



# **Saddlebag Newsletter**

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**Welcome to the *Saddlebag* Newsletter.** Here is the latest information from WWHA. Previously posted Saddlebag newsletters will be found by date further down this section in the list of available newsletters. All earlier information will be retained for reference.

If you have Wild West news, please contact the editor at the e-mail address shown at the top of the *Saddlebag* page. We reserve the right to include or not include any materials submitted to us.

## **January 17, 2023**

The March 2023 issue of the *WWHA Journal* will be mailed to the membership the week of March 5<sup>th</sup>. It will contain articles on Josephine “Sadie” Marcus Earp, by Peter Brand; one on George Heart and Wyatt Earp, by Roy B. Young; and one on Wild Bunch member O.C. Hanks - a new article with updated information not previously published, by William Mills. Additionally, this issue will contain the latest information on the Roundup, letters to the editor, news and announcements, book reviews and notices of new books “Off the Press.”

## **Doc Holliday YouTube Series**

The WWHA, Dr. Gary Roberts / Victoria Wilcox special series “An Evening with Doc Holliday,” finds episode six was just released. Episode seven will be released February 1st and the remaining two, February 15th and March 1st. Upon conclusion of the nine episodes, we will resume our usual “Fireside Stories” and “Bugs on the Windshield.”

Whether you are author, writer, researcher, historian, or just a student of the Wild West, this is a must-see series from the authorities on Doc Holliday. If you subscribe to the WWHA YouTube Channel (**FREE**), you will receive a notice each time a video is released.

## **WWHA Facebook Page**

Good news! The WWHA Facebook page now has over 13,000 registered members. Many are regularly active, some are only occasional. If you’ve not been to our Facebook page, please Google: Wild West History Association Facebook. Lots of great “stuff” to enjoy and learn, plus interesting discussions about everything in the “West” that was “Wild.”

## ~ Dates to Remember ~

**WWHA Membership Promotion – January 21, 22, 2023 –  
High Noon Show – Mesa, Arizona**  
WWHA will have a recruitment and information table at this event.  
Come say “Hello.”

**WWHA Mid-Year Board Meeting – January 28, 2023 –  
Menger Hotel, San Antonio**  
All members of WWHA are welcome to attend any of our board meetings.  
The main meeting is scheduled for Saturday 9:00 – 3:00.  
Followed by the tombstone dedication for O.C. Hanks at 4:00.  
(See information below on the dedication.)

**WWHA Six-Shooter Awards**  
Nominations for the 2022 Awards to be presented at the 2023 Roundup  
are due no later than April 15<sup>th</sup>.  
See the criteria and where to send nominations on pages 4, 5, and 6 of the  
December 2022 issue of *WWHA Journal*  
Please note an address change for article nominations:  
Dennis Garstang, 6005 NW 103<sup>rd</sup>, Kansas City, MO 64154



**Tombstone Dedication at the  
Grave of Wild Bunch Member  
*Orlando Camilla O.C.  
"Deaf Charlie" Hanks***  
**Saturday, January 28, 2023  
San Antonio Cemetery No. 4**

**Everyone Welcome!**

# ROUNDUP NEWS

The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual WWHA Roundup is fast approaching, set for July 12-15, 2023, at the world-famous Menger Hotel in San Antonio. The Menger is taking guest room reservations now. Ask for “Wild West History Association” guest room rates for a considerable discount.

Address: 204 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio, TX 78205

Phone: (210) 223-4361

Roundup registration forms will be ready in early February and available on the WWHA website: [www.wildwesthistory.org](http://www.wildwesthistory.org). The forms may be submitted directly from the website to our treasurer, Jean Smith, or downloaded and mailed. Additionally, a copy of the registration form will be in the March WWHA *Journal* and may be copied and mailed with appropriate fees.

Vendor and advertising forms may also be obtained on the website in early February.

An e-mail “blast” will be sent to all WWHA members for whom we have an e-mail address as soon as the forms are posted. See boxed note below.

## WWHA MEMBERS

*join our mailing list!*

*Please send us your email address. We will not share it.*

*Each month we will send you a link to the latest SADDLEBAG,  
along with EVENT notifications, ANNOUNCEMENTS  
and links to any new WWHA VIDEOS.*

*Submit to: [www.wildwesthistory.org/contact-us/](http://www.wildwesthistory.org/contact-us/)*

*Don't miss out!*

*Thanks!*

# 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Tombstone Western Book Fair

The Cochise County (Arizona) Corral of the Westerners will host a western book fair on March 1, 2023, at historic Schieffelin Hall in Tombstone.




For additional information and applications contact CCCW Sheriff Doug Hocking at: [inkslinger@cochisecountycorral.org](mailto:inkslinger@cochisecountycorral.org).

# 1st Annual Tombstone Western Book Festival

## Schieffelin Hall

Wednesday March 1st, 10 AM - 8 PM

### BEST-SELLING SPEAKERS!

Chris Enss

Bob Boze Bell



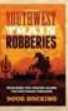
Jana Bommersbach

*All Speakers ready to answer your questions!*

- ★ Phil Mills Jr., Western Writers of America President
- ★ Melody Groves, "When Outlaws Wore Badges"
- ★ Bill Markley, "Geronimo and Sitting Bull"
- ★ Jan Cleere, "Outlaw Tales of Arizona"
- ★ Manuela Schneider, "A Prospector's Dream"
- ★ Carol Markstrom "Dance of the Desert"
- ★ Don Taylor, City of Tombstone Historian
- ★ Joyce Aros, 'Murdered On The Streets of Tombstone'

*With a Special Appearance by Wyatt Earp*

**See you at Schieffelin Hall March 1st!**

Hosted by Author Doug Hocking and the

**COCHISE COUNTY CORRAL OF THE WESTERNERS**

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## Y.O. Ranch Headquarters



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Members of the Wild West History Association came out to spruce up our Great Western Trail marker. Back in the late 1800's, the Y.O. drove over 300,000 head of cattle up this trail, loading them onto railway cars in Dodge City to help meet the demand for beef back east.



## **A Note From Chuck Parsons**

Just before Christmas we received word from an old NOLA member, Jim Mundie, that his beloved wife Sara had passed. Below is her obituary.

Sara Bland Mundie, wife of Jim Mundie who most of you know from talks with him at historical meetings, passed away peacefully on Sunday, December 11, 2022, at the age of 82. She was born on May 20, 1940 to Freddie O. Bland and Adeline Sartain Bland in Port Arthur, Texas. Her family moved to New Orleans in 1950. She is survived by her husband James Andrew Mundie Jr., of 41 years, residing at Kenner, LA, her son Karl N. Hanson, MD, grandchildren and great-granddaughter.

Sara was a graduate of McDonough 35 High School. She was an avid traveler and an accomplished bridge player as a member of the American Contract Bridge League. During their retirement years Sara and her husband Jim were active book collectors and book sellers, primarily in Civil War, Indian Wars and Wild West history. Jim was an avid "ghouler" and authored several books on finding and recording graves of Civil War generals and Reconstruction notables; Sara accompanied him on most of his "ghouling" trips. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Sara and Jim are both members of St. Matthews United Methodist Church in Metairie.

## **WWHA Board Member Michael Wallis and Route 66**

By Michael Overall - *Tulsa World* 12-29-22

Wild West History Association member and Tulsa resident Michael Wallis, one of the most prominent Route 66 advocates in the country, will help plan the Mother Road's nationwide centennial celebrations, the White House announced Thursday.

Appointed by President Joe Biden, Wallace will serve on the national Route 66 Centennial Commission to coordinate plans across eight states and three time zones for the highway's 100th anniversary in 2026.

"It promises to be a huge, huge calendar year for the highway because there'll be celebrations and commemorations and activities going on all along the road," Wallis told the *Tulsa World*. "And what we're attempting to do is to choose some on a national level that would be appropriate for the entire road."

Wallis wrote the award-winning book "Route 66: The Mother Road," which was published in 1990 and gets a lot of credit for rekindling interest in the historic highway. He also co-founded the Route 66 Alliance, a nonprofit organization that promotes preservation and tourism along the road. And he was the first inductee into the Oklahoma Route 66 Hall of Fame.

Wallis is perhaps best-known, however, as the voice of the sheriff in the hugely popular movie "Cars" from 2006. But he didn't just act in the movie. Wallis served as a consultant for Pixar Studios and led animators on road trips to find inspiration for various characters and scenes.

"I have several obvious connections to the road," he said.

Tulsa played a central role in the creation of Route 66, with former Tulsa County Commissioner Cyrus Avery being largely responsible for planning the highway's construction — taking advantage of Tulsa's 11th Street Bridge to cross the Arkansas River.

Naturally, Tulsa should play a huge role in the road's centennial celebrations, too, Wallis said.

“There’ll be all sorts of activities here, and they’re just in the shaping-up phase,” he said. “But let me put it this way: Yeah, Tulsa will be a major part of the entire year.”

The national commission will also include Oklahoma Secretary of Transportation Tim Gatz, the White House said. And at least one other commission member has area ties: Cinnamon Catlin-Legutko, director of the Illinois State Museum, grew up in Claremore.

Regularly Visit the WWHA Website  
[www.wildwesthistory.org](http://www.wildwesthistory.org)  
for the latest news and announcements!