



SMOKE SIGNALS

MARCH, 2019

The Rush Gatherer – Kutenai

Edward Sheriff Curtis

President's Post ~ Kathy Horne

"If it makes you laugh, if it makes you cry, if it rips out your heart, that's a good picture."
Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer Eddie Adams

Are you ready for an emotional journey? Opening at Gilcrease on March 29, will be *Pulitzer Prize Photographs*, traveling to us from the Newseum in Washington, D.C. The 80 large-format photographs represent every Pulitzer Prize winner since 1942, when the award was first presented. Beginning in 1968, two prizes were given – one for feature photography and another for breaking news photography. Not only did these images capture important moments in our history, but in many cases they changed our thinking, and thus how we lived.

These Pulitzer Prize photographs will only be with us until July 14. However, there are thousands of photographs in the Gilcrease archival collection that appear on our gallery walls from time to time, offering us a deeper understanding of our country's people, places, and events. I was fascinated to learn of a *Gilcrease Magazine* article from October, 1980, (thanks to Kathe Crapster!) that described a "new Graphics Gallery" at the museum. Historical photos were displayed along with an exhibition of a Pulitzer Prize-winning photography essay on the modern working cowboy.

We can all page through a copy of *Treasures of Gilcrease* and become reacquainted with the work of several prominent photographers whose work was collected by Thomas Gilcrease and has been featured at different times in museum exhibitions:

- William Henry Jackson
He was with Thomas Moran on the Hayden geological survey, and his photographs, along with Moran's images influenced Congress to establish the Yellowstone area as the first national park.
- Edward S. Curtis
He spent more than two decades traveling across North America to photograph and document the daily lives of over 80 American Indian tribes, culminating in a 20-volume encyclopedic work.
- William S. Prettyman
He traveled through Indian Territory where he photographed both native peoples and historical events such as the land openings.

The above-mentioned *Gilcrease Magazine* article from 1980 suggested that the "treasured moments of life preserved by the photographers who followed the development of our nation" could live again at Gilcrease. *Pulitzer Prize Photographs* will offer a similar experience – an opportunity to remember, reflect, and learn from our history, including both the triumphs and the tragedies.

Please be sure to attend our Gilcrease Forum on March 15 for a timely and informative presentation on photography. Our speaker will be Dan Farnum, a professor in the art department at the University of Tulsa, and an award-winning photographer himself!

2019 GILLIES GENERAL MEETING EVENTS

Election of Officers and Approval of Budget

Our second of three general membership meetings will take place on March 15, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. in the Gilcrease Auditorium. Gillies will be asked to approve a budget for the 2019/2020 year. The proposed budget can be reviewed on page 3 of this *Smoke Signals*. It is posted in the Sign-In Room as well.

The officers for the 2019/2020 year will also be elected at the meeting. The Gillies Nominating Committee, chaired this year by Jacque Frye, met on February 11. They reviewed the nominations for officers submitted by fellow Gillies, and selected the Gillies listed below to be submitted to the membership for approval:

President-Elect:	Alana Trisler	Secretary:	Nancy Hammond
Vice President:	Deb Glass	Treasurer:	Nannette Tresner

Current President-Elect Kathe Crapster automatically moves into the office of President. Current President Kathy Horne will become Past President.

As directed in our Bylaws, the Nominating Committee chooses the Gillies to serve on this committee for the following year. Ken Fike will serve as Chair for 2019/20. Other committee members will be Doug Kisling, Marsha McElroy, Barbara Shirey, and Frances Whisman. Joe Meeks is 1st Alternate and Sondra Mullins is 2nd Alternate. Kathy Horne, as Past President, is automatically a member of the Nominating Committee.



The Pow Wow

By Olaf Seltzer, 1935

GILLIES 2019-2020 PROPOSED BUDGET

~ Nannette Tresner, Gillies Treasurer

GILLIES 2018-2019 APPROVED BUDGET

Receipts

Member Dues *	\$ 8,000.00
Interest at Bank	15.00
Donations	500.00
Miscellaneous	50.00

Total Receipts **8,565.00**

Disbursements

Intern Materials	250.00
Hospitality	5,000.00
Printing Newsletter	350.00
Printing Directory	825.00
Printing – Other	200.00
Postage – Newsletter	150.00
Postage -- Other	200.00
Luncheon Guests-Membership Mtg.	150.00
Forums	600.00
Badges/Stars	300.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
Supplies	190.00
Transfer to Education Fund	100.00
Memorial & President's Book	100.00
Web – Site Domain (3 year license expires '19)	0.00

Total Disbursements **\$ 8,565.00**

*Dues based on:

220 Active & Intern Members at \$30 = \$6,600
40 Associate Members at \$35 = \$1,400

GILLIES 2019-2020 PROPOSED BUDGET

Receipts

Member Dues *	\$ 7,700.00
Interest at Bank	15.00
Donations	500.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
Transfer from Tech. Fund (for website renewal)	390.00

Total Receipts **\$ 8,655.00**

Disbursements

Intern Materials	\$ 300.00
Hospitality	4,500.00
Printing Newsletter	300.00
Printing Directory	800.00
Printing – Other	50.00
Postage – Newsletter	100.00
Postage -- Other	100.00
Forums	400.00
Badges/Stars	200.00
Miscellaneous	65.00
Supplies	200.00
Transfer to Education Fund	250.00
Memorial & President's Books	100.00
Web – Site Domain (3 year license)	390.00
Volunteer Support Software Subscription	900.00

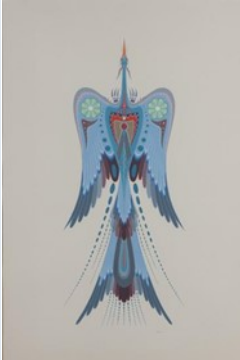
Total Disbursements **\$ 8,655.00**

*Dues based on:

190 Active Members at \$30 = \$5,700
40 Associate Members at \$35 = \$1,400
20 Interns at \$30 = \$600

Gillies Appreciation Luncheon

~ Donna Gainey, Volunteer Services Coordinator



The Gilcrease Museum would like to thank you for your commitment and service to the museum by inviting you to be our guest at the annual **GILLIES APPRECIATION LUNCHEON** following the March General Membership Meeting on Friday, March 15, 2019.

There is **no charge**, but **you must RSVP by March 8** to me by phone (918)596-2782, or at donna-gainey@utulsa.edu, or by dropping a note in the box in the Sign-in Room.

~ M E N U ~

**Spinach Salad w/ Raspberries, Feta and Almonds
Strawberry Vinaigrette**

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Red Snapper Pancetta (Lemon Sauce, Capers & Diced Tomatoes)

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Grilled Tenderloin w/ Wild Mushroom Demi-glace

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Parmesan Potatoes

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Jumbo Asparagus

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Crème Brule Cheesecake

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Black Forest Cake

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Beverages (Ice Tea, Coffee, Water, Wine Service)

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HAPPY BELATED VALENTINES DAY!!



"It was so funny! I was going to work in Anthro, and walked into the museum with Nannette who was to be the Gallery Docent, we laughed when we took off our coats. And Jane Watson arrived to be a docent, and then Mary Elliott showed up to work in Anthro. After much laughter we asked Diane Cox, who was wearing purple, to take our photo." by Nancy Setter

Gilcrease Forum – Friday, March 15, 2019

Resistance and Change: The Role of the Photograph

As was noted in the February issue of *Smoke Signals*, the Spring Gilcrease Forum promises to be a most interesting and thought-provoking program. Dan Farnum, University of Tulsa Associate Professor of Art and Photography, will discuss the power of photography to make an impact in our daily lives and often shape the way we think.



Dan received his MFA from the San Francisco Art Institute and a BFA from the University of Michigan. Dan is the Director of the Alexander Hogue Gallery at the University of Tulsa, and was recently selected as a 2019 Tulsa Artist Fellow.

Dan's presentation will precede by two weeks the opening of the museum's exhibition of 80 Pulitzer Prize photographs that date back to the 1940s. His remarks will provide a context for this special exhibition which is coming to Gilcrease from the Newseum in Washington, D.C. The Newseum works to increase public understanding of the importance of a free press and the First Amendment.

Be sure to join us in the Gilcrease Auditorium at 1:00 p.m. for what will be an exceptionally engaging and informative March Forum

~ Oliver Sundby
Forum Chair

DOCENTS' CORNER

~ Deanna Storm, Docent Chair

NEXT DOCENT MEETING

Friday, March 1, 2019

9:30 for Coffee—Vista Room

10:00 for meeting—Auditorium

**Docent Training and Handout
for
*AMERICANS ALL!***

DOCENTS: Don't miss this important meeting!!

We should all be prepared to tour *Americans All!*

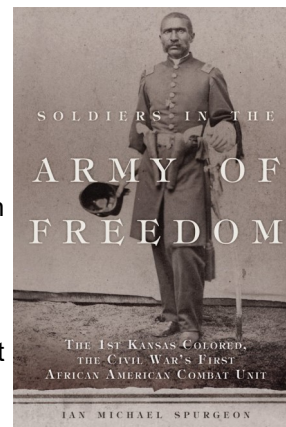
Remember, it is an ongoing exhibit.
I hope to see you there.

All Gillies welcome!

Check It Out!

~ Carol Stookey, Gillies Library Chair

Soldiers in the Army of Freedom is a new title for the Gillies Library and is ready for you to check out. This well documented historical read by Ian Spurgeon, Ph.D., details the establishment of America's first African American combat unit, the 1st Kansas Colored Infantry. Most of these men were former slaves having escaped from Missouri into Kansas. Formed in 1862, the second year of the Civil War, these soldiers donned the Union Army uniform and fought battles in Missouri, Arkansas, and Indian Territory. They were brave and afraid, sometimes capable of extraordinary feats, but also of human frailty. Perhaps they fought with a tenacity that only ages of bondage can inspire. The one thing that separated them from white soldiers was the ever-present knowledge that if captured by Confederate forces they faced almost certain death or a return to slavery.



Enjoy this fascinating focus on history.

Information Technology (IT) Committee

~ Angela Hock Brewer, IT Chair

Yep. That's us. The IT team! And have we ever been busy! Practically the first request made of our group last summer was to explore volunteer management software that would allow Gillies to enter their hours by computer. The Service Hours Chair would then get totals quickly for each volunteer and for the entire group of Gillies. Serving on this committee, at one time or another this year, have been Rick Brewer, Jim Elder, Buryl Hughes, Tom King, Ralph Krause, Larry Lancaster, Robin Leech, Anna Turner, and myself.

So, back to the story...Nancy Hammond, Service Hours Chair, offered to begin researching (she's really, really good at that!) the field of volunteer management software. Carol Stookey, Gillies Library Chair, also joined the group to help assess software user friendliness. Kathy Horne, Kathe Crapster, and Donna Gainey began meeting with our committee as well.

This amazing group has met almost monthly since August, has spent time visiting volunteer management software websites, testing programs, assessing the fit to our needs, creating a user survey for the Gillies Board, visiting Master Gardeners for orientation to the two programs they use, and having computer/phone conference calls with four companies. Our heads are whirling!

Many factors must be considered: cost, practicality, and implementation are high on the list, of course. We hope to have a recommendation before the Board in the next few months. We are also eager to hear your thoughts and questions and to get a sense of your willingness to use this methodology. We are willing to offer ample support. Training will be provided and most likely a transition period that would use both the paper and the computer modalities. Neal Scott, IT Specialist for the museum, has offered to provide a computer station in the Sign-In Room.

In addition to our software exploration and testing, we have greatly enhanced the Gillies website, thanks to the skill and professionalism of Anna Turner. Since June 2018, the use of the website has increased from an average of 15 visitors per month to 140 in December! Our website has the *Gillies Handbook*, the museum staff photo directory, training videos for Docents, Speaking of Gilcrease programs, our *Smoke Signals*, museum journals – everything but the Hospitality Committee's shopping list, I think! Please go to the site as follows: go to www.thegillies.org and enter the user name, thegillies, and the password Gilcrease2014. Then enjoy!

Welcome to the Ether!



IT Committee: Tom King, Larry Lancaster, Angela Hock Brewer, Rick Brewer, Nancy Hammond, and Anna Turner.

Ge-tsi-no-hi-se-di

~ Barbara Lee Bush, Secretary

Gillies ~ Please check your personal information in the Directory/Handbook (available in the Gillie Sign-In Room) and confirm your address, telephone number and email are current. Let me know if a correction is required. Thank you!

Sent *Sympathy* card to:

Shirley Schelper (Dr. June Holmes)

Sent *Thinking of You* cards to:

Gertrud Schmidt

Barbara McFall

Sent *Get Well* cards to:

Barbara Kelley

Beverly Wilcox

Joyce Essley

Change in Membership Status:

Linda Harkey—Leave of Absence

Change in Addresses:

Barbara McFall

2918 E. 84th Street

Tulsa, OK 74137

Karen Morris

25 Cedar Lane

Sand Springs, OK 74063-5345

Please send changes in contact information (address, phone, and email), as well as news about a Gillie who is ill, to Gillies Secretary Barbara Lee Bush at 951-317-4664, email: bush.raintreeranch@gmail.com.

STORE CHATTER

~ Carolyn Ekenstam, Museum Store Chair

The staff in the Museum Store have pulled a number of great jewelry items for men or women. **THIS JEWELRY IS ON SALE AT 30% OFF FOR MEMBERS** - that discount is even less than last month. It's a good time to support the Museum Store. It's also a great place to have a visit with the friendly staff and enjoy a cup of coffee or some of the Bedre chocolate. There are some really interesting jewelry pieces by Melodye Blanchett. Go check them out. I haven't seen anything quite like them before and the prices are pretty reasonable.

Also there are some great new jackets with very interesting designs. You would be the only one to have such a jacket and it would be great as we move into Spring. Hope to see you there soon!



Coming Soon! Gardens Docent Training!

~Dian Peacock, Gardens Chair

Gilcrease Museum is the ONLY art museum known to have created a set of historic, professionally landscaped theme gardens to echo its collection. Mr. Gilcrease loved fine art, artifacts, historical documents, AND his garden. He was an avid gardener himself.

Docents will be giving garden tours every Saturday at 11:00 a.m., beginning on April 20th and continuing through June 29. Tours will resume later in the year on September 7th and will conclude on October 26th.

Please be a part of this season's gardening action and come to a training session on April 1st at 1:00 p.m. in the Gillies Library. We are planning a fun gardening year for our visitors, garden docents, and staff. Come be a part and help us smell the roses!



**The Gillies
Thomas Gilcrease Institute of
American History and Art
1400 North Gilcrease Museum Road
Tulsa, OK 74127**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 2019

01 Docent Meeting	Auditorium	10:00 a.m.
	(All Gillies welcome!)	
03 Exhibition Program:	Auditorium	3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
	<i>From The Chisholm Kid to the Black Panther: Black Heroes and Popular Culture</i>	
07 Development Office Committee Meeting	Board Room	10:00 a.m.
07 Gillies Executive Committee Mtg.	Gillies Library	10:00 a.m.
07 Gillies Education Committee Mtg.	Board Room	1:00 p.m.
08 Gillies Board of Directors Meeting	Board Room	9:30 a.m.
15 <i>Smoke Signals</i> deadline for April issue		
15 Gillies Coffee	Vista-Gallery 18	10:00 a.m.
15 Gillies General Membership Mtg.	Auditorium	11:00 a.m.
15 Gillies Appreciation Luncheon	Vista Room	Noon
15 Gilcrease Forum:	Auditorium	1:00 p.m.
	<i>Resistance and Change: The Role of the Photograph</i>	
17 Funday Sunday		Noon - 4 p.m.
19 Jazz Night:	Vista Room	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
	Featuring Devre Jackson	
25 Hospitality Committee Meeting	Gillies Library	10:00 a.m.
29 <i>Pulitzer Prize Photographs</i>	Exhibition Opens	
29 <i>Memory, Memorials and Community</i>	HCAR	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
30 <i>Memory, Memorials and Community</i>	HCAR	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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April 2019

01 Garden Docent Training	Gillies Library	1:00 p.m.
04 Development Office Committee Meeting	Board Room	10:00 a.m.
05 Docent Meeting	Gallery 18	10:00 a.m.
	(All Gillies welcome!)	
11 Gillies Executive Committee Mtg.	Gillies Library	10:00 a.m.
11 Gillies Education Committee Mtg.	Board Room	1:00 p.m.
12 Gillies Board of Directors Meeting	Board Room	9:30 a.m.
15 <i>Smoke Signals</i> deadline for May issue		
17 Funday Sunday		Noon - 4 p.m.

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