

TWENTYNINE PALMS HISTORICAL SOCIETY **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Please send this form with check to P.O. Box 1926, 29 Palms, CA 92277
Membership is on an annual basis. Please check desired sub group.

Individual (\$25) Family (1 address) (\$30) Business/Org.(\$35)
 Patron (\$50) Benefactor (\$100) Life (1 person/business/org.) (\$300)
 Pioneer Individual* (\$25) Pioneer Family* (1 address) (\$30)

*** To qualify as a Pioneer you must have resided in the 29 Palms area on or before 31 Dec 1945.**

Name (Please print) _____

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 If this is a gift membership please check box and fill in givers information below.

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Society Office mark here: Check \$ _____ Check # _____
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 The Twentynine Palms Historical Society was founded by a small group of local volunteers on April 26, 1982 as a non-profit, public benefit corporation. It is dedicated to preserving and interpreting the historical heritage of the Twentynine Palms area through a variety of educational activities.

In 1927, the community of Twentynine Palms raised \$300 to build a schoolhouse. This schoolhouse is now viewed as the "Oldest Public Building" in the Morongo Basin. It has been declared an historic building by the City and, in 1996, was recognized by the Billy Holcomb Chapter of E. Clampus Vitus which placed a bronze plaque at the site. By 1939, additions to the building had increased its size to about 3,000 square feet. In 1992, the Historical Society, with the help of the community, was able to move the building to its present location at 6760 National Park Drive near the Oasis of Mara. Our museum is staffed entirely by volunteers. Our docents are eager to show visitors around and to answer any questions they might have. A gift shop within the museum offers unique gifts related to our historical theme in a selection appropriate for all ages.



Throughout the year the Historical Society offers its members special programs. These programs seek to educate the public in the history of the area. Almost a thousand students visit the museum annually in conjunction with California history. In October the "Old Timers" gathering is held at the museum in conjunction with the City of Twentynine Palms annual "Pioneer Days" celebration. The first weekend in November there is the annual "Weed Show", started in 1940, featuring desert flora in unique artistic arrangements.

In 2006, a new library, office and climate controlled archival room were added.