

Preserving Mesa's Past Discovering Mesa's Future Presented by: MHM Executive Director Leon Natker MA, RPA

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Why is the Mesa Historical Museum:

Important?

Relevant?

Necessary?

Mesa is a *major* American City!

The third largest city in Arizona!

Larger than Pittsburgh and San Francisco!

All major cities have a museum that represents the City's history and cares for the City's archives!

What can the Mesa Historical Museum do for Mesa?

Promote business and investment in Mesa!

Enhance education by partnering with schools and other cultural institutions!

Preserve and protect Mesa's archives and historical possessions!

Improve quality of life!

What have we done so far?

Filmed an episode of Mysteries at the Museum to be shown in December.

Sponsored a workshop with the ARIZONA HISTORICAL RECORDS ADVISORY BOARD.

Rewritten our Collection Management Policy and begun working with AZMNH to reaccession collections now in AZMNH possession.

Preparing satellite exhibits for Sloan and Hohokam Fields.

Cleaned up the landscaping at Lehi.

Repainting the Inside and Outside of the Lehi School.

Re-open the Old Lehi School



Revitalize and Restore the Lehi Campus.



Gizmos. Gadgets. and Greatness



Technologies that Built Mesa 1877

- 1957

Feb. 8 – June 1

Join us for the Grand Re-opening of the Old Lehi School. This exhibit features 80 years of technological advancements, which built Mesa from a small pioneer farming town into the modern city it is today.



What Next?

Build an additional storage facility at Lehi.

Create an action plan for the restoration of the Lehi Auditorium.

Make the Lehi Auditorium available to the community.

Work with other local historical preservation organizations to combine resources and bring preservation efforts under one umbrella. Scottsdale

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Long-Term Vision

Lone Mountain

Pasis Mountain

Find a permanent exhibition site that will allow MHM to exhibit its many treasures and provide the City of Mesa with the museum it deserves.

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Thank You!



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