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Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC)

Freelance writer and historian

As a CCC historian, I work to bring the stories and photographs of those who served in this program to life so that their words and their deeds continue to be remembered and honored. My areas of interest are Southern Arizona and the camp newspapers.

Summary

- Write books and articles on the CCC
- Transcribe camp newspapers and develop camp rosters
- Give presentations to groups and at professional meetings
- Write blog on the CCC
- Coordinate annual CCC Recognition Day
- Provide research assistance to individuals and organizations

Authored Publications

The CCC in Arizona. Co-author. Charleston, SC: Arcadia Publishing, 2014.

Vail and Colossal Cave Mountain Park. San Francisco, CA: Arcadia Publishing, 2007.

"The Coronado National Forest and the CCC," *CCC Legacy Journal* 37(5):8-10, 2013.

"Civilian Conservation Corps Company 3840: Soil Soldiers in Southern Arizona," *CCC Legacy*, 34(4):6, 2010.

Biographies of CCC personnel: Elson Alvarez, Eduardo Castillo, Harold L. Patterson, Ernest H. Bruss, and Merle Timblin.

The Civilian Conservation Corps in Tucson Mountain Park, Tucson, AZ: Camps DSP-1-A, SP-6-A, SP-7-A. 2013. 27 pp.

Santa Cruz County, AZ, Civilian Conservation Corps (2012). Tucson, AZ: Self-published, 2012.

Friends of Madera Canyon. *A History of Madera Canyon.* 2012. Contributed to chapter 13 on the Civilian Conservation Corps.

In Their Own Words: The Camp Newspapers of Civilian Conservation Corps Company 3840, Camp SCS-19-A, St. David, AZ and Camp SCS-26-A, Patagonia, AZ. Tucson, AZ, 2011.



In Their Own Words: The Camp Newspapers of Civilian Conservation Corps Camps in Santa Cruz County, AZ. Tucson, Arizona, 2011.

Civilian Conservation Corps Company 3840: Camp SCS-19-A, St. David, Arizona, 1935–1939 and Camp SCS-26-A, Patagonia, Arizona, 1939–1941. Tucson, AZ, 2010, 2011.

Colossal Cave Mountain Park. *Civilian Conservation Corps Scrapbook Camp SP-10-A: Company 0858, 1934–1935, Company 2851, 1935–1937, Vail, Arizona.* 2004, 2008.

Civilian Conservation Corps Image Collection, Colossal Cave Mountain Park, Vail, AZ. azmemory.lib.az.us/cdm4/index.php?CISOROOT=/cmpccc. Wrote descriptive captions for collection images, September 2010.

Index to the NACCCA Journal [National Association of CCC Alumni], 2000-2007, 2007. home.comcast.net/~sehunt1/NACCCA_Journal_Index.htm

Presentations

- “The CCC in Arizona: A Photographic Tour of the Boys’ Work Throughout the State,” 5th Annual Civilian Conservation Corps Recognition Day, March 29, 2014
- “The Coronado National Forest in Southern Arizona and the CCC,” CCC Legacy Annual Gathering, Tucson, AZ, October 25, 2013
- "The Boys Tell Their Stories: The Camp Newspapers of the Civilian Conservation Corps," Arizona-New Mexico History Conference, Las Cruces, NM, April 19, 2013; CCC Recognition Day, Flagstaff, AZ, April 6, 2013; Fourth Annual CCC Recognition Day, Tucson, AZ, March 30, 2013
- “Company 3840 at Patagonia, AZ.” Patagonia Museum, June 20, 2012
- “The Soil Soldiers of Southern Arizona: Company 3840 at Work in St. David and Patagonia” and “The Civilian Conservation Corps at Colossal Cave, Vail, AZ: The Boys at Work and at Play, 1934-1937,” Third Annual CCC Recognition Day, Saguaro National Park West, March 31, 2012
- “The CCC in Southern Arizona,” walk and talk with Arizona Site Stewards, March 26, 2012, 9-12, Saguaro National Park West, Tucson
- “The Soil Soldiers of St. David: The Lives and Work of the Men of CCC Company 3840.” Presentation, St. David Heritage & Cultural Arts Society Speaker Series, November 4, 2010
- “In Their Own Words,” Interviewed for the story of the Civilian Conservation Corps at Colossal Cave, Vail, AZ, on "Arizona Stories," a production of Eight/KAET TV, first airing November 2008. www.azpbs.org/arizonastories/ppedetail.php?id=84
- “The CCC Boys of Colossal Cave at Work and at Play.” Presentation, Arizona History Convention, Chandler, Arizona, April 2008



Museums

“The CCC Camp Newspapers of Southern Arizona,” museum exhibit, CCC Museum, Colossal Cave Mountain Park, Vail, AZ.

CCC Museum, Colossal Cave Mountain Park, 2010, 2011. Created exhibits on CCC camp life and work projects. Created information sheets for visitors.

San Pedro Valley Arts & Historical Society Museum, Benson, AZ. Created informational materials on the CCC for library collection.

Events

Initiator and organizer of annual CCC Recognition Day, featuring presentations, tours, videos, and tablers on the history of the CCC, 2010-present

Website Content

Blog on the CCC in Southern Arizona. cccsouthernarizona.blogspot.com, 2011–present

Research Assistance

Provided information for presentation on the CCC to National History Day participants from Flowing Wells Junior High School, Tucson, AZ, 2013

Colossal Cave Mountain Park, 2002–2011

- Provided reference assistance to researchers and CCC members’ families
- Developed informational materials
- Organized and maintained CCC Collection (books, journals, oral histories, photographs)
- Created Users’ Guide to the CCC collection
- Input records for all CCC photographs in the park’s collection
- Developed museum exhibits
- Participated in CCC recognition events

Provide research assistance and guidance as organizer, presenter, and tabler to attendees of annual CCC Recognition Day

WordHunting, LLC, Tucson, AZ, 2003 to date

Provide research assistance to individuals in role of CCC author and historian in conjunction with my freelance editing and writing business