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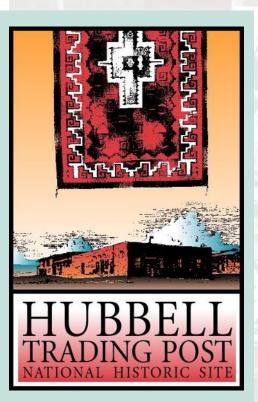
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**Trading Post Update** 



# What has donated Native American art done for the Friends of Hubbell Trading Post Scholarship Fund?

Larry Cohen, Membership

There was an article in the past two quarterly newsletters requesting Native American art to be donated for the auctions. The response from our membership has been very generous with positive results. The answer to the question is, the combined revenue from the past two auctions has funded nearly four \$2500.00 scholarships. We owe a debt of gratitude to those generous donors and those attendees at the auction that respond positively especially to the donated art.

We established a reserve or beginning bid price so as to honor the value of the donation. We will work with your value expectation for each donation. A Thank You letter will be issued, from the Friends of Hubbell Trading post, a <u>Section 501(c)(3)</u> as a tax-exempt organization, recognized by the Internal Revenue Service. The auction sale price is the market value and "no goods or services were received in return for this gift".

In the end, our auctions revenues support our three objectives, funding Native American college scholarships, supporting Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site, and encouraging Native American Artisans. We do this with an all-volunteer group of dedicated individuals.

Please consider joining our efforts by attending an auction, volunteering in a dynamic and fun auction, or donating art or funds to our cause. Thank you all for contributing in the success of the Friends of Hubbell Trading Post.

Many Native American art collectors have found that their adult children or other relatives do not have the same interests. The auction provides a venue to allow others to continue to enjoy this wonderful Native art while providing college scholarships.

Contact us at friendsofhubbellauctions@gmail.com for more information

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## Native American Art Auction September 28, 2019 Gallup Community Center Gallup, New Mexico

Preview 9:00 - 11:30 AM MST Auction 12:00 - 5:00 PM MST

The Best Western Hotel in Gallup will once again extend a Friends of Hubbell Room a special rate of \$75 per night plus taxes.

Mention Friends of Hubbell Rate when calling the hotel for a reservation.

Best Western Gallup 910 E. Aztec Street Gallup, NM 87301 505 726-5380



#### **Vendor Tables**

Just a reminder that vendor tables can be rented for \$40 for the September 28th auction. There are approximately 20 tables available for those that get their deposits in first. Please contact Mr. Jeff Clark at clarke\_jeff@yahoo.com if you need additional details.

#### **Post Auction Sales**

Once an item has gone through the auction, if the item did not sell, has been returned to the artist after being processed out of the Friends of Hubbell system, the artists are free to negotiate with traders / buyers on a sale price. At that point, the transaction is between the artist and buyer.

**Donate to Friends of Hubbell Trading Post NPS NHS** 

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#### FOH RAFFLE FOR TWO GREY HILLS PENDLETON BLANKET



Mary Henderson Begay

Designed by celebrated Navajo artist Mary Henderson Begay, a master weaver from Sanostee, NM. She is proud to carry on a tradition first taught to her by her grandmother and mother starting when Mary was only 12 years of age. Mary has spent many decades weaving alongside her relatives teaching and inspiring others as they wove.

Toadlena Trading Post in New Mexico carries Mary's original creations and has the rug that inspired the blanket design, which was purchased from her by Pendleton. This blanket is  $64" \times 80"$ 

She is famous for her intricate, complex creations based on traditional patterns. Mary was honored with the Arizona Island Living Treasure Award in 2013. It takes a weaver 400 hours to produce a medium-sized rug from start to finish.

This blanket is the second in the Pendleton "Weaver's Series," celebrating the artistry of the contemporary weavers by interpreting their one-of-a-kind works into blanket designs.

This is a donated item and raffle tickets will be \$10, all proceeds will go to the scholarship fund.



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#### **Chairman's Report**

Frank Kohler, Chairman, Treasurer

We will complete our third year of auctions held in Gallup with our upcoming auction on September 28, 2019. Revenues and attendance for the May 2019 Auction each set a new record for our auctions held in Gallup. The Native American weaving and artist community continues to support our efforts with beautiful and unique rugs, pottery, Katsina dolls, jewelry, and baskets.

We appreciate the attendance and participation of our fraternity of buyers and new comers to the auction, and always welcome more. We couldn't pull this off without the support of our Auctioneers, Volunteers, FOH Board members, the Gallup Community, as well as Beverly and Dave who treat us very well at the Community Center for each auction.

Our college scholarships donations in 2019 will continue with awards of \$25-30k spread over 10 Native American students.

Friends of Hubbell have also been awarded continuing marketing grants by the City of Gallup to increase our notoriety and widen our reach into the Gallup community and beyond. Our selection of auction items is genuine and comes from many of the noted artists in the four corners

region. We are also working with NPS at Hubbell Trading Post on additional possible educational programs such as a Carvers workshop, Weaving demonstration, Trunk shows and talks by local and noted traders and talks related to Native American indigenous items.

Here's hoping we see you at our September 28th auction. There is no buyer's entry fee, no sales tax and, free parking. Remember it's a Live Auction! No sitting on your hands, buy what you like, each item across the auctioneer block is unique. I will be happy to provide you with a bidders paddle at no charge. Questions about any facet or information about the auction may be sent to:

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May 2019 Auction





















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#### **Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site**

Over the last year, Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site has been busy planning new ways of reaching out to the public. There are new programs and activities scheduled for both in the park as well as in the surrounding communities. In the park, there are a variety of programs offered such as the Ranger led walks, Morning Coffee, Hogan Talks and of course the traditional Hubbell House Tours. Edison Eskeets, the Hubbell Trading Post Trader, is also sharing his knowledge with visitors during the Trading Post Talks.

#### Past and Future Park Events include:

- National Park Week in April which involved Community Cleanup, Junior Ranger Day activities such as painting and weaving, and scavenger hunts.
- Navajo Nation Youth Day in June that involved a Resource and Outreach Booth at the Ganado Chapter House.
- Junior Ranger Camp in June that involved week long hands on activities for 15 local children who
  learned weaving, pottery making, silversmithing, painting, hiking, plant identification and Tai Chi.
- Fourth of July Parade at Kayenta, Arizona, that involved promotion of the National Park Service and assistance with litter pickup.
- Route 264 Cleanup in July will involve volunteer recruitment for community roadside cleanup around the park entrance.
- Sheep to Rug Workshop in July will involve interactive stations to demonstrate the rug weaving process like carding, spinning, dyeing, warping and weaving. The special guest will be Canyon de Chelly weaver, Kathy Paymella.
- Navajo Nation Fair Youth Days and Parades
- Founder's Day in August will involve personal trading post stories from local residents and a tour of Sage Memorial Hospital.
- Star Party in August will involve hands on and Junior Ranger activities about the solar system.
- Fun Run and Walk will involve non-competitive race and walk to promote healthy parks & people.

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#### **Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site**

- Public Lands Day will involve environmental stewardship and volunteer recruitment for the cleanup of Ganado Lake.
- Fall festival will involve partnership with the Ganado Chapter to host community activities such as a family friendly movie and costume contest.
- Native American Heritage Month will involve arts & crafts demonstrations from local artists during the whole month.
- Luminaria lighting and community activities to celebrate the holidays.

All these activities were either completed or will be completed despite the impact of the government shutdown. The biggest impact of the shutdown at Hubbell Trading Post operations was our ability to get our garden and fields planted as planned.

We had a few new lambs this spring, but on a sad note last year we lost one of our horses, Shadow, he is missed. Tony our llama passed away as well to old age.

Aside from that we are recovering and are looking to better things at the park with the assistance of Friends of Hubbell.

#### Lloyd Masayumptewa

SOFO Deputy Superintendent (Southern Four Corners Group)





Photos by Mary Walker from Weaving in Beauty

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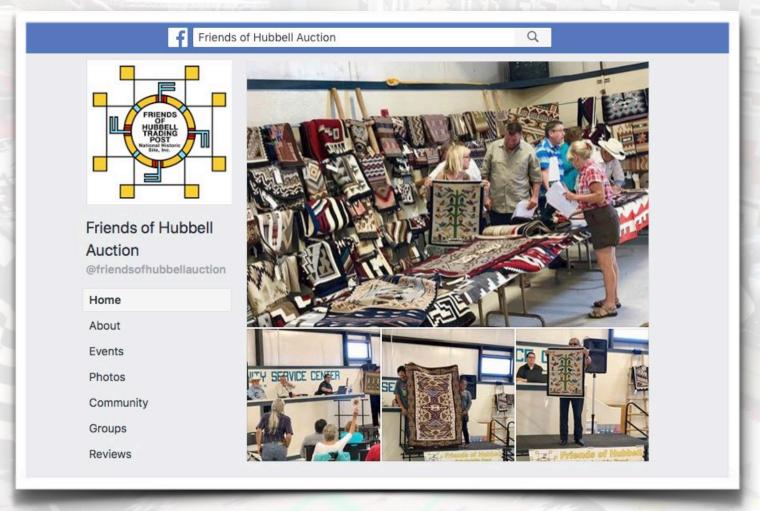
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Click on the link below to go to Friends of Hubbell Facebook page

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Please visit our Facebook page where we will share more about artists, events, and happenings about Friends of Hubbell. We encourage you to visit the page and contribute images and articles about the wonderful art of Weaving, Pottery, Carvings, and much, much more.

Please follow us and like our page. Again, thank you for your support, as we could not do this without you.









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#### **Board of Directors & Officers:**

- Frank Kohler, Chair, Treasurer, Scottsdale, AZ
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### **Honorary Trustees and Additional Contacts**

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As a federally recognized non-profit organization incorporated in 1990 [Arizona reg.# 02261435], the Friends of Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site, Inc. contributes to the management objectives of the National Park Service at Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site. Related goals include revitalizing Native American arts and crafts, perpetuating John Lorenzo Hubbell's legacy, providing college scholarships to Native American students, and increasing public awareness of the Park. We invite you to assist us in these efforts by becoming a member.

"Everything that is good; the concepts in Navajo of beauty, perfection, harmony, goodness, normality, success, well-being, blessedness, order, and ideal."

Handbook of North American Indians Vol. 10 Southwest, Gary Witherspoon, Language and Reality in Navajo World View.

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# THE HISTORY OF THE FRIENDS OF HUBBELL TRADING POST

By Janet Hooper and Thrude Breckenridge (Part 2)

#### **FIRST EVENTS**

In December 1990, Friends of Hubbell hosted the first annual Christmas Farolito Night with candlelit luminarias lining the walks, walls and roads of the historic trading post. Red chili suppers for \$5 each were sold. Tours were conducted of the Hubbell home that had been decorated by local school children.

In May 1991, Friends of Hubbell sponsored a sheep-shearing event at the Site. Numerous sheep and goats were available for expert and amateurs to shear. Prizes were given. Ben and Nellie Begay of Chinle - Nazlini provided the livestock. Mr. and Mrs. Silentman of Newcomb, NM provided sheep for the grill, mutton stew and chili fry bread plate prepared by Friends volunteers.

In April 1992, the National Park Service and Friends of Hubbell hosted a 25th Anniversary Rededication Luncheon for the site with honored guests that included Dorothy Hubbell and John Hubbell; Mrs. Annie Wauneka; Frances Babbitt; and other family members of early Indian traders, Alfred Yazzie, Medicine Man, performed a Blessing Way ceremony with the help of his wife, Alice.

#### **AUCTIONS**

In 1991, with an \$85,000 loan from the Babbitt Brothers Trading Company of Flagstaff, AZ, the Friends of Hubbell and the National Park Service held the first Native American Arts and Crafts auction. It was held in the gymnasium of the Navajo Health Foundation across Highway 264 at the Sage Memorial Hospital compound. Mr. Herman Coffey was the auctioneer.

In 1992, with a smaller 40-day loan from the Southwest Parks and Monuments Association (SPMA) located in Tucson, AZ and now Western National Parks Association (WNPA) located in Oro Valley, AZ, the Friends held their second auction. In the evening prior to the auction, R. Carlos Nakai performed a flute concert. After 1993, the auction was moved to the Ganado Catholic Church auditorium. In 1998, a rug auction was held at the Navajo Nation Museum, Library and Visitor's Center in Window Rock, AZ to support a Navajo Studies Conference. In 1999 gross receipts for the auction were \$73,000 with 170 items sold out of 330 arts and crafts submitted for sale.

By 2000 the auctions were being held twice a year on site at the Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site under a big tent with many Native American vendors also in attendance, surrounding the auction venue. Since 1996 the auctioneers continue to be R.B. Burnham and company that include the families of Bruce Burnham and Hank Blair. Our record auction was held in May of 2011 with \$193,000 in sales. Auctions have since been moved to Gallup, NM, from resultant national governmental furlough at Hubbell Trading post.

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