

**2008 Arizona Women s Hall of Fame
Induction Ceremony**

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*Flowers courtesy of Karen Cook
Reception music by Dr. Carolyn Broe and the Four Seasons Orchestra
Catering by Heidi s Events and Catering*

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**Carnegie Center
Phoenix, Arizona
November 13, 2008
3:00 p.m.**

Inductees



Betty Accomazzo, 1926-1989, Laveen

A rancher who had a very strong commitment to documenting the history of Arizona ranching people, she compiled and edited seven volumes of the *Arizona National Ranch Histories of Living Pioneer Stockman*. She also wrote *Arizona Cowbelles: This is Your Life*, a book containing biographies of ranch women from around the state. She was inducted into the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Center in 1983 for her work in preserving the histories of Arizona pioneer ranching families.



Katharine Bartlett, 1907-2001, Flagstaff

Involved with the Museum of Northern Arizona in Flagstaff for sixty years, she helped shape it into an internationally recognized museum and research center. Serving as the Curator of Anthropology from 1930-1953, she established preservation guidelines and techniques that became the model for others in the state. She also conducted systematic work to document important archaeological sites along the Colorado River. She was a charter member of the Arizona Academy of Science and the Arizona Association for University Women.



C. Louise Boehringer, 1878-1956, Yuma

Often called the mother of the Arizona educational system, she was the first female elected to the position of School Superintendent in Yuma County in 1913 and she became editor of *Arizona Teacher Magazine*. In 1920, she was elected to the State Legislature, where she initiated many educational reforms including the establishment of the State School Board. Because women were often excluded from men's professional groups, she organized women's groups, including the Arizona Federation of Business and Professional Women.

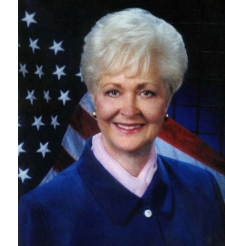


Sister Kathleen Clark, 1919-2003, Tucson

In 1973 she established the first child crisis nursery in the country. Appalled at the victims of child abuse that she saw in her work as a nurse in the emergency room at St. Joseph's Hospital in Tucson, she opened a safe haven for neglected and abused infants and toddlers. She also founded and became the Executive Director of Casa de los Niños from 1973 to 1987. Under her direction, it expanded to include older children aged four through eleven. In the first thirty years of its existence, over 32,000 children stayed at Casa de los Niños.

Program

Dedicated to the memory of



Marilyn Jarrett
State Senator, Mesa District 19

Welcome and Memoriam

GladysAnn Wells, State Librarian

History of the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame

The Honorable Jane D. Hull

Reading of the Governor's Proclamation

Maria-Elena Ochoa, Director,
Governor's Division for Women

Presentations to Inductees Families/Representatives

The Honorable Ruth Solomon

Betty Accomazzo
Katharine Bartlett
C. Louise Boehringer
Sister Kathleen Clark

Dessert reception will immediately follow the ceremony in the downstairs auditorium.

Arizona Women's Hall of Fame Exhibit and Website

This year the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame received a \$3265 grant from the Arizona Humanities Council to update its exhibit housed at the Carnegie Center and its website. The project was funded as part of the *We the People* initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The centerpiece of the exhibit is a series of custom-made quilts created over the past twenty-five years by the Arizona Quilter's Guild featuring photographs of the inductees. This year, two new quilts were added to feature the 2002, 2004 and 2006 inductees. These quilts were created and donated by women from the Phoenix Quilter's Association: Patricia Bliss, Sara Friesen, and Nelly Lopes. The four women inducted today will join their fellow inductees on a new quilt to be added in the future.

The AWHOF website (www.lib.az.us/awhof), a companion piece to the exhibit, has undergone an extensive update to include biographical summaries and photographs of all the inductees. Dr. Mary Melcher, museum consultant and historian, conducted the research and biographical updates.

The exhibit was curated by Dr. Melcher. David Tatum and Jeffrey Hotchkiss from the Arizona Historical Society donated their time to create and design exhibit labels and mount the quilts. Original artwork was created by Rachel Morot. The Arizona State Library supplied staff support, project management, and web design services. The update of the exhibit and website provides better visibility for the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame and a source of historical information about notable women in Arizona.