



NEWSLETTER

December 2010

Doña Ana County Historical Society

President's Comments

By: George Hackler

With heavy heart we must report that several of our most active volunteers and troopers are fighting serious health problems. Donna Eichstaedt is facing serious cancer treatment, and her husband Carl, who mans our book and reading material sales has had several heart scares this past year. And we have already reported the resignation of Secretary Judy Vaughn, who had to resign earlier this year citing health problems. Please keep them in your prayers and thoughts

Thanks to our remaining Board members, officers and committee members, the work gets done.

Banquet

The Annual Awards Banquet is scheduled for Saturday the 29th of January, 2011. That's just around the corner. The Banquet will again be held at the Hotel Encanto. Rodger Rothenmaier, Bob Pick and the Silent auction crew need items for the sale, which helps offset the cost associated with the awards, guests receiving the awards and entertainment. Please make plans to attend and support the awards effort. Your support makes it all possible. The awards are The Dona Ana County Historical Society primary way of focusing attention on local history through people and buildings.

**If you haven't already,
Renew your Membership Today
Form on Page 3**

Banquet Program

Entertainment by **Los Guapos**, a latin, romantic guitarists and vocalists group based in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Known since 2002 for their traditional trio-style as well as diverse musical background, the group has entertained throughout southern New Mexico for many events, both public and private. In April 2008, the group released its album "Una Vez Nada Mas." Instrumentation of Los Guapos involves two vocalists, three guitars and a bass.

A video presentation featuring this year's awards will follow after which, the results of the silent auction will be announced.



OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2010 - 3:00-8:00 pm
Also on Sunday the 5th, 12th, or 19th from 1:00 - 5:00 PM
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Calendar

Saturday, January 29, 2011 Annual DACHS Banquet and Awards Presentation. Hotel Encanto, 5:30pm

Thursday, February 17, 2011 @ 7:00pm
Jon Hunner - **New Mexico's struggle to be accepted as a state**

All meetings of the Society are normally at 7:00pm on the third Thursday of the months of Feb. - May and Sept - Nov. in the Good Samaritan Auditorium at 3011 Buena Vida Circle.

Silent Auction Request

One of the Society's significant sources of funds to offset the costs of the annual banquet and awards program is the silent auction. Please take the time to stop and consider what objects you might have and no longer desire to keep that would be appropriate to donate. Items that are still in good condition are needed. They do not necessarily need to have historical significance. For pickup or drop off arrangements please call Roger @ 521-7531, Chuck @ 521-7833, Bob @ 382-8552 or George @ 522-3477 ■

DOÑA ANA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY 44th ANNUAL BANQUET JANUARY 29, 2011 from 5:30-9:00 PM HOTEL ENCANTO DE LAS CRUCES (formerly the Las Cruces Hilton)

SOCIAL HOUR

Join us from 5:30-6:30pm for the social hour. Enjoy new and old friendships, meet special guests and make a bid on items in the silent auction.

BANQUET MENU

Salmon or Pork Loin
(Vegetable, a rice dish, salad, rolls, dessert, Ice Tea and Coffee).

SILENT AUCTION

During the social hour, bid on silent auction items, such as books (old & new); prints & paintings, antiques, pottery, textiles, glassware & collectables

AWARDS

- **Historical Significance**, Railroad Depot/Station
- **Old timers**, Lions fronting City Hall
- **Building Adhering to Regional Architectural**,
1. Carolyn Bunch's Art Studio 2. Hilton Garden Inn.
- **Noteworthy Restoration/ Preservation**, Alameda Resort/Sanitorarium on Townsend Terrace aka May House.
- **Endangered Historical Building**, Mesilla at building corner Arroyo & Santiago
- **Heritage Award**, Keith Humphries SNMHR: ■

RESERVATION FORM

Please check one entrée per person:

Grilled Salmon _____ Pork Loin _____

(Menu includes: a fresh vegetable, salad, rolls, dessert, Ice Tea & Coffee)

Name _____ Name _____ Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ State _____ Phone _____

Reservations: **Members \$32.00** How many? _____ **Non-Members \$35.00** How many? _____

Total Enclosed _____

(Mail banquet reservation form & check to Treasurer, Xandy Church % Doña Ana County Historical Society, P.O. Box 16045, Las Cruces, NM 88004 by January 21, 2011. (2011 dues must be current for member prices to apply.) (Make checks payable to DACHS and membership can be included). **Note: Membership form on Page 3.**



Indian Rock Art photograph from LeRoy Unglaub's extensive collection. On this piece, note the Google Eyes, which are a common feature of much of the Mogollon rock art found around this area. Photo by Leroy Unglaub.



At our 18 November meeting, we were joined by Special Guests, Berndt and Maria Kuhn (above) from Stockholm, Sweden. Berndt is a published expert on Apache Warfare especially the Chiricahua Apache. His most recent work, awaiting publication is an extensive encyclopedia of every recorded Apache depredation, ambush, and military engagement. This work includes the names of those involved, indian or otherwise, location, date and other details. When asked how a young man from Sweden became interested in the subject, he replied that while on vacation in the West with his parents they bought him a book on Apaches and it all started. He added that he was fortunate because a benefactor left an extensive collection of western books to the Museum of Stockholm. Berndt spends his vacation every year visiting these Battle sites all over the West and Mexico. He has spent countless weeks searching records in the National Archives, and numerous libraries around the country.

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Doña Ana County Historical Society, P. O. Box 16045, Las Cruces, NM 88004-6045

DACHS Membership Form

Please renew/enroll my/our membership in the Doña Ana County Historical Society. Memberships are active for the calendar year of enrollment and are deductible within legal limits for Federal and State income tax purposes. If you are unsure of your status or have questions regarding membership, please contact the Treasurer, Xandy Church, at 526-9774 (May-Sept. 575-536-9728) or the President, George Helfrich, at 522-3477.

Annual Membership/Sponsorship Rates

Individual \$20 Family \$25 Student \$8 Contributor \$40 Benefactor \$150 Life \$300
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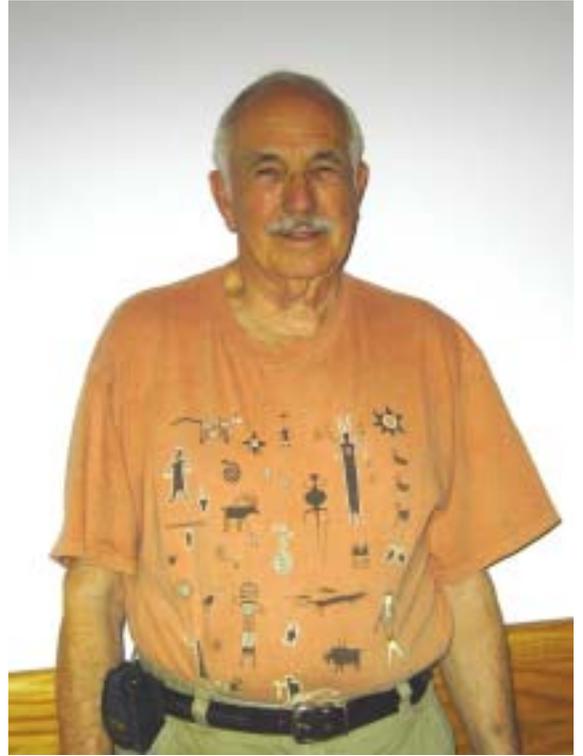
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18 November Program By: LeRoy Unglaub

The Program at our 18 November meeting at the Good Samaritan Auditorium featured LeRoy Unglaub, who gave a very interesting, informative Slide Show and talk titled “Jornada-Mogollon Iconography – The Rock Art of Southern New Mexico and West Texas.” LeRoy discussed the many styles of the Rock Art and

then pointed out some similarities that many of them had. One of those similar features was what LeRoy called the “Google Eye” look, which you can see in the photo on page three. From the presentation, it was clear that LeRoy had traveled around many back country areas for many miles around our locale.

After his talk, there were many questions and comments by the audience, which indicating that there was considerable interest in the subject.



**LeRoy Unglaub ready to give his presentation.
Note the Indian Art on his Tee Shirt.**

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