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Arizona Archaeological Society State Meeting Winslow, Arizona – May 16-17, 2009 Hosted by Homolovi Chapter

I. **Welcome** - Chair Sylvia Lesko welcomed all attendees and offered special thanks to the Homolovi Chapter for organizing the event. Darlene Brinkerhoff added her welcome and reviewed the event schedule for the weekend as well as the logistics of where everything would be located. Attendees were asked to sign the Hubble Trading Post register, information was given on the Silent Auction, and all going on field trips were asked to sign field trip releases and give them to the leader. The lunch speaker will be followed by the raffle.

II. **Call to Order** - Chair Sylvia Lesko called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. Roll call followed:

Chapter	Present	Voting	Proxy	Chapter	Present	Voting	Proxy
Agua Fria	8	3	3	Northern Arizona	2	5	2
Ajo	0	0	0	Phoenix	5	0	6
Agave House	3	3	0	Rim Country	4	4	4
Desert Foothills	11	5	1	San Tan	0	0	0
Homolovi	4	2	0	Tubac/Santa Cruz	1	0	0
Little Colorado	0	0	0	Verde Valley	9	2	0
Mohave	0	0	0	Yavapai	7	2	0

Proxies were collected from Agua Fria, Northern Arizona, Desert Foothills, Phoenix, and Rim Country

III. **Approval of January 2009 State Meeting Minutes** - The minutes were approved as published.

IV. **State Treasurer's Report** – submitted via email to Ginger Johnson for placement in secretary's file

V. **Membership Report** - Chair Lesko announced we have 944 members, with 639 memberships. "The Petroglyph" was mailed to 438 members, with 246 receiving it by email.

VI. Committee Reports

A. **Certification Department** – Bob Lindsay said the first attempt to teleconference the meeting will be May 22. He needs response ASAP from those who will participate in the teleconferencing. Later in the meeting Jerry Mead gave a plug for Bob continuing to get teleconferencing to work. Bob announced Dr. Glen Rice has resigned as advisor due to his workload, but will continue to be our faculty sponsor with ASU. Sandy Carson has also resigned, because of the travel requirements. He publicly thanked both for their help. Now candidates are needed for both positions. There is \$9,000+ for the publication on rock art recording and the Chevelon publication. Jerry Mead will hold two field school sessions at Perry Mesa. The Phoenix Chapter is sponsoring a mapping class at Q-Ranch. Elden Field School will offer Crew Member 1 & 2, ruins stabilization, rock art recording and another alumni weekend. Bob submitted a written report and budget to the secretary for the files.

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Next deadline is noon on Friday, **September 18th**, for the October issue.

B. **Legislative** – Kevin Palmer reported that there will be very little lobbying this year,

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CHAPTER MEETINGS

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date & Time</u>
Agave House	Black Mesa Ranger Station Conf. Rm. 2748 Hwy. 260, Overgaard	4 th Wednesday of each month 6:30 pm
Agua Fria	Glendale Public Library Auditorium 59th Avenue & Brown, Glendale One light so. of Peoria on 59 th	2 nd Tuesday of each month Meeting: 7:00-9:00 pm September thru May
Ajo/Why	Ajo Salazar Library	1st Wednesday of each month, Dec. thru April; Bus. Meeting at 6:30 pm, Talk at 7:00 pm
Desert Foothills	Church of Good Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church Hall 6502 E Cave Creek Road, Cave Creek	2 nd Wednesday of each month 7:00 pm September thru May
Homolovi	Homolovi Ruins State Park Visitors Center	3 rd Thursday of each month 7:00 pm
Little Colorado River	Casa Malpais Museum Springerville	3 rd Monday of each month 7:00 pm
Mohave	The Grace Lutheran Church 2101 Harrison Ave., Kingman.	2 nd Wednesday of each month 7:00-9:00 pm
Northern AZ	The Peaks (Senior Living Community) "Alpine Room", 3150 N. Winding Brook Road, Flagstaff (Hwy 180 north of Flagstaff, just before MNA)	3 rd Tuesday of each month Sept. to Nov., Jan. to June 7:00 pm
Phoenix	Pueblo Grande Museum 4619 E. Washington, Phoenix	2 nd Thursday of each month Sept. thru June; 7:30 pm
Tubac/Santa Cruz County	The Historic Lowe House	2 nd Thursday of each month
San Tan	San Tan Historical Society Museum SE corner of Ellsworth & Queen Creek Rds	2 nd Wednesday of the month 7:00 pm
Rim Country	Church of the Holy Nativity, The Cottage 1414 North Easy Street	3 rd Saturday of each month 10:00 am
Verde Valley	Sedona Public Library 3250 White Bear Road, Sedona	4 th Thursday, Sept. thru May except 3 rd Thursday, Nov & Dec. 7:00 pm
Yavapai	Pueblo of the Smoki Museum 147 North Arizona St., Prescott	3 rd Thursday of each month 7:00 pm



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A special thanks to the following for their contributions this month:

William & Caroline Henry
Kathryn Russell

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For more information, or to contribute, contact Alan Ferg, Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona, Tucson 85721-0026; phone 520-621-2970 or email ferg@email.arizona.edu, or you can send contributions directly to our AAS treasurer, Judy Rounds, P.O. Box 1401, Carefree 85377. Please include your chapter affiliation.

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Upcoming Events

GUIDE TO LOCATIONS

AAHS	Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society. Meets in Duval Auditorium, Univ. Medical Center, 1501 N. Campbell Avenue, north of Speedway (www.statemuseum.arizona.edu/aaahs/lectures.shtml)
ASM	Arizona State Museum, 1013 E. University Boulevard, Tucson (www.statemuseum.arizona.edu/)
BTASP	Boyce Thompson Arboretum State Park, just west of Superior, Arizona.
DVRAC	Deer Valley Rock Art Center, 3711 W. Deer Valley Road, Phoenix (shesc.asu.edu/dvrac)
OPAC	Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, 2201 W. 44th Street, Tucson, 520-798-1201(www.oldpueblo.org/index.html)
PGM	Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix 602-495-0901 (www.ci.phoenix.az.us/PARKS/pueblo.html).
PGMA	Pueblo Grande Museum Auxiliary, Pueblo Grande Museum
RMSHP	Riordan Mansion State Historic Park, 409 West Riordan Rd, Flagstaff, AZ 86001, 928-779-4395. (azstateparks.com/Parks/RIMA/index.html)
RRSP	Red Rock State Park, 4050 Red Rock Loop Rd, Sedona, AZ 86336 928-282-6907. (azstateparks.com/Parks/RERO/index.html)

Sept. 12, 1:30 pm, BTASP, Guided Walk: *Edible & Medicinal Desert Plants*, led by either Apache Junction author Jean Groen or ethnobotanist David Morris of the Choctaw Nation. Learn the ways that desert plants have fed, clothed and healed indigenous people for a thousand years. This tour explores the Curandero Trail, which has moderately steep sections and is not accessible by wheelchair.

Sept. 13, 8 am-2 pm, DVRAC, *Grandparents Day* – Half-price admission is offered to all grandparents as DVRAC celebrates National Grandparents Day.

Sept. 17, 7:30 – 9 pm, OPAC, Lecture: *Mesoamerica and Hohokam Symbolism, Public Architecture and Ideology* by ASM archaeologist Dr. Paul R. Fish.

Sept 18 & 19, 10 am – 4 pm, ASM: *Very Nearly Annual Discount Benefit Booksale*, Free admission. Save 40–70% on remainders and first-quality NEW books: visual arts, humanities, poetry, ethnology, Southwest studies, world archaeology, anthropology, cooking, lifestyle, architecture, and children’s books. ASM members admitted one hour early on Friday for

best selection!

Sept 18 & 19, 9 – 11 am, DVRAC: *Volunteer Orientation*. The Deer Valley Rock Art Center is looking for volunteers to participate in all facets of the Center’s operations, from working directly with visitors on tours to assisting with “behind the scenes” projects.

Sept. 19, 1-2 pm, DVRAC: Lecture - *Notes on Making a Time Machine* by Will Bruder, architect of the Deer Valley Rock Art Center. He will speak on the process of building the museum on a nature preserve and over a spillway.

Sept. 21, 7:30 pm, AAHS, Lecture: *Zeckendorfs and Steinfelds: Merchant Princes of the Southwest*, by Bettina Lyons.

Sept. 26, 7 pm, RMSHP, Evening Slide Presentation: *Was Wukoki a 12th Century Astronomical Observatory?*, by Jerry Snow, MNA. Observations made at the Wukoki site at Wupatki National Monument since 1995 have suggested that it may have been built to mark significant positions of the sun and moon in the 12th century A.D. The story of making these observations will be

told and illustrated as part of the Flagstaff Festival of Science and the International Year of Astronomy. Reservations are recommended due to limited availability. Call 928-779-4395.

Sept. 27, 7 pm, RMSHP, Evening Slide Presentation: *The Lowell Expedition to Arizona, 1894* by Kevin Schindler, Lowell Observatory. In 1894 Percival Lowell, a wealthy Boston patrician, hired astronomer Andrew Douglass to travel to Arizona Territory in search of an appropriate location for a new astronomical observatory. This program will discuss the fascinating details of the 1894 Douglass Expedition, followed by a look at why Flagstaff was chosen as the site for Lowell Observatory, and why this act had such a dramatic influence over the development of Arizona and the people who came here. Reservations are recommended due to limited availability. Call 928-779-4395.



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primarily because of lack of money. He thanked those on the Legislative Policy Committee. They will work with larger non-profit groups so we can prepare to protect our interests. A question was raised regarding the Heritage Fund status. It was supposed to be off limits, but now that is gone. Kevin stated that there are other funds that are also gone. Nothing is safe. We may get them back but... Another question concerned the status of Homolovi State Park – again, there are no answers yet.

C. Education – Joan Young prepared a packet for each chapter that contains master sheets of all of the bookmark winners, asking that these be copied and distributed in chapter outreach programs, libraries, and elsewhere as appropriate.

D. Publication – Alan Ferg was unable to attend the meeting. June Freden reported that the bottle book should be out sometime this summer and Alan will take responsibility for distributing it. He will proceed with the Coyote Ruin report. After that he intends to resign from doing further publications.

E. Website Committee – Six chapters have updated their own websites, 3 successfully and 3 are coming along. The video has been up for 2-3 months now. Jerry got tired of seeing it, so it is now optional. If someone else wants to do another video he will be happy to put one on. He mentioned there is a possibility we could have an AAS store on line as a fund raiser. Sell books, etc. Payment would be made through Pay Pal. He has some old photos of Q-Ranch and wondered if there is interest in making a video on that project. Jerry provided the secretary a copy of his report for the files.

VII. Old Business

A. Dr. John Hohmann has been chosen to receive this year's Professional Archaeologist award. It will be presented sometime this fall.

B. As a question has been raised regarding how many State meetings should be held each year, the By-Laws have been reviewed. Chair Lesko said that meetings need to be held at least biannually, so no change would be needed to the By-Laws if we decide to have only two meetings a year. Hosts are in place for this year and next.

VIII. New Business

A. Chair Lesko asked for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. It is hoped that email and phone calls can make this possible without long distance travel for meetings. Glenda Simmons, Trudy Martens, Ken Zoll, Phyllis Smith, and Ginger Johnson volunteered to take this on.

B. Phyllis Smith suggested that there be a future money raising project for signs that are in a state of disrepair.

C. Chair Lesko reported that hosts are in place for immediate future State meetings.

IX. Announcements

A. AAS Fall 2009 State Meeting Rim Country Chapter – October 16-17, Payson. Evelyn Christian announced it will be at the Masonic Lodge, there will be field trips, and Todd Bostwick is scheduled to speak.

B. AAS Winter 2010 State Meeting: Date to come – Mohave Chapter – January

C. AAS Spring 2010 State Meeting Verde Valley Chapter – June 5. The State meeting will be the Verde Valley Chapter's kick-off for their summer activities. Ken Zoll listed those for the Festival of Native American Culture, June 5-13, and the Conference on Archaeoastronomy of the American Southwest on June 11-13. Information on the former is at www.festivalofnativeamericanculture.org, the latter at www.caasw.org.

E. Pecos Conference dates and location were announced. August 6-9, Cortez area. Further details on line.

X. Chapter Report – Homolovi Chapter: Karen Berggren thanked everyone for coming and for helping the chapter, the State Park and the community of Winslow by being there. All seasonal personnel at the park have been laid off. There will be no park archaeologist this summer. Three staff members are covering 7 days a week, with the assistance of some great volunteers. Basically they can plan any activities they want as long as it doesn't cost the State Park system. Hopi and Homolovi State Park have a cooperation agreement. The chapter has helped with funding for travel. Local artists can come and sell on their own, as the Park cannot buy from them. The new book on Awatovi was supposed to make it to the meeting, but didn't, so contact Karen for a copy.

XI. The meeting was adjourned by Chair Lesko at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ginger Johnson, Acting Secretary

CHAPTER NEWS

Agave House Chapter



The Agave House Chapter held its June meeting on the 24th at the Black Mesa Ranger Station. A congratulatory card was passed for signatures for Bill and Gertrude Bartlett, who celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary. Betty Mixon reported that the yard/bake sale netted \$270.70. Pictures from the Zuni Wash outing were passed around. The group will visit the Howard Thomas Ranch on July 11th, to see the pottery collected by the family. Afterwards they will visit Broken K Pueblo and Four-Mile Ruin.

The speaker for the evening was Ken Zoll, from the Verde Valley Chapter. Ken has written a book, *Understanding Rock Art of Sedona*. His talk was entitled *An Archeoastronomy Survey of the Verde Valley*. He talked about using rock art to track stars and the sun for agricultural purpose and creating calendars from this information. Among the sites covered were the Palatki Heritage Site, the Pedestal Rock Site, Thompson Terrace, and the V-Bar-V Heritage Site. We learned about many symbols, such as the concentric circles, centipede-like marks, and the falling spiral, and how each played a part in charting the passage of time. Ken explained how long it takes to prove a theory about how a site was used for a calendar and for marking the equinox and the solstice. He also praised Ben Mixon for his work in the field and told us of the universal respect with which Ben's work is studied. So much is yet to be learned about these peoples, but much is uncovered by people like Ken, whose patient study and expertise explain much of what these so-called primitive people were capable of.

The July 22nd meeting was called to

order by Ralf Kurzhals. The field trip to the Howard Thomas Ranch was a success, with 19 members attending. There will be an election of officers in September. Those who wish to may help with a land survey in Utah in August. The August meeting will be held on the 26th, with dinner at the Red Onion prior to the meeting.

The speaker for the evening was Niccole Villa Cerveny, Ph.D., who teaches physical geography at MCC. Her talk was entitled *An Introduction to the Rock Art Stability Index, (RASI)*. This is a means by which experts attempt to determine the life expectancy of rock panels and recommend those which need help first. Funding for this is limited, so a method of determining those which will be saved had to be developed. Those working on these projects look at petroglyphs, in which something is removed from the rock; pictographs, in which something is added; rock alignments, which are made by rolling boulders to make huge images; and intaglios, in which large amounts of material are subtracted to make huge images. RASI provides an easy way to train people for cost effective triage assessment. This study involves geologists, botanists, and archaeologists. They look at rocks which have been abused by humans, as well as those that are decaying naturally. They look at the weakness of the rock panel, evidence of large and small erosion events, rock coating, and vandalism. We were shown the methods of evaluation and given a crash course in making such decisions. The training for this program is available to all who wish to help. Following the informative and entertaining presentation, refreshments were served.

— Diane Collins

Agua Fria Chapter



Over the summer the chapter members were busy with a variety of projects. Jerry Rightnour and Linda Dorsey forged on with the ceramics and lithics labs. Members met at Linda's in the heat to wash, sort and rebag the "new" batch of artifacts and Dutch Duering had the prestigious task of ironing the decades old, falling apart and mouse-chewed paper sacks that held the artifacts.

The Pierpoint Team continued with their writing of the Pierpoint report. Several members attended meetings of the Gila River Preservation and Protection Committee. Several members also attended the Pecos Conference in Colorado.

The speaker for the September 8th meeting will be Allen Dart of Old Pueblo in Tucson. His presentation is: *Set in Stone but Not in Meaning: Southwestern Indian Rock Art*. This program is funded by the Arizona Humanities Council. Mr. Dart's lecture will be one and a half hours; therefore the meeting will begin at 6:30 pm and his lecture at 7:00 pm. You don't want to miss this presentation!

Dinner with the speaker will be at Applebee's, NE corner of 59th Ave. & Peoria at 4:30 pm (one half hour earlier than usual). Please join us.

— Sandy Gauthier and

Desert Foothills Chapter



At our May meeting, Andy Seagle told the story of "Tim's Cave" in Sedona, and imparted the story of his brother, Tim Seagle, for whom the cave was

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named. Tim was very interested in archaeology, and encouraged Andy to join him on his explorations. Tim died of Cystic Fibrosis at the age of 24, but Andy continued his interest in photographing the Sinagua archaeology of the Sedona area. In July of 1991, during a helicopter trip around Loy Butte and the Honanki site, Andy and the 4 other people on the helicopter discovered an unknown cave containing large, undisturbed Sinaguan pottery and baskets. Andy contacted USFS to discuss the find, and spoke with Peter Pilles, who had known Tim. Before USFS could get to the site, it had been looted of a rare painted basket, and a pot within a basket. A notice and reward for return of the artifacts was issued immediately. USFS removed the remaining artifacts from the cave, and Andy was invited to go along. The stolen artifacts were anonymously returned, using the Yavapai tribe as a go-between, a year later. Andy showed the chapter photos he had taken of the cave, the artifacts within the cave, and the removal of the artifacts for study in Flagstaff. We all wondered how the Sinagua ever managed to get up to the cave, to store their goods!

For our last meeting of the year, we had an "ice cream social," which was a hit with the membership. To help defray the costs of providing refreshments, the chapter is now asking for donations.

The next meeting will be held at The Good Shepherd of the Hills (Community Building), 6502 E. Cave Creek Rd, Cave Creek, AZ, on September 9, 2009, starting at 7 pm

Upcoming Speakers:

September: David E. Doyel will speak on his extensive archaeological excavations for the Arizona State Museum at the Hohokam community of Escalante near Florence, which he directed 35 years ago. This was the first project to focus on the Classic period (A.D. 1100-1450) in the Gila River Valley since the work of Gila Pueblo 50 years earlier. The community formed the core of an irrigation community on the north side of the Gila River. The main site contained a platform mound and associated compound. The presentation will discuss the evolution of the Escalante community and the contributions of the excavations to understanding Hohokam society. The Escalante community has recently gained attention as part of a plan to include it and other ruins along the north side of the Gila River within a much-expanded National Monument along with the more famous Casa Grande Ruins located on the south side of the river at Coolidge.

— *Robyn Davidson*

Little Colorado Chapter



Casa Malpais and the LCRC invites anyone interested to attend a unique 'One Day Event' on September 19th at 418 E. Main Street in downtown Springerville from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Demonstrations and special guest speakers will include Doug Gann, Preservation Archaeologist and Digital Media Specialist from the Center for Desert Archaeology in Tucson, who will speak about Internet Archaeology; ASU Ph.D. candidate Matthew Peeples, presenting information on Archaeological Cultures and Social Change Across the Prehistoric Cibola World; noted speaker Ken Zoll discussing

Prehistoric Astronomy at Casa Malpais; and Petrified Forest National Park archaeologist Jason Theuer, who will be giving a demonstration on flint knapping. Tours of the site will be available. For further information contact Site Manager Linda Matthews (928) 333-5375 or casa@springerville.com.

Archaeologist Jay Theuer from The Petrified Forest National Park was June's featured speaker. Jay has studied and investigated the compositional variability of 13th and 14th century pueblo glazewares. He enthusiastically discussed the invention, production and dissemination of glaze paint on pottery as it related to the settlement history of site LA578 or Hummingbird Site near Rio Puerco. Jay covered migration patterns of Pueblo clans during wet and dry cycles which were analyzed by tree ring moisture fluctuations and the geology of the pottery clays and tempers. Facts were presented also about aflatoxin contaminating desert corn and possible reasons why whole rooms of stored corn had been systematically burned.

Members attended the June SW Social Networks Project in Luna, New Mexico and heard speakers Barbara Mills, Deborah Huntley, and Meaghan Trowbridge discuss the Interaction and Migration of Clans in the Late Pre-Hispanic SW. The National Science Foundation is funding grants for specialists in different fields to pull together findings by archaeologists from over the past 100 years to develop the most comprehensive database of settlement networks during AD 1200 to 1500 when the dynamic social changes occurred.

July's speaker Elyssa Gutbrod

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discussed her design idea and preliminary fieldwork completed in Phoenix with specific indicators taken in the South Mountain Municipal Park area. Her topic was Park Management Preservation Efforts and the challenges of monitoring and putting a stability index together when there is no existing rapid assessment technique for deserts. Monitoring included a focus on noise impact, vandalism, trash accumulation, and changes/disturbances in roads, trails and mature vegetation cover.

— Catherine Cely

Northern Arizona Chapter



At our monthly meeting on May 19th, Neil Weintraub made an interesting presentation about measuring the thickness of shards at various sites in the Kaibab National Forest. They feel there is a correlation between the thickness of the pottery and the dates they were made. This was based on a theory by Dan Sorrel and seems to be holding true based on measurements taken by Neil's volunteers. He showed a beautiful slide show of sites from around the area. This is an on-going evaluation.

Summer events: (No Regular Meetings Until September)

Public Dig Days at Elden Pueblo were held in June, July and August. Those who attended received a tour of the site and had the opportunity to dig and work with potsherds. At the June event, Jerry Bacon presented atlatl throwing techniques. He has a nice collection of atlatl's he has made and collected. He also taught Flint Knapping techniques. (Band-Aids were available but not needed).

Upcoming meetings:

At the first monthly meeting on Sept.

15th, John Pitts of Santa Fe, New Mexico, will speak on the San Rock Art of Southern Africa with examples from world-class sites in three countries, the Tsodillo Hills of Botswana, Tweifelfontain in Namibia, and the Drakensberg of South Africa. John spent three decades in the Foreign Service prior to "retiring" to Santa Fe, where he volunteers as a Site Steward with the Santa Fe National Forest, as rock art recorder for the Vecinos de los Rios project and in Arizona with the BLM Sears Point Rock Art Recording Project.

Oct. 20: Kathy Farretta of Riordan Mansion will present a talk on Michael Riordan.

— Bill Jones

Phoenix Chapter



On Sept. 10th, Tim Kearns, from Western Cultural Resource Management, will tell us about "The 920-Mile Dig," the result of monitoring the right-of-way for AT&T's fiber-optic network from Lamesa, Texas, to Blythe, California. See the article by Mike Toner in the Fall 2008 issue of American Archaeology. A free buffet dinner and drinks will be offered from 6 to 7:15 pm in the PGM Community Room before the meeting.

We are sponsoring a mapping class at Q-Ranch which began in late August and will be completed by late October. We are also working on arranging both new classes and additional hikes and field trips. If anyone has suggestions on either classes they would like to take or places they would like to visit as either a hike or a weekend field trip, please contact Marie Britton at mbrit@cox.net or any member of the board (see the AAS website for the

phone numbers and email addresses of the rest of the Phoenix Chapter Board).

The Phoenix Chapter meets on the second Thursday of each month in the Community Room at the Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St. in Phoenix, starting at 7:30 pm. Remember you can now take the Light Rail to 44th Street and Washington to reach the museum! We usually take the evening's speaker to dinner at 5:30 pm at the new Ruby Tuesdays restaurant on 44th Street north of the museum. If you are interested in having dinner with the speaker, please call or email Marie (480-827-8070 or mbrit@cox.net) to find out the location and let her know that you will be attending.

— Ellie Large

Rim Country Chapter



The Rim Country Chapter will be holding its annual potluck in Payson on September 19th from 11am to 2 pm at Rumsey Park, Pavilion 3. There will be a Rim Country Chapter sign posted in front of that pavilion. Bring what you wish and your own plates and utensils. Iced tea and lemonade will be served.

The chapter is scheduled to host the Fall Meeting of the Arizona Archaeological Society in Payson on October 17th and 18th. If you require further information, please consult the AAS website at www.azarchsoc.org. Lunch and dinner on the 17th will be at the Payson Masonic Lodge. The lunch speaker will be Wally Davis, Tonto Apache Tribe, who will discuss "Tribal Beginnings and Future". The dinner speaker will be Dr. Todd Bostwick, City of Phoenix Archaeologist and Director of Pueblo

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Grande Museum. His topic will be "Beneath the Runways at Sky Harbor Airport." Happy Hour, that evening, will take place at the Mazatzal Casino.

Field trips planned for the meeting will visit Risser Ruins and Goat Camp Ruins in Payson, the Shoofly Village Ruins, Vista Acres "Two Foot" Petroglyphs, "Jaws" petroglyph site at Anderson Mesa, and the Rye Creek Ruins and Zulu Petroglyphs near the town of Rye. Local attractions are the Rim Country Museum of Northern Gila County and the Tonto Natural Bridge.

— Monte McCord

San Tan Chapter

On June 10, J Scott Wood, Tonto National Forest Archaeologist, presented *The Pinal Historic Town Site by Superior*. He has also consented to lead a Tour/hike at the Pinal Historic Town Site in the fall. The San Tan Chapter will sponsor this activity for the benefit and participation of all interested AAS members. Detailed information will be provided in the fall.

We have completed a site survey in the Coolidge/Casa Grande area. Sufficient surface artifacts justify an exploratory excavation of the site which we anticipate performing in the fall.

Our Archaeological Site Survey of San Tan Mountain Regional Park is on hold pending the required permits, licenses and funding. The Chapter will schedule the Certification Training and the actual survey when this process is complete.

The September speaker has yet to be determined. On October 14, Mark Elson, Principal Investigator, Desert

Archaeology Inc. will present *Human Adaptation to Catastrophic Events: Lessons from the 11th Century A.D. Eruption of Sunset Crater Volcano*. On November 11, Sara Herr, Senior Project Director, Desert Archaeology Inc. will present *Life in the Land Between*. The Arizona Transition Zone is situated between the Colorado Plateau, the home to puebloan people, and the Basin and Range home of the Hohokam. Little is known of the people who lived in this land "between" the major prehistoric population centers. This talk will describe some of the results of the ongoing State Route 260 - Payson to Heber project, the first large excavation in the region. She will discuss how people lived in the rugged forests of Arizona for over 3000 years, including some well-preserved Archaic and Apache occupations.

The San Tan Chapter meets at 7:00 pm, the second Wednesday of each month, at the Queen Creek Museum located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Ellsworth and Queen Creek Roads

— Mel Marshall

Tubac/Santa Cruz County Chapter

Noted archaeologist Allen Dart will present *Archaeology and You: Preserving the Past for the Future* at our Sept. 10th meeting at 7 pm at Santa Cruz County's North County Facility at 50 Bridge Road in Tubac. The presentation is free and open to the public. He will tell how artifacts and cultural features, ranging from small pieces of pottery and arrowheads to petroglyphs, glass bottles, coins and other historical objects, are often the only sources of information that archaeologists have to answer questions about an ancient people's

way of life. Using examples from recent excavations here in Southern Arizona, he will explain the importance of leaving these items undisturbed in their original context. This program is a must for everyone interested in protecting the very special archaeological heritage of our area.

Mr. Dart has worked and volunteered as a professional archaeologist in New Mexico and Arizona since 1975, for government, private companies, and nonprofit organizations. He is currently the Executive Director of Tucson's nonprofit Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, which he founded in 1993 to provide educational and scientific programs in archaeology and culture, and is a principal investigator in the Tucson office of EcoPlan Associates, Inc., an environmental and cultural resources consulting firm. A Registered Professional Archaeologist, he has been a recipient of the Arizona Governor's Award in Public Archaeology for his efforts to bring archaeology and history to the public.

The Tubac/SCC AAS chapter meets the second Thursday of each month. In addition to hosting programs featuring experts in historical and archaeological topics that focus on the Santa Cruz River Valley, the chapter offers members opportunities to assist archaeologists with excavating area sites, as well as hikes and tours to archaeologically and historically significant locations. The chapter's educational and advocacy programs are intended to preserve and protect the region's unique cultural resources and draw upon and partner with other organizations with heritage-based goals and objectives. Tubac AAS chapter members also have the opportunity to participate in many educational, stewardship and

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excavation activities of the statewide organization's other local chapters.

For more information about the Tubac/SCC AAS Chapter and its activities, call Alan Sorkowitz at 520-207-7151 or inquire via e-mail at asorko@cox.net. The AAS web site, www.AzArchSoc.org, offers information about the Tubac chapter and others throughout the state as well as activities and benefits of membership in the statewide organization. Contact: Alan Sorkowitz, President, Tubac/SCC Chapter, Arizona Archaeological Society, 520-207-7151, asorko@cox.net

— Alan Sorkowitz

Verde Valley Chapter



The speaker for our May 28th meeting was John S. Westerlund, a long-time military officer, educated at West Point, the U. S. Army War College, and the French Army Ecole Superieure de Guerre Interarmees. He received his Ph.D in American history at the University of Northern Arizona. He spoke to us about the wartime story of Flagstaff, including the interactions among the Hopi, the Navajo, Blacks, prisoners of war, military personnel of all descriptions, and the local people of Flagstaff. John Westerlund is indeed a concise and interesting speaker.

Our next meeting will be held at the Sedona Public Library, White Bear Road, on Sept. 24th at 7 pm. Our speaker will be Sharon Urban, Senior Archaeologist for the Harris Environmental Group in Tucson. Among her areas of expertise are prehistoric shells, petroglyphs and pictographs, the Hohokam,

archaeological surveying, mapping, and excavations, museum artifact cataloging, and calligraphy. Her professional experience includes positions such as teacher, guest lecturer, field director, crew chief, laboratory director, Public Archaeologist, Research Assistant, and Project Director, and author of many articles, surveys, glyphs, etc.

Congratulations to Marlene Conklin, our own "Queen of the Shards," who, during the summer, was nominated by two of her professional colleagues, Dr. David R. Wilcox and Peter J. Pilles, Jr., for the state's most prestigious award given to amateur archaeologists - the Governor's Archaeology Advisory Commission Award in Public Archaeology. Marlene, in addition to coordinating the Chapter volunteers who work at the Museum, is assigning Museum of Northern Arizona site numbers to the thousands of sites in the Coconino National Forest. These sites, numbered and recorded, along with all pertinent archaeological data, serve as a system to back up and safeguard the vast amount of data in the National Forest Service computer recording system.

We have many exciting activities planned for the coming months. After the success of the Festival of Native American Culture in June, plans are already underway for the 2010 event, to be held June 5 - 13. Chapter volunteers are needed for several activity committees. We have also booked our guest for the Distinguished Speaker Program, to be held on April 22nd - Dr. Carroll L. Riley, the distinguished Professor Emeritus of Anthropology, Southern Illinois University. He is author of more than 20 books on archaeology and ethnohistory, with special emphasis on the Southwest. He will

be talking about his latest book entitled *Becoming Aztlan*, which describes the Meso-American influences in the greater Southwest.

Contact is Ken Zoll (928) 284-1228, or ken.zoll@esedona.com.

— Louise Fitzgerald

Yavapai Chapter



Chapter members had their annual summer potluck August 20th at the Thumb Butte picnic area, a casual time to catch up on what's been happening and to get the word on what's in the works. Thank you to the folks who have worked during the summer to set up our fall schedule of talks and trips. Neal Schortinghuis stepped in as Acting Vice-President and has lined up interesting speakers and Tom Garrison continues to recruit knowledgeable tour guides to a variety of sites in the area.

The September field trip will be to the Powerline/Doreen site, a large concentration of petroglyphs in northern Yavapai County; it's an adventure just to get there! In October, Dr. David Wilcox will be our expert as we head to Brown Springs, a large pueblo site along the Verde River. Field trips are on the fourth Saturday of each month.

Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the Smoki Museum. As usual, there will be dinner at the Prescott Brewing Co (upstairs) at 5 pm. All members and their guests are welcome.

Sept. 17th - don't miss Hoski Schaafsma's presentation on interactions of people and landscapes through time on Perry Mesa. Schaafsma, an [Arizona State](http://www.ArizonaState.edu)

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University paleobotanist, has been conducting research at the Agua Fria National Monument on how Hohokam agriculture changed the landscape. He was quoted July 24, 2009 in Prescott's Daily Courier "The monument offers a unique opportunity to study how the ancient Hohokam people lived from about 1275 to 1385 A.D. on a landscape scale. Thousands of

contiguous acres containing Hohokam ruins are relatively undisturbed except for modern-day grazing activities."

Then on Oct 15th Stewart Deats, with EnviroSystems Management Inc, will discuss his work on the Talking Rock Ranch project. He has been excavating at 15 sites at the ranch, 17 miles northwest of Prescott and east of Mint Wash along Williamson

Valley Road.

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— Susan Jones

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REGISTRATION FORM -- FALL 2009 AAS STATE

Hosted by the Rim Country Chapter in Payson

Saturday, October 17, 2009

Name(s) _____ Chapter _____

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Total # of People: _____

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Morning: Coffee and tea will be available.

Lunch Buffet:

Cold Cuts (roast beef, ham, turkey), rolls, condiments, coffee, tea, lemonade, cookie

Dinner:

Swiss steak with onions, baked potato, green beans, dinner roll, coffee, tea, dessert.

or

Vegetarian Chili, baked potato, green beans, dinner roll, coffee, tea, dessert.

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To protect antiquities by discouraging exploitation of archaeological resources

To aid in the conservation and preservation of scientific and archaeological data and associated sites

To serve as a bond between the professionals and the avocational non-professionals

To increase knowledge and improve the skill of members in the disciplines of archaeology

To participate in investigations in the field of archaeology and to put the information so obtained into published form

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