gas	RoofMaint YdMaint
FloorUpp. carpet -- tile Lndscp Desert	Restrictions
Drapes Throughout Bubblers No Auto No	CondoName
Possession COE GolfCrs Yes Fcs N	CondoChmn
CommSO 3 % Pool No Lake No	TelNo.
E.M. Security Title Key Yes Sgn Yes	SvcAgnt
Warranty Prot: *Am. Home Shield LB Loc. Front door	Brnc TrsrFee
NoticeThe MOST convenient home in Sun City. Walk to shopping, recreation, Remarks golf. Beautiful sweeping view of 9th fairway North Course. Master suite has sitting room/den or can be used as 3rd bedroom. Dining area has been separated from kitchen. Plumbing in for dishwasher. Carpeting in all rooms except kitchen & dining room. Refrigerator will be replaced. Washer and dryer in good working order but convey "as is". *American Home Shield until Nov. 1985--can be renewed.	
ToShow Lock Box	Directions 107th West on Oakmont Dr. (1st house)

*Addition 37' x 14.6' Added Across Back of House
 giving Additional 540 Sqft. Overlooking golf Course
 2 Lg Rooms + Bath*

 RED CARPET O'KEEFE -- JOHN O'KEEFE, BROKER
 Each Red Carpet office independently owned and operated





NEWLIFE

UNIT

111TH

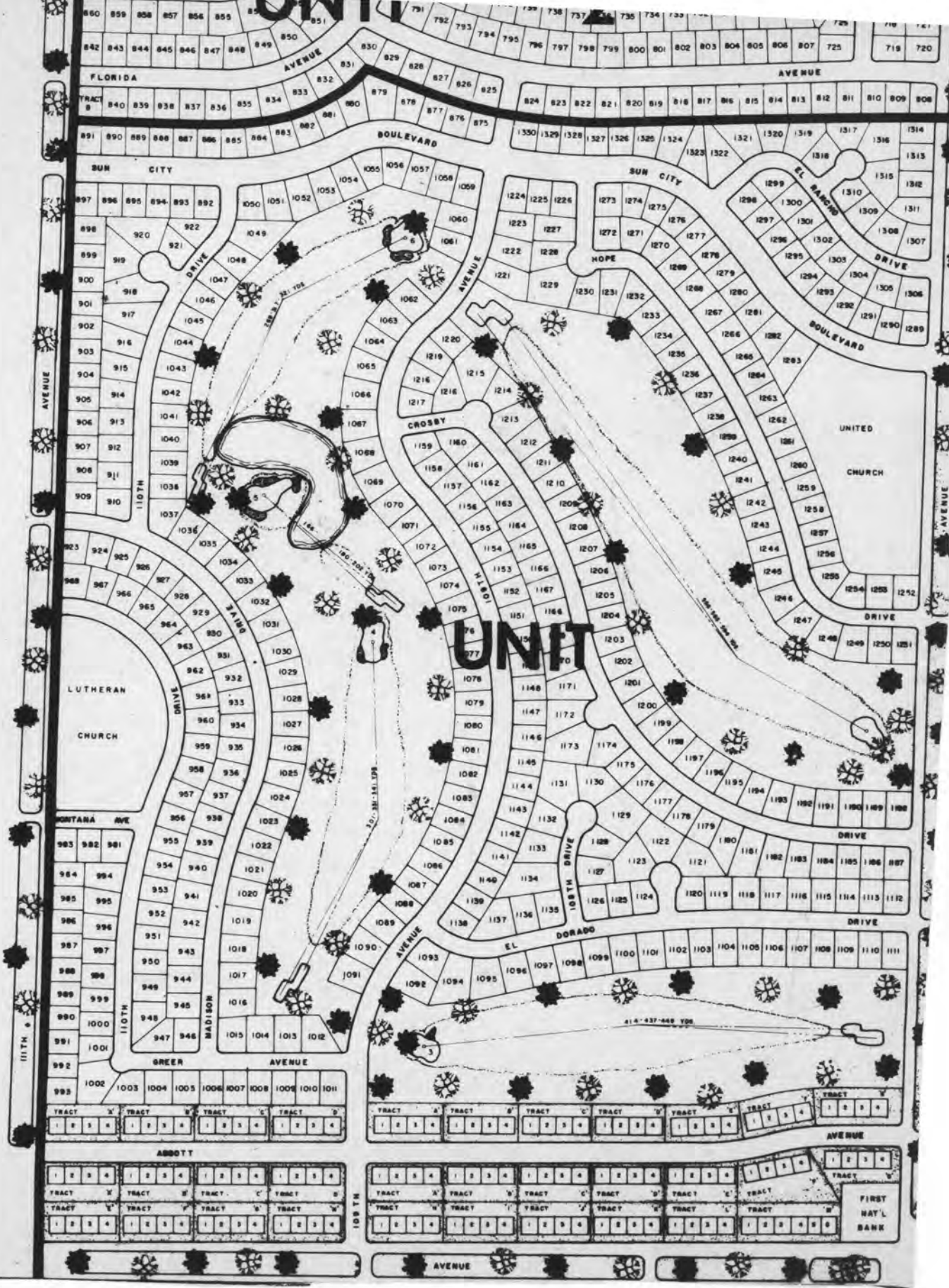
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TRACT 5	TRACT 6	TRACT 7	TRACT 8	TRACT 9	TRACT 10	TRACT 11	TRACT 12
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TRACT 17	TRACT 18	TRACT 19	TRACT 20	TRACT 21	TRACT 22	TRACT 23	TRACT 24
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FIRST NAT'L BANK

Les Merydith

Edward H. Kiessling

10708 Venturi Dr., San City

933-1191

Lived next door to
John McDonald who
lived in our house
10801 Oakmont

He believes the house
was actually owned
by a relative of
McDonald.

Home 977-1723

Office 974-4064

1961 —

1962 John G. McDonald & Chloe

1963

1964

1965

1966

1967

1968

1969

1970

1971

1972

1973

1974

1975 John G. & Tabitha MACDONALD 933-3685

1976 Vera Jean Painter - Jean's Spirit Toss

1977

1978

1979

1980 John G. & Tabitha Mac Donald 933-3685

1981

1982

1983

SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

1984 John G. + Tabitha Mac Donald

1985 Not listed

1986

1987

1988

1989

F A C T S H E E T

Site 1 - New Home Unit 1
Parcel # 200-87-001

FIRST MODEL HOME 10801 Oakmont Avenue

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BUILT 1959

NAME 146 Kentworth MODEL NUMBER 1-C

SQUARE FEET 851 incl patio + carport - see diagram 697 (house)

BASIC INITIAL COST 8,500 + GOLF COURSE LOT 1,250⁰⁰ EXTRA

ROOMS: Living room, 2 bedrooms, one bath, kitchen; attached carport/utility

ADDITION: Built _____; consisted of bedroom, full bath, Arizona room. (Dividing walls and bath removed when house purchased by SCAHS)

SCAHS PURCHASED May 1989

* PRICE \$41,500 (does not include ^{for} renovations, repairs, etc.)

OPEN HOUSE/RIBBON CUTTING: January 12, 1990

INCORPORATED: April 1986

OCCUPANTS:	name	years
	<u>John G. Mac Donald</u>	<u>1962</u>
	<u>Vera Jean Painter</u> X	

SALES OFFICE added _____

* 41,500 May 11, 89 memo. (attached to file 104,931)

We are a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization

11614 107th Ave 77,000.

9906 Pebble Beach Dr

42,900

12417 Riviera
43,500

Coldwell Banker Proudly Presents This Unique Property!

10907 W. Alabarra 44,900

10910 Oakmont 45,000
12202 Jendray 49,900 GC *
UNFURNISHED PRICE: \$54,900

Owner	PAINTER, VERA JEAN		MLS#	88 01094	
Address	10801 OAKMONT DR., SUN CITY, AZ		ResPhone	--	
Legal	LOT 1, NEW LIFE UNIT ONE		Enc\$	Int	%
Parcel#	200-87-001		MoPmt\$	PI	PITI
Listed by	STAN SIELEWICKI	HmPh 584-7549	PayTo		
Listed by	HmPh		Loan#		
ListOffc	COLDWELL BANKER 8-225 Ph 974-4761		TrFee\$	%toBuyer	
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OthrRms	UTILITY & STORAGE	Elec APS Gas SWG	CondoImpd\$		
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Appliances	REFRIG., W/D	Cool REFRIG. Heat FAG	RoofMaint	YdMaint	
Floor	CARPET & TILE	Lndscp DESERT	Restrictions		
Drapes	THROUGHOUT	Bubblers NO Auto --	CondoName		
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April 7, 1989

Mr. Les Marydeth
Sun City Historical Society
P.O. Box 1411
Sun City, Arizona 85372

Dear Mr. Marydeth:

Your inquiry regarding the National Register of Historic Places is appreciated. The process of identifying historic properties is done mainly through the efforts of individuals. Your input is essential in helping us accomplish this task. Enclosed is material which explains the National Register program and the benefits to which National Register properties are entitled.

As a preliminary step in the process, a property must first be placed on the Arizona State Historic Property Inventory. Enclosed is an inventory form and instructions for completing it. This form should be considered only a summary of your research on your particular property of interest. The statement of significance should state why the property is important and give its history, if possible. You may also wish to state if the property is endangered.

Once we receive your completed form, we can evaluate your property to see if it merits further consideration for the National Register. If it does warrant further consideration, we will send you the forms and instructions for a National Register nomination.

If we can be of any assistance to you in completing the inventory form or in answering any questions you may have, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,


Kathy McKoy
Historian

for Shereen Lerner, Ph.D.
State Historic Preservation Officer

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ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME		COUNTY	INVENTORY NO.	
COMMON PROPERTY NAME		QUAD/COUNTY MAP		
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO.		CURRENT BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPH		
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO.			
OWNER OF PROPERTY	PHONE			
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX				
CITY, TOWN	STATE			ZIP
FORM PREPARED BY	DATE			
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX	PHONE			
CITY, TOWN	STATE			ZIP
PHOTO BY	DATE			
VIEW				
HISTORIC USE				
PRESENT USE	ACREAGE			
ARCHITECT/BUILDER				
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES				
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION				



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THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

The National Register of Historic Places was established by the Historic Sites Act of 1935 and expanded by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended in 1980. It is the Nation's official listing of prehistoric and historic properties worthy of preservation. It affords recognition and protection for districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in American history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, and culture. This significance can be at the local, state, or national level. The National Register serves both as a planning tool and as a means of identifying buildings, sites, and districts that are of special significance to a community and worthy of preservation.

WHAT THE NATIONAL REGISTER DOES

Listing of a building, site, or district affords it a certain prestige which can enhance the value of the property and raise community awareness and pride.

Income-producing (depreciable) properties which are listed in the National Register may be aided by the tax incentive provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 and Economic Recovery Act of 1981 which encourage rehabilitation and discourage demolition.

In Arizona the Arizona State Historic Preservation Act of 1982 authorizes a reduction in property tax assessment for non-income-producing properties listed on the National Register.

Listing in the National Register provides a measure of protection from demolition or other negative impact by federally funded or licensed projects through comment by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation as stated in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and Executive Order 11593. A stewardship and management program of state owned properties outlined in the Arizona State Historic Preservation Act of 1982 has established a similar review process for state agencies. This review procedure is part of the planning process for all federal and state assisted projects.

WHAT THE NATIONAL REGISTER DOES NOT DO

It does not prevent the owner of listed property from remodeling, repairing, altering, selling, or even demolishing a building listed in the National Register with other than federal or state funds. It also does not obligate an owner to make any repairs or improvements to the property. Owners of income-producing (depreciable) property may not be able to deduct the cost of demolition.

It does not prevent the use of city or private funds for demolition or other adverse effect to a property listed on the National Register.

It does not provide assurance that a federal or state project cannot adversely affect a listed property under any circumstance. It only assures a federal/state-level review of all federal/state funded or licensed projects which may have an adverse effect.

SYNOPSIS
National Register Nomination Process

Introduction

Listing a property in the National Register of Historic Places requires efforts from a number of individuals and organizations. At first glance the process may appear complicated. However, the nomination process is actually divided into a series of small separate steps. In Arizona, the person responsible for the coordination and processing of National Register nominations is the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO).

After a property has been identified, the first step in the nomination process is the preparation of the nomination form itself. These forms, printed on archival-quality paper, can be obtained through the SHPO or the National Park Service, U. S. Department of the Interior. The nomination describes the physical aspects of a property, evaluates its significance in relation to established criteria for evaluation, and provides an analysis of its integrity.

Initial Review

Once the nomination form has been received by the SHPO, it is reviewed and evaluated by the office staff. The staff compares the information contained in the nomination to the National Register criteria for evaluation to determine if sufficient information is provided to justify the significance of the property(ies). If there is not enough information provided for the evaluation, the nomination is returned with comments for revision to the person or group that prepared it.

If sufficient information is provided, SHPO staff then assess the technical merits of the nomination to see if it meets the criteria. If the property appears to meet the criteria, and also meets standards regarding its physical condition, the property is considered potentially eligible for listing in the National Register. In the case of properties owned by public agencies, the SHPO works closely with administrators and managers to provide ample opportunity for comment and interaction. If the property does not meet the criteria for evaluation, or if its physical integrity is compromised, the nomination form is returned to the person or group that prepared it with the SHPO's opinion that the property is not eligible for listing in the National Register. An explanation of why the property does not appear to meet the criteria accompanies the returned nomination form.

Review Committee Public Hearing

For potentially eligible properties, the next step is to schedule the nomination for a public hearing before the Historic Sites Review Committee (HSRC). The state is required by federal regulation (36 CFR 60) to notify local elected officials and property owners "at least thirty but not more than seventy-five days" before the public hearing. Notification is accomplished by individual letters sent to property owners, except in the case of historic districts containing fifty or more properties in which a legal notice is published in the local newspaper. The purpose of this notification is to provide notice of the state's intent to nominate the property and to solicit comments. Special notification is provided if a community is a Certified Local Government (CLG). During this period, any owner or owners of a private property may object to the listing by submitting a notarized statement to that effect. This may or may not affect the actual listing of a property.

The nomination is forwarded to the Historic Sites Review Committee for consideration at a public hearing. This takes place at the end of the notification period. The Historic Sites Review Committee is Arizona's official National Register review board as mandated by the Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. Its nine members represent the professional fields of history, architecture, prehistoric and historic archaeology, and other related disciplines. HSRC members are appointed by the State Historic Preservation Officer.

The Historic Sites Review Committee examines and evaluates the nomination form and documentation. The HSRC then determines if the nominated property meets the National Register criteria for evaluation and makes a recommendation to the SHPO to approve or disapprove the nomination. The committee may suggest revisions to the nomination form or recommend that the property not be nominated. The SHPO and staff consider the recommendation and suggested revisions.

SHPO Nominates

Nominations considered by the HSRC, along with comments received from the public, are reviewed by the SHPO. If the Officer finds that the nomination is adequately documented; technically, professionally, and procedurally correct; and is in conformance with National Register criteria for evaluation, the SHPO may then submit the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register at the National Park Service in Washington, D. C. The SHPO may make changes to the nomination to ensure that it meets National Register standards and guidelines.

The SHPO officially nominates a property by signing the nomination form. The signed form is sent to the Keeper of the National Register. Any written comments or notarized statements of objection are submitted along with the nomination. The decision of the SHPO to nominate (or not to nominate) may be appealed to the Keeper of the National Register.

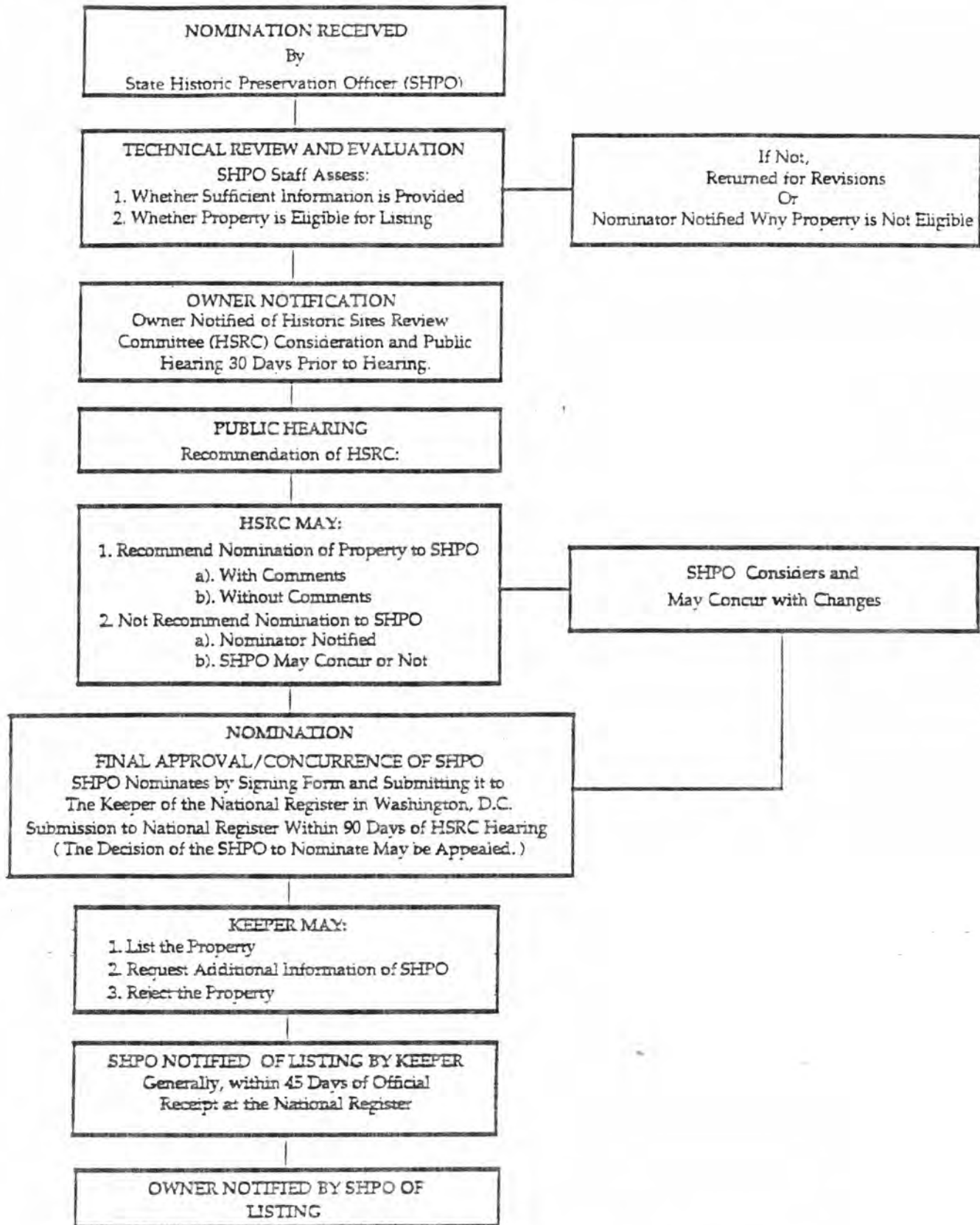
Listing in the National Register

When the nomination is received at the National Register in Washington, the Keeper may list the property in the National Register within forty-five days, return the nomination to the state for additional information from the SHPO, or reject the nomination. If the property owner (or the majority of such owners for a district or a single property with multiple owners) object to the listing, the Keeper shall review the nomination and make an official determination of eligibility instead of listing the property.

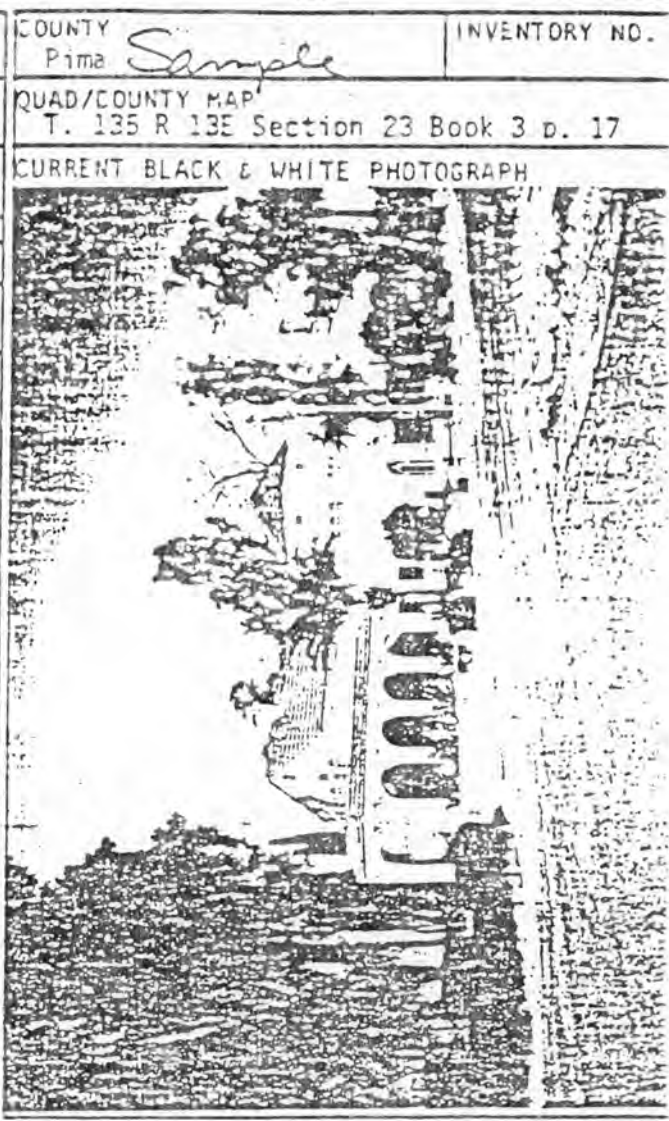
Once a property has been listed in or determined eligible for the National Register, the Keeper notifies the SHPO. The SHPO then notifies the property owner, individuals or groups that helped with the nomination, and local elected officials by letter or by a legal notice in the case of historic districts containing fifty or more properties. The SHPO notification usually occurs within ten days after the Officer receives notification from the Keeper. Upon request, the SHPO will prepare a small certificate announcing that the property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

*Prepared By:
State Historic Preservation Officer
Arizona State Parks
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Phone (602) 255-4174
August 1986*

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NOMINATION PROCESS



HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Avalon		COUNTY Pima <i>Sample</i>	INVENTORY NO.
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Adair Funeral Home, Avalon Chapel		QUAD/COUNTY MAP T. 135 R 13E Section 23 Book 3 p. 17	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 4519 N. Oracle Road			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Tucson, Arizona		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. Rillito Park Lot 2	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Adair Funeral Home		PHONE 888-1072	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 4519 N. Oracle Road			
CITY, TOWN Tucson		STATE Arizona	ZIP 85705
FORM PREPARED BY Property Development Resources		DATE 3/24/82	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 5721 E. Fifth Street		PHONE 747-4823	
CITY, TOWN Tucson		STATE Arizona	ZIP 85711
PHOTO BY International Photo Associates		DATE Current	
VIEW Perspective from southeast			
HISTORIC USE Private Home 1914-73			
PRESENT USE Funeral Home		ACREAGE approx 1.25	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Unknown			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES As is 1926 (sections date from 1914)			



PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Avalon House is a two-story, stuccoed, Spanish Colonial Revival style building characterized by arched windows and a red Spanish tile roof. The house is irregular in plan and is oriented around a central courtyard. The exterior dimensions are roughly 85x80'; the interior courtyard measures approximately 50x30'.

The main block consists of a two-story, gable-roofed mass with a pyramidal-roofed corner tower appended to the northeast corner. One-story, flat-roofed wings on the rear enclose the interior courtyard.

The main entry is offset on the main facade and is sheltered by an arcaded veranda which also has a tiled roof. The original door and brass hardware are intact.

The windows are primarily round-headed, grouped in three's, and have wood-framed casement sash. Other windows are rectangular with casement sash.

Most of the interior remains intact, with only minor reversible alterations. Notable interior details include colored Spanish tile on the main staircase and in the courtyard.

The courtyard is encircled by an ornamental arcade. Most interior doors, hardware, and woodwork remain.

In context, the Avalon House is situated on the west side of Oracle Road in Tucson in the midst of "Miracle Mile" commercial development. The house sits well back from the road, allowing site landscaping to visually screen the house from its intrusive surroundings.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Avalon House in Tucson is a major example of early twentieth century Spanish Colonial Revival architecture. Historically, it evidences the social and economic status and architectural character of Oracle Road, which in the early twentieth century was lined with prominent residences.

The house dates originally from c.1914, but it was rebuilt and substantially enlarged in 1926 by three Tucson schoolteachers, Allegra Frazier, Julia Atkinson, and Helen Nicholson. They later became University of Arizona professors and are responsible for the name "Avalon". They were active in Tucson social affairs and utilized the house for extensive entertaining.

Architecturally, the Avalon House exemplified the development and popularity of Spanish Colonial Revival architecture in the Southwest and in Tucson. It exhibits many of the state's major characteristic features, including the tower, arched windows, and Spanish tile roofing. The architect is unknown at this writing.

SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Personal Interview with owner, Martha Adair, March 1982, conducted by Lisa Smith, Historian, Property Development Resources.

Newspaper Articles, Arizona Daily Star, 1926

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lot 2 of Rillito Park, a subdivision of Pima County, Arizona, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in the office of the County Recorder of Pima County, Arizona, in Book 3 of Maps and Plats Page 17, Amended 1978.

GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

Future plans for the Avalon House involve its rehabilitation for use as a restaurant. The subject property is currently in the process of being sold to Oracle Plaza Partnership, the development group planning to adaptively reuse the structure for a restaurant.

After discussion it was

RESOLVED that the trustees of the corporation unanimously approve the purchase of the residence property located at 10801 Oakmont Drive, Sun City, Arizona to be used as an historical museum and headquarters of the society.

The terms are: Forty-one thousand, five hundred and no/100 dollars (\$41,500.00) free and clear to the seller to be paid by \$39,000.00 certified check plus \$2,500 earnest money in escrow. All closing costs to be paid by buyer. Taxes and insurance to be prorated to date of closing.

President, Glenn Sanberg was authorized to execute any documents required by Arizona law pertaining to the acquisition of the above real estate.

CONTRACT FOR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 7th day of March, 1989 in Sun City, Arizona, by and between VERA JEAN PAINTER (hereinafter referred to as "Seller"), and ROBERT J. FARRER, OR NOMINEE (hereinafter referred to as "Buyer").

Seller is the owner of that certain parcel of real estate situated in Sun City, County of Maricopa, State of Arizona, more particularly described as follows:

LOT 1 of NEW LIFE UNIT ONE, according to the plat of record in the Office of the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona, in Book 85 of Maps, Page 10.

The address of the real property described above is 10801 Oakmont Drive, Sun City, Arizona.

Seller desires to sell and Buyer desires to purchase the above-described real property. In consideration of the mutual and reciprocal promises hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

I. PURCHASE PRICE AND TERMS: The purchase price for the real property that is the subject of this Contract is the sum of \$41,500.00, payable as follows:

- (A) \$2,500.00 earnest money deposit and part purchase price to be deposited in escrow with Security Title Agency upon the execution of this Contract.
- (B) The payment to Seller, through escrow, on or before the June 1, 1989, the balance of the

purchase price of \$39,000.00 to be paid in the following manner:

(i) By assumption of an existing encumbrance on the real property in the form of a mortgage with American Title Insurance numbered 01-000164 which Buyer hereby expressly agrees to assume and pay at the close of escrow.

(ii) By payment of an additional cash amount of approximately \$3,000.00 - the exact balance of the purchase price after crediting the amount paid as an earnest money deposit and the amount due on the mortgage computed as of June 1, 1989.

This transaction is conditioned upon the Buyer's inspection and approval of a preliminary title report and the earnest money deposit will be refunded to the Buyer in the event that the preliminary title report is not approved. Buyer has thirty (30) days after receipt of the title report to submit approval, in writing, to the Seller herein.

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(C) Bill of sale for the personal property is hereby waived.

II. TITLE: Title to the property conveyed by Seller to Buyer shall be good and marketable title, clear of all liens, encumbrances, defects, and burdens.

Title as herein required shall be evidenced by a standard form policy of title insurance issued by Security Title Company, said company doing business in the county where the real property is situated. Such policy shall be issued as of the date of the close of escrow, and shall be in the amount

of the purchase price of the real property.

Seller shall convey title at close of escrow to Buyer.

III. COSTS: It is hereby agreed that all costs incurred in connection with this transaction shall be assessed to the Buyer.

Any taxes on the real property shall be pro-rated as of the close of escrow.

Any other costs and/or recording fees shall be set forth in the Escrow Instructions of ^C, Escrow Number ^C, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and expressly made a part hereof.

IV. INSURANCE: It is agreed that the Buyer may assume the present insurance on the property with _____, and the same shall be pro-rated as of the close of escrow, or Buyer may procure his own insurance on the property.

Risk of loss or damage to the property by fire, storm, burglary, vandalism, or other casualty, between the date of this Contract and the close of escrow, shall be and is assumed by Seller. No such loss or damage shall void or impair this Contract. If improvements on the property are damaged or destroyed, in whole or in part, by casualty prior to the close of escrow, the Contract shall continue in full force and effect, and Buyer shall be subrogated to Seller's right of coverage with respect to any insurance carried by Seller.

All policies of insurance shall be exhibited forthwith to Buyer who may secure additional insurance on the property, or

any portion thereof, if he so desires, and at his own expense.

V. TRANSFER OF PROPERTY: Possession of the property shall be transferred to Buyer on or before the close of escrow. All keys shall be delivered at the time of transfer of possession. Until the transfer is complete, Seller shall keep the property in a neat and sanitary condition, normal and reasonable wear excepted.

Buyer has examined said premises and hereby releases Seller from all responsibility regarding the valuation thereof, and neither Buyer nor Seller shall be bound by any understanding, agreement, promise, representations, or stipulation not specified herein.

VI. TIME OF ESSENCE; CLOSING: Time is expressly declared to be of the essence in this Contract. The Contract shall be executed and completed and the sale closed on or before June 1, 1989 or such other date as the parties may agree to in writing hereafter.

VII. REMEDIES OF PARTIES: If Buyer fails or refuses to comply with the conditions assumed by him, or to perform all his obligations hereunder, Seller may, at his option:

- (A) Hold and retain the initial earnest deposit money and any additional funds paid or deposited by Buyer, as liquidated damages for breach of this Contract, and rescind and terminate the Contract, whereupon all rights and obligations hereunder shall cease or

terminate; or

- (B) Enforce this Contract by appropriate action, including an action for specific performance, or for damages for breach, and retain all monies paid or deposited by Buyer pending the determination of such action. Seller shall give Buyer written notice of election with respect to his exercise of either of these options.

If Seller fails or refuses to perform his obligations hereunder, including the furnishing of good title as herein defined and transfer of possession, Buyer may either:

- (A) Rescind the Contract and recover all deposits and other amounts paid by Buyer hereunder, and all expenses paid or incurred by him; or
- (B) Pursue any remedy available to Buyer, in law or equity, including an action to compel specific performance of this Contract, or one for damages for breach of Contract, separately or alternately.

In the event it is necessary for either Buyer or Seller to file suit or take other legal action to enforce any right or rights under this Contract, then the prevailing party in such action shall have the right to have a reasonable amount as and for attorneys' fees included in any judgment or decree rendered on such action.

VIII. ASSIGNMENT, MODIFICATION, ENTIRE AGREEMENT OF PARTIES EXPRESSED: Buyer reserves the right to assign or transfer any right or interest under this Contract without prior consent of the Seller.

No modification of this Contract shall be valid or binding unless such modification is in writing, duly dated, and signed by both parties hereto.

This instrument constitutes the entire agreement between the Buyer and the Seller. Neither party shall be bound by any terms, conditions, statements, or representations, oral or written, not herein contained. Each party hereby acknowledges that in executing this Contract he has not been induced, persuaded, or motivated by any promise or representation made by the other party, unless expressly set forth herein. All previous negotiations, statements, and preliminary instruments by the parties or their representatives are merged in this instrument.

IX. SIGNATURE AND EFFECTIVE DATE: This instrument shall not be effective as a Contract until duly signed by both parties. The date of execution and effective date of the Contract is the date first hereinabove set forth. The date of signature by each party is the date set forth below above unless otherwise indicated after his signature.

All parties hereby agree to execute any and all documents, including escrow instructions, necessary to complete this transaction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this instrument, in duplicate, on the day and year first above written.

ROBERT J. FARRER, BUYER

VERA JEAN PAINTER, SELLER

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARICOPA)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, this _____ day of _____, 19____.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARICOPA)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in
and for said county and state, this _____ day of _____,
19____.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

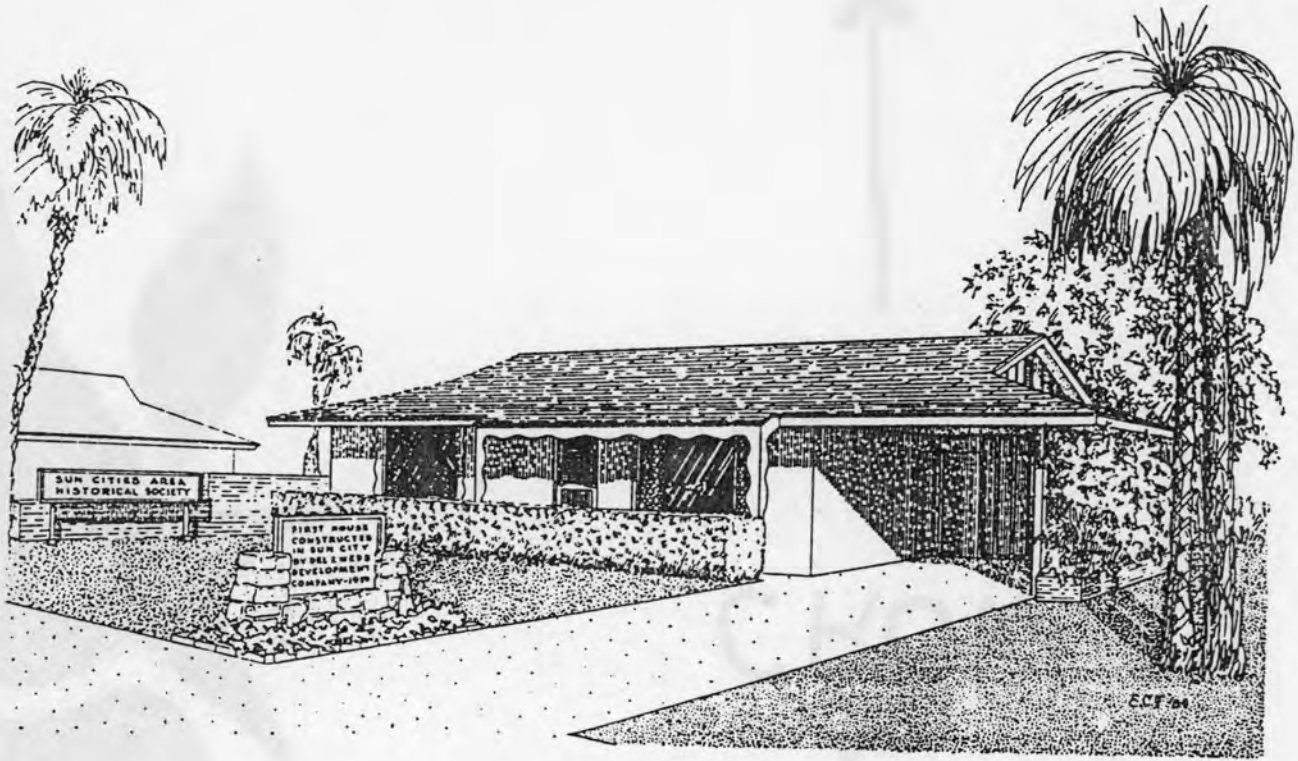
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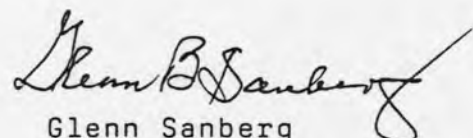
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WITH YOUR HELP, WE'RE ON OUR WAY!!!!!!


Glenn Sanberg
President



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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society is to bring together those people interested in the history of our communities.

The Society's major functions will be to discover and collect any material which may help establish or illustrate the history of the area: its exploration, settlement, development and activities, its progress in population, wealth, education, arts, science, agriculture, trade and transportation.

It will collect printed material, such as histories, biographies, descriptions, gazetteers, directories, newspapers, pamphlets, catalogues, circulars, handbills, programs and posters, manuscript reminiscences, service records, account books, charts, surveys and field books and museum material such as pictures, photographs, paintings, portraits, scenes, relics and material objects illustrative of life, conditions, events and activities of the past or present.

The Society will provide for the preservation of such material and for its accessibility, as far as may be feasible, to all who wish to examine or study it; co-operate with officials in insuring the preservation and accessibility of the records and archives of the area and insure the preservation of the historic buildings, monuments and markers.

The Society will disseminate historical information and arouse interest in the past by publishing historical information in the local newspapers; by holding meetings, addresses, lectures, papers and discussions; by marking historical buildings, sites and trails; by using the local media to awaken public interest and to build a library of oral histories of people living in the area.

GOALS

Acquire and maintain a permanent headquarters.

Actively recruit membership in the Society.

Sponsor fund raising activities to meet expenses/programs.

Institute an oral history program.

Collect, catalog and preserve material.

Ultimately engage a full-time paid director.

COLLECTIONS POLICY

1. The Society shall collect only those items related to its stated purpose and which the Society can actually store, preserve and document. The economics of storage space and time necessitates limiting acquisition to those items which the Society can house and preserve in keeping with minimum professional standards. Items offered to the Society that are not relevant to its stated purpose shall be directed to a more suitable repository.
2. It is intended that objects acquired for the collections have a permanency for as long as they retain their physical integrity, identity, and authenticity and as long as they remain useful for the purpose of the Society.
3. The Society must be given clear title to the objects in its possession. It should avoid accepting gifts with restrictions.
4. The Society will avoid collecting fragmentary, damaged or altered items. Such items generally have no physical or historical integrity remaining.
5. The Society will avoid acquiring objects principally of the relic or curio nature. Such items cannot contribute to an understanding history in and of themselves.
6. The Society will avoid collecting items that are known to be stolen or otherwise illegally acquired. Any items of suspect must be accompanied by proof of ownership satisfactory to the Society.
7. The Society will collect by donation, bequest, exchange with other societies/museums and purchase.

SCOPE OF COLLECTIONS

The Society shall collect:

1. Objects, documents and photographs of the Sun City area.
2. Items dating from around 1850's, the accepted founding date of the area, through the present time.
3. Archival items such as documents, books and photographs shall continue to be collected through the present day.
4. Items having documentation as to source, ownership, use and time period.
5. Items that could have been made or used in the geographical area during the stated time period.
6. Artifacts from outside our collection's scope that complement a specific education display need.

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Patch drywall and repaint throughout.

Install new floor covering throughout.

Landscape premises.

Design, fabricate and Install:

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. Del E. Webb Historical Site identification.

Repair eaves and touch-up exterior paint.

FURNISHINGS:

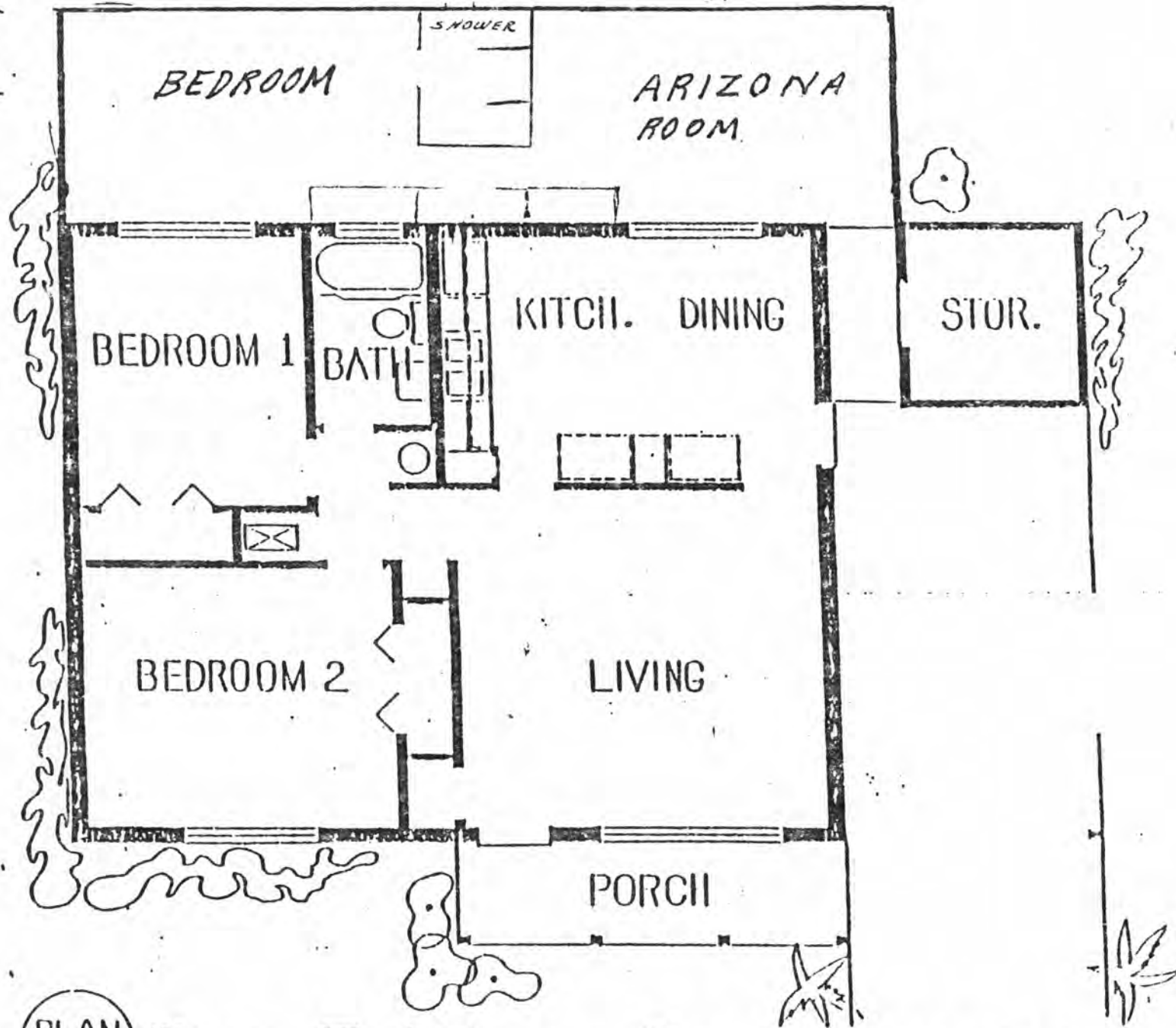
. Office furniture - work tables - shelving

TOTAL FIRST STAGE \$ 16,000

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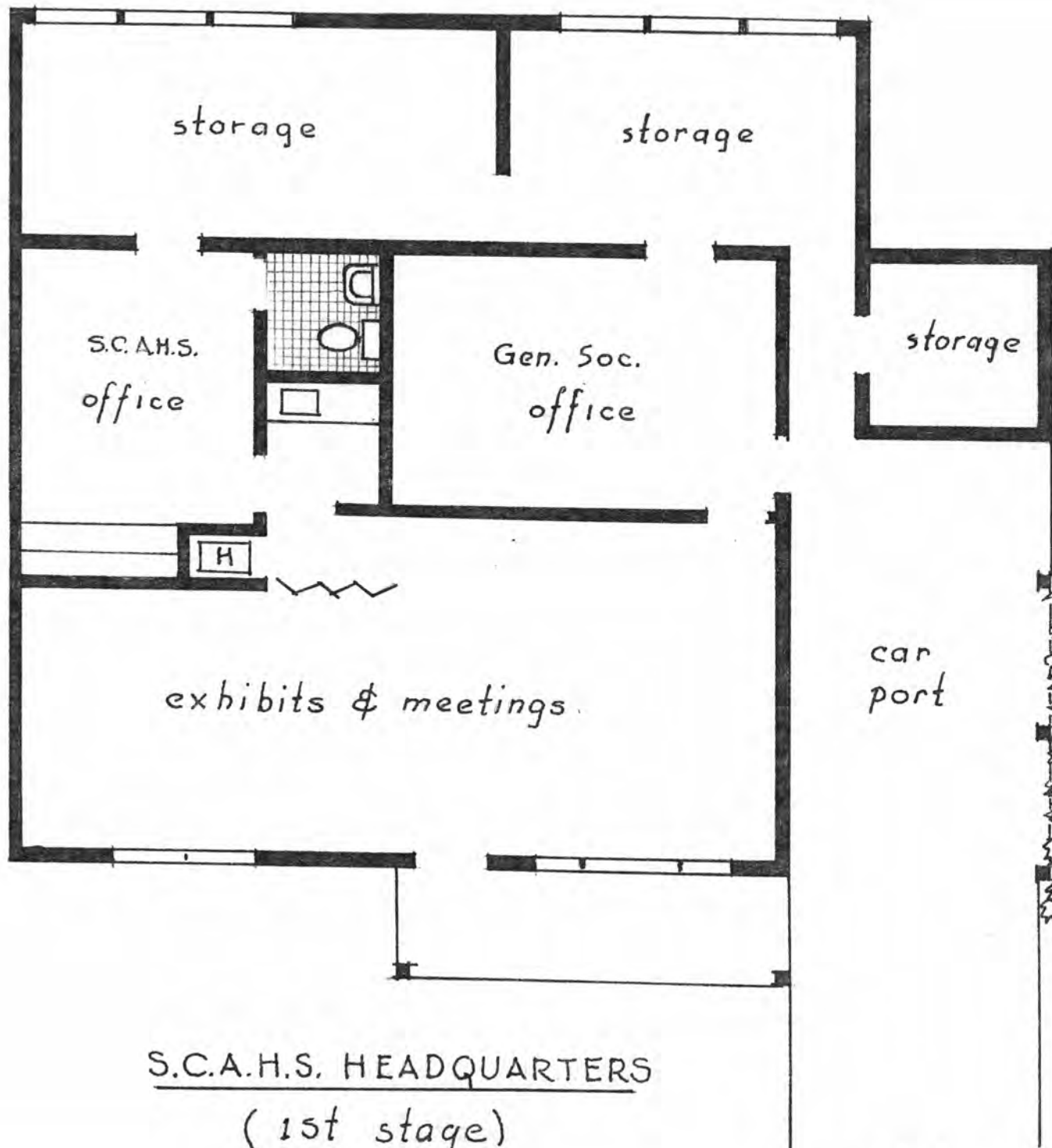
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TOTAL SECOND STAGE \$ 4,000



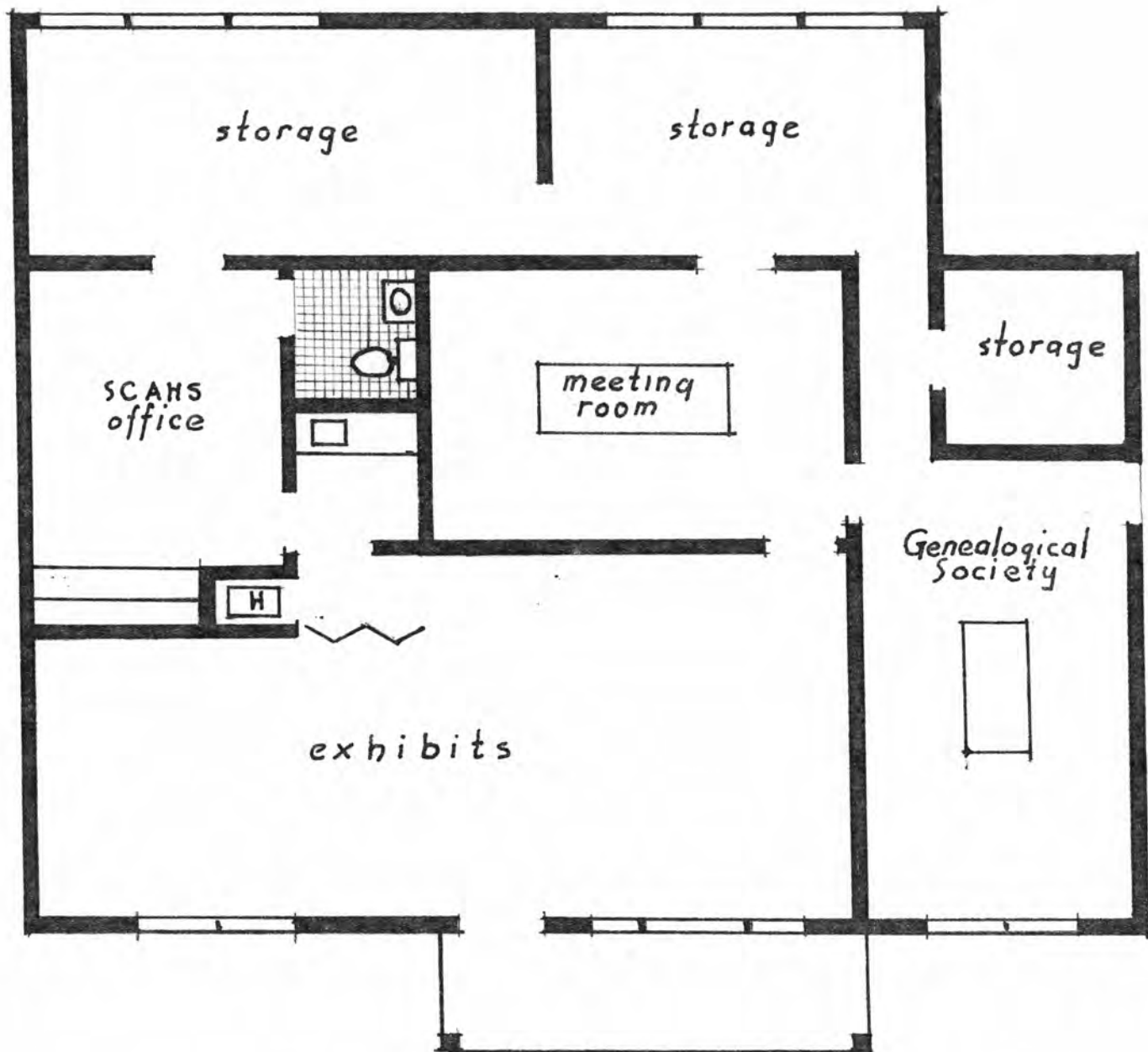
PLAN
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DEL E. WEBB DEVELOPMENT CO.



S.C.A.H.S. HEADQUARTERS
(1st stage)

3/14/89.



S. C. A. H. S. HEADQUARTERS

(2nd stage)

3/14/89

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PROJECTIONS - MEMBERSHIP & FINANCES:

Cash on Hand and in Banks	\$ 7,627
Furniture, Fixtures (Estimated)	\$ 2,000
Memorabilia (Irreplacable but no way to value)	0
Total Assets	\$ 9,627

ESTIMATED GROWTH

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CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

Cost of Building	\$ 44,000
Estimated Upgraded expense	16,000
Total Cost	\$ 60,000

FINANCING

Special Gifts, Trustees and Friends	\$ 10,000
Seed Money from Corporation	30,000
Balance to be financed	\$ 20,000 *

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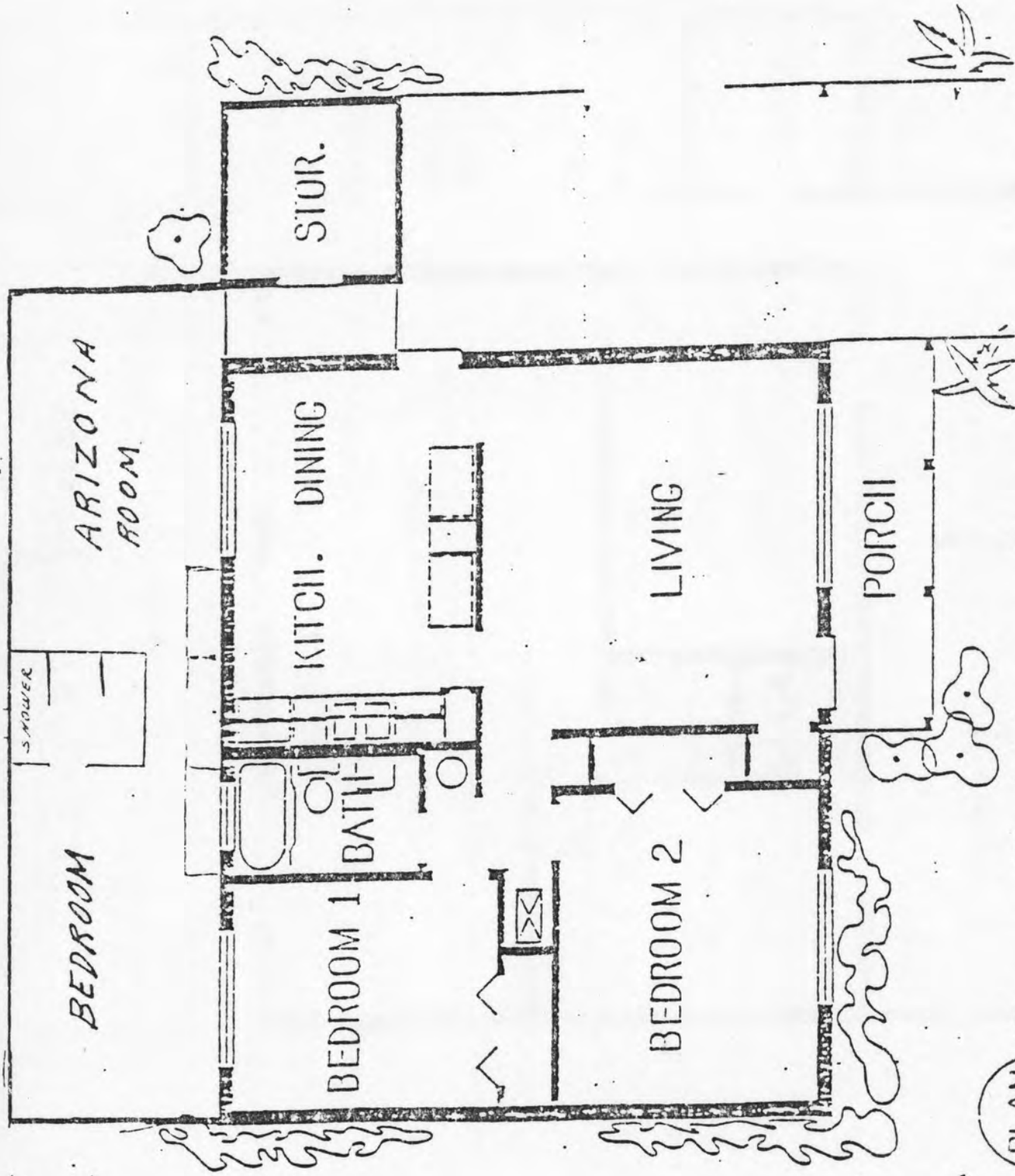
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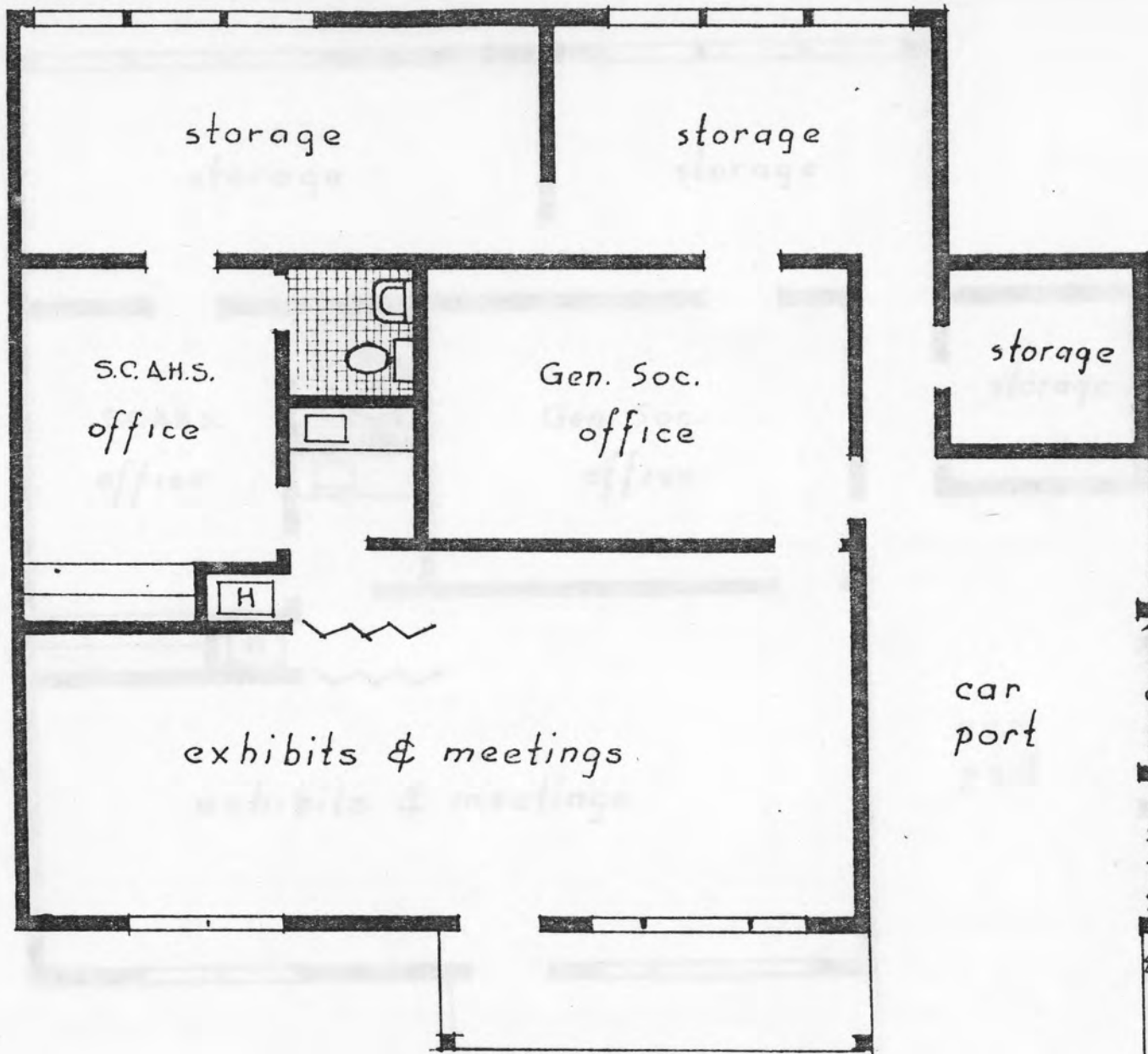
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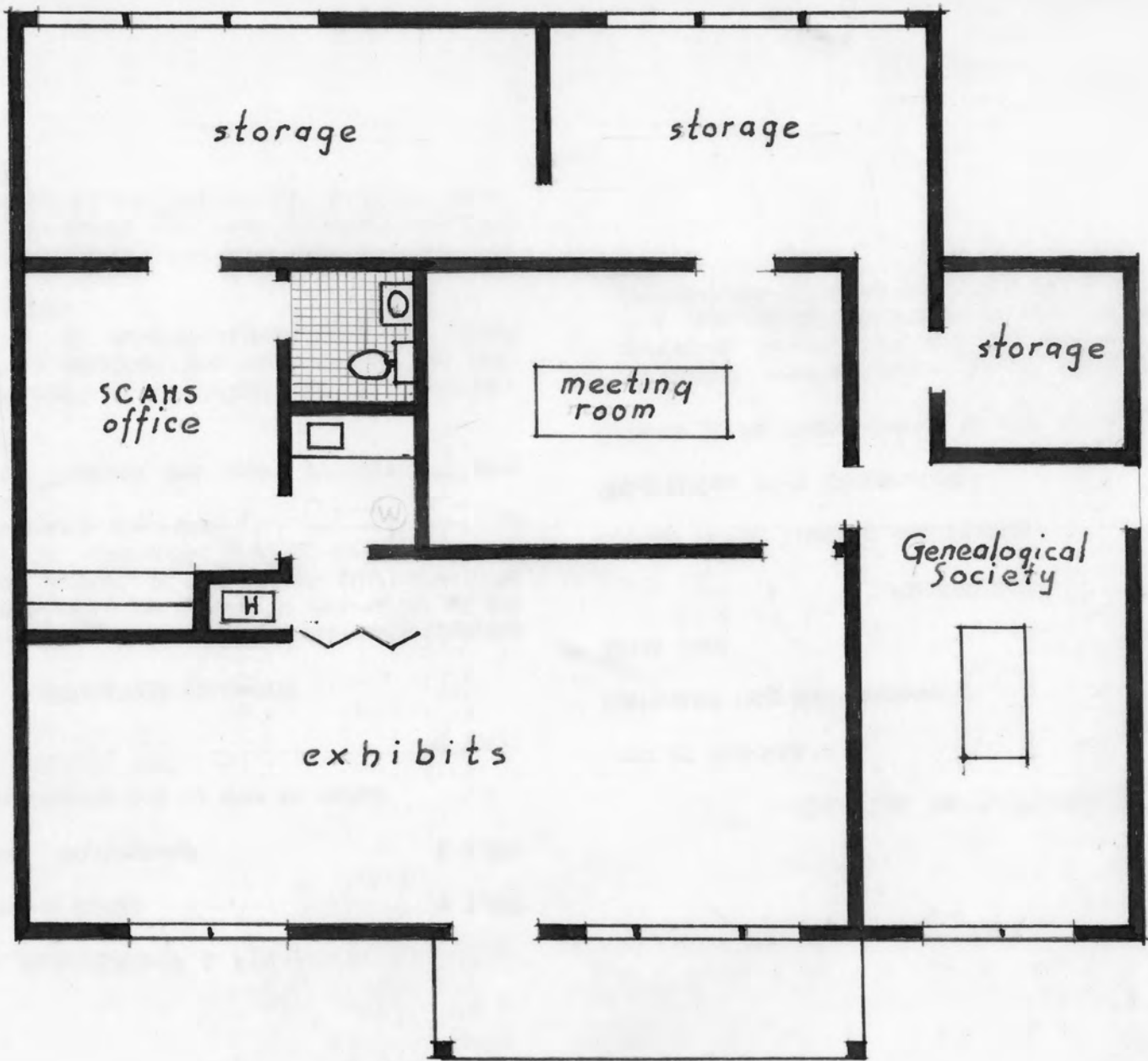
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(1st stage)

3/14/89



S. C. A. H. S. HEADQUARTERS
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3/14/89 not to scale.

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RELEASE 5/16/89

Sun Cities Area Historical Society

Information: 977 9961 or 974 5377

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society, a non-profit corporation has purchased the first model home built in Sun City which it will convert to an historical museum and headquarters. The property located at 10801 Oakmont Drive adjacent to Oakmont Recreation Center and North Golf Course has great historical significance and will be used to house the myriad of Society memorabilia now in temporary storage.

It is planned to have the property listed on the Arizona State Historic Property Inventory and subsequently on the National Registry of Historic Places.

The purchase was made possible by a matching-funds grant of \$30,000 by the James G. Boswell Foundation. The balance of the total cost of \$60,000, including estimated upgrading expense of \$16,000, is to be met by special gifts of trustees, members and friends. Temporary financing is being arranged by Les Merydith, chairman of the Society's Building Committee. Acquisition of the property was arranged by Merydith and Attorney Robert Farrer. Architectural drawings and conversion plans were by Trustee Emil Fisher.

The society was organized in 1985 following the publication of "JUBILEE, the 25th Anniverary of Sun City Arizona," authored by Jane Freeman and Glenn Sanberg. Proceeds from its sale served as start-up funds for the society.

The Society's major function has been to discover, collect, catalogue and preserve materials that illustrate the history of the Sun City and Sun City West areas. The process has

been so successful accumulating literally thousands of items, it made mandatory the establishment of a permanent headquarters where they can be centralized for referral and view by the public.

The headquarters will now make it possible to conduct regular public displays of significant historical documents, stories and pictures of people and events of the early years in the two Sun Cities.

The society currently has 80 members and is governed by a Board of Trustees of 14 members. Officers are: Glenn Sanberg, president; Jane Freeman, vice president; Rita Wright, secretary; and Al Thompson, treasurer.

Funds are needed now to complete necessary repairs and renovations during the summer months. Persons wishing to make a tax-exempt contribution may do so by sending their gift to:

Sun Cities Area Historical Society
16828 99th Ave. Sun City, Az 85351

Historical Society purchases first Sun City model home for museum

*"Today is tomorrow's history."
-- Jane Freeman,
vice president, Sun Cities
Area Historical Society*

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society has purchased the very first model home ever built in Sun City and has announced plans to convert it into an historical museum.

The property, located at 10801 Oakmont Drive, adjacent to the Oakmont Recreation Center and North Golf Course, will be used by the organization to store its large collection of Sun City photos and momentos.

The purchase was made possible by a matching-funds grant of \$30,000 by the James G. Boswell Foundation.

The balance of the \$60,000 price tag will be met by private donations. The price includes an estimated expense of \$16,000 to upgrade and restore the home to its original condition.

Historical Society officials say they intend to have the property listed on the Arizona State Historic Property Inventory and

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A LOOK INTO THE PAST. The Sun Cities Historical Society has purchased the very first model home ever constructed in Sun City and plan to use the building to house its large archive of historical material pertaining to the Sun Cities. Jane Freeman and Glenn Sanberg display some of the items to be shown at the site.

Welcome to Lizard Acres

Group seeks early history on Sun Cities

Planning a trip to Marinette? How about Lizard Acres? Well, you won't have to go far.

Before Del Webb purchased the land on which Sun City and Sun City West now sit, the area now known as Sun City was called Marinette and Sun City West was known as Lizard Acres.

Most of the land was privately owned by the Boswell family who, in turn, sold it to the Webb Company.

Unfortunately, very little is known about the two communities in their pre-Sun Cities days.

The Sun Cities Historical Society is in the process of gathering information about the area prior to 1960 (the opening of Sun City).

From page one

subsequently on the National Registry of Historic Places.

The Historical Society, a non-profit organization, was organized in 1985 following the publication of "Jubilee, the 25th Anniversary of Sun City." The

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-- Jane Freeman
Historical Society

book, written by Jane Freeman and Glenn Sanberg, detailed the first 25 years of Sun City.

"We're trying to preserve our history for the people of tomorrow," says Ms. Freeman, vice president of the Historical Society.

The organization's main purpose has been to discover, collect and preserve materials that illustrate the history of Sun City, Sun City West and Youngtown.

Ms. Freeman says the group has been very successful in accumulating material. The new building, she says, will provide the Historical Society with a permanent facility to house and display its collection.

A few years ago, she says, Webb officials donated its archives to the organization.

"Unfortunately, many of the photos are not dated or labeled so our challenge is to go back and try to place the dates and names," says Ms. Freeman.

Among the other items to be housed at the museum:

- community newspapers;
- private scrapbooks that have been donated to the Historical Society over the past few years;
- Del Webb marketing brochures dating back to 1960;
- material pertaining to the Sun City Saints, a professional women's softball team that, at one time, played at the Sun City Stadium. Items include a uniform and trophies won by the team over the years;
- every Sun City phone directory since the first one ever published.

The Historical Society also has the original "treaty" between members of the Oakmont Recreation Center and the Fairway Recreation Center (then called Town Hall Center).

In the early 1960s, members were restricted to one or the other recreation center. The "treaty," signed by the secretary of state, allowed members of each center to use both facilities.

"If you think there is a wall today between Sun City and Sun City West, there once was a *real* wall between Oakmont and Fairway members," says Ms. Freeman.

Ms. Freeman says funds are needed to complete the necessary repairs and renovations at the model home. A fund-drive campaign is planned for this fall.

Along with early photos of Sun City, Ms. Freeman says the Historical Society is presently in search of programs from early Easter Sunrise Services and Sun City Player productions.

In addition, the organization is searching for Pioneer residents who would be willing to provide oral histories of their early days in Sun City.

Call 977-9961 or 974-5377.

SOUTHWEST SAVINGS
P. O. BOX 33099
PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85067-3099

8777

MAY 25 1989 91-7070/3221

Remitter

Sun City Area Historical Societ, Inc.

Pay

SOUTHWEST SAVINGS
The sum of **Forty Two Thousand Four Hundred and 46/100** Dollars Gets \$ **42,421.46**

To The
Order Of

Security Title

Cashier's Check

James P. ...
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SECURITY TITLE AGENCY

249093

RECEIPT

Date: May 25, 1989

Escrow No. 80-3432

Received of: SUN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Collection No. _____

For Credit of: SAME AS ABOVE

Trust No. _____

Description or Explanation BUYERS FINAL FUNDS (PAINTER/HISTORICAL SOCIETY)

CASH _____ \$ _____

Per Ck. Drawn On _____ \$ _____

Cash Ck. Drawn On 91-7070 \$ 42,421.46

TOTAL _____ \$ 42,421.46

ALL CHECKS RECEIVED SUBJECT TO COLLECTION

BY: DIANNE LEE EVERETT
SECURITY TITLE AGENCY



SECURITY TITLE AGENCY

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

SETTLEMENT STATEMENT

B. Type of Loan

1. <input type="checkbox"/> FHA	2. <input type="checkbox"/> FmHA	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Conv. Unins.	6. File Number: 80-3432	7. Loan Number:	8. Mortgage Insurance Case Number:
4. <input type="checkbox"/> VA	5. <input type="checkbox"/> Conv. Ins.				

C. NOTE: This form is furnished to give you a statement of actual settlement costs. Amounts paid to and by the settlement agent are shown. Items marked "(p.o.c.)" were paid outside the closing; they are shown here for informational purposes and are not included in the totals.

D. Name and Address of Borrower SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, a non-profit organization	E. Name and Address of Seller VERA JEAN PAINTER	F. Name and Address of Lender
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G. Property Location 10801 Oakmont Drive, Sun City, Arizona	H. Settlement Agent SECURITY TITLE AGENCY
	I. Settlement Date 5-26-89
	Place of Settlement 12301 W. Bell Rd, Suite A-103 Surprise, Arizona 85374

J. SUMMARY OF BORROWER'S TRANSACTION	
100. GROSS AMOUNT DUE FROM BORROWER:	
101. Contract sales price	41,500.00
102. Personal property	
103. Settlement charges to borrower (line 1400)	3,537.00
104.	
105.	
<i>Adjustments for items paid by seller in advance</i>	
106. City/town taxes to	
107. County taxes to	
108. Assessments to	
109.	
110.	
111.	
112.	
120. GROSS AMOUNT DUE FROM BORROWER	45,037.00
200. AMOUNTS PAID BY OR IN BEHALF OF BORROWER:	
201. Deposit or earnest money	2,500.00
202. Principal amount of new loan(s)	
203. Existing loan(s) taken subject to	
204.	
205.	
206.	
207. FUNDS DUE FROM BUYER	
208.	
209.	
<i>Adjustments for items unpaid by seller</i>	
210. City/town taxes to	
211. County taxes 1-1-89 to 5-26-89*	115.54

K. SUMMARY OF SELLER'S TRANSACTION	
400. GROSS AMOUNT DUE TO SELLER:	
401. Contract sales price	41,500.00
402. Personal property	
403.	
404.	
405.	
<i>Adjustments for items paid by seller in advance</i>	
406. City/town taxes to	
407. County taxes to	
408. Assessments to	
409.	
410.	
411.	
412.	
420. GROSS AMOUNT DUE TO SELLER	41,500.00
500. REDUCTIONS IN AMOUNT DUE TO SELLER:	
501. Excess deposit (see instructions)	
502. Settlement charges to seller (line 1400)	-0-
503. Existing loan(s) taken subject to	
504. Payoff of first mortgage loan **	34,730.24
505. Payoff of second mortgage loan	
506. **PRIN. BAL-\$34,326.30	
507. INTEREST FM. 5-5-89 to 6-1-89=\$308.94	
508. STATEMENT FEES \$60.00	
509. TRUSTEE RECON. FEES \$35.00	
<i>Adjustments for items unpaid by seller</i>	
510. City/town taxes to	
511. County taxes 1-1-89 to 5-26-89*	115.54

212. Assessments	to	
213.		
214.*based on 1988 figures	\$286.86	
215.		
216.		
217. FINAL FUNDS-ESCROW CLOSING	42,421.46	
218.		
219.		
220. TOTAL PAID BY/FOR BORROWER	45,037.00	
300. CASH AT SETTLEMENT FROM/TO BORROWER		
301. Gross amount due from borrower (line 120)	45,037.00	
302. Less amounts paid by/for borrower (line 220)	45,037.00)	
303. CASH (<input type="checkbox"/> FROM) (<input type="checkbox"/> TO) BORROWER		

512 Assessments	to	
513.		
514.*based on 1988 figures	\$286.86	
515.		
516.		
517. impound 2nd 1/2 1988 taxes	147.26	
518. pending verification		
519.		
520. TOTAL REDUCTION AMOUNT DUE SELLER	34,993.04	
600. CASH AT SETTLEMENT TO/FROM SELLER		
601. Gross amount due to seller (line 420)	41,500.00	
602. Less reductions in amount due seller (line 520)	34,993.04)	
603. CASH (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TO) (<input type="checkbox"/> FROM) SELLER	6,506.96	

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FORM APPROVED
OMB No. 2502-0265 (Exp. 12-31-86)

L. SETTLEMENT CHARGES

700. TOTAL SALES/BROKER'S COMMISSION based on price \$ @ %=			PAID FROM BORROWER'S FUNDS AT SETTLEMENT	PAID FROM SELLER'S FUNDS AT SETTLEMENT
Division of Commission (line 700) as follows:				
701. \$	to			
702. \$	to			
703. Commission paid at Settlement				
704.				
800. ITEMS PAYABLE IN CONNECTION WITH LOAN				
801. Loan Origination Fee	%			
802. Loan Discount	%			
803. Appraisal Fee	to			
804. Credit Report	to			
805. Lender's Inspection Fee				
806. Mortgage Insurance Application Fee	to			
807. Assumption Fee				
808.				
809.				
810.				
811.				
900. ITEMS REQUIRED BY LENDER TO BE PAID IN ADVANCE				
901. Interest from	to	@ \$	/day	
902. Mortgage Insurance Premium for	months to			
903. Hazard Insurance Premium for	years to			
904.	years to			
905.				
1000. RESERVES DEPOSITED WITH LENDER				
1001. Hazard insurance	months @ \$		per month	
1002. Mortgage insurance	months @ \$		per month	
1003. City property taxes	months @ \$		per month	
1004. County property taxes	months @ \$		per month	
1005. Annual assessments	months @ \$		per month	
1006.	months @ \$		per month	
1007.	months @ \$		per month	
1008.	months @ \$		per month	
1100. TITLE CHARGES				
1101. Settlement or closing fee	to			
1102. Abstract or title search	to			
1103. Title examination	to			
1104. Title insurance binder	to			
1105. Document preparation	to			
1106. Notary fees	to			

1107.	Attorney's fees	to			
	(includes above items numbers;)	
1108.	Title insurance	to	Security Title Agency		335.00
	(includes above items numbers;)	
1109.	Lender's coverage	\$			
1110.	Owner's coverage	\$	335.00		
1111.	Escrow Fee		Security Title Agency		200.00
1112.					
1113.					
1200. GOVERNMENT RECORDING AND TRANSFER CHARGES					
1201.	Recording fees: Deed \$	10.00	; Mortgage \$: Releases \$	10.00
					20.00
1202.	City/county tax/stamps: Deed \$; Mortgage \$		
1203.	State tax/stamps: Deed \$; Mortgage \$		
1204.	AFFIDAVIT OF PROPERTY VALUE			\$2.00	2.00
1205.	FACILITIES AGREEMENT			\$10.00	10.00
1300. ADDITIONAL SETTLEMENT CHARGES					
1301.	Survey	to			
1302.	Pest inspection	to	GRANADA PEST CONTROL		40.00
1303.	FARRER, SHAPIRO & ROSS, P.C. (attorney fees)				2,500.00
1304.	RECREATION CENTER OF SUN CITY				400.00
1305.	AIRBORNE				30.00
1400. TOTAL SETTLEMENT CHARGES (enter on lines 103, Section J and 502, Section K)					3,537.00
					-0-

SECURITY TITLE AGENCY

Escrow Instructions

MANAGER: KATHY BROOKS

12301 W. Bell Road, Suite A-103

Assistant

OFFICE ADDRESS Surprise, Arizona 85374

Escrow Officer DIANNE LEE EVERETT/klb

Date May 1, 1989

Phone (602) 583-0144

Escrow No. 80-3432

VERA JEAN PAINTER, a widow (herein called Seller)

whose address is _____ Phone _____

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, a non-profit organization (herein called Buyer)

whose address is _____ Phone _____

hereby employ SECURITY TITLE AGENCY to act as Escrow Agent in connection with a sale by Seller to Buyer upon the following terms and conditions which shall be complied with by said parties on or before June 1, 1989

or as soon thereafter as possible unless a demand for cancellation has been made on Escrow Agent as herein provided.

The property herein referred to is situated in Maricopa, County, Arizona, and is described as follows, to wit:

Lot 1, NEWLIFE UNIT ONE, according to Book 85 of Maps, page 10, records of Maricopa County, Arizona.

(which the Seller describes as: 10801 Oakmont Drive, Sun City, Arizona 85351)

		All Items Checked Thus (X) are the Obligations Which Each Party Will Pay		SELLER	BUYER
SALES PRICE TO BE PAID BY BUYER	\$ 41,500.00	TAXES	1988 and prior	X	
Which is represented by:			1989 and future		X
EARNEST MONEY TO BE DEPOSITED IN ESCROW <u>Herewith</u>	\$ 2,500.00	Prorate to	Close of escrow		
			On basis of 1988 tax figure		
		IMPROVEMENT LIEN ASSESSMENTS			
CASH PAYMENT TO BE DEPOSITED IN ESCROW <u>BY CASHIERS CHECK OR</u>		Existing, if any, pay in full		X	
BANK WIRE PRIOR TO CLOSE OF ESCROW	\$ 39,000.00	Future and proposed			X
IN ACCORDANCE WITH TIME LIMIT		Prorate to	None		
GUIDELINE OF STATE BANKING DEPT.		HOMEOWNERS ASSN. ASSESSMENTS			
ENCUMBRANCE OF RECORD beginning		Recreation Fees (past due, if any)		X	
with payment due		Recreation Fees (New) AND**			X
		Prorate to	None		

with approximate unpaid balance of	\$	FLOOD/FIRE INSURANCE POLICY-Buyer	to assume exist-
Existing, if any, pay in full		ing or secure new; If new-not a	requirement to
from Seller's proceeds		this escrow; if assumed,	
		Prorate to Close of escrow	
ENCUMBRANCE OF RECORD beginning		Prorate MIP INSURANCE to	None
with payment due		Prorate Interest to	None
with approximate unpaid balance of	\$	Prorate Rents to	None
Existing, if any, pay in full		Prorate Security Deposits to	None
from Seller's proceeds		RECORDING FEES:	
		Deed	X
Any variation in amount of encumbrance(s)		Affidavit of Value	X
shall be reflected in		Encumbrance(s)	None
Not applicable		Release of Encumbrance(s), (if any)	X
Any reserve funds held under said encum-			
brance(s) shall be		ASSUMPTION OR STATUS FEE	None
Not applicable		TERMITE INSPECTION & TREATMENT	X
BALANCE OF	\$ None	HOME WARRANTY PROTECTION	None
Evidenced By		Attorney fees of \$2,500.00	X
*The sales price as set forth herein is con-		due Farrer, Shapiro & Ross, P.C.	
trary to the Contract for Sale of Real Prop.		ESCROW FEES	X
Contrary to the Contract for Sale of Real Prop-		DOCUMENT PREPARATION FEES	None
erty, by executing these instructions, the		TITLE POLICY INSURING: Owner	X
Buyer herein signifies approval of the		Lender	None
Preliminary Title Report		IRS FILING FEE	None
		ACCOUNT SET-UP FEE	None
		ACCOUNT SERVICE FEE	None
		IMPOUND SET-UP/SERVICE FEE	None
		TAX SERVICE CONTRACT	None
		AGENTS COMMISSION	None
		**Recreation Center Transfer	
		Fee (one time charge, if applicable)	X

If personal property is to be transferred as a part of this transaction, a Bill of Sale will be handed to Escrow Agent for delivery to Buyer as set forth below. Escrow Agent is to assume no liability as to the sufficiency of said Bill of Sale or as to said personal property.

ESCROW PROCEEDS SHALL BE PAID TO SELLER AS STATED HEREIN UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

SELLER.

1. Will deliver to Escrow Agent a deed to the property from Seller to Buyer to be held by Escrow Agent until the terms hereof have been performed, at which time it shall deliver said deed to Buyer.

SELLER AND BUYER:

2. Will deliver to Escrow Agent all documents, pay to Escrow Agent all sums and do or cause to be done all other things necessary, in the sole judgment of Escrow Agent, to enable it to comply herewith and to enable Security Title Agency to issue any title insurance policy provided for herein.

3. Should these Instructions contemplate a transfer of an interest in an agreement for sale, Seller and Buyer will deliver to Escrow Agent such documents as Escrow Agent may, in its sole judgment, require for the benefit of any party to said agreement.

4. Authorize Escrow Agent to pay, from any funds held by it for their respective credit hereunder, all amounts necessary to procure the delivery of such documents and to pay, on their behalf, all charges and obligations payable by them respectively, as specified herein.

5. Will each pay to Escrow Agent, upon demand, all charges payable by them respectively, as provided herein.

6. Authorize Escrow Agent to execute, on their behalf, form assignments, or otherwise order changes in any insurance called for herein other than title insurance and forward the policies to insurer's agent with the request that insurer consent to such transfer, attach loss payable clause or make such other additions or corrections as may be specifically required herein, and that said agent thereafter return such policies to Escrow Agent or to the parties entitled thereto.

7. Authorize Escrow Agent, in the event any demand is made upon it concerning these instructions or the escrow, at its election, to hold any money and documents deposited hereunder until an action shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction to determine the rights of Seller and Buyer or to interplead said parties by an action brought in any such court. Deposit by Escrow Agent of said documents and funds, after deducting therefrom its charges and its expenses and attorney's fees incurred in connection with any such court actions shall relieve Escrow Agent of all further liability and responsibility.

8. Will indemnify and save harmless Escrow Agent against all costs, damages, attorney's fees, expenses and liabilities, which it may incur or sustain in connection with these instructions or the escrow or any court action arising therefrom and will pay the same upon demand, including but not limited to any interpleader action.

9. Grant to Escrow Agent a lien upon and authority to reimburse itself for its charges and for any damages or expenses which it may incur or sustain in connection herewith, from all of the rights, title and interest of Seller and Buyer in all of the documents and money deposited hereunder.

10. Grant to Escrow Agent the right to execute on behalf of the Seller and Buyer herein, the Affidavit of Value, using the total consideration for the established value, unless instructed by Seller and Buyer to the contrary.

11. Direct that no notice, demand or change in these instructions shall be of effect unless given in writing and accepted by Escrow Agent, that these instructions, and any subsequent instructions, given mutually by Seller and Buyer to Escrow Agent in connection herewith shall constitute the complete escrow instructions, notwithstanding any agreement which Seller and Buyer may have concerning the property.

12. Direct that all money payable hereunder be paid to Escrow Agent which, upon receipt thereof, shall deposit such funds in a general escrow account in one or more banks doing banking business in Arizona. Disbursement of any funds may be made by checks of Escrow Agent. Escrow Agent shall be under obligation to disburse any funds represented by check or draft, and no check or draft shall be payment to Escrow Agent in compliance with any of the requirements hereon, until it is advised by the bank in which deposited that such check or draft has been honored, unless Escrow Agent specifically agrees in writing to accept liability for the sufficiency thereof.

13. Authorize Escrow Agent to act upon any statement furnished by the

18. In the event said other party shall fail within said thirteen day period to comply with all of the terms hereof, these instructions shall become cancelled and Escrow Agent is thereupon authorized:

19. First: To pay to the party electing to cancel, any earnest money deposited hereunder by said other party, after deducting any charges.

20. Second: To pay to said other party, any other money deposited hereunder by said other party, after deducting any charges remaining unpaid.

21. Third: To pay to the party electing to cancel, any money deposited by said party, after deducting any charges remaining unpaid.

22. Fourth: To return all documents deposited hereunder to the party who delivered the same except documents executed by both Seller and Buyer, which shall be marked "cancelled" and retained in the files of Escrow Agent.

23. If, under these instructions, a commission is to be paid to a real estate agent, then, notwithstanding any conflicting provisions herein contained:

(a) The party obligated to pay the commission shall not quiesce in any mutual cancellation of these instructions without having first delivered said real estate agent's written consent to Escrow Agent and Escrow Agent shall not recognize any cancellation without receipt of such written consent.

(b) Upon the cancellation of these instructions for any reason should any funds, after deducting Escrow Agent's charges, become payable to a party obligated hereunder to any said commission, the Escrow Agent shall pay to the real estate agent therefrom, a sum equal to one-half of the earnest money deposited by any other party and payable to the party so obligated, but not more than the full amount of such commission.

24. If Escrow Agent is unable or unwilling in its sole discretion to comply with these instructions for any reason or, if Security Title Agency is unwilling to issue any title insurance policy provided for herein, Escrow Agent is directed to pay the charges payable by Buyer from any money deposited by Buyer, paying the balance then remaining to Buyer, and to pay charges payable by Seller from any money deposited hereunder by Seller, paying the balance then remaining to Seller, and to cancel this escrow.

25. Notwithstanding any of the provisions herein, Escrow Agent is hereby instructed that any payments of money due under a cancellation notice shall not be accepted unless said payment is tendered in cash, certified or cashier's check, or money order. Personal checks are not to be accepted as payment in these circumstances unless approved by the party seeking cancellation.

NOTICES, DEMANDS OR DECLARATIONS:

26. The respective addresses of Seller and Buyer as set forth herein or the last notice of change thereof filed in writing with Escrow Agent by the respective parties, shall be used by Escrow Agent in mailing any Notice, Demand or Declaration to either party.

27. If, for any reason, a Notice, Demand or Declaration of any kind is to be given by either party to the other party, said Notice, Demand or Declaration shall be in writing, signed by the party giving the Notice or making the Demand or Declaration and directed to the other party and shall be filed with Escrow Agent. Escrow Agent shall within a reasonable time after receipt of said Notice, Demand or Declaration, or within the time otherwise specified herein, send it to the party to whom it is directed by enclosing a copy of said instrument in an envelope addressed to said party at the last address which said party shall have filed with Escrow Agent, or, if no address has been so filed, to said party, in care of General Delivery at the City in which the office of Escrow Agent is located as shown on the first page of these instructions and depositing said envelope with proper postage affixed thereto in the United States mail.

28. The mailing of any such instrument by Escrow Agent in the manner herein provided shall constitute notice of the contents of such instrument to the party to whom the instrument is directed as of the date of such mailing and no further notice thereof shall be required.

holder or payee, or a collection agent for the holder or payee, of any lien or charge or assessment in connection with the property concerning the amount of such charge or assessment or the amount secured by such lien without liability or responsibility for the accuracy of such statement.

14. Direct that when these instructions have been complied with and Security Title Agency is willing to issue a title insurance policy, as herein provided, and when Escrow Agent's charges have been paid, it shall, without regard to any counter demand, unless restrained or enjoined by a court of competent jurisdiction, file for record in the appropriate public office all necessary documents required to be filed or recorded, instructing the County Recorder's Office to mail any documents recorded therein to the parties entitled thereto at the addresses given herein at which time Escrow Agent shall disburse all funds paid to it hereunder, as provided herein. Escrow Agent may destroy its file and contents therein after three years from close of escrow or termination of collection, as appropriate. No action against Escrow Agent arising under these instructions shall be commenced more than three years from the date the cause of action accrues.

15. Agree that the employment of Security Title Agency, as Escrow Agent, shall not affect any rights to which it or the insurer may be subrogated under the terms of any title insurance policy issued pursuant to the provision hereof.

CANCELLATION:

16. If either party, who has duly performed hereunder, elects to cancel these instructions because of the failure of the other party to comply with any of the terms hereof within the time limits provided herein, said party so electing to cancel shall deliver to Escrow Agent a written notice to the other party and Escrow Agent demanding that said other party comply with the terms hereof within thirteen days from the receipt of said notice by Escrow Agent or that these instructions shall thereupon become cancelled.

17. When such written notice is delivered to Escrow Agent by the party so electing to cancel, Escrow Agent shall within three days thereafter send a copy of said notice to the other party in the manner provided herein for the mailing of Notices, Demands or Declarations.

DEFINITIONS:

29. The word "charges" as used herein, refers to all charges and advances made and obligations incurred by Escrow Agent in connection herewith, and all charges in connection with the issuance of a title insurance policy or the cancellation of any order thereof.

30. The word "property" as used herein, refers to the real property described in and which is the subject of these escrow instructions.

31. The word "party" as used herein, refers to Seller or Buyer as the case may be.

32. The word "mortgage" as used herein, refers to a mortgage or deed of trust.

33. The phrase "Seller and Buyer" as used herein, refers to Seller and Buyer both jointly and severally unless otherwise specified.

34. The day provided herein within which compliance with any requirement must be met shall end at the close of the then regularly established public business hours of Escrow Agent for such day, provided should Escrow Agent be closed during any of said business hours on said day such requirement may be met on the next succeeding day on which Escrow Agent is open for business throughout said business hours.

35. "Close of Escrow" shall mean the date the documents are recorded.

36. The Title Insurance provided for unless otherwise specified herein shall be evidenced by the standard form of Title Insurance Policies on file with the Insurance Director of the State of Arizona, the Title Insurance Company to be selected by Escrow Agent.

NOTE: There are some matters for which Security Title Agency, as Escrow Agent, assumes no liability, including, but not limited to, unrecorded liens, proposed improvement district liens or assessments; assessments of council of co-owners, or homeowners associations; personal property taxes, transfer of personal property; utility charges; boundary lines, locations of improvements; possession of property; compliance with zoning, building ordinances or building restrictions, reservations and exceptions in patents.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS: AS A MEMORANDUM ONLY, FOR WHICH ESCROW AGENT NEED NOT BE CONCERNED AND/OR HELD LIABLE: Possession shall be delivered to the Buyer upon the close of escrow.

SECURITY TITLE AGENCY FORM NO. E-348 ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Vera Jean Painter
SELLER
Vera Jean Painter

SELLER

SELLER

SELLER

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BUYER

BY: *Sham B. Sandberg*
BUYER

BUYER

BUYER

(NOT BINDING UPON ESCROW AGENT UNTIL FULLY EXECUTED INSTRUCTIONS ARE DEPOSITED WITH ESCROW AGENT)

ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES

SECTION 6-834D

Not later than three business days after receipt of any escrow monies, the escrow agent shall provide to each depositing buyer or seller, adequate notice of his right to earn interest on all deposited funds. Such notice shall accurately set forth the following information with respect to this right:

1. A brief description of the depositor's right to earn interest on escrowed funds through an interest bearing deposit account.
 2. The dollar charge which may be imposed by the escrow agent solely to set up such interest bearing account.
 3. A good faith estimate of the amount of interest that may be earned during the life of the escrow account, or an example of a typical transaction calculated on a one thousand dollar deposit, using the prevailing savings account interest rate for a thirty day period.
 4. A brief description of how such an interest bearing account can be established, including the name, address, and telephone number of the escrow agent to be contacted.
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You have a right to earn interest on escrowed funds by requesting your escrow agent to set up an interest bearing account.

The charge to set up the interest bearing account is \$25.00.

The amount of interest you can earn on a deposit of \$1,000.00 for a thirty day period at the prevailing savings account interest rate of 5% is \$4.17.

To establish an interest bearing account, ask for a "Request to Invest Funds", complete the form and return it to:

Security Title Agency
12301 W. Bell Road
Suite A 103
Surprise, AZ 85374

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May 31, 1989

Sun Cities Area Historical Society
16828 99th Avenue
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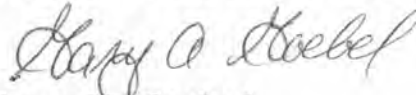
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June 16, 1989

Glen Sanberg
President
SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
16828 99th Avenue
Sun City, Arizona 85351

COPY

Dear Mr. Sanberg:

It was a privilege for this office to handle the acquisition of the Oakmont property to be used as a museum for the Sun Cities Area Historical Society. Les Merydith, as you know, was most instrumental in assisting us with all that was necessary to bring this matter to a satisfactory conclusion.

Our organization was founded in Youngtown by Harmon S. Puckett around 1961. I joined Mr. Puckett in 1972. With the addition of new attorneys and staff member over the years, the firm has become the largest presence in the community, with five lawyers and Walter Linton of counsel.

There is a great deal of pride and satisfaction in reflecting back on the past growth, both of the firm and of the Sun Cities. Our firm's commitment in serving Sun City and the surrounding area remains strong.

On behalf of Farrer, Shapiro & Ross, P.C., it is my pleasure to make a gift to the Sun Cities Area Historical Society in the amount of \$2,000.00. A check for this amount is enclosed. May your efforts and energies continue to be successful and profitable, both in the restoration and maintenance of the museum.

Yours very truly,

FARRER, SHAPIRO & ROSS, P.C.

Robert J. Farrer

RJF:caj
Enclosure
cc: Lester E. Merydith

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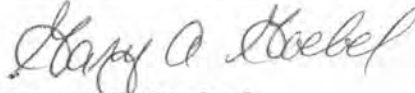
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June 7, 1989

Sun Cities Area Historical Society
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Sun City, Arizona 85351

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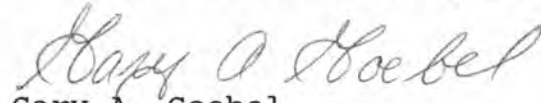
Enclosed please find the Warranty Deed that reflects the transfer of the property from Vera Jean Painter to the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.

While this document was recorded on May 26, 1989, in the records for Maricopa County, I would advise that you place the Warranty Deed with the Historical Society's other valuable documents.

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Very truly yours,

FARRER, SHAPIRO & ROSS, P.C.


Gary A. Goebel

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HOLD FOR SECURITY TITLE

STATE OF ARIZONA)
COUNTY OF Maricopa) ss.
Witness my hand and Official Seal.

I hereby certify that the within instrument was
filed for record in Maricopa County,
State of Arizona

No. _____
Book _____ Page _____
Date: _____
Request of: SECURITY TITLE AGENCY

Indexed _____ Paged _____ Blotted _____

County Recorder

By _____
Deputy

Fee: _____

When recorded, mail to:

Sun Cities Area Historical Society
c/o Farrer, Shapiro & Ross, P.C.
10225 W. Thunderbird Blvd.
Sun City, Az. 85351
Attn: Gary Goebel
STA#80893432

WARRANTY DEED

RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS
OF MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA
MAY 26 '89 -4 00
HELEN PURCELL, County Recorder
FEE 11 - PGS / HC
891245466

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I(we), VERA JEAN PAINTER, a widow
the undersigned grantor(s), for the consideration of Ten Dollars, and other valuable considerations, do hereby convey to
SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, a non-profit organization
all right, title and interest to and in that certain parcel of Real Property situated in Maricopa County,
State of Arizona, and described as follows:

Lot 1, NEWLIFE UNIT ONE, according to
Book 85 of Maps, page 10, records of
Maricopa County, Arizona.

And I(we) do warrant the title against all persons whomsoever, subject only to those encumbrances or liens of Record, or as
above set forth, if any.

Dated this _____ day of May, 19 89.

Vera Jean Painter
VERA JEAN PAINTER GRANTOR

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Maricopa)

This Warranty Deed was acknowledged before me, the undersigned Notary Public, this 10th day of May, 19 89, by VERA JEAN PAINTER

Norma Rubens
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:
March 25, 1993

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June 7, 1989

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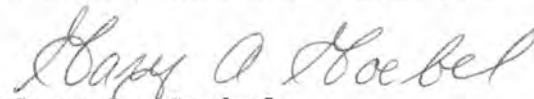
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FARRER, SHAPIRO & ROSS, P.C.


Gary A. Goebel

GAG/mp
Enclosure



June 19, 1989

Mr. Glenn Sanberg
President
Sun Cities Area Historical Society
16828 99th Avenue
Sun City, AZ 85351

Dear Glenn:

We're pleased to see the permanent home for the Historical Society finally become a reality.

In performing the remodeling work we may be able to lend some help. We would like to offer any assistance we can including supervision and materials.

Please give me a call and we'll discuss it further.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck".

Charles T. Roach
Executive Vice President
General Manager - Sun City West

CTR:jmr

SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

June 28, 1989

Mr. Charles T. Roach
Executive Vice President
Del Webb's Sun City West
P.O.Box 1705
Sun City West, AZ 85372

Dear Chuck:

We appreciate your letter of June 19 and your offer to provide assistance including supervision and materials in performing the remodeling work at the recently purchased first house in Sun City.

After we gained access to the premises a few weeks ago we have firmed up our plans. We will leave the original four rooms and bath intact. The annex on the rear consisting of two rooms and bath will be converted into one large room to be used for meetings, workroom and storage separated by movable partitions or screens.

With volunteer labor we have removed the rear bath and closets and should be ready to begin patching the floor, ceiling and walls shortly after the Fourth.

I suggest your supervisor call me to arrange a meeting at the house next week if that is convenient.

Cordially,

Les Merydith, Chairman Building Committee

977-1723

LESTER E. MERYDITH
13602 KAA NAPALI PT.
SUN CITY, ARIZONA 85351

June 18, 1989

Mr. Glenn Sanberg
11003 Cameo Dr.
Sun City, AZ 85351

Dear Glenn:

You will recall that the board of trustees agreed to accept my offer of a one year interest free loan of \$10,000 to facilitate the purchase of the Oakmont house.

To make this a matter of record, I suggest that you sign the attached promissory note and return it to me at your convenience.

It is understood that I will extend the note for a period of not more than four additional years at an interest rate equal to the Valley National Bank prime rate plus 1% if the Society so desires.

The \$2,500 down payment I placed in escrow on behalf of the Society has been entered on the Society's books as a charitable donation.

We are making progress on the house renovation. The railing on the roof is gone and roof patched. The rear bath room is gone and the Goettl Company has agreed to donate an air conditioner and heating system for the area added on to the rear of the original house.

Have a good summer.

Sincerely,



JERRY KRAMER
Sales Engineer
Office 602-979-2803
Mobile Phone 1-377-8661



GOETTL AIR CONDITIONING, INC.

14108 North 88th Avenue, Peoria, AZ 85345



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

June 9, 1989

Mr. Dan Burke, President
Goettl Air Conditioning, Inc.
5401 E. Washington
Phoenix, Az 85034

Dear Mr. Burke:

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society has recently purchased the first model home that was built in Sun City by Del Webb in 1959. (See enclosed clipping) The society is in the process of converting this residence into a museum and headquarters and the purpose of this letter is to request your company's assistance in the conversion.

The original four rooms and bath have been cooled by a Goettl 2 ton blowerless unit, Model GWL-B2 for the past 30 years. This unit was the first of some 27,000 Goettl airconditioners that have been installed in Sun City since that time. The old machine still works perfectly.

Some time in the intervening years two rooms and a bath were added on to the rear of the building which have been inadequately cooled by two small window units. One of the window units no longer works.

Yesterday I met with your Sales Engineer, Jerry Kramer at the property to get his advice on the best way to cool the addition which will be converted to one large room. Jerry recommended a ceiling unit in the center of the room mounted on the roof.

The Society is soliciting contributions from Sun City residents and businesses to complete the restoration and conversion. Would it be possible for the Goettl Company to make a tax deductible gift of the ceiling unit that is recommended by your local staff? Any contribution your company chooses to make will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Les Merydith. Building Chairman

16828 99th Avenue • Sun City, Arizona 85351 • (602) 974-2569

1st Webb home becomes SC shrine

By P. ATWOOD WILLIAMS
News-Sun staff

SUN CITY — The Sun Cities Area Historical Society is planning an open house in January as part of Sun Cities 30th anniversary.

Historians will show off their new headquarters in Del E. Webb's first model home at 10801 Oakmont Drive, which opened Jan. 2, 1960.

The Wentworth model home was purchased recently by the historians to house society memorabilia now in temporary storage. Remodeling is underway and the group will move in during the fall.

The purchase was made possible by a matching-funds grant of \$30,000 by the James G. Boswell Foundation. The balance of the cost of \$60,000, including \$16,000 in upgrading expenses, is being met by gifts of trustees, members and friends.

Les Merydith, chairman of the Society's Building Committee, arranged temporary financing and has been personally involved in the early renovation since the group occupied the building.

The front portion of the building, including the pink-tiled gal-

ley kitchen behind a high partition, will be left intact. However, the major addition to the home, which runs along the entire back facing the golf course, will be made into a multi-purpose room for the historians.

Merydith, who has already watered the front shrubs back to life, has torn out the bathroom addition in the new portion to make more space available.

Negotiations are now underway with the area genealogical society, which may wish to use the two bedrooms as library and research facility and share equipment space in the dining area and maintenance expenses.

The original Goettl air-conditioner/heating unit is in good working condition, and the company will donate another unit to cool and heat the addition across the back.

Architectural drawings and conversion plans were done by Trustee Emil Fisher, author of "Churches of the Sun Cities" published by the group.

Office furniture has also been donated by Del Webb Communities Inc., who began building the community 30 years ago.

The society is cataloging

materials in temporary quarters at Plaza del Rio where they pay only utilities.

The group organized in 1985 after the publication of "Jubilee, the 25th Anniversary of Sun City." For many months the materials were stored in the home of Jane Freeman, current vice president.

The new headquarters will house regular public displays of significant historical documents, stories and pictures of people and events of the early years in the two Sun Cities. Many of the materials were gathered when the builder cleaned out 25-year-old files.

The society has 80 members and is governed by a board of trustees of 14 members. Officers are: Glenn Sanberg, president; Rita Wright, secretary and Al Thompson, treasurer.

Funds are needed now to complete the repairs and upscale the landscaping. Those wishing to donate office equipment, services, other goods or make a tax-exempt contribution, may send a gift to: Sun Cities Area Historical Society, 16828 N. 99th Ave., Sun City 85351.



News-Sun photo by Stephen Cherek

MINOR REPAIRS — Historian Les Merydith talks with Jerry Kramer of Goettl Air

Conditioning about ductwork to be done on the 30-year-old house.

GLENN B SANBERG
777 East 1000 N. F-2
Logan, Utah 84321
(801) 752 8076

Dear Les:

June 26, 1989

Thanks for your letter bringing me up to date on Historical doings. Great progress you are making. How did you get Goettl talked into providing the air conditioning and heating for the new room? You're the greatest!

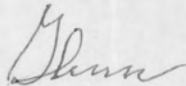
Haven't had a word from Chuck Roach - but my mail has been slow in the forwarding. Will let you know if I hear anything.

Thanks too for the affirmation of the arrangements on the note. I am signing the instrument in behalf of the Society and return it herewith.

Weather has been cool and nice here, but a warming trend is setting in tomorrow we understand. I will be in Minneapolis next week attending the 50th anniversary of my old association, but will return Friday, July 7.

Kind personal regards.

GBS/



CC- Jane Freeman

P R O M I S S O R Y N O T E

For cash funds received on May 25, 1989, the Sun Cities Area Historical Society promises to pay to Lester E. Merydith, on or before May 25, 1990, the sum of:

Ten thousand and no/100 dollars - - - - - (\$10,000)

There will be no interest charges payable on this note.

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society

Date

May 25, 1989

Glenn B. Sanberg

Glenn Sanberg, President

BUILDING RENOVATION EXPENSE

June 1 to Sept. 14, 1989

Remove roof railing, patch roof, remove shed,
patch openings in outside walls

Labor and materials 125.00

Meeting room: Patch walls and ceiling. Install
dry wall, tape and texture. Build air ducts
and switch cabinet. Patch and termite-proof
floor, remove tack strip, install base moulding.

Labor and materials 1,700.00

Breezeway and storeroom: Install dry wall
partition and door

Labor and materials 115.00

Lighting

Labor and materials 422.50

Overhaul main switchbox, add breakers, conduit
and disconnect for new airconditioner

Labor and materials 299.25

Carpet installation 352.50

Interior painting

(Bathroom, kitchen, breezeway and storeroom
not included)

Labor and materials 300.00

TOTAL (9/14/89) 3,314.25

BUILDING RESTORATION GIFTS IN KIND

Wally Brittain - Denny's Decorating

Estimating, supervision - employee
labor and materials at cost

Estimated savings 3,000.00

VerNon Lalliss - Jack of all trades

\$5.00 per hour discount on hours
of labor _____

Del Webb Corp.

_____yards carpeting 2,000.00

Drywall Corp.

_____sheets drywall, compound and
tape _____

Goettl Airconditioning

Ceiling unit for meeting room 2,000.00

Jay Woods and Les Merydith

Demolition, trash removal and
janitorial services _____

TOTAL _____

SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

September 18, 1989

Mr. Dan Burke, President
Goettl Air Conditioning, Inc.
5401 E. Washington
Phoenix, Az 85034

Dear Mr. Burke:


Jerry Kramer informed us today that Goettl Air Conditioning, Inc. is considering initiating some publicity regarding the fact that the original air-conditioning unit installed in the first house in Sun City is still operating satisfactorily after almost thirty years of service.

The Sun City Historical Society has no objection to publicizing this fact or stating that a new unit was donated by your company to take care of an addition to the building.

We plan the official opening of our new headquarters on Sun City's 30th anniversary in early January. We look forward to meeting you at that time.

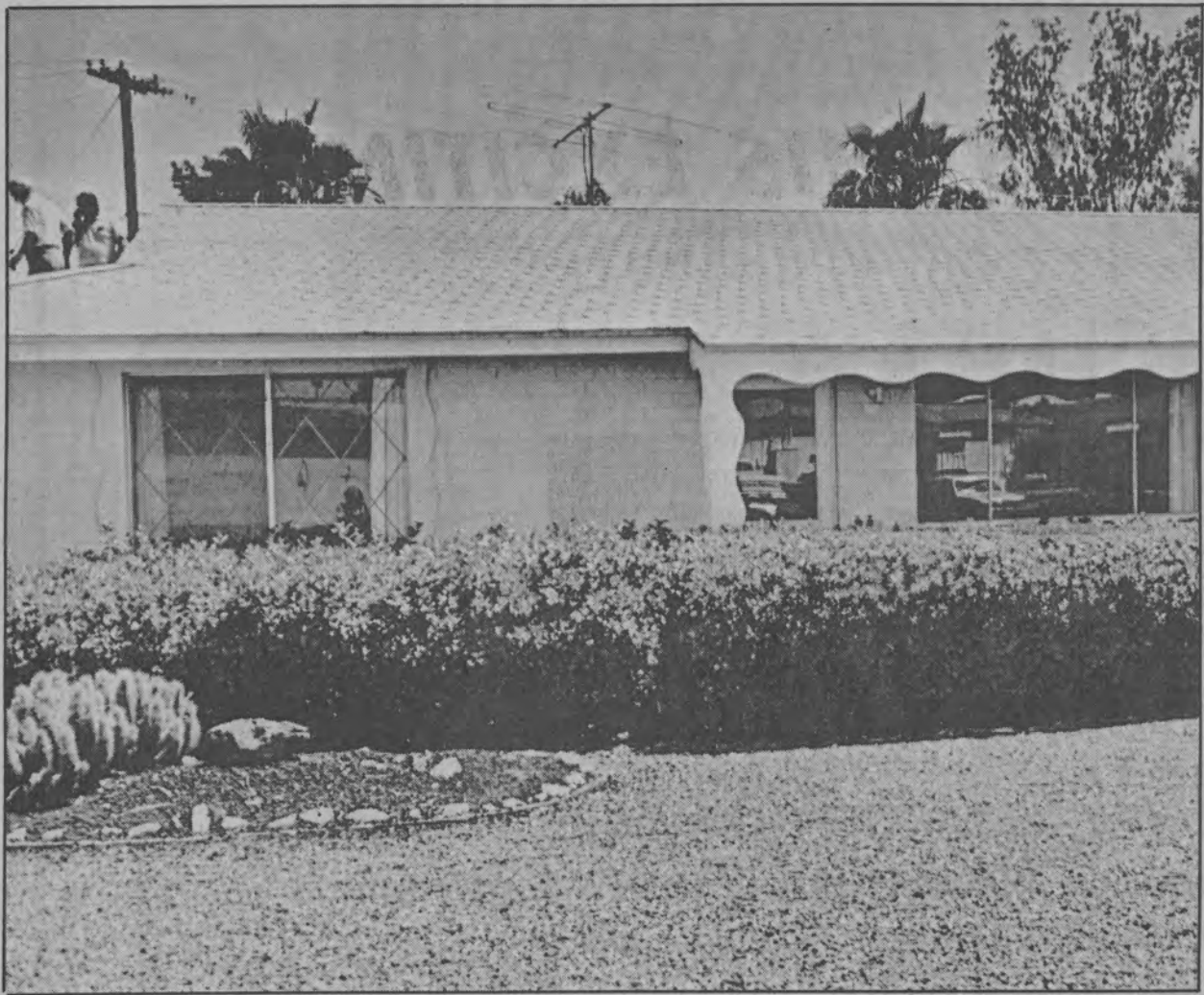
Cordially,

Les Merydith. Building Chairman

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KEN DIETZE
West Valley Manager

16828 99th Avenue • Sun City,

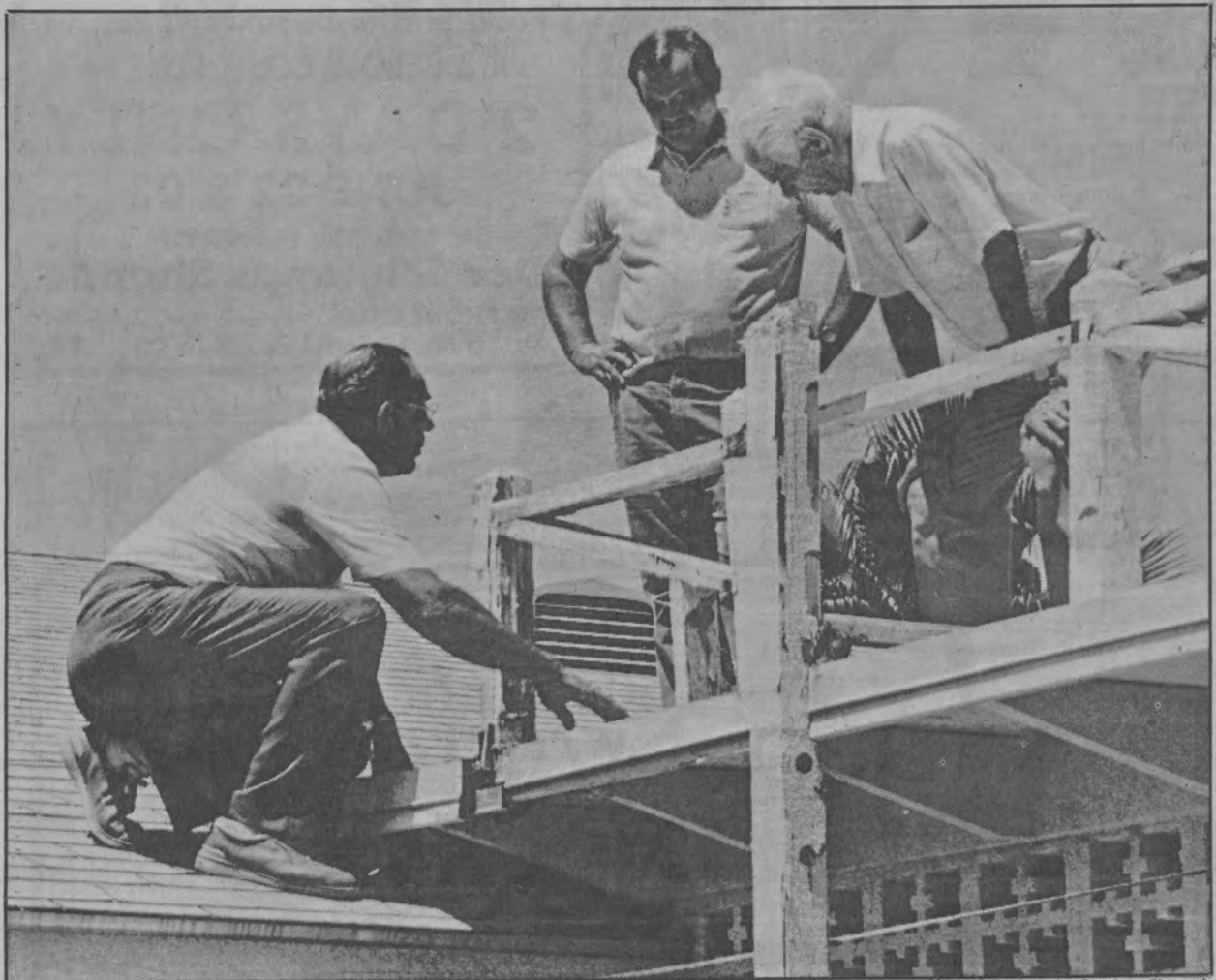
GOETTL AIR CONDITIONING, INC.
14108 North 88th Avenue, Peoria, AZ 85345 602-979-2803
Fax 602-878-0007



News-Sun photo by Stephen Cherek

THIS OLD HOUSE — The first Sun City model home at 10801 Oakmont Dr., built in 1959 by the Del E. Webb Construction

Co., is being remodeled to house the Sun Cities Area Historical Society collections. A January open house is planned.



COMBINED EFFORT — Wally Britton, left, a consultant on the restoration project, talks with VerNon Lalliss and Les Merydith about the roof.

News-Sun photo by Stephen Chernek



Bayard Horton/Special for the Arizona Republic

Sun City's first model home, at 10801 Oakmont Ave., will become the retirement community's headquarters and museum.

Historical society at home in artifact

Museum is in 1st Sun City model

By Phyllis Gillespie
The Arizona Republic

Most historical artifacts are stored in museums. In the case of the Sun City Historical Society, the museum is the major artifact.

Through the support of the J.G. Boswell Foundation, the Del Webb Corp., and other groups and individuals, the historical society has purchased Sun City's first model home as its headquarters and museum. The house is at 10801

Oakmont Ave.

Area residents can learn more about the history of their community at the society's annual meeting on Nov. 8. The meeting is open to the public.

The society, which is a tax-exempt corporation, recently moved into the house, and members have started unpacking mementos that will be displayed in the museum. Now that it has a permanent

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Rita Wright rummages through some of the files that contain the early history of Sun City, which was established nearly 30 years ago.

Historical society's annual meeting is a chance to review Sun City's past

— **HISTORICAL**, from page 1

address, the society also is looking for more artifacts, especially from the era before the development of Sun City.

Established nearly 30 years ago as the nation's first "active retirement community," Sun City now has about 46,000 residents. The neighboring Sun City West is still being developed and so far has about 19,000 residents.

But before Del Webb brought his bulldozers and carpenters to the far northwest Valley, others had tried to develop the area, said society President Glenn B. Sanberg.

R.P. Davie, a business adventurer from Marinette, Wis., tried to make a go of ranching between the Agua Fria

and New rivers, Sanberg said.

The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. established a compound in the settlement of Marinette for its Southwest Cotton Co. and in 1936 sold the 20,000-acre Marinette Ranch to the J.G. Boswell Co.

That ranch eventually became Sun City. A cattle-feeding lot called Lizard Acres became Sun City West.

James G. Boswell II and Henry "Hank" Raymond will turn back the calendar and reminisce about the early days in Sun City at the society's annual meeting, which will be held at 2 p.m. in Swain Hall at First Presbyterian Church, 12225 N. 103rd Ave.

Boswell will recall the early days when the Marinette Ranch was sold to the J.G. Boswell Co., converting the community of Marinette into one of the most prosperous plantations in the country, Sanberg said.

Raymond, an expert in water management, served as general manager of the Boswell operation in Arizona. He also served as president of the Central Arizona Project Association for several terms.

Sanberg said he expects the two men who watched Sun City emerge from the Marinette cotton fields to be able to fill in many aspects of the community's history that have never been revealed to the public.

10/1/89

SCAHS, Inc. (Sun Cities Area Historical Society, Inc.)
Mail to: 10801 Oakmont Ave., Sun City, AZ 85351

JANE J. FREEMAN
10516 PRAIRIE HILLS CIRCLE
SUN CITY AZ 85351

1989

**SUN CITIES AREA
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**



ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 8
2:00 P.M.

Swain Hall - First Presbyterian Church
12225 103rd Avenue

PROGRAM FEATURING

James G. Boswell II — Henry (Hank) Raymond

Who operated the Boswell Ranches long before Sun City Began . . .

- Marinette - how it grew and why it died
- The partnership with Del Webb in the Sun City project
- What about the future?

Come hear these two outstanding leaders reminisce and perhaps reveal some new stories about the thrilling beginnings of this retirement paradise . . .

The Public Is Invited!

Three Sun City founders to be reunited at meeting

Three men who were part of the original Del E. Webb team that developed Sun City back in 1960 will be reunited once again at the next meeting of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.

John Meeker, former president of the Del E. Webb Development Co., Owen Childress, former executive vice president of the company, and James G. Boswell II, chairman of the board of the James G. Boswell Co., will be present at the meeting to discuss the early days of Sun City.

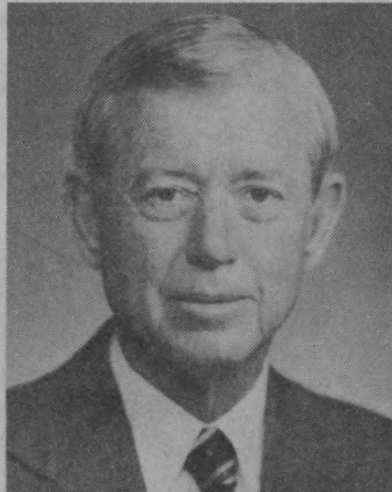
The meeting, open to the public, will be held 2:30 p.m. April 15 at the First Presbyterian Church of Sun City, 12225 N. 103rd Ave., Sun City.

"This is the first time the three men have gotten together

for many years," says Jane Freeman, president of the society.

"The society feels honored to be able to share this rare opportunity with other members of the community."

Call 977-9961 for further information.



JAMES G. BOSWELL II

You can't make money in farming? How then did J.G. Boswell II build the biggest, most advanced and most prosperous agriculture operation in the U.S.?

"Let the growth come by itself"



J.G. Boswell Co.'s James W. Boswell with his father, James G. II
The best farmers in America.

By Ralph King Jr.

AT 25, James G. Boswell II was your typical young man adrift, with not the slightest notion of what he wanted to do with his life. He was a Stanford graduate and well off: His father, "Mr. Bill," and uncle, James G. (the Colonel), after whom he was named, had, since going into business together in 1924, established a pretty fair-size farming and cattle feedlot operation around Corcoran, in California's San Joaquin Valley, and in Arizona, outside Phoenix.

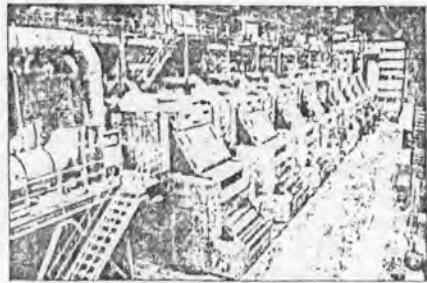
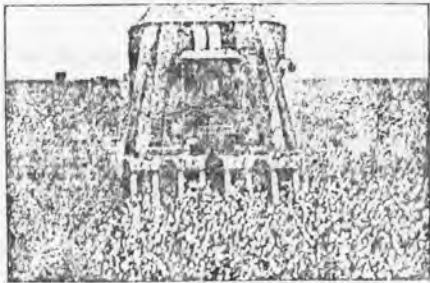
But J.G. II had his family worried. He had no interest in farming or ranching. "I never wanted to work for the company," he says. He was savoring the rougher side of life, working in a south San Francisco meatpacking plant, hauling bloody sides of beef by day and playing the horses in the evening. J.G. II had finished four undistinguished years as an economics major ("I got a lousy education") at Stanford, interrupted by a stint flying reconnaissance planes in the Pacific during World War II.

But then Mr. Bill called one afternoon. "Said he needed me for three months as a favor," as J.G. II recalls, "to straighten out the Arizona feedlot." It was 1948, and though he didn't realize it at the time, James Boswell II had joined the family business for good. He punched cows, lost two fingers on his right hand in a roping accident early one morning, and kept the feedlot humming.

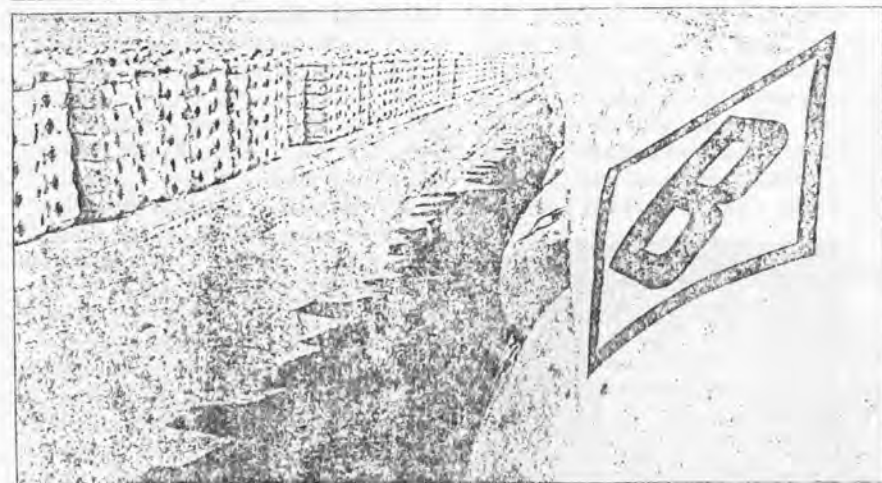
So much so that when the Colonel died suddenly with no natural heirs in 1952, J.G.'s aunt, Ruth, the willful daughter of land baron and *Los Angeles Times* publisher Harry Chandler, called him back to take complete charge of J.G. Boswell Co.

The Boswell company had already amassed 60,000 acres, even though it functioned mainly as a middleman between cotton growers and the market. Starting as a cotton merchant, the firm had moved into cotton ginning, cottonseed oil milling and farm lending. Raising cotton was merely a way to keep the gin and the oil mill employed. But young Boswell quickly realized that the company's return on capital would improve only if it became a self-sustaining integrated cotton producer.

Today, for 160,000 treeless acres—more than 250 square miles, four times the size of the District of Columbia—the J.G. Boswell Co. surrounds the tiny town of Corcoran, Calif. (pop. 7,775) like the sea. It is the largest, most profitable, most technically advanced cotton farm in the



High-speed irrigation pumps, cotton pickers, automated cotton gins and (below) Diamond B bales ready for shipping
"Farming is no different than manufacturing."



John S. Miller

world. The soil is leveled by laser-guided scrapers so that it drops no more than a single foot in each mile. Mammoth \$350,000 tractors drag gangs of discs that churn the earth in 40-foot swaths. The land is scientifically irrigated by special high-volume pumps invented by J.G. Boswell engineers and soaked by water that has flowed through more than 1,000 miles of private canals from the Sierra Nevada mountains.

James Boswell II has over the last 40 years built and still controls an enterprise estimated to be worth more than \$500 million. He has also changed the cotton business. "J.G. did more for farming cotton than anyone," says Duke Kimbrell, chairman of Parkdale Mills in Gastonia, N.C. and a customer for Boswell's premium-grade Diamond B long-fiber cotton for more than 20 years. Adds Howard Cooley, president of Jockey International, another prime customer, "Boswell is Star Wars compared to what we see in Mississippi."

Considering that this king of cotton is also the nation's largest grower of wheat, safflower and seed alfalfa, James Boswell II is almost certainly the best farmer in America and, since he has not talked to the media in 20 years, has one of the lowest profiles.

Boswell looks like a cross between Jimmy Carter and Johnny Carson, but

tanned and rugged. He talked to FORBES at his unimposing four-bedroom home in Sun Valley, where he has lived since 1986 with Rosalind, his wife of 41 years. Despite Boswell's considerable wealth, he is relentlessly down-home, driving a beat-up Nissan pickup and dressing generally in worn cords, hiking boots and faded flannel shirts. He chops his own firewood and cross-country skis three hours at a stretch, antidotes to career "burn-out," as he puts it.

At 66, J.G. II is cutting back on his workload. He has left the boards of General Electric and Safeway but still serves on Security Pacific's. He remains chairman of J.G. Boswell Co., but his 36-year-old son, James W., runs the \$200 million (fiscal 1989 revenues) firm. His other children, two daughters, Lorraine and Jody, are not in the family business.

J.G. II serves up homilies: "Mr. Bill used to say, 'Get the water, and the land will come to you.'" In the early days, the Corcoran area actually suffered from too much water—most of the Boswell farmlands are lake beds that used to fill during big floods. Once, after a flood, Mr. Bill agreed to buy a lake and promptly sold the water to another farmer to raise the money for the purchase, but he shrewdly retained the rights to future water that would naturally flow to it.

Five vast parcels, most with similar water rights, were offered to J.G. II within a few years after he took over the company. Protecting those rights, in court and in political campaigns, has cost the company millions of dollars over the years. "Water rights are like democracy," he says. "Once you have them you spend a lifetime defending them." As the big Sierra rivers were gradually dammed, the threat of flooding lessened, the rights became more valuable, and the wondrous effects of irrigation on cotton turned the San Joaquin Valley into cotton heaven.

From the start he showed a finely honed business sense. "Farming's no different than manufacturing," says Boswell. "Since we had no control over price, the U.S. government in effect sets that, all we could do was lower costs or improve yields at the same cost. We had no alternative. We had to be the best at growing cotton and a few complementary crops. We concentrated our efforts."

That single-mindedness spawned a simple strategy: Apply the components of large-scale manufacturing—automation wherever possible, assured raw material supply, extensive research—to crop production.

The Boswell company put up much of the capital to build the first mechanized cotton picker, and bought the first 50 pickers International Harvester made. For years 5,000 migrant laborers arrived in Corcoran at harvest time and lived in a tent city. Today a mere 100 drivers bring in the crop.

More recently, Boswell technicians invented a portable pump, called a "moon buggy," that requires one man-day of labor to irrigate one square mile instead of 30 man-days using conventional equipment.

Field operations resemble a military assault, with up to ten giant machines moving in formation across a field. Scheduling is a Boswell religion. Each field hand and piece of equipment follows a rigorous timetable to stay in constant motion.

The company runs a variety of re-



The
HOUSES
That
WEBB
BUILT

Prepared for Sun City's
"30th"
Anniversary January, 1990



CASTLE
3 Bedrooms
2 Bath
Dining Room
Arizona Room
2,132 sq. ft.
Jan 788

1960

When Sun City opened on January 1, 1960, 5 newly constructed homes (plus a shopping center, recreation center and golf course) awaited the 2 mile long line of prospective buyers.

These 5 homes are all on a golf course and the lowest priced home sold for \$9,750 — then the lowest price in America for a golf course home!

The first homes range from 947 to 1,600 square feet, not including the carport and patio areas. The houses are constructed of concrete block and have ceramic tile kitchens and baths; landscaping was included in the basic price of the house.

After selecting one of the floor plans, the buyer had a choice of 3 different exteriors, thus 15 elevations were available. This practice was continued throughout the city whenever new models were built.

KENTWORTH

2 Bedrooms
1 Bath
Porch
Patio

947 sq. ft.

Plan 1-C



1990

Most sets had at least 8 floor plans and sometimes as many as 6 exteriors so about 270 different houses can be available to buyers in Sun City. This does not include the many multiple dwellings, each with 3 to 4 elevation choices.

During the early 1970's DEVCO built 6 "modes of living" — single family homes, patio homes, patio apartments, garden apartments, foursomes and chalets. Mediterranean and Spanish villas as well as cooperative apartments had already been built south of Grand Avenue. There is a wide choice range for the prospective buyer — a selection not readily found in many areas of the southwest.

Homes in the last building phase have 905 to 2,132 square feet. There are no one bedroom single homes and most dwellings have 2 baths, some homes have 2 1/2 baths.

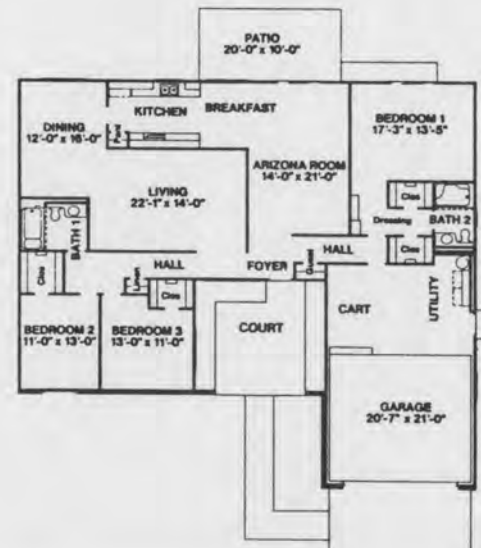
"Modified" is a key word in Sun City. Most homes have been modified to suit the owners' taste. All dwellings are named and have floor plan numbers, yet all are unique and geared for indoor/outdoor living in sunny Arizona.

CASTILLO

3 Bedrooms
2 Bath
Dining Room
Arizona Room

2,132 sq. ft.

Plan 768



7 October '90

Les -

deborah
10/15 eve

I will be in Chicago Oct. 11th but
here are some thoughts for Bd meeting.

1. Did Pat Reinhart, Del Webb scw 876-3414
ever reach you re giving us a TV/VCR?
If not, please call him. This would
make a good news story & picture -
we need publicity.
2. Speaking of publicity - if we don't have
more to stir up visitor traffic - we
will lose our volunteers - They
are already unhappy
 - a. whenever an outside group
(e.g. Quilters) meets at 10801 - do a story
 - b. once a month, e.g. 4th
Thursday (or whatever day) open house to
meet "pioneers" ——— & ——— from sq/scw.
Simple punch & cookies
 - c. once a month - VCR showing
3. Fund Raising - SCAHS needs income!
 - a. we have several duplicate books
J.S.C. authors we can price & sell
if you wish
 - b. each board member host a
dessert/poffee + "charge" SCAHS

membership (or encourage)

- c. duplicate "A Saga of the Vulture Road" and sell for 25¢. Re-align printing so there is room at the end explaining when & why written plus - Our credit. ^{see} attached
- d. Cut up Church books (use some of the damaged one if possible) mat/frame print with church story pasted on back. Sell for a price to cover mat/frame plus profit.
- e. Make an exerted effort to give talks on history of SC/SCW before service group & ask for \$ help
- f. Christmas - "trim a tree" - Have ornaments available - put person's name on it - hang on tree for \$1.00 - will need good publicity story

Report of the Building Committee at the Annual Meeting,
November 8, 1989 - Chairman Les Merydith

1989 has been a very lucky year for the Sun Cities Historical Society. First, the number one house built by Del Webb in Sun City came on the market. Besides its unique historical value the site is centrally located, has high visibility, a golf course view, and more than adequate parking close by.

We were again fortunate when Attorney Bob Farrer recognized the property's unique desirability and agreed to handle the delicate negotiations in our behalf as a public service to the community.

By March Bob had secured an option on the property at a price considerably lower than the asking price of \$54,000 and held the deal together for us until we were able to finance and take possession in May.

In recognition of Bob's valuable services the Board of Trustees has granted Bob Farrer an honorary life membership in the Sun Cities Historical Society. If you will come forward Bob, our president has a certificate of this honor to present to you.

The house had been rented and was in such poor condition that it was estimated that it would cost \$60,000 to purchase the house and restore it to useable condition for occupancy by the Society.

Our next job was to find a way to finance the \$60,000 with only \$6,000 in the bank. We needed an illustrative

brochure to tell our story. One of our trustees, Emil Fisher, is a talented artist and architech. With Emil's help, this attractive and comprehensive brochure was created and used effectively in our fund raising efforts.

Stand up Emil. Let's glve Emil a big hand.

Our third big break came in May. Following substantial committments by trustees and Sun City friends, the Boswell Foundation made a matching grant of \$30,000. The Del Webb Corporation followed with a cash grant of \$5,000 and several thousand dollars in equipment and furnishing. On May 26, the society took title to the house and the renovation process started.

The renovation included: (1) Restore the four rooms in the original structure with new lighting, carpet and drapes and repainting throughout. (2) Convert a two room and bath addition on the back of the house into one large work area and meeting room overlooking the golf course. (3) Replace defective electrical work and install new heating and air-conditioning unit in annex. (4) Remove railings and patch roof. (5) Repair masonry walls in annex and repaint exterior. (6) Install identification sign. (7) Re-landscape premises.

Wally Brittan, proprietor of Denny's Decorating Service, was a foreman for Del Webb when the number one house was built and is thoroughly famillar with every component in its construction. Wally selected and personally supervised the subcontractors and secured

discounts and donations of labor and material which resulted in completion of the renovation at half the projected cost.

In appreciation for Wally's valuable services the trustees voted to grant an honoray life membership in the society to Wallace Brittan and his wife Peggy. Come forward, Wally and receive your certificate.

It would be impossible to mention here all the individuals and businesses that helped with the acquisition and renovation of the Society Headquarters. However, the Building Committee does want to recognize the timely assistance of the following at this time:

Goettl Air Conditioning

Denny's Decorating Services

The Sign Makers

Pete King Corporation (Drywall Materials)

Ver Non Lallis (Reconstruction)

James Shaw (Painting)

Vera Jean Painter (Previous owner)

Jay Woods (Demolition)

It took four hot summer months to convert a rundown residence into a bright and shiny Headquarters Building and we moved in on October 10th.

There is still some unfinished business. We have a \$10,000 mortgage which we hopefully will be able to pay off before the end of the year. In addition we are going to

need a lot of equipment and supplies before we can be fully operational. Here are some of the items on our list.

- .. Photocopy machine capable of enlarging /reducing copy size
- .. Label making machine/discs (Kroy or similar make)
- .. Stenographner chairs (2)
- .. Cordless telephone
- .. Telephone answering machine
- .. Folding chairs
- .. Folding tables - 6 ft.
- .. Display cases
- .. Wall clocks (2)
- .. 35 mm slide projector & screen
- .. Tape recorder
- .. Archival supplies
- .. Vacuum cleaner
- .. Burglar alaram
- .. Fire extinguishers

In conclusion, I would be remiss if I did not mention the fact that we would not be here today and there would be no Sun Cities Area Historical Society if it hadn't been for Jane Freeman and Glenn Sanberg who authored this 25th Anniversary History of Sun City and used the proceeds as seed money for the Sun Cities Historical Society.

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

November 8, 1989

ANNUAL MEETING

Swain Hall
First Presbyterian

President Glenn Sanberg welcomed a crowd of 115 persons to the fourth annual meeting of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society. The secretary read the minutes of the previous annual meeting. The treasurer gave his financial report as of November 6, 1989. Sanberg spoke about the purchase of our new headquarters at 10801 Oakmont Dr. and our planned dedication in January. He also spoke of the many contributions made during the renovation of the headquarters and thanks were given to the board of Trustees who were then introduced.

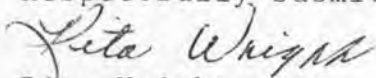
Les Merydith gave a report of the building committee which included a resume of the events leading to the purchase of our property. Thanks and a life membership was presented to Robert Farrar for his contribution. He joins one other life member, James G. Boswell. Emil Fischer, our official architect and artist, was thanked for his brochures concerning the house purchase. In speaking about the extensive renovation of the house Wally Britton was also honored with a life membership for himself and Mrs. Britton. Merydith also noted other contributions and concluded with a list of "needs" still to be met. It was noted that "seed money" for the historical society came from the sale of JUBILEE.

The nominating report was given by Helen Randall, the following persons were nominated for a three year term, Emil Fischer and Glenn Sanberg, Frank Gerig, James Hawks and Arlene Robertson. Alvin Driscoll was nominated for a 2 year term to fill out the term of Les Simpson. The nominating report is included with these minutes. There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made and seconded to cast a unanimous ballot for the slate as presented. The motion carried.

Vice president Jane Freeman introduced James Boswell, Robert McMicken and S.H. (Hank) Raymond. McMicken talked about the start of the Good-year, Marinette and Litchfield ranches prior to the purchase of the land by the Boswell company. He eventually worked for the Boswells as a cattleman. Amanda Durand interjected some sidelights about her life in Marinette. James Boswell explained the Boswell--Del Webb land configurations and how Boswell Hospital came to be built north of Grand Ave. Hank Raymond spoke about the early buildings that Webb erected and his feeling about the loss of good farm land. Boswell gave tribute to Jacobson and Ashton of the Webb corporation for their vision and creativity and he also included John Meeker in his praise. Hank Raymond was also paid tribute by Boswell for his work with the Central Arizona Project, Boswell called him the father of the CAP.

Questions were then taken from the audience.
The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Rita Wright, sec.

13006 Blue Sky Drive
Sun City West, AZ 85375
December 3, 1990

Mr. Lester Merydith
13602 Kaanapali Point
Sun City, AZ 85351

Dear Les,

Please accept my resignation from the Board of Directors of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.

I am presently involved in a very difficult legal case which requires a great deal of my time and energy. Also, as a writer and editor I find I have considerable work to occupy me every day.

It has been an interesting and rewarding experience being involved with the Historical Society and I extend my sincere good wishes for continued success in your endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

Arlene D. Robertson
Arlene D. Robertson

① Arlene Robertson has faithfully been clipping and pasting obit notices from the news. Been for too long. She has asked for a replacement.

Johnston
It is not a difficult, mind boggling job - but must be done every day.

Can you find a replacement? Arlene or I can "teach" new person.

② Will Jim Hawkes be willing to explore with Ric Curtis (providing our Bd approves) possibility

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SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
10801 Oakmont Ave. Sun City, AZ 85351 - (602) 974 2568

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The first model home built by the Del E. Webb Corporation in Sun City is the headquarters and museum of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.

The museum is open to the public seven days a week from 1 to 3 PM. There is no admission charge.

The Society collects, preserves and displays the thrilling records of the transformation of the Marinette cotton ranch and the Lizard Acres cattle ranch into Del Webb's world famous retirement communities of Sun City and Sun City West and the history of those people who have lived there during the past thirty years.

The public is also invited to the society's semi-annual public meeting to be held 1:30 PM, Friday, October 12 at the First Presbyterian Church in Sun City. The program will feature a "Walking Tour of Marinette" by Chief Archivist Jane Freeman and "A Phoenix Carpenter Creates a New Industry." by Jerry Svenson, Publisher of "Sun Life" magazine.

Wendy Marshall

Ariz. Rep. 9/28/90

"West Valley - Winter Visitors
Welcome Back Guide"

Ariz. Rep. Condon Service
271-8276

FACILITIES AGREEMENT
(Adopted Dec. 1989)

Any person, group or organization using the facilities of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society shall be responsible for any materials, equipment or food that they may bring into the building.

The society accepts no responsibility for theft, breakage or other damage to such materials.

We ask that the premises be left in the same condition as when permission for use was granted.

No charge is now being assessed but contributions will be accepted. Use of the facilities is contingent on the approval by the board of trustees.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL Sun City Water Company

AREA REQUESTED Jane Freeman Room

TIME AND DATE October 24, 1990 3 PM

FOR WHAT PURPOSE Community Relations Forum

TRUSTEE APPROVAL (signature) _____

ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL (signature) Fred Kreiss, Mgr.

30 YEARS OF A GREAT IDEA

Sun City, Arizona's 30th Anniversary Event, January 14 - 20, 1990

Sponsored by the Del Webb Corporation, Sun City Ambassadors, and the Sun Cities Area Historical Society in cooperation with many Sun City businesses such as Recreation Centers of Sun City, Inc., Valley National Bank, APS, CBS Properties, and the Northwest Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Sunday, January 14

Sun Cities Churches to dedicate their services to the 30th Anniversary tribute. Kick-off celebration at 2 p.m. at the Sun Bowl, 107th Avenue south of Peoria. Big band leader Bob Crosby teams up with honky tonk pianist Jo Ann Castle, formerly of the Lawrence Welk Show, for this concert. They will be joined by the Pat Trapani orchestra.

During the concert Valley National Bank will present awards to three individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the community. Tickets in advance are \$3, \$4 at the door. Seating will be provided. Please consider this a donation. No rain date. Tickets are available at the following Sun City locations: Sun City Visitors Center in the Promenade shopping center; Gilbert Ortega's and Freed's at the Grand Center; Garden Cafe, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Ask Mr. Foster Travel, CitiBank, and the Residents Gallery at Thunderbird Plaza; Heritage House, Hair Barn, CBS Properties and Tom Tate's at the Sun Bowl Shopping Center; the Cheese House and Sun City Silvercraft at Greenway Terrace; Stone's Shoes and the Framing Loft at Bell Camino; the Shoe Rack, Ken Meade Realty, Trantina's State Farm, and Anthony Jewelers at LaRonde Center; Sun City Bank, and Thunderbird Travel on Bell Road; Bob Kenney's Worldwide Travel on Union Hills; and at Stone's Shoes at Mercado del Sol center in Sun City West, and Osborn's Apparel at the Crossroads.

Monday, January 15, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sun Cities Arts and History Day will be concentrated near 107th Avenue, south of Grand Avenue, where it all started 30 years ago. Open house and antique show at the Sun Cities Area Historical Society's new location (Sun City's first model home, 10801 Oakmont). Open houses at three other original models: 10807, 10813, and 10829 Oakmont. Antique car show and arts/crafts exhibit at Grand Center (107th and Grand).

The following craft clubs will host open houses in their facilities throughout the day: Lapidary, Silvercraft, and Ceramics at Oakmont Recreation Center (107th Avenue and Oakmont); Silvercraft and Ceramics at Bell Recreation Center (99th Avenue just south of Bell Road); Silvercraft at the Lakeview Recreation Center (107th Avenue and Thunderbird).

The Sun Cities Art Museum will open up on their normal day off and present a showing of Arizona tapestry, water colors from the Far East, and paintings by Diana Tollefson. Monday also marks the start of the Sun City trivia contest in the local newspapers.

Tuesday, January 16, noon - 4 p.m.

Volunteer and Strawberry Festival, a tribute to the service clubs and volunteers, will be held at the Sundial Recreation Center (103rd Avenue and Boswell). Event will feature strawberry shortcake, volunteer organization exhibits and cabaret entertainment.

Maricopa County Board of Supervisors member, Carole Carpenter will be the keynote speaker at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 16, noon - 4 p.m. (Continued)

KTAR Radio will broadcast live all day from the event. Stop by to see your favorite radio personalities...Pat McMahon, Preston Westmorland, and Michael Dixon. The Sun City 30th Anniversary Senior Softball tournament begins at Sun City Stadium on Grand Avenue near 111th Avenue, 10:30, noon, 1:30, and 3 p.m. games.

Wednesday, January 17, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lively Arts Fun and Food Fair at the Thunderbird Plaza (99th Avenue and Thunderbird Road).

10 a.m. - Singing with Dutch Schultz, Sun Cities Poms; 10:30 - Sun City Spinners, Flute Tones playing old favorite songs; 11 a.m. Happy Round Dancers, Leilanis, Polka band; 11:30 Sun City Twirlers, Cameo Consort featuring baroque recorders, Polka band; Noon - Sun City Circle Dancers, Sun City Steppers; 12:30 p.m. - Squarrettes, Renaissance harps, banjo band; 1 p.m. - Fairway Ladies Round Dancers, Kealohas; 1:30 - Tuesday Night Twisters, Sun City Male Chorus, Rhythm Ramblers; 2 p.m. - Sun Country Western, Aerobics with Rose Schwartz, Rhythm Ramblers; 2:30 - Dutch Schultz with country dance music, Choraliers; 3 p.m. - Latin and Ballroom dancing with the Latin Dance Club, Edith Burdin Recorder quartet, Sun City Concert Band; 3:30 - Ken Apgar with Ballroom dance music, Sun City Concert Band.

Food Fair from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. featuring food from the Salad Bar, Chang Lee and At Lasta Catering.

The Sun City Organ Club will also present a performance at 2 p.m. at the Fairway Recreation Center featuring 1960 era music. Performance will be followed by the showing of the 1960 Academy Award winning movie, Butterfield Eight starring Elizabeth Taylor.

Senior softball tournament continues at the Sun City Stadium with games at 9, 10:30, noon and 1:30.

Lawn Bowling tournament Sun City vs. Sun City West played at 1:30 at Lakeview Recreation Center.

Thursday, January 18

Sport and Health Day

Senior softball semi-finals at 12:30 and 2 p.m., with finals at 3:15. Games played at Sun City Stadium.

8 a.m. - 300 bicyclists ride through the community starting at Marinette Recreation Center and ending at the Sun Bowl at 9:15 for cake and coffee.

9 a.m. - Tennis tournament Sun City vs. Sun City West at Bell Recreation Center.

9:30 a.m. - Shuffleboard tournament Sun City vs. Sun City West at Sun Dial Recreation Center.

10 a.m. and 2 p.m. - Canadian-American lawn bowling tournament at Fairway Recreation Center.

10 a.m. - Outdoor aerobics demonstration at Bell Center

1-3 p.m. Bocce tournament Lakeview and Marinette Recreation Centers. Sun City vs. Sun City West teams.

All Day - Mini Golf. All who participate may register for Sundome ticket drawing. "For the Health of it", health screenings, education and demonstrations at the former TG&Y store located at the Grand Center.

7 a.m - 1 p.m. - Full Cardiac Risk Assessment \$28, includes cholesterol, HDL/LDL, Triglycerides, Glucose, Electrolytes, Liver Function and Cardiac Risk Ratio (do not eat 10-12 hours in advance of this test). Finger stick testing method, \$7 each, for the following: total cholesterol, triglycerides (requires fasting) and blood glucose (requires fasting).

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free Blood Pressure Screening

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free low impact aerobics demonstrations presented by Sun Health Corporation. Free Pulmonary Screenings.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Exhibits by the Handicapables Club, Cura Care Home Health Care and Valley View Hospital.

Name Tag } Mary S. Baird }

~~Mary Lou Lies ????~~

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Freshener

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Picture of hostesses for newspaper

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Clock

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Jay Woods }

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Honor Roll

Friday, January 19

Golf outings at Lakes West and North golf courses. AM and PM shotgun starts with luncheon. \$1 per round, plus \$10 for luncheon. Sun City Rec Center is allowing outside play for this day. Flyers have been distributed to 150 courses and RV parks in the Valley.

10:30 - Aqua Suns synchronized swimming performance at Lakeview Recreation Center (107th and Thunderbird).

Futurist Forum

Robert Theobald, author of Rapids of Change: Social Entrepreneurship in Turbulent Times and 15 other books, will speak in the Sundial Auditorium at 2 p.m. An economist, Theobald is usually described as a futurist and has presented speeches in 49 states. He will comment on what role the senior population will play in decades to come. Admission is free but by ticket only. Tickets are available at the Sun City Visitors Center, the two Sun City libraries, the ASU campus in Sun City, and Rio Salado campus at Sun Ridge.

1-2 p.m. - Master Swimmers demonstration at Sundial Pool.

Saturday, January 20

Closing Day Parade from the Grand Center to the Sun Bowl Shopping Center. Parade route is approximately two miles. The parade includes high school marching bands, floats, horses, bicycles, antique cars and trucks, horse-drawn carriage, and much more. Enjoy cake at the Sun Bowl following the parade, and dance to live music, view the Sun Cities Poms, and sing along with a trio. Bring your lawn chairs for maximum comfort.

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January 31, 1990

To: All Trustees and Committee Chairpersons:
From: Les Merydith, President

I am pleased to report that all the Committee Chairmanships have been filled and plans are underway to have the headquarters open to the public at least three hours a day at least through the month of May.

Attached is a listing of the Committee Chairpersons and a description of their responsibilities as outlined by the board resolution adopted in November.

I suggest that all trustees take a turn as host or hostess. You will find that it is fun to show off our facility and point out the exhibits that appeal to the varying interests of our visitors. A brief listing of interesting historical facts has been prepared to help you answer questions and stimulate interest.



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

January 14, 1990

Mrs. Dorothy Dent
10330-C310 Thunderbird Blvd.
Sun City, Arizona 85351

Dear Dorothy:

The Board of Trustees and members of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society express our deep appreciation for your generous donation of the landscaping for our recently acquired museum and headquarters building.

We wish you could have overheard all the admiring comments we have received regarding the superb job your landscaper did under your direction.

You have given the appearance of the neighborhood and the community a lift that will endure for many years to come.

We hope you will visit us often.

Cordially,

Les Merydith, President

PS: Attached is a reprint of a plaque that has been put on permanent display in the Reception Room of our new facility.

January 13, 1990

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace D. Britton
10820 Cumberland Dr.
Sun City, Arizona 85351

Dear Wally and Peggy:

The Board of Trustees and members of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society express our deep appreciation for your invaluable assistance in restoring our recently opened museum and headquarters building on Oakmont Drive.

I want you to know that if it hadn't been for your wise counsel and encouragement prior to the purchase of the property we might not have had the courage to go through with the deal. Our uncertain finances and the numerous renovation problems we faced would have seemed almost insurmountable without your encouragement and competence.

You have had an essential part in the creation of a community asset that will endure for generations to come.

We hope you will visit us often and we will continue the close relationship that we have enjoyed during the past year.

Cordially,

Les Merydith, President



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

January 13, 1990

Mr. James Shaw
Denny's Complete Decorating Service
11120 Youngtown Ave.
Youngtown, Arizona 85363

Dear Jim:

The Board of Trustees and members of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society wish to thank you for your competent help in restoring our recently opened museum and headquarters building on Oakmont Drive.

Your efforts and know-how gave the premises a sorely needed lift that will be enjoyed by the workers and the general public for many years to come.

Please bring your family and friends in to see the attractive facility that you helped to create.

Cordially,

Les Merydith, President

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January 13, 1990

Mr. Ver Non Lallis
Denny's Complete Decorating Service
11120 Youngtown Ave.
Youngtown, Arizona 85363

Dear Vern:

The Board of Trustees and members of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society deeply appreciate your generous and competent help in restoring our recently acquired museum and headquarters building.

A friend in need is a friend in deed. Last May we were in a precarious financial situation when we acquired the property. Your versatile talents were a life saver when you stepped in and converted a ramshackle building into a facility we can all be proud of.

You had an essential part in the creation of a community asset that will endure for many generations.

Sincerely,

Les Merydith, President

1990 - January

Carol Carpenter

Cutting ribbon dedicating
new Historical Society Museum
in Sun City 1960





Dedication Hist. Soc
1/15/90

Photog. Bob Hart - with Seaman's cap
Kneeling

Center with Jim Hawks - Hist. Soc. Trustee
orange jacket

Rt. with white jacket - Lucy Geiger
next right - Carl Geiger

Dedication of San City Area
Historical Soc. Building
1/15/90
Les Merdith - President
Carole Carpenter - County Supervisor
Glenn Saaberg - Past Pres.
Rev & Mrs. Walter Witt





Newly elected President Les Merydith, Supervisor Carole Carpenter, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Witt, retired pastor of Sun City's first Community Church participate in the symbolic ribbon cutting opening the Sun Cities Historical Society new facilities.

(Photo by Cal Snyder)

Merydith Elected President Sun Cities Historical Society

by Cal Snyder

District 4 County Supervisor Carole Carpenter did the honors Monday at the ribbon cutting ceremony officially opening the Sun Cities Historical Society at 10801 Oakmont Drive, Sun City.

Ms. Carpenter also presented the Historical Society with an engraved plaque from the County Board of Supervisors commemorating the occasion.



Board of Supervisors

Maricopa County

Administration Building
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(602) 262-3415

CAROLE CARPENTER
District 4

August 2, 1989

Mr. Lester E. Merydith
13602 Kaanapali Point
Sun City, AZ 85351

Dear Les:

Thank you for your note and paper clipping
of July 26.

I appreciate your taking the time to write
to make me aware of the Highway Department's
work on 103rd Avenue from Grand Avenue to
Greenway Plaza.

I am forwarding a copy of your note and
the kind article you wrote for the July 15
Daily News-Sun to the Highway Department.
I am sure they, too, will appreciate your
kind comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carole".

Carole Carpenter
Maricopa County Supervisor
District 4

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SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

June 8, 1990

~~Dear Robbi~~ *Dearest Reba*

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society deeply appreciates your valuable services as volunteer hostess during the past five months.

With your help the society was able to accomplish its preliminary objective which was to provide public access seven days a week.

As our exhibits and services expand and the public becomes more aware of our existence, we may change our hours or expand them.

We plan to resume daily operations in the fall and will keep you informed of our plans.

Thanks again for your help in getting the society off to a good start in its first year of operations.

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

HOSTESS SCHEDULE

Monday	Katie Young 933-8971 Ruth Klein 977-3152	
Tuesday	Vivian Whitehead 977-6039 ✓ Bee Winberg 977-8091	
Wednesday	Edna Ploesser 977-7615 Beth Amsrud 933-6113	
Thursday	Myrtle Liniham 933-6562	
Friday	Reba Merydith 977-1723 Mary Lies 974-3862 ✓	
Saturday	Robbi Kilburn 977-2700	



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HISTORY BUFFS — The Sun Cities Area Historical Society officers are pictured from left, Emil Fischer, vice president; Les Meredith, president; Rita Wright, secretary and Al Thompson, treasurer.

regular meeting 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

MAINTENANCE- HANDYMAN

Name

Phone

Glenn Tagerlin

977-0604

Les Meredith

977-1723

Mary S. Bain

972-6673

Barrett Meredith

977-6798

~~Steve Graham~~



4/7/90

Jane-

I have been trying to reach you to talk to you about spring meeting plans.

I have constructed two light weight 4' X 4' bulletin boards for display of Sun City West historical items at the meeting. They will be mounted on two easels and placed near the entrance for viewing by people coming and going. If you are over at Headquarters over the week end, you can see these boards and easels. I would like to take them out to Al on Monday.

Al Driscoll's Committee would appreciate any help you can give them in filling up these two boards with Sun City West material. Al will contact Martha Moyer and the Pioneers Group for suitable items.

Attached is proposed copy for the double-postcard to be mailed (at bulk rate-courtesy of Del Webb) to all Hist. Society members, and Sun City West Pioneers, plus several hundred for distribution by our trustees and Sun City West individuals and organizations.

You will note that you are not listed as a speaker. Instead it has been suggested that I open the meeting by introducing you and Glenn as co-founders of the Society and co-authors of Jubilee followed by the introduction of our trustees (providing Sun City West's representation is increased from two to five at our April Board Meeting). I will then introduce Al who will be program chairman for the remainder of the meeting.

Please give me a ring if you have any suggestions.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be 'Luz'.

Opening Remarks - SCAHS Spring Public Meeting - Community Center - Sun City West - Thursday April 26, 1990

Good Afternoon - I'm Les Merydith, President of Sun Cities Area Historical Society. It's a pleasure to welcome you to the Society's first meeting to be held in Sun City West. Last year we got part way here when we held one of our meetings at Sun Ridge on Bell Road. This year we got all the way here and we like our accommodations and the reception we have received at Sun City West's new Community Center

It is entirely fitting that more and more of the Society's activities should be involved with Sun City West. After all Sun City West has been making history for ten years now and now is the time to start preserving that history for those who will follow us.

There is another reason for the Society to be just as interested in Sun City West History as it is in Sun City history. Last year the Society purchased the first house that Del Webb built in Sun City and officially opened it as our headquarters and museum in January. Approximately half the funds used to purchase the house came from the Del Webb Corporation and the Del E. Webb Foundation with the understanding that the facility would be for the Sun City Area not just for Sun City.

In recognition of its responsibilities to both Sun Cities the Board of Trustees at its April meeting added two new trustees, both from Sun City West. It is my pleasure to introduce them to you now.

The first newly elected trustee is Ann Loos Raymond. Ann was vice president of Del Webb Development Co. in the early years of Sun City West's development.. We are going to hear from Ann later on in the program.

The other new trustee is Dick Gray, a former executive for Bell Telephone who has been most helpful in the planning and preparations for our meeting here today.

I would also like to introduce the other officers and trustees of the Society at this time.

(As I call your names would you please stand and remain standing until all

are introduced)

Emil Fischer - Vice President - Emil was Author and Illustrator of "Churches of the Sun Cities" which was published by the Society in 1987.

Rita Wright - Secretary

Al Thompson - Treasurer

Al Driscoll - Trustee and Program Chairman for today's meeting

Frank Gerig - Trustee

James Hawks - Trustee

Joseph Keenan - Trustee

Evelyn Parry - Trustee

Arlene Robertson - Trustee also from Sun City West

Jay Woods - Trustee

Now I would be remiss if I did not introduce the two people who not only founded our Society, they financed its beginnings. 1985 was Sun City's 25th anniversary and Jane Freeman and Glenn Sanberg wrote and published this history of Sun City called "Jubilee". The book was an instant success and after all bills were paid, Jane and Glenn donated remaining royalties to the Sun City Historical Society which they founded in 1985.

We wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for the inspired efforts of these two dedicated people. They are both past-presidents, Glenn is a trustee and Jane is Chief Archivist in charge of collecting, recording and preserving the Society's historical records and memorabilia.

Throughout the Society's existence the Del Webb people here in Sun City West have been most helpful. Literally truck loads of maps, pictures, brochures, files, furniture and office equipment have been donated to the Society. This assistance extends to personal involvement.

When plans for a meeting in Sun City West were being made, Del E. Webb Communities, Inc. volunteered to jointly sponsor today's meeting. It is my pleasure at this time to introduce an old friend (strike that) my charming friend, MARTHA MOYER, Public Relations Director, Del Webb's Sun City West.

Today's program is the brain child of Sun City West's own dynamic Al Driscoll, the Society's Public Relations Chairman. I won't try to list Al's accomplishments and credentials any more than to say that if it has anything to do with Sun City West, and the action is there, you will find Al Driscoll there.

Al, you take it from here.



The Del Webb Corporation

and

Sun Cities Area Historical Society

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**HELLO, SUN CITY WEST
SO-LONG, LIZARD ACRES**

Thursday, April 26, 1990

1:30 to 3:00 PM

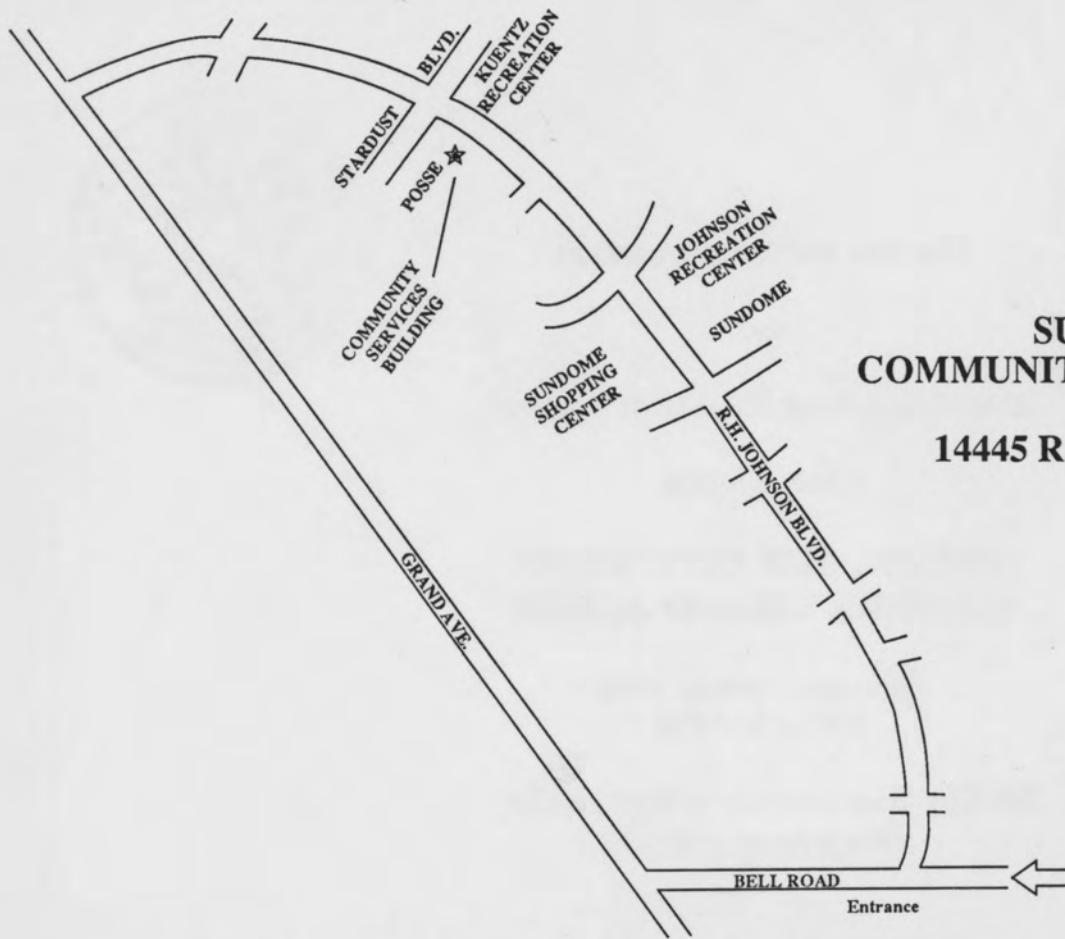
Sun City West Community Services Bldg.

(See map on reverse)

PROGRAM FEATURING

- GLORIA GEMMILL *From 1947-1978 lived on the land now known as Sun City West*
- DICK MASTIN *Del Webb vice president in charge of land development*
- ANN LOOS RAYMOND *Del Webb Development company vice president, 1974-1987*
- ADMISSION FREE THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

The headquarters and museum of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society, Inc. (SCAHS, Inc.) is open seven days a week, 1:00 to 3:00 PM. The Society occupies the first house that was built by Del Webb in Sun City thirty years ago. It is located at 10801 Oakmont Avenue. For further information call 971-2568.



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Del Webb Corporation – Public Relations
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No facility has ever documented the creation of an "Active Retirement" community in American culture as has the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.

We are proud to be a part of the Society's work of collecting, displaying and preserving the fascinating story of America's first full-service active retirement community. We

also are proud of our own growth from a sole practitioner to a full-service law firm serving the Sun Cities area since the mid-1960s.

We salute the dedicated people of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society who continue to tell the exciting story of our communities and who make sure that "Today is Tomorrow's History."

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10225 W. Thunderbird Blvd., Sun City, AZ 85351



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Copy

May 28, 1990

Mr. Robert Farrer and Associates
Farrer, Shapiro & Ross, P. C.
10225 W. Thunderbird Blvd.
Sun City, Arizona 85351

Dear Bob:

Your firm's ad in the May issue of Sun Life describing the mission of our Society was much appreciated.

I'm sure it is a source of satisfaction to you to know that the Sun Cities Area Historical Society would probably still be looking for a home if you had not so generously volunteered to negotiate a purchase contract with the owner of the first house built in Sun City which is now our museum and headquarters.

I am enclosing a reproduction of the Donor Plaque that is now on permanent display in the reception area of the museum.

Cordially,

Les Merydith

Les Merydith, President

Sun Cities Area Historical Society

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Thank you for
the kind letter.

It is indeed a privilege
and an honor to be
associated with you
and the Historical Society.

Respects.

RJF.

HISTORICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 1, 1990

Attendance: James Hawks, Neal Welton, Thayer Hoff, Joseph Keenan,
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Berninghouse^{er}

The meeting was a general brain-storming session floating from one idea to another, reflecting what might be accomplished the first to ten years. The following is a summary of sort.

Every organization needs a dream - a plan for guiding effort toward a series of goals. According to Article IV of the Articles of Incorporation, the Society's purpose is to collect and preserve historical data relating to the geographic area of Sun Cities and to carry out such endeavors by educational, literary, scientific and charitable applications of its assets.

The historical area includes Sun City and Sun City West and we are to be a depository of historical data. This is a major assignment for every day thousands of events happen to and in the Sun Cities and, in turn, become historical data to collect.

Data can be kept in files, boxes, stacks on the floor, etc. The usefulness, however, depends on how it is organized and indexed. The question arose as to what we have now and how it is organized and indexed.

The Committee's first consensus was to request the preparation of a list of ^{EXISTING} data files with a short statement for each as to organization and indexing.

Realism then arrived. This process of collecting is an ever growing task requiring space, labor and finance. Certain individuals find it

fascinating to collect historical data and to research various subjects. They tend to belong to Historical Societies, pay membership dues, possibly bequest some valuables and give their time; but such a process tends to leave the Society constantly in need of funds. We need a program that will appeal to a much larger group of individuals who are also interested in how events occur. They are interested but do not want the obligation of collecting or researching to discover the trip through time. Maybe a "Historical Society Supporting Membership" should be established to receive a newsletter and help to increase the income.

Another idea was presented - that of preparing a 3-4 page research paper on selected subjects which can be used to present topics on the luncheon circuit. These papers could also be purchased, if desired. Organizations in the Sun Cities are plentiful and nearly all have a program chairman who must scramble for a program 4-6 times a year. This is some 2000 opportunities and if we let it be known that our Society exists on donations, we could produce additional income.

Do we have subjects which will be of interest? Hundreds of ideas are available - the following are some of the first mentioned.

- Life at the Sun Bowl
- Life at the Sun Dome
- The Stadium Where Milwaukee Braves Played
- Volunteers Have Fun
- Street Light Districts
- Chartered Clubs for Everyone
- Houses by Webb
- What Happened to the Feed Lot

The second consensus of the Committee was that the Society should publish a reprint or original paper each year for members and also to be sold at cost plus to others. Suggestion for 1991 is the 1964 New Yorker article.



David McIntyre / Staff photographer
Inez Chamberlin, 99, attends what was supposed to be the final luncheon of the Sun City Pioneers, which may not disband after all.

End of an era

Sun City Pioneers to disband

By PEG KEITH
Sun Cities Independent

There's something, well, final, about the word, "final."

The Sun City Pioneers, who will hold its final meeting this month and members are taking the announcement with a grain of salt.

The "final" event is a luncheon gathering, at noon, Oct. 27, at the Lakes Club. Cost is \$10, and reservations must be made by Oct. 19.

The group has been around for a long time, and members take changes in stride. "Final" may not mean what it says.

Club members who are interested are being invited to continue small-group get-togethers.

The club, which enjoyed its exclusivity, was organized 17 years ago and is comprised of the very first Sun City homeowners.

Members are those who received keys to homes from Les Parry, Del Webb Key Man, during 1960 and 1961.

Member Margaret Diggs says the end of the group is the "passing" of an era in Sun City history.

Local Historical Society rescues SC Pioneers Club

Club nearly disbanded due to low membership

The Sun City Pioneers Club has a new lease on life.

The club, whose members were among those who moved to Sun City during the early 1960s, announced last month that it was disbanding after 17 years due to dwindling membership.

Thanks to an offer by the Sun Cities Historical Society, the club will continue to meet on a regular basis. According to Les Merydith, president of the Historical Society, the club is welcome to hold its meetings at the home of the Historical Society.

"The Sun City Pioneers Club is too valuable a source of historical data to be allowed to disappear from the local scene," says Mr. Merydith.

"The Society has therefore offered the following services to the Pioneers Club to continue as long as there is one Pioneer left to participate."

The services offered are:

- The Pioneer Club will make available for club use the Society's facilities, including the meeting room, kitchen, filing and copying.
- The Society will perform secretarial service including maintaining the roster and mailings.
- The Society will conduct oral history or VCR-taped interviews with Pioneers who have items of historical significance to record.
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- Members will receive invitations to all meetings and programs.

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Farewell lunch gives new life for Pioneers

By Connie Cone Sexton
Staff writer

SUN CITY — Don't play taps yet for the Sun City Pioneer Club, its members say.

During what was to be the final annual meeting of the club Saturday, several members protested the club's proposed demise.

Dozens of the 125 people attending a "farewell" luncheon Saturday asked that the club carry on.

Pioneer Club members — many of whom are now in their 80s and 90s — settled into Sun City between 1960 and 1965, the early years of the retirement community. The club formed 17 years ago to share memories and rekindle friendships.

But the planning of club activities recently has become burdensome, say club leaders Margaret Diggs and Evelyn Parry.

During the past year, the Pioneer Club's board decided that Saturday's luncheon was to be the group's last organized meeting.

But sentiment washed over the crowd during the lunch. When club president Walter Witt asked how many people wanted to continue meeting, there was a flurry of hands.

Parry, Diggs and Witt have worried about who would be willing to take over, they said new leaders were needed to help the board. "It's hard sometimes to get people involved," Diggs said.

Her fears may be unfounded. Members of the Sun City Historical Society have volunteered to help.

Historical club member Les Merydith made the offer during the Pioneer Club's luncheon Saturday.

When historical society members heard that the day was to be the final meeting of the club, the news "had come as quite a shock," Merydith said.

Members of the historical group did not want to see the Pioneer Club disappear, he said. To keep the group going, Merydith said the historical society is willing to perform all secretarial duties, including keeping a roster of the Pioneer Club members up to date.

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Because Pioneer members have a rich history of the area, he said his group would like to make written and oral histories, interviewing the Pioneer members to make a record of the early years of Sun City.

"We should have a file drawer full and a stack of tapes" from the Pioneers, Merydith said.

He offered the use of the historical society's facility in Sun City for meetings and programs. Pioneers can bring items they would like to donate to the society,

which will act as a repository, Merydith said.

In providing such services, he said he hopes to keep the Pioneer group alive "right down to the last Pioneer."

In an interview after the luncheon, Witt said he appreciated the historical society's offer. "We'll work along with them and maybe give them more to work with as time goes on," he said.

Witt said the society is a "natural" group that could take over the purpose of the Pioneer

Club. "There has been a mutual interest in preserving the history of Sun City," he said.

"It takes a tremendous amount of work to keep the Pioneer Club going. If new blood wants to come along, we'll work with them," Witt said.

Pioneer Club member Fred Turner, 85, moved to Sun City 29 years ago. He said he enjoys being a part of history and hopes the spirit of the club will continue.

"It's just wonderful to get together with fellow Pioneers. I

really appreciate our time," he said.

Edna Wagner, 79, agreed. She was surprised to see so many people at the luncheon.

"It's amazing that so many of our people are still getting around as well as they do," she said.

Wagner, who moved to Sun City in 1961, also has enjoyed the Pioneer Club. "It's wonderful that the club has lasted this long. I love seeing everyone. We're like one big family."

Pioneers receive new life

Club assured of future

By JACQUE PAPPAS
Daily News-Sun staff

SUN CITY — A meeting thought to be the last hurrah for the Sun City Pioneers on Saturday ended up being a new beginning for the community's original residents.

Earlier this month, the Pioneers considered disbanding the club because attendance at annual meetings had dropped drastically since the group was established in 1973.

Evelyn Parry and Margaret Diggs, who have borne the bulk of work for the club since it started, said more Pioneers need to show an interest in the club to keep it alive.

But with 120 Pioneers and their guests at the group's 17th annual luncheon, President Walter Witt said he did not want the club to call it quits.

"This was publicized as our last meeting. With the turnout here, I'm not sure," Witt said.

Witt said the club will operate on its own for at least one more year. And an offer made at the meeting by the Sun Cities Area Historical Society assured the future prosperity of the club down to the last living Pioneer.

Les Merydith, president of the historical society, offered a



Daily News-Sun photo by Stephen Cherneck

SUN CITY'S FIRSTS — The Sun City Pioneers helped establish the first clubs, service groups and community programs in Sun City. The Pioneers, who moved to the community in 1960, attended the group's 17th annual luncheon Saturday.

number of services to the Pioneers.

"The Sun City Pioneers Club is too valuable a source of historical data to be allowed to disappear from the local scene," Merydith said.

The club was originally open to residents who moved to Sun City in 1960 and 1961. As membership decreased, the club opened to associate members who moved to Sun City from 1962 to 1965.

Merydith said the historical society's office — in Sun City's first model house on 107th Avenue and Oakmont Drive — is open to the Pioneers.

In addition, the society offered to maintain the club's roster and mailings, conduct taped interviews with members who

have stories of the early years and honor at least one Pioneer each month, Merydith said.

"We want to help the club continue as long as there is one Pioneer left to participate," Merydith said.

Many of the Pioneers at Saturday's meeting said they were happy with the historical society's offer.

Sarah Butts, who moved to Sun City in 1960, said she always looks forward to seeing her first friends at the annual luncheon.

"We all love to come to these meetings and reminisce, so their offer to help us out is wonderful," Butts said.

Butts, 89, once volunteered as a Sun City hostess, taking newcomers on bus tours of the

community in the 1960s.

"I still meet people who say they remember me giving tours on one of Del Webb's buses," she said.

Several of the pioneers at the meeting are in their late 90s. One is 100 years old. Many had stories to tell of Sun City's early years.

Bernice Wallace, 95, said she moved to a two-bedroom house in Sun City from a log house in Oklahoma.

She still lives in her original home on Desert Hills Court, drives and does her own yard work.

"The early years were so exciting," Wallace said. "I remember the parades we had along 107th (Avenue) from Peoria to Grand (avenues)."

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ATTENTION SUN CITY PIONEERS !

The Sun City Area Historical Society is committed to preserving the history of Sun City and recognizes that there are over 150 Sun City Pioneers who have knowledge and memories that should be recorded and momentos that should be preserved for future generations.

Last year the Society purchased the first model home that Del Webb Built in Sun City and it has served as our headquarters and museum since Sun City's 30th anniversary on January 1, 1990.

We want you to know that the Society's home is also the Pioneer's home and we want you to make yourself at home at the Society's headquarters on Oakmont Ave. next door to the Oakmont Recreation Center.

--The welcome mat is out. Pay us a visit.

If you have not already done so, we suggest you pay a visit to the museum and get acquainted with our personnel and our facilities. We are open every day from one to three in the afternoon and we will be happy to show you around and answer any questions you may have regarding our aims and our operations.

--Tell us about the Pioneer days.

You know what happened in the early sixties when Sun City was just getting started. Your stories added to those of other pioneers will provide authentic historical information for future residents and scholars. We will be happy to make appointments to record your recollections of interesting things that were going on when you first moved to town. How about fires, floods, parades, rallies and celebrations?

--Bring us your items of historical interest.

Don't throw away those old pictures, newspaper clippings, brochures and souvenirs. For example, the dates when the various Sun City organizations were founded and the names of the founders have historical significance and should be preserved.

--Register as a Pioneer with the Historical Society.

Please fill out and mail in the enclosed Pioneer Registration form. This information will be part of the permanent records of the Society and will insure that you will receive future mailings from the Society.

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Sun City Pioneers Live On

About 150 of Sun City's earliest residents who have been holding regular meetings for the past fifteen years have been offered a home and hospitality by the Sun City Area Historical Society. Earlier this month Sun City Pioneers Club considered plans to disband because dwindling numbers and increased infirmities have drastically reduced the attendance at the club's semi-annual meetings.

Historical Society president, Les Merydith says, "The Sun City Pioneers Club is too valuable a source of historical data to be allowed to disappear from the local scene. The Society has therefore offered the following services to the Pioneer Club to continue as long as there is one pioneer left to participate.

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- 3 - The Society will conduct audio or VCR taped interviews with Pioneers who have items of historical significance to record.
- 4 - The Society will provide a permanent repository for any items of historical significance that Pioneer members wish to leave with the Society.
- 5 - Pioneer members will receive invitations to all public meetings of the Society.
- 6 - One or more Pioneers will be honored at each semi-annual membership meeting of the Society.

NOTE: THE ABOVE PROPOSAL WAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND BY THE SUN CITY PIONEERS CLUB AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 21.

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Merydith went on to say, "The Sun City Pioneers Club is too valuable a source of historical data to be allowed to disappear from the local scene. The Society has therefore offered the following services to the Pioneers Club to continue as long as there is one Pioneer left to participate."

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5. Members will receive invitations to all meetings and programs.
6. One or more Pioneer will be honored monthly at the headquarters. The public will be invited to meet them and enjoy informal programs and exhibits.

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society is located at 10801 Oakmont Avenue, Sun City and is open every day from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M.. Persons wishing information may call 974-2568.

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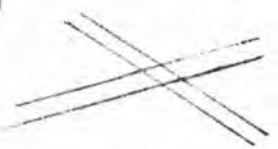
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WAITES, RANDY	933-1077 <i>lodge</i>	12415 103rd Avenue A18
✓ WALLACE, BERNICE	933-3085	10524 Desert Hills Ct
WALLING, AURA	974-8392	12461 Augusta Dr
WARD, LENA	933-1791	12415 103rd Avenue
WEEKS, EDITH	933-2217	12051 Pebble Beach Dr
WHEELER, SARA		7141 N. 51 Avenue Glendale, AZ 85301
WIRSCHING, MABEL	933-0357	10259 Snead Circle
✓ WITT, DR. WALTER & GLADYS	933-3977	9830 Lindgren Ave 85373
WOLF, HELEN ANITA	933-6826	12453 Cherry Hill Dr W
WOODCOCK, GAYLE	972-2371	10201 Coggins Drive Apartment #C Sun City
WOODLIEF, ARCHIE & GRACE	933-1048	11817 Desert Hill Dr
WORNER, MYRTLE	977-8373	Camelot Manor 203 P.O. Box E Sun City 85372
ZACHARISEN, CHARLOTTE	933-1536	10651 Connecticut Ave
ZACHARY, ELSIE	933-3052	10314 Cherry Hills Dr E
ZILLIEN, RUTH	933-1065	Baptist Village 11315 W. Peoria Ave Youngtown, AZ 85363

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS who came to their new home before December 31, 1965
 following TRUE PIONEERS in 1960 and 1961

ALLEN, GERTRUDE	1965		12230 Riviera Drive
BECK, ANNE	1962	933-2721	10201 A Coggins Drive
BERSTED, MARTIN		933-5454	11051 N. Coggins Dr
BOTTOMLEY, LUCILLE	1965		9924 Tarrytown Ave
BOUTON, CLARICE		933-4229	10279 Snead Circle N.
BRADEN, WINIFRED & DON	1-2-63	933-0338	11801 Hagen Drive
BRADLEY, MABLE		933-1726	10802 Cherry Hill Dr. W
COLE, ALICE		933-2315	10746 Abbott Avenue
CONGROVE, ALENE	8-64	933-4592	11001 Cherry Hills Dr
CONN, LOREA (Rae)	1960	933-1849	12402 Pebble Beach Dr
			<i>to Pioneer</i>
CORY, LOIS & BOB	2-64	933-5128	9929 Hope Circle N
DAUGHERTY, MAY	1962	933-3673	10850 Peoria Avenue
DENT, LAURA		933-2640	12415 103rd Avenue
FARRELL, AGNES & RICHARD	1965	972-7764	WoodDale Village Apt 2018 18616 No 99th Avenue Sun City, AZ 85373
FIDLER, MARY & GILBERT	1-64	933-4028	9961 Hawthorn Dr
FINLEY, CLIFF (94 yrs)	'62	933-1009	11004 N. Coggins
GEAR, CHARLENE & LELAND	12-63		10244 Peoria Ave
GILLESPIE, GLADYS	1964	933-5122	10026 Lake View Circle
GOUDIE, GLADYS	5-62	933-8940	10309 E Cherry Hills Dr
HAGENSICK, ALVINA	1962	933-4168	10842 Peoria Avenue
HAWKINS, IDA	10-65		10415 Deanna Drive
HENGSTLER, DOLLIE	1964	933-3670	10252 102 Avenue
HEWITT, EDNA	1962	933-3445	11406 110th Drive
JAMISON, MILDRED	'63	933-4086	12226 Augusta Dr
JOHNSON, OLIVIA	1963		10276 Snead Circle N

KIERSNOWSKI, ELSIE	8-65	933-0550	10319 Deanne Drive
KING, JANE	12-63		10739 Clair Drive
KROLL, M/M LUDWIG	1965	977-1388	10320 Sierra Dawn Drive
KRUKE, ANN & RAY	1-27-63		11605 Balboa Dr
KRUMREI, THERESA		933-6665	10407 Salem Drive
LADD, ROSILLA & ELIZABETH	1963	933-4815	10203-A Coggins Drive
LICKFELDT, WILLARD		933-7907	10344 Salem Drive
LIKEN, LLOYD	6-63	933-5916	12425 Cherry Hills Dr W.
MARTIN, IONA	10-65	933-6585	10417 Deanne Drive
MARTIN, VERDA		933-3334	10333 Olive Avenue 126 Peoria, AZ 85345
MATHEWS, LOUISE & JIM	8-26-64	933-3928	11610 Balboa Drive
McKEE, CATHERINE & FORREST	12-62	933-3772	11647 Hagen Drive
McKinley, Elizabeth J.			17231 Palo Verde Dr ZIP 85372
MICCIA, MRS ALPHRA	1964		10407 Clair Drive
MITTLER, GERTRUDE & HERBERT			10702 Hope Drive
MONTSCH, AGNES	1962	933-6246	11024 Peoria Avenue
MORRIS, DELORES	1964	933-4188	10354 Cumberland
MUTCHLER, EVA	1962	933-9489	10018 Lake View Circle
OSBORN, RUBY	1962	933-4927	10810 Madison (Millie J.)
PARK, FLORENCE	5-62	933-4123	10430 Snead Drive
PARKER, DOROTHY & SPENCER		933-3981	Sun Valley Lodge 12415 103rd Ave
REA, EDITH	1965	933-1288	10435 Camden Ave
REA, WILMA		933-5014	11633 Balboa Dr
ROBB, EVELYN	1-62	933-0335	11414 109th Avenue
RODEBAUGH, CAROLINE			SUN VALLEY LODGE 12415 103rd Ave

SANFORD, LEILA			10258 Snead Circle N.
SEBALD, ELVERA M.	1962	933-5223	11812 Balboa Drive
TABER, HELEN	(Talliesen '88)		10407 Corte Del Sol Oeste
TURNER, DIXIE	1962	933-3547	10846 Madison Drive
TURNER, SKE & FRED		933-4101	10239 Coggins Drive
WAGNER, EDNA & ANDY	1-7-62	933-0317	10815 El Dorado Drive 85351
WARNOCK, DOROTHY	1963		10224 Snead Circle N.
WEINER, VERA		933-3698	SIERRA WINDS 17300 N. 88th Avenue Peoria, AZ 85345
WEISS, DORIS			10450 N. Balboa Drive
WILSON, LEO		933-2260	El Dorado C-322 10330 Thunderbird Blvd.
WINFIELD, DON	9-62		11801 Hagen Drive
WOOD, ELSIE A.	9-65	933-5670	10745 Canterbury DR
WRIGHT, DAISYBELLE & ED	1962	933-3004	10625 Crosby Drive
ZEHR, INA M.	1964	933-5253	10207 Coggins Drive



DR. AND MRS. DEISSLER			9833 103rd AVENUE
MARY BETH NORTHROP (Mother, Gladys Smith)		933-0948	10430 E. Oakmont DR
JANE FREEMAN		974-5377	10516 Prairie Hills Circle 85351
GLENN SANBERG		977-9961	11003 Cameo Drive
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Mrs. John Drenth
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2801 Golden Rain Road #4
Walnut Creek, CA 94595

3327 North 18th Avenue
Phoenix Arizona 85015
January 17, 1991

Ms. Jane Freeman
Sun City Historical Society
10808 Oakmont
Sun City Arizona 85351

Dear Jane,

This is just a note to thank you for your hospitality Monday. I was very impressed with what you've done with your operation there; Sun City is lucky to have such a careful preserver of its history.

I'm also delighted with both your wonderful book Jubilee, which I mean to use as a resource. I discovered that you loaned me two copies of each interview. I made working copies. You might want to keep your second set of tapes separate; it's fairly standard practice to store tapes and transcriptions in two places, for safety's sake.

I had a thought on the way home, probably something you've already used, so forgive my simpleness. I got the idea from that impressive Puppet Group Plaque. It might be nice to "celebrate" the many organizations in Sun City, one at a time: The Sun City Historical Society Salutes the Bell Ceramic Club on its Fifteenth Year. Something like that. Invite the members and their friends, have them bring products or memorabilia, present a certificate to officers, give a speech, and sign them up! If you honored groups with large memberships, and got media coverage, it might give you a little publicity.

Another idea: when you start collecting artifacts for your restored house, have a scale model of the house on view in the office, and when someone gives you, say, a chair, put the donor's name on a doll-house chair and put it in the model. You probably have some miniature-makers in the community who might help you with the little furniture.

I'm just tossing these ideas off because I am so impressed with what you've done. I asked the Beatitudes to send you some of the applications for their May 7 conference; they said they'd be delighted. When I've finished my current projects, let's see what we can do about finding you a consultant for some long-range planning. Frankly, you're doing better than most groups I've worked with already!

May I ask a favor? I forgot to ask you to sign the standard Interview Release. Could you send it back in the enclosed envelope? Many thanks.

Margaret Finnerty

April 9, 1991

Mr. Les Merydith, President
Sun Cities Area Historical Society
10801 Oakmont Avenue
Sun City, AZ 85351

Dear Les:

This is in regard to the \$5,000 gift we recently received from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoover.

I would like to request that this money be spent first on restoring the kitchen/dining area to its original state insofar as possible. I would also like to see rain gutters along the front of the house and carport to keep the rain from standing in puddles in the walkways...yes, it does rain! If there is any money left, I would like a standard size electronic typewriter to use in the office.

If a letter of appreciation has not been sent to the Hoover's may I ask that one be sent. I have conveyed my personal thanks.

Are donors of this magnitude considered LIFE members?


Jane

Student creates oral history

By JACQUE PAPPAS
Daily News-Sun staff

SUN CITY — A student working on her master's degree wants to capture the excitement and uncertainty Sun City's first residents felt in the early 1960s.

During the next year, Melanie Sturgeon will record interviews with the community's pioneers as a part of her thesis for a master's degree in public history at Arizona State University.

"I'm very interested in interviewing as many pioneers as possible. Historians too often look at what other historians wrote or what government officials did," Sturgeon said. "I think you get more of a sense of what things were like by talking to the people."

Sturgeon will make the recordings at the Sun Cities Area Historical Society's headquarters, 10801 W. Oakmont Drive.

The headquarters is the original model home built in Sun City in 1960. It officially opened to the public during Sun City's 30th anniversary in January 1990.

Sturgeon said she had been doing research on retirement and the evolution of retirement communities.

"A number of things were tried in Florida in the 1920s, but nothing really got successful until Sun City," she said. "I want to know what about living in a retirement community appealed to them and how they heard about Sun City. You can't get a feel for that unless you talk to someone."

Sturgeon said she will make two tapes of each interview. One will remain at the historical society headquarters and the other will be stored at ASU.

Sturgeon, 43, lives in Mesa and has five children, ages 11 to 17.

She has applied for a \$3,000



Daily News-Sun photo by Mollie J. Hoppes

FOR POSTERITY — Melanie Sturgeon peruses people profiles at the Sun City Historical Society. She is working with the society on an oral history of the community.

state grant to help her cover the costs of her project.

Jane Freeman, chief archivist for the historical society, said she met with Sturgeon last week and helped her make a list of people she can contact for the oral history project.

"Having people's voices and

expressions makes the moments in history more vibrant and personal to hear about," Freeman said.

She said the oral history will mark the first time stories from pioneers — Sun City's first residents — are put on

tape.

"An oral history is vitally important to any historical society and community. In years to come it will even be more important," Freeman said. "Just imagine how exciting it would be to have George Washington's voice on tape."

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Les -

Melanie Sturgeon, ASU graduate student with whom I have been working is meeting with me June 7 all day.

We will map out a program of oral histories to be done by Melanie over the summer. Work ^{expenses} will be funded by a grant being secured by Melanie & ASU.

Also - she has a couple of good speaker projects!!

How about that!!

Jane

We will need to compile a list of people to be interviewed & to get a good cross section - residents - business - religion etc

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By JACQUE PAPPAS
Daily News-Sun staff

Thirty years after the first home was sold in Sun City, a historical society headquarters opened to showcase memorabilia from the community's early years.

Now, 13 years after the birth of Sun City West, the Sun City Area Historical Society is looking to expand its horizons.

"The time is now for us to be collecting paraphernalia, photos and other things of historical interest in Sun City West. We don't want to lose them to people passing away or moving back to their home town," said Al Driscoll, a member of the society's board of trustees.

In an effort to bring the society's goal of collection and preservation closer to Sun City West, volunteers have opened a temporary office in the Community Services Building, 14475 R.H. Johnson Blvd.

Driscoll said he and other Sun City West residents have been organizing the office to serve as "a guardian of the records and events of the past."

And with 31,000 residents estimated to live in Sun City West by 2000, a historical society seems to be a must for the community.

"Most every city has a historical society today. The headquarters in Sun City is a success and we hope to be successful here," Driscoll said.

Driscoll said the temporary office does not have a telephone number yet because the society may soon move into a larger room in the building.

He said Sun City West resident Ann Raymond,

a former Del Webb Corp. executive, has volunteered to coordinate the volunteers at the office.

In addition to collecting memorabilia, Driscoll said the society wants to get more Sun City West residents to join the organization.

The cost of membership ranges from \$10 to \$250 for a life membership.

Driscoll said the group plans to send membership forms out to local residents in January. For more information on membership or being a volunteer call 584-2210.

The historical society has 15 residents on its board of trustees, five of whom are from Sun City West.

Les Merydith, society president, said he is pleased with the progress the Sun City West residents are making.

"They have moved rapidly toward getting organized to do the job that lies ahead in Sun City West. They are already where Sun City was after 25 years," Merydith said. "The long-term objective is to have a full-scale historical society in Sun City West. We hope to be able to locate Sun City West's historical records in Sun City West."

Much of Sun City West's memorabilia collected by the society is being stored in the Sun City headquarters, at 10801 W. Oakmont Drive.

The headquarters, which features photographs, directories and other memorabilia from the community's early years, officially opened to the public on Sun City's 30th anniversary in January 1990.

o preserve local history



Stephen Cherek/Daily News-Sun

Al Driscoll, left, shows Sandy Goldstein and Ann Raymond a package of information about Sun City West donated by a resident. The information will be used by the Sun City Area Historical Society to some day display in Sun City West.

Historical group preserves Sun City West memories

By TIFFANY MEANS
Daily News-Sun staff

SUN CITY WEST — Scrapbook in hand, Clarice Uhl reminisced recently during a local historians' meeting featuring speakers who helped establish Del Webb Community Inc.'s second Arizona retirement community.

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society along with Webb designed Thursday's program, "Hello, Sun City West — So Long Lizard Acres," to attract Sun City West pioneers like Uhl and her husband, Ed.

The Uhls were the second family to move into the new community. Luman Wick, the first official resident, also attended the meeting.

For awhile, the two lived close to each other. Now residing in different areas, the Uhls and Wick remain friends, Wick said.

"There was a lot of friendship in the early group. Del Webb took us on lots of trips and parties that everybody went on," Wick said.

Historical Society members said those are the memories that they want founding citizens to help them record.

The club wants donations of fliers, brochures, and other memorabilia that can be used to record such events:

About 15 in the 85-member audience could boast a move-in date during late 1978 — which was the official opening year for Sun City West — and early 1979.

The event marked the club's first public attempt to begin documenting the community's growth, said Al Driscoll, Historical Society chairman of the committee for the preservation of Sun City West.

As an introduction, Gloria Gemmel turned back the clock



Daily News-Sun photo by Stephen Chen

MEMORY LANE — Early Sun City West residents Clarice Uhl, left, her husband, Ed, and Luman Wick look at photographs from the community's beginning, after a meeting of the Sun City Area Historical Society Thursday at the Sun City West Community Building.

to pre-Webb development as she described the area when it supported a working community of 45 people.

"Once upon a time, there was a place called Lizard Acres," Gemmel said. The name was the unofficial title given to Circle One Livestock Co., one of the largest feedlots in the nation.

Gimmel and her husband moved to the feedlot shortly after its opening in the late-1940s. Nearly 40 years later, their

home was one of the buildings razed to make way for Webb.

Clarice Uhl and Wick said they enjoyed hearing Gimmel's description of the feedlot.

Dick Mastin, Webb vice president in charge of land development, worked on Sun City West from the project's beginning in 1972.

Mastin, then 23 years old, said he remembers the sense of excitement that pervaded the people planning and construct-

ing the community, a process which took about six years.

After the Webb executive shared their memories, Driscoll asked residents to recollect their own stories and write them up and record them for the Historical Society.

Clarice Uhl said she recalled the dirt and the coyotes.

"It was kind of surprising that no one mentioned how much they like it here. I surprised," Uhl said.

THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY
THE SUN CITY WEST OFFICE
AUGUST 1, 1991

ATTENDING WERE AL DRISCOLL, DICK GRAY, ALTHEA CURTHMAN AND
JUDGE STREET

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE MAJOR TOPICS:

- 1 - AL SUMMARIZED A RECENT TELEPHONE CALL WITH LES MERYDTH AND ALSO REVIEWED A LETTER THAT HE RECENTLY RECEIVED FROM HIM: (A) THE \$1,000 THAT WAS ALLOCATED TO THE "SUN CITY WEST OFFICE" (SCWO) IS AVAILABLE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ACCVITIES THERE (B) THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING (LUNCHEON) WILL BE HELD AT FALMBROOK (C) KAY TREMBLE WILL SPEAK ON "THE VILLAGE OF MARINETTE" (D) JANE FREEMAN SELECTED AND HAS CONFIRMED HER AS THE SPEAKER (E) THE "DEL WEBB SALES OFFICE" WILL BE DEDICATED ON OCTOBER 24 (F) IT WAS AGREED THAT WE COULD OFFER MEMBERSHIPS AT A REDUCED RATE.
- 2 - THE ANNUAL (SUN CITY WEST) "PIONEER DINNER IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 20
- 3 - IN RESPONSE TO A DECISION MADE AT THE PRIOR MEETING, AL DRISCOLL, DICK GRAY AND THE JUDGE STREET PROVIDED DRAFTS OF LETTERS DESIGNED TO INVITE THE SUN CITY WEST PIONEERS TO JOIN THE "HISTORICAL SOCIETY". DICK GRAY WAS INVITED TO PREPARE A CONSOLIDATION FOR FURTHER REVIEW AT THE NEXT MEETING
- 4 - DICK GRAY PRESENTED A PRELIMINARY LIST OF "MOVERS AND SHAKERS" THAT HAVE "FOUNDED" CLUBS, ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS IN SUN CITY WEST. HE RECOMMENDED THAT THIS LIST BE EXPANDED AND THAT WE DEVELOP A PLAN TO RECOGNIZE THESE "FOUNDERS". SUCH A ACTIVITY IS NOT ONLY APPROPRIATE FOR A HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUT IT ALSO WOULD BE A HIGH PROFILE EVENT. IT WOULD CALL ATTENTION TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. THIS MIGHT INVOLVE A BREAKFAST OR LUNCHEON AT WHICH A PLAQUE WOULD BE PRESENTED TO EACH "FOUNDER" IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOUNDARIES OF THIS LIST BE EXPANDED TO MAXIMIZE ITS MEMBERSHIP
- 5 - OUR RECRUITING ACTIVITIES WILL BE REVIEWED WITH THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN BY AL DRISCOLL
- 6 - THE RECRUITING LETTER WILL BE MAILED ABOUT SEPTEMBER 15 (ONE MONTH BEFORE THE ANNIVERSARY DATE)
- 7 - IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT DEL WEBB HAS NO PLANS TO CONDUCT A BIRTHDAY PARTY CELEBRATING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF SUN CITY WEST.
- 8 - DICK GRAY PROVIDED A PROPOSED "LIST OF OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSEE FOR THE SCWO". NO DISCUSSION OR ACTION FOLLOWED
- 9 - THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT 9:00 AM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 15.

ACTING RECORDER DICK GRAY
AUGUST 3, 1991

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By *Maurice Street*

To: Members of the Sun City West Pioneers.

The members of the Board of Trustees of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society (SCAHS) urge each of you members of the Sun City West Pioneers to become members of SCAHS. Not only does SCAHS desperately need your help in collecting and preserving historical data and memorabilia relating to the early development of Sun City West, but the members of the Board of Trustees of SCAHS believe that SCAHS can be of help to members of the Sun City West Pioneers in fulfilling the purposes for which the Pioneers was organized.

SCAHS has now established a Sun City West Branch Office in the Sun City West Community Services building. As you will note from the enclosed SCAHS brochure, your membership in SCAHS gives you access to and use of its archival materials at 10801 Oakmont Ave., Sun City, as well as assistance in gathering, cataloging and preserving memorabilia and data for the SCAHS Sun City West Branch.

As a special incentive to members of the SCW Pioneers to join SCAHS now, our Board of Trustees is extending a dues reduction to \$___ for first year membership for joining before _____. We are enclosing a special application for membership for that purpose.

We hope you will join us before our Fall Meeting of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society which will be held in the Community Services Building in Sun City West, 14465 R.H. Johnson Blvd. on October ____, 1991 from 1:30 to 3:00 P.M. Coffee and cookies will be served from 1:30 to 2:00 P.M. The speakers for our meeting will be _____ and _____.

SCAHS needs your help and we think we may be of some assistance to you in meeting the goals of your organization. Please join us in collecting and preserving the history of the Sun Cities.

MEMORANDUM

THIS MEMORANDUM IDENTIFIES THE OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSE OF THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY - SUN CITY WEST OFFICE (SCWO):

THIS OFFICE WILL COLLECT WRITTEN AND PICTORIAL EVIDENCE OF PAST ACTIVITIES IN SUN CITY WEST. IT WILL ALSO MAINTAIN A RECORD OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AS RECORDED IN THE LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER PRINTED MATERIAL. EVERY REASONABLE EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO PROTECT THESE ITEMS AGAINST DETERIORATION.

EACH CONTRIBUTOR SHALL BE ACKNOWLEDGED WITH A LETTER OF APPRECIATION.

THE SCWO WILL PROVIDE PERIODIC AND CHANGING DISPLAYS, IN THE SUN CITY WEST FOUNDATION OFFICE BUILDING AND IN THE SUN CITY WEST LIBRARY.

THE SCWO SHALL MAINTAIN A CONTINUING PROGRAM OF SOLICITING NEW MEMBERS AND MAINTAINING CONCURRENT MEMBERS FROM SUN CITY WEST.

WE SHALL INVITE THE COMMUNITY TO VISIT AND ENJOY THESE NOSTALGIC ITEMS.

WE SHALL PUBLICIZE OUR ACTIVITIES BY ARRANGING FOR SOME RECOGNITION AS PART OF THE NEWCOMERS LUNCHEONS.

THE SCWO WILL ORGANIZE A "HONOR ROLÉ" OF PERSONS WHO HAVE MADE MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUN CITY WEST. EACH YEAR AN ADVISORY BOARD SHALL IDENTIFY EVERYONE WHO HAS MADE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS. THE RESULTS SHALL BE ANNOUNCED AND PUBLICIZED. THE FUNDAMENTAL CRITERIA SHALL BE THEIR IMPACT UPON SUN CITY WEST.

EXAMPLES ARE: CHARLIE COULTER - GENERAL CHAIRMAN OF THE SENIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT; BOB WILLIAMS - VARIOUS PROJECTS; JERRY LEIGH - LUMINARY PROGRAM; BARBARA KNUDSEN - WOMEN OF THE YEAR (?); JOHN HOLMES - MAN OF THE YEAR (?). CANDIDATES FOR THIS RECOGNITION SHALL NOT EXCLUDE THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OR THE CHURCHES. IT SHALL NOT BE RESTRICTED TO THOSE WHO MAY HAVE MADE A FAVORABLE IMPACT.

EACH HONOREE SHALL RECEIVE AN APPROPRIATE SCROLL THAT WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE "ANNUAL BREAKFAST". FURTHER A SCROLL WILL BE PLACED IN THE SUN CITY WEST FOUNDATION BUILDING THAT WILL IDENTIFY THE CURRENT YEARS HONOREES.

Who submitted this?

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE SUN CITY WEST PIONEERS CLUB

WE NEED YOUR HELP IN PREPARING AN "HONOR ROLE" OF THOSE WHO HAVE MADE MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUB CITY WEST FROM ITS BEGINNING.

WE INVITE YOU TO THE DEDICATION OF THE SUN CITY WEST OFFICE OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

WE NEED YOUR HELP IN ASSEMBLING THE HISTORY OF SUN CITY WEST AND

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY PLANS TO IDENTIFY AND ACKNOWLEDGE EVERYONE WHO HAS MADE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMUNITY THAT YOU PIONEERED. WE ARE INITIATING THIS PROGRAM CONCURRENT WITH ESTABLISHING AN OFFICE OF THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN THE SUN CITY WEST COMMUNITY SERVICE BUILDING.

THIS OFFICE WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN ON OCTOBER 13, 1991. COME AND HELP US CELEBRATE FROM 1 PM TO 4 PM WITH REFRESHMENTS. THIS WILL ALSO BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE SOME PHOTOGRAPHS THAT WERE TAKEN DURING THE "GETTING STARTED PERIOD". YOU MAY SEE YOURSELF IN SOME OF THESE PHOTOS.

THIS OFFICE WILL BECOME A CENTRAL POINT FOR COLLECTING MEMORABILIA, PHOTOGRAPHS, OLD MENUS FROM CRESTVIEW, COPIES OF THE OLD ACTIVITY CALENDARS ETC. - ITEMS THAT CONSTITUTE THE HISTORY OF SUN CITY WEST. NOW IS THE TIME TO BEGIN ASSEMBLING THESE ITEMS BEFORE THEY ARE DISCARDED. THIS WILL BECOME A RECORD OF THE AGONY AND THE ECSTASY OF THE BEGINNING THAT YOU AND YOUR NEIGHBORS MADE IN THE SEVENTIES.

ALSO, TO HELP CELEBRATE ESTABLISHING THIS OFFICE IN SUN CITY WEST, WE INVITE THE MEMBERS OF THE SUN CITY WEST PIONEERS TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY AT A "SPECIAL CELEBRATION RATE" OF \$5 PER PERSON (OR \$7.50 PER HOUSEHOLD) FOR THE ~~FIRST YEARS~~ MEMBERSHIP.

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TO JOIN, COMPLETE THE INCLOSED APPLICATION AND BRING IT TO THE GRAND OPENING OF THIS OFFICE - OR MAIL IT IN THE ATTACHED ENVELOPE.

TO CONTRIBUTE MEMORABILIA, OLD PAPERS ETC. AND OR VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH THIS NOSTALGIC AND HISTORICAL ACTIVITY, CALL ALTHEA CUREMAN AT 975-1123 OR BRING ITEMS TO THE DANNY SWEETWOOD IN THE SUN CITY WEST FOUNDATION OFFICE

SUN CITIES HISTORICAL
SOCIETY'S DIRECTORS

ALTHEA CUREMAN

DICK GRAY

MORRIS STREET

AL DRISCOLL

MARTHA MOYER

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SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THIS IS A LIST OF PERSONS WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO AND OR IMPACTS UPON SUN CITY WEST -

- 1 - CHARLIE COULTER - GENERAL CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRST SUN CITY WEST SENIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT & FIRST GENERAL CHAIRMAN OF THE BRIARWOOD GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB.
- 2 - BOB WILLIAMS - VARIOUS
- 3 - JERRY & LOIS LEIGH - FOUNDERS OF THE LUMINARY PROGRAM
- 4 - BARBARA KNUDSEN - SUN CITY WEST WOMEN OF THE YEAR - 1987
- 5 - JOHN HOLMES - SUN CITY WEST MAN OF THE YEAR - 1987 .
- 6 - RED ALDRICK/ED FORGER (?) - FOUNDER OF THE WESTER
- 7 - JOE KELSO - FOUNDER OF THE SUN CITY WEST COMUNITY FUND
- 8 - VIC SIMPSON - FOUNDER OF THE SUN CITY WEST FIRE DISTRICT
- 9 - FOUNDER OF PORA
- 10 - STAN HUNGERFORD(?) - FOUNDER OF THE DEL WEBB MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
- 11 - JOHN MACIAK - FOUNDER OF THE SUN CITY WEST POSSE
- 12 - LLOYD KILMER - FOUNDER OF THE "AVENUE OF FLAGS"
- 13 - BOB WILLIAMS - FOUNDER OF MONA CARLO
- 14 - JOAN BARNETT - FOUNDER OF THE PRIDES
- 15 - BOB WILLIAMS (?) - FOUNDER OF LENDING HANDS
- 16 - BILL FREIDBOLIN - -FOUNDER OF THE VARIETY SHOW
- 17 - ANDY ALLEN - FOUNDER & FIRST COMMANDER VFW #10695
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TO MEMBERS OF THE SUN CITY WEST PIONEERS CLUB

WE REQUEST YOU^R HELP IN PREPARING A "HONOR ROLÉ" OF THOSE WHO HAVE MADE MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUB CITY WEST.

THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY PLANS TO IDENTIFY AND ACKNOWLEDGE EVERYONE WHO HAS MADE A ~~MAJOR~~ CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR COMMUNITY. WE ARE INITIATING THIS PROGRAM CONCURRENT WITH ESTABLISHING AN OFFICE OF THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN THE SUN CITY WEST COMMUNITY SERVICE BUILDING.

THIS OFFICE WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN ON OCTOBER 13, 1991 - TO MARK THE 13TH ANNIVERSARY OF SUN CITY WEST.

THIS OFFICE WILL BECOME A CENTRAL POINT FOR COLLECTING MEMORABILIA, PHOTOGRAPHS, DOCUMENTS ETC THAT CONSTITUTE THE HISTORY OF SUN CITY WEST. NOW IS THE TIME TO BEGIN BEFORE THIS MATERIAL IS DISCARDED. THIS WILL BECOME A RECORD OF THE HAPPY, AND STRESSFUL BEGINNING THAT YOU AND YOUR NEIGHBORS MADE IN THE SEVENTIES.

FURTHER, TO HELP CELEBRATE ESTABLISHING THIS OFFICE IN SUN CITY WEST WE INVITE THE MEMBERS OF THE SUN CITY WEST PIONEERS TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE SUN CITIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY AT A (SPECIAL) "CELEBRATION RATE" OF \$5 FOR THE FIRST YEARS MEMBERSHIP. *See single or \$7.50 family membership*

TO JOIN, COMPLETE THE INCLOSED APPLICATION AND MAIL IT IN THE ATTACHED ENVELOPE.

TO CONTRIBUTE MEMORABILIA, OLD PAPERS ETC. AND OR VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH THIS NOSTALGIC AND HISTORICAL ACTIVITY, CALL AL DRISCOLL AT 584-1234 OR BRING ITEMS TO THE SUN CITY WEST FOUNDATION OFFICE (DANNY SWEETWOOD).

Events keep heritage alive

By Daily News-Sun staff

SUN CITY — Arizonans will join the rest of the country in celebrating National Historic Preservation Week Sunday through Saturday.

The theme is "Keeping America's Heritage Alive." Many events are scheduled for today and Sunday.

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society, 10801 Oakmont Ave., will host an open house from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Exhibits include the historical record of Sun City West (not yet completed).

Refreshments will be served. Admission is free.

Information: 974-2568.

Other area events:

- Cave Creek — Opening of a restored tuberculosis cabin at 10 a.m. today in Cave Creek Museum.

Information: 488-3183.

- Phoenix — "Preservation Fair" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the Ellis-Shackleford House, 1242 N. Central Ave., including demonstrations, workshops and product information pertaining to historic homes. Bus transportation from the fair to the Encanto-Palmcroft Historic District Home Tour will be available.

Information: 255-4470.

- Phoenix — hands-on Victorian children's room from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. today in Pioneer Arizona Living History Museum.

Information: 993-0212.

- Phoenix — "Step Back in Time," living history tours in the Rosson House, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. today in Heritage Square.

Information: 262-5071.

- Phoenix — walking tour of historic architecture in down-

town Phoenix from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. today. Meet in Heritage Square, Van Buren and 7th Street.

Information: 262-5071.

- Phoenix — walking tours and bake sale in Encanto-Palmcroft Historic District from noon to 4 p.m. today.

Information: 252-3151.

- Phoenix — "Researching Your Historic Home," hands-on workshop from noon to 4 p.m. today in Ellis-Shackleford House. Information: 255-4470.

- Phoenix — walking tour of the Oakland Historic District, including tours of homes, at 10 a.m. Sunday, Arizona Museum, 1002 W. Van Buren St.

Information: 253-2734.

- Phoenix — guided and self-guided tours of historic city cemeteries from 8 a.m. to noon Sunday, Monday, and Friday and May 19 by reservation.

Information: 253-2734.

- Phoenix — "Afternoon in the Square," Rosson House restoration 10th anniversary celebration from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday in Heritage Square.

Information: 262-5071.

- Phoenix — "Victorian Mother's Day Tea Sampler," living history re-enactment from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday in Pioneer Arizona Living History Museum, 10 miles north of Phoenix in I-17.

Information: 993-0212.

- Phoenix — exhibit of National Historic Preservation Week photo contest winners on display Monday through Aug. 31 in State Capitol Museum.

Information: 542-4675.

SUN CITIES AREA



HISTORICAL SOCIETY

May 5, 1991

Dear Trustee:

Let's show our Pioneer friends that we believe their participation is an essential element in our endeavors. Please plan to come out and spend a couple of hours next week to make these old timers feel welcome.

Last board meeting till fall at ten o'clock on Thursday May 9. See you then.

Les M. Mydith



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

May 3, 1991

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Lucila Ruthen Ark

for Sun Cities Area Historical Society

All Addresses are Sun City 85351
except where indicated otherwise.

PIONEER REGISTRATION LIST

January 17, 1991

BAUM, (POLLY) RUTH	10612 OAKMONT DR	933-1503
BRADLEY, MABLE F	10802 W CHERRY HILLS	933-1726
BUTTS, SARAH R	12415 N 103RD AVENUE	933-2414
CONN, LOREA (RAE)	12402 PEBBLE BEACH	933-1849
DODT, JOHN W & INA M	10825 109TH AVENUE	933-1027
DROUGHT, EARL M & SADIE L	10901 GREER AVENUE	933-4883
FORD, EVELYN S	12045 HACIENDA DRIVE	933-2546
GRAHAM, LOUISE	11819 HILLCREST DR	933-1170
HEUER, BEULAH L	12021 RIVIERA COURT	933-4144
HIGGINBOTHAM, SAM J and GERALDINE	10317 BRIGHT ANGEL CIRCLE	933-3438
HORNACEK, A RUTH & STEVEN M	19821 WELK DR SUN CITY AZ	85373 972-5961, unlisted)
INWOOD, ELIZABETH K	18170 N 91ST AVE PEORIA	85382 977-2977
JARVIS, MIRIAM	12415 N 103RD AVENUE	974-9396
KAYS, V. ESTHER	12415 N 103RD AVE	933-1494
KNIEL, GLADYS M	SUNWOOD APT 1105 9415 N 99TH AVE PEORIA, AZ 85345	933-1154
LEE, EDNA	10526 CONNECTICUT AVE	933-2356
LOUVIER, JOSEPHINE M	11012 CANTERBURY DRIVE	933-5076
LUTZ, MRS GLADYS	10923 OAKMONT DRIVE	933-1264
MATHIS, LAURA	10015 ROYAL OAK RD 212	933-3150
McBARNES, SUSIE (ALICE)	11855 HACIENDA DRIVE	977-4408
MILLER, CARL & DORA	12260 AUGUSTA DRIVE	933-0894
PARRY, R. EVELYN	10729 CLAIR DRIVE	933-2698
SEARS, FLORENCE M	10219 AUDREY DR	933-1853
SELL, DOROTHY H	12415 N 103RD AVE D37	933-3005
SENN, KATHERINE L	11469 HACIENDA DR	933-2509
SMITH, ALEXANDER	15410 BOWLING GREEN DR	933-5227
STONE, VIRGINIA S	10203 COGGINS DR APT C	933-1949
SWANSON, GEORGE W & CHARLOTTE A	10322 EL RANCHO DR	933-2334
TOLDRIAN, MILDRED	13225 MAPLEWOOD DR SUN CITY WEST	85375 584-1346
UPTHEGROVE, MAY	11640 N 105TH AVENUE	933-8668
WOODCOCK, GAYLE LUTZ	12415 N 103RD AVE	933-3187
WOODLIEF, ARCHIE H & GRACE	11817 DESERT HILLS DR	933-1048

National Historic Preservation Week
May 12-18, 1991

All week long 1 to 3 PM

-- Open house - Special exhibits

-- Punch and cookies Rita Wright - Rae Mason - Reba Merydith

-- In attendance each day - Regular hostess - at least one board member -
Pioneers invited

Wednesday May 12 - 1 to 3 PM

-- Press invited Al Driscoll

-- Pioneer rally - Invitations Evelyn Parry

-- Program - Pioneer interviews
-Joe Keenan - Talk on "Words in History"

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President Les,

Just read your real fine
messages on desk, door, and
to Hostesses -

So can skip my 'publicity'
with thoughts of rewriting
invitation to Pioneers...

Sorry I missed you this
Monday 29th fore noon.

1/32
519
Lucy Parny
933-2698

Here I am again, Les, on Tuesday -
with two thoughts + questions
😊 OK or let me hear
Lucy

May 1, 1991

Members and Friends of SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY are observing National Historical Preservation Week, May 12-18, 1991 with Open House, 1 o'clock to 3 pm at Headquarters and Museum, 10801 Oakmont Avenue, Sun City, AZ

Hosts and hostesses will be Board Members and Pioneers at first model house built by Del Webb in Sun City 31 years ago, and now historical home for collections of Materials from beginning in 1960 being organized and displayed.

Interested Sun Cities area residents are welcome, and Sun City Pioneers are invited to attend each day

OFFICERS...

Membership available...

May 1, 1991

DEAR SUN CITY PIONEERS,

You are invited to attend OPEN HOUSE 1 to 3 pm. with members and friends of Sun Cities Area Historical Society observing National Historic Preservation Week, May 12-18, 1991.

Hosts and hostesses will be at the Headquarters and Museum, 10801 Oakmont Avenue, the first model house built by DEL WEBB CO. in Sun City, Arizona, 31 years ago. Special exhibits will be displayed and a program of interviews presented.

Mr. Joe Keenan will give talk on "Words in History" Wednesday, May 15, when Pioneers will rally.

Sun Cities Area
Historical Society
Evelyn Perry
Trustee Pioneer

7-28-90

Les -

Sure do like the new copier -
works great!

Information re the Webb original
sales office for Sun City

wood frame

10 1/2 feet square

height - about 10 feet

Building needs some fixing up - could
probably get Webb to do it

would have to be placed on a cement slab

What do you think about placing it
in back yard in the corner by
golf course + rec center parking lot -

Hopefully zoning would be a little
more lenient if it were next to
parking lot.

Jane -

has for
days in

11-6

678-0200



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

May 17, 1991

Ms. Martha J, Moyer
Del Webb Communities
13950 Meeker Blvd.
Sun City West, AZ 85375

Dear Martha:

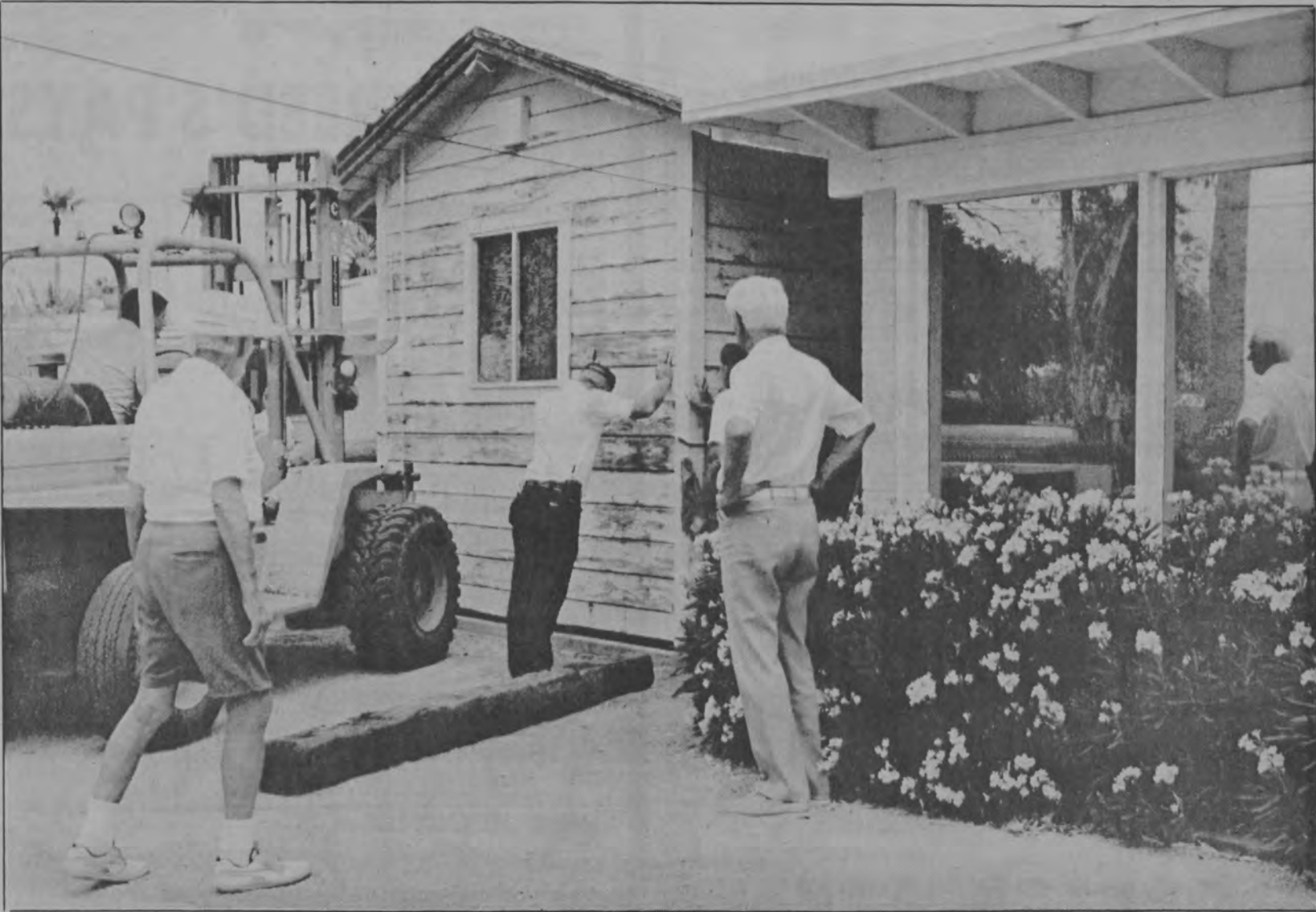
The announcement of Webb's gift of the first sales office building was poorly timed and should have been announced by you. I'm sure the building would not have been described as a "10 by 4-foot shed".

I was not my intention to announce the gift at the meeting last Wednesday, (which otherwise went very well). In introducing the trustees, I mentioned that Jay Woods was Chairman of our Properties Committee and that he was currently working with the Webb organization in preparation for the move of the first Sun City Sales Office to the Society's premises. This brought a burst of applause from the audience and of course Jackie picked it up and made a headline out of it.

Perhaps we can do better the next time around. Should we get a picture and a story when the building is being lifted into place or should we wait until everything is in apple pie order and ready for public viewing in the fall.

Cordially,

Les Merydith, President



AN ORIGINAL — A forklift operator draws attention as he sets the original Del Webb sales office onto a concrete slab next to one of Sun City's first model homes, which now houses the Sun City Historical Society. The building was moved to Coggins Avenue from Sun City West Tuesday and will be restored to its original state.

Daily News-Sun photo by Mollie J. Hoppes

6/12/91

July 24, 1991

Mr. Charles Roach, Executive Vice Preident
Del E. Webb Communities, Inc.
13950 Meeker Boulevard
Sun City West, Arizona 85375

Dear Chuck:

Del Webb's first sales office building in Sun City is now completely restored and in place on the Sun Cities Area Historical Society's property.

We want you to know that we are delighted with this addition and the job your people did. We are particularly appreciative of Martha Moyer's efforts in pushing the project along and the superb job that Bob Weedman and his crew did in restoring the building and putting it in place.

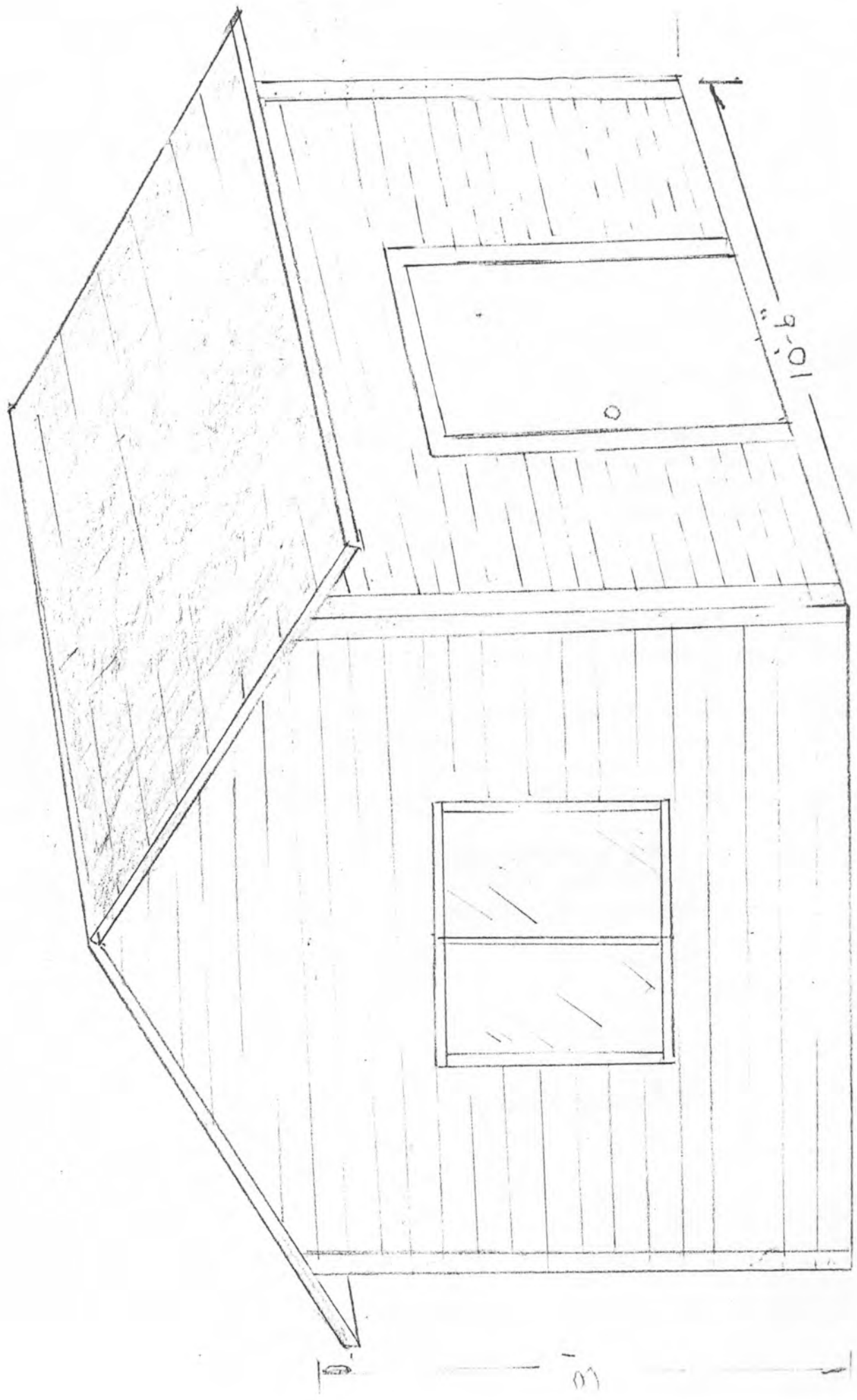
We plan to install displays and do some landscaping around the building in September and have tentatively set a date of Thursday, October 24 for a modest dedication ceremony. We hope you will be able to attend.

Cordially,

Les Merydith, President

Del Webb's Original Sun City Sales Office

- Frame Building with wood siding
- Window on each of three sides
- Interior Paneling
- Rough flooring





Daily News-Sun photo by Mollie J. Hoppes

CRUISE WINNER — Sun City resident Jane Freeman's name is pulled from a box by Jan Mittelstadt, left, Daily News-Sun assistant general manager. Freeman will receive a Holland-America cruise for her volunteer efforts with the Sun City Historical Society.



Holland America Line
Westours Inc.

June 11, 1991

Mr. Les Merydith, President
Sun Cities Area Historical Society
10801 Oakmont Drive
Sun City, AZ 85351

Dear Mr. Merydith:

On behalf of Holland America Line, allow me to offer our congratulations on the selection of James Freeman as this month's Sun Cities Volunteer of the Month. I'd like to take this opportunity to describe the procedures for claiming the cruise award that your organization will receive as a result of this selection.

The award provides an outside category cabin for two passengers on one of our 7-day Eastern or Western Caribbean cruises or on one of our 7-day Inside Passage Alaska cruises. All meals and on-board entertainment is included. Air transportation, port charges, on-board purchases and gratuities are not included in the award.

You may use the award at your discretion, either to recognize and reward an individual within your organization, or to raise funds for your organization through a raffle or some other means.

At such time as you determine the recipient of the cruise award, the enclosed letter and application should be given to that person to describe the procedures to be used to select the desired sailing.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this award. Once again, congratulations, and thank you for your participation in this program.

Sincerely,

Gary Tashjian
Director, Market Planning

cc: Ray Brown
GT/mc
gtsuncity

*Les - FYI -
Original at 20841
I have a copy - will
process -
Jane*

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HOLLAND AMERICA VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION PROGRAM

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Please submit each entry typed on your letterhead.

Send entries by the first of each month to the Volunteer Bureau, attention Alma Weatherly.

*Submit name NOW, therefore, by the
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Jose

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Holland America
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May 7, 1991



Holland America Line Westours Inc.

CONGRATULATIONS !!!!!

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE WINNER

 NAME OF WINNER TRAVELING COMPANION

 STREET ADDRESS

 CITY STATE COUNTRY ZIP CODE

 TELEPHONE NUMBERS: HOME BUSINESS

 DESIRED CRUISE DATE VESSEL

 SECOND CHOICE VESSEL

 THIRD CHOICE VESSEL

 THROUGH WHAT ORGANIZATION DID YOU ACQUIRE THIS CRUISE?

WHICH DINNER SEATING WOULD YOU PREFER? EARLY LATE

WOULD YOU PREFER..... SMOKING? NON-SMOKING?

WHICH TABLE SIZE WOULD YOU PREFER? 2 4 6

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

 Maria M. Cravens
 HOLLAND AMERICA LINE-WESTOURS, INC.
 300 Elliott Ave. West
 Seattle, WA 98119
 (206)298-3027

300 Elliott Ave. West
 Seattle, WA 98119
 206-281-3535
 Telex: 160564 HALW SEA
 FAX: 206-283-2687 or 206-281-7110



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

To: Holland America Volunteer Recognition Program
From: Sun Cities Area Historical Society

The Board of Trustees of the Historical Society on May 9 unanimously selected Jane Freeman, Chief Archivist of the Society as the organization's first candidate for a volunteer recognition award.

Jane was co-founder of the society in 1985 and was president or vice president throughout the first five years. Previous to the acquisition of the society's museum and headquarters building in 1989, Jane collected and stored in her home and elsewhere numerous items of historical significance. In the past year and a half she and one or two assistants have inventoried and catalogued most of these items along with additional items that have been acquired.

Two close associates of Jane report, "Jane spends almost all the hours she is awake in volunteer work which include: Member of Board of Directors of the Sun Health Foundation and fund raiser. Member of Board of Directors of Sun City Libraries and manager of book sales. Member of Board of Directors of Meals on Wheels and day chairman (distribution manager) for Sundays. Member Board of Directors of Sunshine Services. Consultant for the Flynn Foundation on scholarship and educational grants."

1. Estimated 40 hours a week for the Historical Society.
2. Estimated 60 hours a week in volunteer work including meetings, museum activities and telephoning and typing at home.
3. Acknowledging, cataloguing and preserving historical documents, books, periodicals, pictures, maps, brochures and memorabilia and maintaining communications with other historical entities and the public. Frequent speaking engagements.
4. Jane spends every Sunday coordinating the preparation and delivery of Meals on Wheels to the handicapped and needy.

Submitted by: Les Merydith, President

977-1723

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Objectives

The primary purpose of this project is to reward Sun Cities area community service agencies and those residents who have established a tradition of actively taking part in volunteer work. The reward is to be expressed tangibly through the donation of cruise trips and intangibly by public recognition of volunteers with attendant publicity.

Another aim is to benefit the sponsor through heightened public awareness of Holland America Line as the premier provider of luxury cruises.

Definitions and Eligibility

All categories tend to be arbitrary, and "the Sun Cities Area" is no exception. For the purposes of this project, the area coincides with the region designated by the Northwest Valley Chamber of Commerce as the "YESSS" communities. These are Youngtown, El Mirage, Surprise, Sun City and Sun City West, Arizona.

Within this area there are, according to records maintained by the Volunteer Bureau of the Sun Cities Area, approximately 60 organizations qualified as tax exempt or non-profit.

These agencies are funded by public contributions and depend significantly on volunteers from the community to carry out their various missions.

Agencies within the Sun Cities area meeting these qualifications are eligible to participate in this project. (However, owing to its role in the selection of winners, the Volunteer Bureau is not eligible.)

How the Programs Work

(The following procedures rely to a great extent on inputs received from a cross section of community agency representatives during a meeting held on April 16, 1991.)

Volunteer of the Month

Using whatever criteria they choose, the board of directors of eligible agencies select an outstanding volunteer each month. By the 15th of each month the agency submits the volunteer's name, along with a summary of the person's achievements, to the main office of the Volunteer Bureau.

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May 7, 1991

CONGRATULATIONS

It is with pleasure that HOLLAND AMERICA LINE - WESTOURS awards you with a one (1) 7-day round trip Eastern or Western Caribbean Cruise or, Inside Passage Alaska Cruise for two aboard the luxurious ms Nieuw Amsterdam, ms Noordam, ms Westerdam or ss Rotterdam.

HOLLAND AMERICA LINE has built a reputation around quality and service, two of the most important aspects of luxury cruises. We take special pride in presenting our passengers with the finest continental cuisine, professional entertainment and service by our attentive Indonesian crew. Our cruises have pleased the most discriminating travelers.

This cruise will be available for one of your three choices of sailing dates, subject to availability. This cruise award does not include air, or air/sea programs, is not transferable, and must be taken by December 31, 1992.

To make arrangements for your HOLLAND AMERICA LINE cruise, please complete the enclosed form noting 1st, 2nd, 3rd choice dates in chronological order and forward it to:

MARIA CRAVENS
HOLLAND AMERICA LINE - WESTOURS INC.
300 Elliott Ave. West
Seattle, WA 98119
(206)298-3027

We look forward to serving you aboard one of our ships.

RAE MASON

is hereby nominated for the

Sun Cities
Volunteer of the Month

*in recognition of outstanding
volunteer efforts on behalf of*

SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Presented this day, JUNE 24, 1991

Roy Brown

President, Volunteer Bureau
of the Sun Cities Area

Sponsored by



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SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

To: Holland America Volunteer Recognition Program
From: Sun Cities Area Historical Society

The Society has chosen Rae Mason as second candidate for a volunteer recognition award.

As Hospitality Chairman, Rae recruited, inspired and trained 19 hostesses and hosts to greet and guide visitors to the Society's museum and headquarters. The Society's building was acquired in 1989 and is open to the public seven days a week from 1 to 3 PM plus special events from time to time. Rae has handled the day to day scheduling, and acted as hostess and provided the refreshments for several "teas" when the hosts and hostesses met with the officers and trustees for communication and training. In addition to her volunteer work, Rae does accounting for two dentists in the mornings, secretarial work for an individual and works for a travel agency in afternoons.

1. Rae devotes an estimated 10 hours a month to the Society's activities but her leadership is more important than the time she spends on the telephone and the typewriter.
2. All together, Rae's volunteer activities total an estimated 50 hours a month.
3. The nature of Rae's volunteer activities for the Society is described above.
4. Rae served on the board of the Volunteer Bureau several years ago. She is active in the Altrusa Club which does community service work such as raising money and assisting the library of the Dysart Civic Center. Under the auspices of Interfaith Services, she currently helps 5 handicapped people with their accounting problems such as checking accounts and medical claims. She is a volunteer in American Lutheran Church activities.

Submitted by: Maurice J. Street, Chairman
Awards Committee

584-0323



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

July 15, 1991

To: Holland America Volunteer Recognition Program
From: Sun Cities Area Historical Society

The Society has chosen Rita Wright as its third candidate for its volunteer recognition award.

As Secretary of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society since its inception, Rita Wright has been very active in historical activities since 1984, coordinating its special projects and programs as well as carefully preparing and distributing the minutes of the meetings of the SCAHS Board of Directors..

1. Rita devotes an estimated fifteen (15) hours per month to the Society's activities as well as important leadership and guidance to new members of the Board of Directors.
2. She volunteers regularly at the Sun City Information and Referral Service.
3. The nature of Rita's volunteer activities for the Society is generally described above. However, she also served as Co-editor of the JUBILEE, a 25 year history of Sun City.
4. She is an active Quester member and president of one of the Sun City chapters.
5. All together, Rita's volunteer activities total an estimated 50 hours per month.

Submitted by: Maurice J. Street, Chairman 584-0323
Awards Committee

September 8, 1991

Dear Dick:

All my life I have had a micro-management problem, In an attempt to attain what in my view is perfection, I too often create a controversial situation over a gnat-sized issue. My butt-in performance at the recent Wester Committee meeting is a most recent example.

Dick, you have proved to be the most capable trustee we have had on the board. Every assignment you have accepted has been handled on time and in perfect order. You think straight, you write beatifully and you talk clearly and succinctly. In my opinion there is not a trustee more capable of leading the Sun Cities Area Historical Society than Dick Gray. To realize that I have blundered into losing you from the board distresses me tremendously.

I realize now that in my clumsy effort to micro-manage the opening statement in the communication under discussion, that I created the impression that I was opposed to your plan to recognize the founders of organizations that are now part of the day-to-day life in both communities. Believe me, Dick, I believed then and I believe now that identifying and recognizing community leaders has to be one of the primary objectives of the Society and you are dead right in insisting that the concept be clearly stated and kept in mind by the trustees. the membership and the public in both communities.

With your permission, Dick, I would like to return your letter of resignation from the Board of Trustees of the Sun Cities Historical Society and keep this exchange of correspondence strictly confidential. The Society needs your wise counsel in the years ahead. If you find it necessary to limit your participation in the coming months, don't worry about it. You are one of those community leaders we are talking about and we want to keep you close to us.

I am sorry to learn of the tragic situation in your family and will keep it confidential.

Sincerely,

PS: The "Sun City, Arizona - GENERAL PLAN" is a very significant historical document. I've never heard anyone mention that the Webb Corporation originally planned a "working community" north of Grand Ave.



Tom Tingle / Staff photographer
Les Merydith and Jane Freeman, officers of the Sun City Area Historical Society, look over old newspapers at the society's building, 10801 W. Oakmont Drive.

Sun Cities items sought by society

By Lori Baker
Staff writer

SUN CITIES — Sun City West is only 13 years old but memorabilia is already being collected to preserve the community's history.

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society plans to open a satellite office in Sun City West by mid-October for residents to drop off photos, maps, newspaper articles and other records of Sun City West. The office is in the Sun City West Community Services Building, R.H. Johnson and Stardust boulevards.

"We want to start collecting memorabilia for Sun City West now before things get discolored and deteriorated," said Al Driscoll, who has been on the historical society's board for four years.

An appeal has been made to pioneers of Sun City West to become members of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society. The historical society's board was expanded this year to include five members from Sun City West, Driscoll said.

"We will have displays from time to time, but primarily it will be a collection site for pictures, old activity calendars, newspaper clippings, and other memorabilia of Sun City West," Driscoll said.

Volunteers are being sought for the new Sun City West office as well as the museum in Sun City that is reopening Sunday after the summer hiatus.

The historical society will resume its operating hours of 1 to 3 p.m. seven days a week. The museum is in Sun City's first model home, 10801 W. Oakmont Drive.

People interested in volunteer-

ing can call Jane Freeman, the museum's chief archivist at 974-2568. Freeman is the co-author of "Jubilee: The 25th Anniversary of Sun City, Arizona," which chronicles the history of Sun City through 1985.

Visitors to the Sun City museum may view one of the promotional films from 1960, when the sale of homes in Sun City first began.

Thirty-one trophies for the Sun Cities Saints ball team are on display as well as T-shirts and other Saints memorabilia.

Soon to be available is a file with copies of newspaper and magazine articles about the Sun Cities. Original articles are being copied on acid-free paper and filed by subject alphabetically.

Among the topics are the grape festival, churches, ambassadors, recreation centers, school tax and the posse.

Scrapbooks from Sun Cities clubs also are available. Also, phone books from every year since Sun City was started in 1960 are stocked in the museum.

The house that is being used as a museum was built in 1959 by Del E. Webb Development Corp. and originally sold for \$8,500. The historical society bought it 40 years later for \$44,000 and spent \$16,000 renovating it, using donations from the James G. Boswell Foundation, Webb Foundation and Del Webb Corp.

On Jan. 1, 1960, when Sun City's model home opened, 237 homes were sold the first day. Cars were lined up for miles to gain entrance to the new retirement community. More than 100,000 people visited during the first three days, Freeman said.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY 1991 ANNUAL MEETING
PALMBROOK - NOV. 14, 1991

GOOD AFTERNOON. Welcome to the sixth annual meeting of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.

It is one of the requirements of Arizona law that non-profit corporations like our society hold an annual meeting, elect its governing body and submit a financial report to the Arizona Corporation Commission and the Internal Revenue Service.

Kay
Trimble

So we are going to take a few minutes to introduce the people who manage the corporate affairs of the Society, and get our corporate chores out of the way and then relax and enjoy the program that Jane Freeman has arranged for us.

Ruth
Byrne

Glenn
Sanberg

I'll start by introducing Jane Freeman who was co-founder of the Society back in 1985. Jane served as president for several years and is currently Chairman of the Archives Committee. We will hear from Jane later.

Rita
Wright

Jane
Freeman

Applause

I am going to ask the trustees who are with us today to stand and remain standing until all have been introduced.

I'll start with Glenn Sanberg who is trustee, co-founder and served as president for several years.

Al Driscoll

The other trustees here today are: Les Merydith, President (that's me), Vice President Emil Fischer, Secretary Rita Wright, Neal Bultman, Althea Curfman, Jim Hawks, Joe Keenan, Julia Manspeaker, Martha Moyer, and Jay Woods.

and Judge Maurice Street

Applause

The first order of business is to hear the Secretary's Report by Rita Wright.

In case you are wondering who these two charming ladies are next to me I would like you to think that they are my

daughter
& grand
daughter.

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Sun City, Az. 85351

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SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

November 9, 1991

Dear

The invitations to the Annual Meeting and Luncheon at Palm Brook Country Club were mailed to 316 members and friends of the Society last week.

Because this is a luncheon meeting it is necessary that we have a firm count on the number of reservations to make at the club. This means that we will have to make some 200 phone calls to confirm the reservations that may or may not have been phoned or mailed in.

Attached is a list of ten members that we need your help in calling.

It is not necessary that you identify yourself. Just say you are calling to confirm the number of members and guests that will be attending. The luncheons are \$10 each payable at the door.

We suggest these ten calls be made as soon as possible because the meeting is coming up this Thursday the 14th at 12 noon.

Jane says the speaker has prepared an excellent program entitled, "The Village of Marinette", which together with the club's superior facilities and cuisine should make this annual meeting outstanding.

Please call me not later than Tuesday evening with the reservation count on the attached list. Phone 977-5367.

Sincerely,

Julia Manspeaker, Membership Chair

Dick & Garry will come

OSTERBERG NA	GUSTAVE E. MA	B. GWENDOLYN	974-8279	FAMILY	P91	
OTTER	FLORENCE W.		974-6233	LIFE	PAID	<i>will come</i>
PARKER	CHARLOTTE		977-8194	INDIVIDUAL	P91	<i>will come</i>
PARRY	R. EVELYN		933-2698	LIFE	PAID	<i>will come</i>
PATTON	MINER	CONSTANCE	972-1937	FAMILY	P 91	
PERLMAN	HERSCHEL L.	CHARLOTTE M.	974-6503	FAMILY	P90	
PETERSON	LE MAE		933-9757	LIFE	PAID	
POERTNER	CLINTON H.	MABEL B.	933-3428	LIFE	PAID	
POTRATZ	VIVIAN M.		972-8925	INDIVIDUAL	P91	
PROUTY	EDWARD M.		977-7497	INDIVIDUAL	P91-2	
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MANSPEAKER	C. FRANK	JULIA A.	977-5367	INDIVIDUAL	P91
MARTSONEN	JOHN P.	JANE L.	933-2568	SUPPORTING	P91
MARTIN	EDWIN L.	DOROTHY B.	584-7819	FAMILY	P91
MASON	RAE		933-6970	SUPPORTING	P91
MATEER	BRUCE D.	ANN T.	584-1702	LIFE	PAID
MATHIAS	HELEN	NA	933-8017	INDIVIDUAL	P91
MATHIS	LAURA	NA	933-3150	LIFE	PAID
McBARNES	SUSIE	NA	977-4408	INDIVIDUAL	P91
McCREARY	RONALD C.	ALBERTA A.	974-0868	LIFE	PAID
MCGREGOR	DONALD W.	AUDREY	854-0509		089
McWILLIAMS	J. MARSHALL	MARGUERITE	977-9753	INDIVIDUAL	P90

Will check with wife - call to me

Yes, 7

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Are there any additions or corrections to the secretary's report as read. If not, do I hear a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as read? You have heard the motion. All in favor say "Aye". Contrary "Nay".

We will next hear the Treasurer's Report. Unfortunately Al Thompson, our treasurer couldn't be with us today because of the serious illness of Mrs. Thompson. Glenn Sanberg will give the Treasurer's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

You have heard the Treasurer's Report. Are there any additions or corrections to the report as read? If not, do I hear a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read? You have heard the motion. All in favor say "Aye". Contrary "Nay".

Our next order of business is to elect five trustees to fill vacancies on the board for the calendar year 1992. Rita Wright will now give us the report of the Nominating Committee.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT

1 year term - Jay Woods

3 year terms - Neil Bultman
Al Driscoll
Sanford Goldstein
Rose Larsen

You have heard the Nominating Committee Report . Are there

any additional nominations from the floor? (Pause) If not, do I hear a motion that the nominations be closed.

There are five vacancies and five nominees. Do I hear a motion to elect the nominees as trustees for the terms specified? You have heard the motion. All in favor say "Aye". Contrary "Nay".

Unfortunately the action we have just taken means that we are going to lose several loyal, hardworking trustees next year who have declined to serve another term as trustees. However each of them have assured us that they will continue as loyal members and volunteer for special assignments as the needs arise.

The retiring trustees are: Trustee Joe Keenan- who initiated an oral history project last year and gave an interesting talk at an open house not too long ago. Joe never fails to show up when there is work to do. Stand up, Joe! We'll still be calling on you.

Al Thompson, Treasurer, has done more than just keep the books and pay the bills. With his versatile computer, Al churns out financial statements, membership rosters and mailing labels on short notice as the occasion demands. The new Board we just elected will be choosing new officers in December for the calendar year 1992 and Al promises to stay on the job until the new treasurer is installed and operating smoothly.

OCT. 16, 1991

Les -

In a little less than 4 weeks
we have our annual meeting
program at Palmbrook Country
Club - luncheon \$10.⁰⁰

What has been done about

- ① sending out notices?
- ② a. include ticket sale info -
- ② printing tickets
 - a. Should we have # of don prizes?
 - b. mail 5 to ea director to
sell or buy
- ③ who is making arrangements
 - a. new member table sign up.
 - b. Book sales
 - c. any display?
- ④ which Bd members will be
there to act as host / hostess to
meet people?
- ⑤ will program be taped?
- ⑥ any special guests (we pay)?
- ⑦ who is to call nominating com
together? Is Rita back?

Jane

Rita Wright has been Secretary of the Society almost since the Civil War but she still retains her youthful bounce. Her files and her memory are legendary. Fortunately her talents and experience will still be available to the Society. Rita plans to join Jane Freeman's Archives team, so hopefully we will be seeing Rita even more frequently than we have in the past.

I should also mention the board's loss of Dick Gray who chaired the Finance and Budget Committee and played a key role in the establishment of the Society's Satellite Office in the Community Services Building in Sun City West.

And now while we are on the subject of work well done, I think this is the time to recognize two special guests that we have with us today. You heard Glenn Sanberg mention in the treasurer's report that the Society's income exceeded outgo by several thousand dollars during the past year.

Well here's how this favorable book balance came about.

We had been talking for a year and a half about restoring the kitchen and dining area in the old house to its original layout. We anticipated that it would cost four or five thousand dollars. So as usual, Jane Freeman came up with an anonymous friend who put up the \$5000. With only a picture to work with and obsolete materials to match, it would have been difficult for the average contractor to even estimate the job, let alone do the work.

Fortunately for us, there is a man in town named Wally Britton who worked on those first model homes and was construction superintendent for Del Webb in those early days. Two years ago, when we bought Del Webb's first model home, Wally Britton planned the extensive restoration required and got the

job done for us at a fraction of the normal cost.

Last summer Wally repeated this process on the kitchen restoration project. Not only did Wally plan the restoration and locate the materials, he did most of the work himself, working overtime including Saturdays and Sundays.

So that book-keeping surplus that looks so good on the treasurer's report was created by Jane and her generous friend plus the talents and labor of Wally Britton and his partner in business Peggy Britton. Wally and Peggy are proprietors of Denny's Decorating Services in Youngtown. They are honorary life members of the Society. Stand up and take a bow, Wally and Peggy.

It is now time to turn the program over to Jane Freeman who will introduce the speaker on today's program.



Historical Society officers

The Sun City Historical Society has elected new officers. From left, back, Les Merydith, president; Al Thompson, treasurer. From left, front, Emil Fischer, vice president; Rita Wright, secretary.

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY — The officers of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society are, from left, Les Merydith, president; Emil Fischer, vice-president; Rita Wright, secretary and Al Thompson, treasurer. The group meets at 10 a.m. the second Thursday of each month at 10801 Oakmont Drive. The Headquarters is open 1 to 3 p.m. Mondays through Sundays.



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

February 22, 1991

Dear loyal member:

This is a reminder that it is time to renew your membership in the Society for the year 1991. Your interest and contributions to the Society in the past are greatly appreciated and we hope you will continue your valuable support.

As you know we do not conduct a cities-wide campaign as many organizations do. We depend on persons like yourself who have an interest in collecting and preserving and displaying materials relating to Sun City and Sun City West. We too are helping to keep alive the spirit of the two Sun Cities. Your renewal will help us in our endeavors.

Please return the enclosed card at your earliest convenience. We do thank you for your contribution.

Our headquarters are open to the public 7 days a week from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Please stop in and visit with us.

Sincerely,

Les Merydith, president

The beginning of a new year is a good time for a person or an organization to do a little self analysis - to sit back and take a look at where you have been, where you are now, and where you plan to be in the years to come.

With your permission, I am going to take a few minutes to give you my version of a State of the Union message for the Sun City Area Historical Society.

For the first 25 years of Sun City's existence we didn't have a historical society.

Six years ago, thanks primarily to the foresight, talents, and energies of Jane Freeman and Glenn Sanberg the Sun City Historical Society was organized.

Historical items began to accumulate and monthly board meetings and semiannual public meetings were held. We had very limited funds, no storage area, no meeting room, no street address or telephone number.

For the first three or four years, a procession of talented, public spirited individuals joined the board, attended a few meetings, got bored and moved on to other activities where there was more action.

In January, three years ago, it became evident to everyone that the Society would never be able to preserve the historical record of Sun City without a home of its own.

The board authorized search, finance and building committees and the following January we dedicated our present headquarters.

It has taken us two years to organize our operations. There has been some confusion and some differences of opinion on responsibilities but a modus operandi has evolved. With only one or two exceptions, we haven't lost any of our more talented and dedicated workers. And I am delighted to report that my job as president has changed from a full time job to a routine that takes only a few hours a month.

I no longer have to sweep up the dead crickets, service the

copy machine, make the name tags and relay the phone messages, Those emergency calls I was getting almost daily are now being handled routinely by our archivist, our office manager, our treasurer, our secretary, our properties chairman, our membership chairman and our publicity chairman.

As an example of how things are working, Al Thompson reminded me that we should get out a mailing to our members requesting that they renew their memberships for the 1992 calendar year. I met with our membership chair, Julia Manspeaker for twenty minutes a few days ago. Al Thompson got out the mailing labels and Julia is taking the mailing to the post office later today.

Another instance. I had received no complaints about the disreputable looking light fixture beside the front door. To replace it with a brand new fixture would not be appropriate. With no action taken by the board or the president, the Society now has a beautifully restored 1960 model light fixture beside the front door ready for your inspection. Jay says he will hold up the extensive labor charge on the restoration until next month so we can include it in next years budget.

Now let's take a look at where we go from here.

We really have undertaken two basic assignments. One, - to preserve the history of 31 year old Sun City with its static population which is approaching the point where the number newly retired new residents just balances the eighty and ninety year olds who are dying off. *MOVING IN*

In Sun City many of the actors and participants in the early days are already gone. We have a lot of catching up to do. Collecting, cataloging and storing plus oral histories and public meetings and displays are our major assignments.

The second assignment is to preserve the history of 11 year old Sun City West with its rapidly growing population of younger and more dynamic sixty and seventy year olds. In Sun City West the emphasis is more on the present and the future.

The four or five Sun City Westers who have been on our board in the last couple of years have not only brought energy and talent to help the society do its job in Sun City, they have moved rapidly toward getting organized to do the job that lies ahead in Sun City West. They have already have an address and telephone number and have plans for a full fledged headquarters in the not too distant future.

It has been my opinion for some time that sooner or later, Sun City West's historical records should be located in Sun City West. I don't believe a branch office office or satellite operation with a desk and telephone will do the job that lies ahead in Sun City West.

So I suggest that we take a half hour or so to discuss the job that lies ahead before we proceed with job of choosing the officers that will lead us in the year 1992.



Community Memorabilia and memories of the Sun City Saints are all that remain for Les Merydith (left), Historical Society president; Alice Messick, booster; and Jack Falerni, stadium groundskeeper.



James Garcia / Staff photographer

Marching out

Sounds of Saints softball team are only memories at stadium

By Julia Jones
Staff writer

The grass is sprouting in the dirt along the base line in Sun City Stadium at 111th and Grand avenues.

No one runs the bases anymore. Jack Falerni, groundskeeper, goes occasionally to check on the property and equipment, but he doesn't turn on the sprinklers to water the field.

No one is there to care if it's green. A couple of weeks ago, he helped Alice

Messick move 27 trophies, won by the 1979 world champion Sun City Saints, a womens' fast-pitch softball team, from showcases in the deserted stadium to the Sun City Historical Society headquarters on Oakmont Drive.

The home team's trophies are big, glittering masterpieces of brightly colored metal and polished wood, tributes to an excess of design with fluted columns, spheres and plaques in abundance. Most have a tiny batter poised, forever ready to knock one out of the park.

They mark the Saints' glory days,

between 1966 and 1984.

But after 18 seasons in the sun, the Saints were called out on a squeeze play: they lost to the money men.

"We have the trophies on display now, but there are too many for us to keep out all the time," said Les Merydith, Historical Society president. "They take up our whole meeting room."

Messick was president of the Saints booster club earlier this year when the team took another swing at a comeback, and missed.

But the game is over, Messick said; this

time, it's for good.

Messick, 81, and Falerni, 77, were more than fans.

Since Messick came back home to the Valley with her husband in 1971, she had been a part of the Saints, body and soul. The Saints were playing in a dirt field along Grand Avenue then, where a family restaurant now stands. They were making their own posters announcing their schedule, persuading area merchants to display them.

The team needed help with that, so See **TROPHY**, Page 6

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that's what the Messicks did, she said. They had always been active volunteers, working for 40 years with the March of Dimes, for instance, and she had chaired Wyoming's 75th anniversary celebration of statehood.

And from then on, they helped the Saints whenever and whenever help was needed.

"We were just there to help expedite anything the girls did," she said, "any fund-raising, selling ads for the program or scorecard or whatever. It was really a pleasure for us. We were with them before there was a booster club.

"We probably averaged 1,000 or 1,200 fans in the stands in those days," Messick said. "These other teams would come in with their boosters, maybe 40 people, and I think it kind of scared them to see all these people in that pretty stadium. And then this year, we had 900 people there, and I thought that was pretty good, since a lot of our old-timers had passed away."

Falerni has his own set of memories.

"I took care of the place when the (Milwaukee) Brewers were there for spring training, too," Falerni said. The San Francisco Giants played there briefly, as did a legion of other teams, including Arizona State University and Grand Canyon University, and some Pop Warner boys.

The ballpark, built on 12.5 acres by the Del Webb company, opened July 4, 1971. Building permits still posted show the cost as \$300,000. It was the third field Webb had built in its Sun City development, and by far the most elaborate.

Falerni, who started out as a hooper in the Catskills and New York City's burlesque houses, learned pick-and-shovel work in his dad's construction business.

"I'm just the guy out there (at the Sun City Stadium) with the mower now," he said.

And the Saints are just part of Sun City history, Messick said.

Messick's eyes moved over the assembled trophies again to one she bought, the first big trophy commemorating the Del Webb Memorial Day Tournament, back in 1978, as a memorial to her husband, who died that year.

Another one, she pointed out, was when the girls won the state championship, and one marked a trip to Australia.

A Japanese team came over here to play, she said. Then the Saints went to the Netherlands and Canada, down to Rhodesia. And everywhere they went, they held classes, to spread the word about their sport.

The team, most recently coached by Gerald Stapley of Mesa, never finished below fourth in the Amateur Softball Association National Tournament for eight straight years.

But in the mid-'80s, the property changed hands twice, and stadium rent soared to \$6,000. Now, the stadium is for sale, through the federal government's real estate office, Merydith said. The asking price for the property, in the Agua Fria River floodplain, is \$1.8 million.

The Saints tried a comeback last year, Messick said, at about the same time the Sun City Rays, a senior league ball club, got rolling, but it seemed both clubs struck out.

Messick is not optimistic about another revival. It isn't just the rent, she said. There also is a matter of upkeep.

"People don't realize it costs about \$25,000 a year to maintain that field," Falerni said. Watering alone would cost about \$1,000 a month.

Some of the trophies will be on display at the Historical Society, Merydith said. They would like to loan others to Sun City agencies and firms with display space, so people won't forget.

OUR NEXT PRESIDENT

We are about to choose a president to lead us through the calendar year of 1991.

We need a good one because our society has not yet determined where we want to go and how we are going to get there. We haven't settled into a routine yet so we can't afford the luxury of a figurehead or do nothing president.

So we need a leader who knows our capabilities and shortcomings - who knows where the society came from and what worked and what didn't work in the past.

We are looking for a person who we all respect and admire - one who has accepted responsibility and performed admirably

I consider the Sun Cities Area Historical Society a prestigious organization and I felt highly honored to serve as its president for the past year.

I feel this honor should not be passed around lightly. It should go to one who is not only capable but one who deserves a fitting reward for services rendered throughout the entire life of the organization.

Rita, it is my pleasure to inform you that this board is almost unanimous in its desire to have you serve as president of the Society for the coming year providing you are willing to do so. We need one more vote to make it unanimous. Rita, will you vote yes and make it unanimous?

2 Maryjane
January 9, 1992

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: JANE FREEMAN

CURRENT DISPLAYS

These remain fairly constant as most of our visitros are "new" and they are primarily interested in the early days. From time to time I would like to have "featured" displays on a short term basis, e.g. Sun City Saints, Puppet Club, Pom Poms, etc..

BOOKS

duplicate copies of every published telephone directory can be found in the front "bedroom." The second set of directories are not out on display but kept back for security. They do disappear.

Books pertaining to Sun City and those published by Sun City authors are also found in the same room. Books may NOT be checked out.

OBITUARIES

These files are located in the same room as books and cover the following dates: 1975,76,77 are complete; we received these from the Geneological Society. We ~~split~~ the files in 1988 and are missing the following date: January through July; Sept. 5,6; November 1,5,7,8,24,31, and December 2,3,6,7,12,15,21,24,26,27,28,29,30, For the year 1989 we are missing Januaty 1,2,10,12,20,24,30; February 6,7,14,22,28 and complete for the balance of the year. Years 1990 and 1991 are complete thanks to the dedicated efforts of Neil Bultman for clipping and Edna Ploeser for filing. Eventually it would be nice to have a complete ~~from~~ 1960, but there are other items that take precedence at this time. *Set from*

PUBLICATIONS

We have bound copies of HERE magazine (an early SC publication) and Sun Cities LIFE magazine now being published. We are gathering back issues of the WEBB SPINNER, DEL WEBB NEWSLETTERS AND REC CENTER NEWSLETTER AND eventually these will be bound...we do not as yet have complete sets.

VERTICAL FILES

The top two drawers of the file located next to Del Webb's picture in the conference ^{room} contain the vertical file information. These are made up of copies of newspaper items, and other sources of information, that have been transferred to acid free paper (on in acid free folders). The file is organized in subject headings and the information in each folder filed chronologically, except personalities which are filed alphabetically. These folders are available for use here in the building by volunteers. Persons desiring copies of information may have them (see attached procedur

PAMPHLET FILE

A sister to the vertical file is the pamphlet file... materials, which by nature of their design, cannot be copied. This too will be organized according to subject heading. Agnes is just beginning to work on this.

PHOTOGRAPHS

A tremendous job awaits us...Jane has started to work on sorting, organizing and cataloging. The photos will be copied and placed in notebooks for "public" use. The actual photos will not be made available for public use but preserved in the files.

SLIDES

We literally have hundred of slides which need to be reviewed and sorted as to whether we want them or not, and then decide how to organize and preserve them. Any volunteers?

OVER

FILMS

We have three of the early Sun City films transferred to VCR. Other VCR's have been given us by the Webb company, These have have yet to be catalogued.

CASSETTES

These are records of our various speakers, interviews and the beginning of the oral history project. These have not been catalogued or transcribed. A BIG job.

MODEL HOME INFORMATION

Rita Wright is undertaking this area and has started to pull together information as to models, advertising, sales promo material, etc, and will do it by years. Another big job.

NEWSPAPERS

SUN CITY INDEPENDENT WE have 1987-88-89-90-91

THE WESTER (SCW) we have 1988-89-90-91

They are filed in acid free boxes away from the light. Boxes are clearly marked and on the metal shelves in the workroom.

Also filed are miscellaneous copies such as anniversary issues.

Advertising tear sheets used by DEVCO are in the black binders located next to the newspapers. We also have a complete set of Editorials written by Doug Morris when he was editor of the SC Independent. We should have a set of Glenn Sanberg's columns (hopefully he can provide us with these???)

EPHEMERAL MATERIAL

This consists of post cards, Christmas cards, key rings, ash trays, street maps, T-shirts, Saints and Pom Pom uniforms, softball bats, fans, trophies, etc. These too need to be catalogued and properly stored .

PROFESSIONAL LIBRARY

We have developed a fairly comprehensive professional library to help us in our work. Some of the information may be of interest to Board members, such as: RECRUITING MEMBERS; WORKING WITH THE PRESS, INSURING AGAINST LOSS, NON-PROFIT ACCOUNTING, SECURING GRANT SUPPORT, THE ROLE OF THE TRUSTEES, ESTABLISHING A VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, TRAINING FOR DOCENTS, AN INSURANCE PRIMER, ORAL HISTORY. These may be checked out by trustees ...please see Jane or leave a note so she can get such to you

By the end of January, early February we hope to have a working TV/VCR player in the living room which can be used by the volunteers and can be used to show some of the VCR's when people come in.

Any Trustee desiring a "tour" and/or more specific information all you need to do is ask!!!! We'd love it.

Jane and Agnes

Jane *Agnes*

SUN CITY WESTERS:

When convenient, I would like to meet with you to discuss projects, etc. which you can do from the satellite office...that is if you are interested.

Jane

January 6, 1992

VOLUNTEERS.....

If you would like something to do.....

These folders are from the VERTICAL FILE And the contents need to be put in chronological order with the earliest date in the front of the folder and the latest date at the end. The only EXCEPTION are the PERSONALITY folders... these should be filed alphabetically by last name.

So the next volunteer will know where to start, place the red clip on the folder where one should start.

Some copies will not have a date. In reading the copy if you can "approximate" the date, place it among that year; if you cannot put a date on it, put copy in the very front of folder.

Thank you for helping.

These folders are kept in the file drawer in the workroom (next to Del Webb picture) and drawers are marked vertical file. These folders are there for your use if you want/need to check any information. The only thing we ask is that you keep them in order. Copies should not be removed and given to anyone. If someone wants a copy please get their name and address and there is a charge of 10¢ per copy sheet plus 29¢ postage. Please put request in small box marked REQUEST FOR COPIES. I will follow through.

Again, thanks for your help.

Jane Freedman



REQUEST FOR COPIES

REQUESTED BY _____

ADDRESS _____

ZIP _____

FROM FOLDER MARKED _____

TITLE _____ DATE _____

NUMBER COPIES _____ @10¢ EACH = \$ _____

POSTAGE 29¢ (if several copies double) \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID \$ _____

ORDER TAKEN BY _____ DATE _____

ORDER MAILED _____ BY _____

VERTICAL FILE HEADINGS

BIOGRAPHY/INTERVIEWS

BUSINESS/SHOPPING CENTERS

Banking

Real Estate

Retirement

CEMETARY/Funeral Homes

CHURCH/RELIGION

CIVIC ASS'N: HOA, TAXPAYERS, PORA - Ambassadors

CLUBS-PRIVATE: COUNTRY CLUBS, LAKES CLUB

* COMMUNITY SERVICE: PRIDES, VISITORS CENTER, POM POMS sunshine Service

DEL WEBB -THE MAN

DEL WEBB CORP - DEVCO

DEMOGRAPHICS: AGE, INCOME, LIVING STANDARD

EDUCATION: RIO SALADO COMMUNITY COLLEGE: ASU - public schools

~~ENVIRONMENT-CONSERVATION~~
FINE ARTS: MUSEUM, SYMPHONY, FINE ARTS SOC, CHORAL GROUPS, DRAMA,

DANCE, MUSIC GROUPS, SUNDOME

GOVERNMENT: INCORPORATION, TAXES, POST OFFICE

HEALTH: HOSPITALS, HEALTH CARE CENTERS, HEALTH CARE GENERAL

HISTORY: PRE SUN CITY

HOUSING: ~~REAL ESTATE~~, RETIREMENT CENTERS, MODEL HOMES

LIBRARIES

~~MEIDA~~
MEIDA: NEWSPAPER, RADIO/TV

PROTECTIVE SERVICES: POSSE, SHERIFF, FIRE AMBULANCE

RECREATION: ART & CRAFTS, SPORTS, CLUBS GOLF - SPORTS

RECREATION CENTERS: Antelope

~~RESTAURANTS~~ -

SERVICE CLUBS

SUN CITY/SUN CITY WEST GENERAL

* SOCIAL SERVICES: COMMUNITY FUND, COMMUNITY COUNCIL, INTERFAITH

PRIDES, SENIOR CENTER

TRADITIONS: 4th OF JULY, ILLUMINARIAS - GRAPE FESTIVAL - NEW FLAG

TRANSPORTATION: SCAT, RED CROSS, RAILROADS, BUSES

UTILITIES: ELECTRIC, GAS, WATER, TELEPHONE - CABLE TV (line)

VOLUNTEERS

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VOLUNTEERS

*Lester E. Merydith
13602 Kaanapali Point
Sun City, Arizona 85351*

March 17, 1992

Mr. Emil Fischer, President
Sun Cities Area Historical Society
10801 Oakmont Drive
Sun City, Arizona 85351

Dear Emil:

I am a little worried about passing the word along to the folks across the street that the society has raised the price per copy on the copy machine to 10 cents. I am pretty sure that it will cost the society money, and I am afraid we might end up losing some good friends and members.

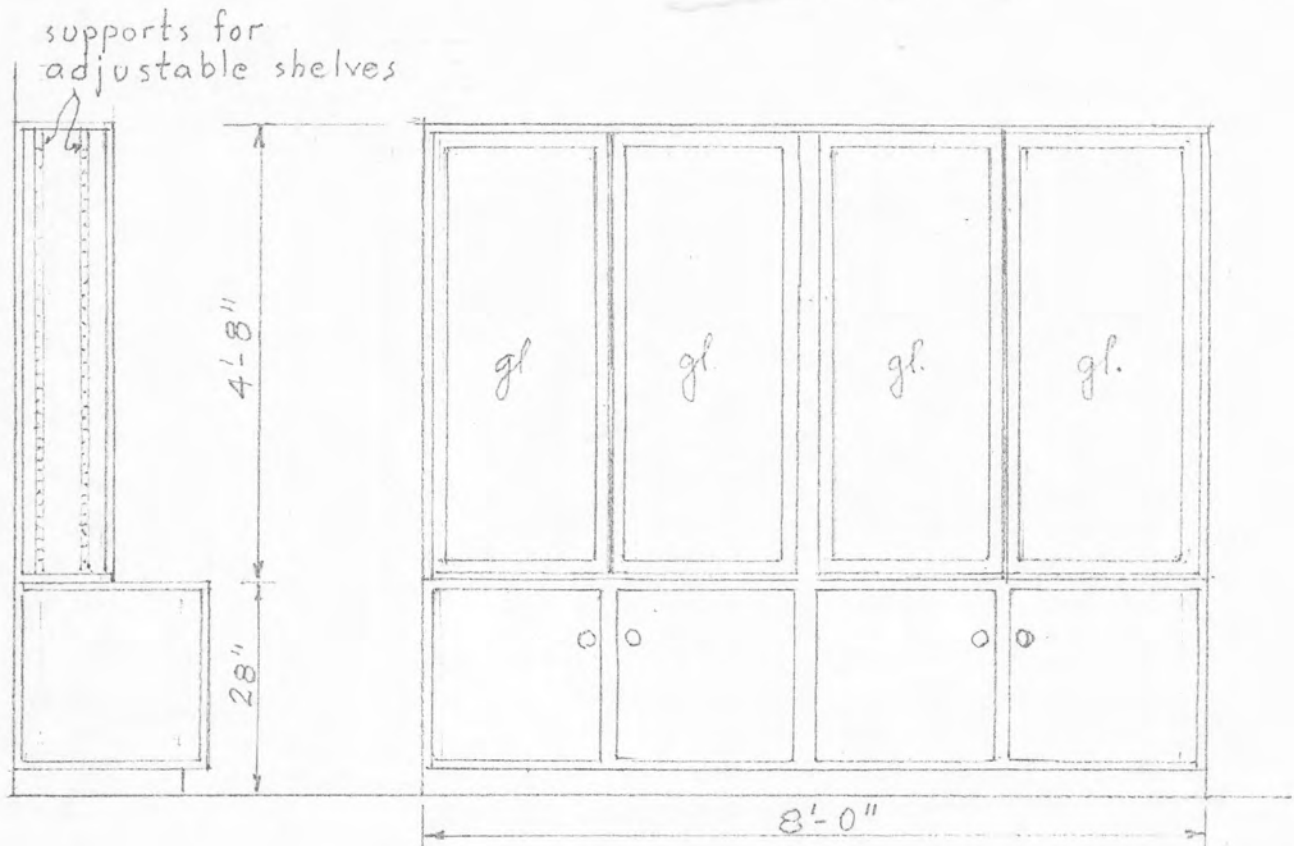
Being an old marketing man, it doesn't make much sense to me to put a price of 10 cents on an item that sells in dozens of convenient places for 5 cents unless the objective is to get out of the copy business.

I am more worried about losing friends. I believe there were a dozen or so officers, directors and members of Citizens for Self-Government who joined the society during my tenure as president. It would sadden me very much to have the word get around that someone at the Historical Society is not happy with the friendly relationship that has existed between the two organizations.

If the motivation for this action by the board is strictly financial I will be glad to remedy that situation by subsidizing the copy machine budget by paying 5 cents per copy into the treasury for every copy that is used by CSG. Enclosed is my check for \$100 to pay for the next 2000 copies that are put through the machine by our good friends across the street. Is that fair enough?

Cordially,

Hand 5 per C.F. for 100
H. ...



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ELEVATION



SECT. THROUGH
LOWER CAB'ITS.

CABINETS FOR SCAHS

scale $\frac{1}{2}'' = 1'-0''$

4/9/92

February 1, 1994

Mr. Kerry Dewberry
Triangle Construction Inc.
3640 W. Osborn Road

Dear Kerry:

Enclosed is a notice of the sale I discussed with you which will take place on February 19 at the Society headquarters just across the street,

I would like to get into your property in advance of the sale to sweep out the place and put it in order if necessary and make sure that any property of yours is segregated and labeled so it is not sold at the sale.

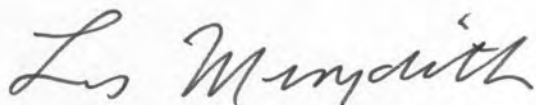
Donated items for the sale are not scheduled to be brought in until the day before the sale but we anticipate that a considerable number of items will appear on our doorstep in the next couple of weeks.

Each item must be appraised and the price label attached so we will be very busy the day before the sale.

Enclosed is a self addressed envelop for the key which I suggest you mail immediately to avoid any slip up and give us a little extra time and space to prepare for the big event.

On behalf of the society I express our deep appreciation for this favor.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Les Merydith". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Cordially,".

Les Merydith, co-founder, trustee and treasurer



SUN CITIES AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

July 8, 1997

Mrs. Reba Merydith
9915 Royal Oak Rd.
1067
Sun City, AZ 85351

Dear Reba,

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society will always be grateful to Les Merydith. We are well aware that his leadership, generosity, foresight and hard work made it possible for our organization to own the first model house that Del Webb built in Sun City.

Les Merydith has left his signature on the Sun Cities, and we have all benefitted from his valiant efforts to improve our communities.

On behalf of our Board of Trustees, may I say we all share in your loss, but feel privileged to have known that tall distinguished gentleman, your wonderful husband, Les Merydith.

His example of dedicated service is an inspiration to all of us.

Very sincerely,

Phyllis Street

Phyllis Street
President

Thanked 7/18/97

1st house exudes history

The first house that was built in Sun City, and is now the museum of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society, is located at 10801 Oakmont drive. With four other houses this house was a model for inspection by visitors who appeared on Jan. 1, 1960, the first day Sun City was opened to the public.

The house was known as The Kentworth, Model number 1-C. It contained 662 square feet of living space plus 303 square feet of storage and carport. It consisted of living room, two bedrooms, one bathroom, kitchen and dining area with attached carport and storage room. The asking price was \$8,500 plus \$600.00 for air conditioning and \$1,250 for golf course adjoining.

After serving as a model for more than a year the house was purchased by N.C. Wagers and his wife Marie. The Wagers lived in Sun City at the time and bought the house as an investment. In 1962 John G. and Chloe McDonald bought the house

DOWN

MEMORY

LANE

from the Wagers.

The McDonalds made several changes to the house and by 1965 had enclosed the patio, extending it across the back of the house. The result was a family room plus an extension of the back bedroom with a bath between the two rooms.

The McDonalds occupied the house until 1984. Jean Painter then purchased the house and lived in it until 1988.

When the house came on the market in 1988 it caught the attention of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society. For several years a small group of Sun Citians including Glenn Sanberg, Jane Freeman and several others had been collecting and saving materials about the Sun Cities in order that this story would not be lost. They worked out of their homes, using space where they could find it. Lester Merydith, Chairman of the building committee for the Society, was asked to look into the possibility of purchasing the building. Funds from several sources became available and the Society purchased the house in 1989 for \$41,500.

To make the building suitable for a museum the dividing walls and the extra bath were removed from the

patio area and the area was converted to an office and meeting room. Additional air conditioning was added with units donated by Goettl Air Conditioning.

The original sales office (a very small building) was attached to the house in June 1991.

Dorothea McDonald Wagers of Brush, Colo., daughter of the McDonalds is an active member of the Historical Society. Barbara Wagers, granddaughter of the McDonalds of Bennett, Colo., is also a member as is Susan Miller, another granddaughter, of Greenwood Village, Colo.

The Sun Cities Area Historical Society is a non-profit corporation. Its officers are all volunteers at the museum. The museum is open to the public from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays throughout the year except during the summer months — June through August — when hours are 10 a.m. to noon Fridays and Saturdays.

Those who wish may join and become partners in preserving Sun City's unique history.

From the files of the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.