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Written before our world became familiar with the nuances of quarantining, the tone of last March's newsletter update was bright and filled with hopeful plans. Let this newsletter reflect the hope that we at EMAHS are sensing in regard to our ability to gather and enjoy programs that were sadly cancelled last year.

I have mixed feelings in announcing that our long-time supervisor and JCOS employee at Hiwan Museum, Tim Sandsmark, will be retiring on April 1st. The process of selecting his replacement is underway. We are not looking forward to Tim's departure but we wish him well in his retirement and hope to see his smiling face from time to time as he returns to Hiwan Museum in volunteer status. Due to current protocols limiting gatherings, we will plan a proper send off for Tim at some point during the summer when we can safely gather outdoors.

During the month of January, the Evergreen Kiwanis featured Hiwan Museum/EMAHS in their Community Challenge whereby donations were accepted on our behalf. Thanks to the Kiwanis for their work in fostering community partnerships.

Serious study is being given to when and how Hiwan Museum will be able to safely open its doors for tours in the coming months. Limiting access to numbers of guests and mini tours has been suggested. Jeffco guidelines will dictate when and how we re-emerge. The 'Hiwan History on the Porch' program that was offered last summer was very successful and may continue in the upcoming warmer months. Once we are able to reopen, we welcome back the many dedicated volunteer tour guides that are so vital in telling the history of Hiwan and the Evergreen area.

The Discovery Days summer program will be offered out of doors and on a limited basis for June, 2021. Many campers are anxious to enroll in this program despite a shortened schedule and enrollment limits. Thanks to Jennee Hancock for organizing and offering this popular program that serves our community. JoAnn Dunn is preparing the June Medlen School program that is sure to entice students following the imposed hiatus last summer. Notice and payment options are being offered on our web site.

We welcome the addition of Mark Joyce as Treasurer to our EMAHS Board of Directors. Mark is a long time Society member and we appreciate his willingness to join us. Rosemary Barenbrugge has retired from the Board. We owe Rosemary a debt of gratitude for her ability to bring our financial interests and practices into the 21st Century. We hope to see Rosemary at Hiwan as a volunteer tour guide and general all-around supporter and volunteer.

Saying Goodbye to Josie Hoover

We sadly said farewell to Josie Hoover on February 9, 2021. Josie's was a life well lived as she accomplished more in her years than many people only dare to dream. From her time spent working for the U.S. government in Saudi Arabia and Turkey, to her settling point in Evergreen in 1972 and on to a career as librarian for the Jeffco School District, Josie added many adventures to her years. She was a charter member of the Jefferson County Historical Society (EMAHS) in 1974 and continued her volunteerism for 46 years. We have Josie to thank for cataloging our oral history and for organizing our EMAHS library. Josie's mark is seen in many places throughout the museum and Society. She lived for a time in the building that housed Julia Douglas' library and Josie and David Hoover were married in the chapel at Hiwan Museum in 1982. It was always a pleasure to work with Josie as she had an answer for any questions that arose about the Hiwan story; a true wealth of information, she was well invested in our Hiwan and Evergreen history. Donations in Josie's honor are being accepted at EMAHS or the Humphrey History Park and Museum. A Josie Hoover memorial service will be held during the summer of 2021 and notice will be sent to our community.

Events

March: Celebrate Women in History Month by recognizing two EMAHS member authors.
Pat Jurgens, author of *Falling Forward-A Woman's Journey West*
Jan Murphy, author of *Outlaw Tales of Colorado* and *Colorado Myths and Legends*

June: Discovery Days Summer Camp
June 8-11 and June 15-18
Medlen School Days June 8-11 and June 15-17

Notification will be sent as more events are added to our calendar in the coming months.

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