Shop at **The Trading Post** for the Holidays!

Following a very successful Pow Wow in the Park weekend activities at the Gift Store have focused on doing the annual stock inventory.  As part of this lengthy and time consuming process we have done a deep cleaning of the Store and have taken the opportunity to rearrange the merchandise on the shelves.  Shoppers will find a larger Bill Hart collection of items now grouped together on several display shelves, and the same combining of stock applies to other Western notables including Tom Mix, Wyatt Earp, Buffalo Bill Cody, etc.  Collections of books on local history, California and Western History, Native Americans, Women in the West, and first edition books by Hart and other local authors can easily be found on the shelves with new sign labeling to aid the shopper.  Our Native American and Western jewelry has been polished and everything has been dusted off and cleaned during the inventory.  Please come by and see how bright our Store is with improved lighting, and remember that FOHP membership gives you a 10% discount on your purchases.

Our Used Book Store (the old log cabin gift store) continues to grow in inventory stock with generous book donations from a variety of sources.  Recently a large collection of Western theme books were given to us and we will be displaying them for the first time at the annual Hart Holiday Boutique & Craft Fair on Saturday and Sunday November 25th and 26th 10:00a.m. - 4:00p.m. in Hart Hall.  Hundreds of beautiful books along with other Store merchandise will be available at special discounted prices for your holiday shopping.  As most of the books are single copies you will want to shop early for the best selection!

We are looking forward to the city sponsored  25th annual Cowboy Festival to be held in Hart Park in April 2018.  This great event brings in thousands of visitors to Hart Park and gives us the opportunity to tell many of the visitors to our Store about the generous donation of property made by Bill Hart and his sister, Mary.  During each year following the Festival we continue to hand out leftover programs from the past event and also make a pitch to each and all to consider joining the Friends of Hart Park so that they don't miss out on any of our fine events held throughout the year.  Our very capable volunteer Store staff members serve not only to help customers, but also frequently serve the role of informal Park historians and tour guides as they pass out Park maps and other information to those who come into the Store.

The Gift Store staff wishes all of you a very happy holiday season and a wonderful new year!

Becki Basham

Gift Store Mgr.