

ABOUT US

The award-winning Prescott Corral (www.prescottcorral.org) was founded in 1962 as an affiliate of Westerners International (www.westerners-international.org), an organization dedicated to the preservation of the real history of the American West.

The Prescott Corral has a well-earned reputation for excellence in preserving Western history through its monthly dinner meetings, the annual History Symposium that it co-sponsors with the Sharlot Hall Museum, and its contributions to other area historical preservation groups.

ABOUT OUR CONTRIBUTORS

Russ Sherwin has a singular view of frontier life, contained in a journal from his father. The elder Sherwin, Wylie Grant Sherwin was a cowboy and ranch hand in the Bighorn Wyoming area as a teenager in the early 20th Century.

Claudette Simpson is a 40-year Prescott resident, a long-time newspaper person and an ex-librarian. She has written feature articles for both daily and weekly papers including the *Carson* (Nevada) *Review*, the *Prescott Courier*, *Westward Magazine* and the *Prescott Sun*. She also had her own publication, the *Prescott News*, “which I started on a shoestring and published for 18 months until the shoestring ran out.”

Fred Veil, a retired lawyer who has lived in Prescott since 2000, is a Past Sheriff of the Prescott Corral (2004). His previously published works include historical articles in the *Journal of Arizona History*, the *Territorial Times* and, most recently (October, 2012), a book on early baseball titled *Bucky, A story of baseball in the Deadball Era*.

ABOUT THE BACK COVER: Ruins of the Wagoner Store

Bruce Fee painted this view of the Wagoner Store ruin shortly before it was bulldozed out of existence. The store was located about a mile north of the failed Walnut Grove Dam and also served as the local gas station with a single non-electric gas pump. (The attendant hand-pumped the desired amount of gas into a glass delivery tank, and gravity did the rest.) Local lore maintains that it was the oldest Sinclair Gas franchise in Arizona.