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# Ajo Chapter Awarded Recognition by Bureau of Land Management

When Shelby Ballard, President of the Ajo Chapter, received a letter of commendation to the Ajo chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society in May 2006 from Kathleen Clarke, Director of the Bureau of Land Management in Washington, D.C., she was rather mystified about what action of the chapter had prompted this letter. Since the Ajo chapter of the AAS is only active from November through March of each year, it wasn't until Shelby returned to Ajo for the winter that she, along with advisors Rick and Sandy Martynec, began seeking out what the chapter had done to prompt this letter. They first queried Cheryl Blanchard, the archaeologist for the BLM office in Phoenix who is in charge of the Lower Sonoran Field Office, which includes the BLM land around Ajo, and whom they have worked for in the past. She advised them that about a year ago she nominated the Ajo chapter for the BLM's "Making a Difference" Award, which is based on the work that nominated volunteers have done across the nation to aid the BLM. She had not received any feedback on the result of her nomination until their query came to her attention.

The Ajo chapter of the AAS spent many hours working for Cheryl on the BLM land, both in the Ajo area and near Casa Grande, south of Interstate 8. The value of their hours of effort surveying and recording archaeological sites (and later recovering data through a permitted excavation on BLM land near Ajo) was deemed worth about \$35,000.00 to the BLM. Many of the volunteer hours was work mandated by the BLM but which was not funded. Because this chapter has the advantage of two retired archaeologists working with them on all of field activities, Cheryl knew she had a trustworthy group directed first-hand by educated and experienced people.

The information recovered from the excavation included a carbon-14 date of 3250 years BP on a site that was deemed to be archaic based on an archaic-style projectile point found in the fire pit which provided the carbon for dating. The Ajo chapter paid for all the expenses of the excavation and the carbon-14 date by charging a fee for each member who wished to excavate and using funds from the sale of chapter mugs, t-shirts and caps.

Kathleen Clarke's letter says "Out of the thousands of BLM volunteers who contribute their time and talent every year, you were part of a very select group." Thirty-five volunteer organizations or individuals were nominated and "a panel of

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Next deadline is at noon Wednesday, April 18th, for the May issue.

judges had a difficult job determining the finalists. Although you were not selected as a finalist, we believe that every nominee deserves to be recognized. I would like to commend your group for its exceptional service and dedication to the public lands. I hope that your group members will continue to find your volunteer service rewarding and enjoyable. It is through efforts such as yours that volunteers really can and do 'Make a Difference.""

Cheryl Blanchard says, "I believe your achievements rank right up there with the winners!" Cheryl has also advised us that she has nominated us again for the award to be presented in the year 2007 for the excavation work done on BLM land.

- Shelby Ballard



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# CHAPTER MEETINGS

<u>Chapter</u> Agave House	Location Black Mesa Ranger Station Conf. Rm. 2748 Hwy. 260, Overgaard	Date & Time Wed, Jan. 24, 6:30 pm
Agua Fria	Glendale Public Library Auditorium 59th Avenue & Brown, Glendale One light so. of Peoria on 59 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month Meeting: 7:00-9:00 pm Social Hour. 6:00-7:00 pm
Ajo/Why		November thru May
Cochise	Cochise College Library Conf. Rm. Sierra Vista, AZ	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month
Desert Foothills	Scottsdale First Assembly Dream Center 28700 N. Pima Road in Scottsdale NW corner of Pima and Dynamite	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:30 pm
Homolovi	Homolovi Ruins State Park Visitors Center	3rd Thursday of each month 7:00 pm
Little Colorado River	Casa Malpais Museum Springerville	3rd Monday of each month 7:00 pm
Mohave	The Grace Lutheran Church 2101 Harrison Ave., Kingman.	2nd Friday 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)	3rd Tuesday of each month Sept. to Nov., Jan. to June 7:00 pm
Phoenix	Pueblo Grande Museum 4619 E. Washington Phoenix	2nd Thursday of each month Sept. thru June 7:30 pm
Rim Country	Rim Country Museum 510 West Main St., Payson	2nd Saturday of each month 9:00 am
Verde Valley	Keep Sedona Beautiful Bldg. 360 Brewer Rd, Sedona	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday, Sept. thru May except 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday, Nov &
Dec.		7:00 pm
Yavapai	Pueblo of the Smoki Museum 147 North Arizona St., Prescott	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month 7:30 pm

# What's the AAS Website Good For?

When you want to know what is happening, when it will happen, where it will happen, and get more details about it.

*What* is happening can be seen by the listing on the AAS Calendar, or your chapter's web page, and if you would like to visit another chapter, check that web page out.

When & where is usually listed on the same pages, but sometimes under Activities on the main menu.

If you are looking for other websites in Southwest Archaeology, or Archaeology firms that practice in Arizona, take a look under *links*.

And if you are looking for something in that June of 2005 *Petroglyph*, you can find it under Publications – The Petroglyph on the main menu.

The latest news on *volunteer opportunities* and statewide events in archaeology will always be posted on the left side of the home page of the AAS website.......consult it frequently!

**Registration forms** for events such as state meetings, field schools and AAS projects will always be made available to you on the website.

Important *information about your society* is available to you on the website - read the state bylaws, your chapter bylaws, the society's objectives, the complete Chapter Operations Manual, the complete Certification Department Manual......your website is a great resource!

*Contacting chapter and state officers* with ease by accessing their contact information on the AAS website. It is important that this information is always current.

Or if you want to get a primer on *Stabilization* for work at Elden or Q-Ranch this summer, take a look under Technology – Stabilization on the main menu.

Just a few ideas on what you can get out of your website:

If you find an error on the website, please let the webmaster know about it at: update@azarchsoc.org.

If you find that information about your chapter isn't there, contact your Chapter President.



# Fielder Fund: Your Chance to Endow AAS Publications

Established by the Society in 1996, the Fielder Fund was created to help inform the public about archaeology, anthropology, and the history of the American Southwest through the support of publications and other media. The goal is to build a fund large enough that its annual interest alone can pay for publication of *The Arizona Archaeologist* and possibly other publications. Contributions to the fund are welcome from chapters and individuals. The name honors the Society's first publications team, Marje and Herb Fielder.

### The current balance in the fund is \$34,108.05

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.

# AAS Certification Course in Stabilization at Q Ranch Pueblo



"Learning stabilization at Q Ranch Pueblo"

### June 15 - 29 Summer Session:

#### Cost: \$ 75.00 per person, per week.

This summer the AAS Certification Department offers participants at Q Ranch the opportunity to take the Department's Stabilization Course for certification. Authorities in stabilization and site preservation techniques will provide instruction in the field at Q Ranch Pueblo, and afternoon lecture sessions will be provided by a variety of guest lecturers who have conducted some of the most successful stabilization and site preservation projects in Arizona. A two-day field trip to sites that illustrate stabilization and site preservation techniques will enhance the educational component of the workshop.

This course will provide all participants with the knowledge and practical experience to participate in future stabilization and site preservation projects. You are welcome to attend this workshop for one week or two. There will be sufficient hours of fieldwork and lectures in the two-week session to achieve certification in this course. Registration for the course is included in the cost of attending the Summer Session. If you are not enrolled with the Certification Department, there is a one-time \$10.00 fee to do so. In addition, the AAS will operate a laboratory at Q Ranch this summer, providing project participants with the opportunity to assist in the processing of the Q Ranch artifacts.

Located on the historic Q Ranch, in the pine forests near Young, Arizona, the Q Ranch Pueblo is a 250 room, 3-story pueblo dating from 1265 to 1380 A.D. A smaller pueblo of approximately 60 rooms and other prehistoric and historic sites are situated within the study area. Q Ranch represents one of the largest and most important prehistoric sites in the region. The AAS has been conducting fieldwork at the site since 1989. Under the direction of Dr. John Hohmann, the 2007 program at Q Ranch will focus on the stabilization and preservation of this rare and unique cultural resource.

After a number of years of data recovery at Q Ranch Pueblo, in 2007 the AAS will focus on activities such as artifact analysis, report writing, stabilization and site preservation.

### <u> August 23 – 26 Work Weekend</u>

#### Cost:\$0.00 per person

The August Work Weekend at Q Ranch will be an opportunity to put our stabilization and site preservation skills into (Continued on page 6)

# 2007 Q-Ranch Field Project Registration Form

Nam	me	Phone number	
Addı	dress		
City	y State	Zip	
E-ma	nail Address		
AAS	S Membership required: Chapter Name		
New	w At Large or Out of State Membership: Single \$30.00 Family \$35.00		
	I wish to attend the following sessions	of the 2007 Q Ranch Pueblo Field Project:	
<u>Wor</u> 	<u>ork Weekends</u> August 23 - 26, 2007 (No charge) Sept. 6 - 9, 2007 (\$40.00 per person)		
<u>Sumr</u> □	<u>mmer Session</u> June 15 - 29, 2007 (\$75.00 per person per week)		
	Total amount enclosed		
Will	ll you be: □ Camping? □ Staying in the ranch house?		
Send	nd money and registration form to:		
	Brenda Poulos, 29115 N. 144 <sup>th</sup> . Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85262.		
	Make check payable to <u>AAS</u> .		
	For cancellations more than one month prior to a \$10.00 fee will be retained. For cancellations prior to the session, 50% of the monies paid wi	s less than one month	
For further information e-mail Brenda Poulos at <u>brendapoulos@yahoo.com</u>			

We look forward to seeing you at the Q!

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practice. There will be no charge for attending this work weekend, as participants contribute their time to ensure that the Q Ranch Pueblo will be preserved for posterity. Work Weekends are opportunities for AAS members to come and assist on specific work projects at Q Ranch. The work weekends begin on Thursday evenings (around 5:30 P.M.) with the setting-up of camp sites or checking into the ranch house bed-and-breakfast, and end Sunday afternoons at 2:00 P.M.

#### Sept. 6 - 9 "Mini Stabilization and Site Preservation Workshop" person

Cost: \$40.00 per

Participate in the stabilization and site preservation of Q Ranch Pueblo, with instruction provided by experts in this field. Lectures on stabilization and site preservation will be provided in the late afternoons, followed by ample opportunity to socialize with your fellow workshop participants at the Friday night potluck barbecue and the Saturday night group dinner at the ranch-house. Don't miss this opportunity to learn valuable site preservation skills in a unique, fun and informative workshop!

Please contact Brenda Poulos at brendapoulos@yahoo.com or at 480-471-2454 if you are interested in participating in any session of the Q Ranch Project.

### Lodging:

1) You can stay in the ranch house of the Rogers family, which is now operated as a bed-and-breakfast. The ranch house is located immediately adjacent to the archaeological site complex, and has a number of bedrooms for rent at a fee of \$90.00 per person per night if sharing a room, or \$110.00, if your own room is required.

Accommodation at the ranch house includes three meals a day, prepared by gourmet chef Jonathan Rogers. Reservations and down payment are required for the ranch house. For information, or to reserve your room, call Jonathan Rogers at 602-222-9796, or e-mail Jonathan at granch@cybertrails.com

2) You may choose to camp (tent or R.V.) at the Q Ranch campsite, in the cool pines. Showers, water and outhouses are provided. The cost for the use of the campsite is \$10.00 per person for work weekends, and \$15.00 per person, per week, for the summer session.

April 4, 7:30-9:00 pm: PGM Auxiliary Meeting: Archaeological Excavations in the Phoenix Convention Center *Project Area* by Mark Hackbarth. Archaeologist for Logan Simpson Design, Inc. Excavations discovered the first Early Agriculture Period structures and bell-shaped storage pits recognized in the Phoenix Basin. Red Mountain phase houses were also discovered, along with later Hohokam structures. On-going artifact and feature analysis indicate the site has a high potential for providing new perspectives about the past. Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix.

April 5, 7 pm: *Lucy's child* by Zeray Alemseged, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology. Colloquia sponsored by ASU's School of Human Evolution and Social Change. For more information see http://www.eva.mpg.de/evolution/

# **Upcoming Events**

staff/alemseged/index.htm. ASU's Neeb Hall, Tempe, AZ. Free.

April 7, 1 pm: At the Intersection of Cultures, talk by Elisabeth Culley. Deer Valley Rock Art Center, 3711 West Deer Valley Road, Phoenix, Arizona. Free with regular admission to museum. Call (623) 582-8007 for more information or see their web site: http://www.asu.edu/clas/shesc/ dvrac/.

April 7, 1 – 4 pm: *Native Foods* Cooking Workshop (#22286), instructed by Bianca Hernandez, a Native American of Yaqui descent, as she leads participants in a native foods cooking workshop. The southwest desert offers many edible plants that sustained the Hohokam people for over a 1,000 years. Ms. Hernandez will demonstrate and teach participants how to prepare and create dishes using native foods. Participants will also be

able to sample the Native dishes prepared. Cost: \$25 for non members and \$20 for members. Ages: 15 to adult. Max. Limit: 10. Pre-registration required. Spaces are limited so register today! Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix.

April 7, 7 am – 6 pm: *Besh-ba-Gowah* and Tonto Basin Van Tour #26730. Pueblo Grande Museum will be conducting an archaeological van trip to the prehistoric ruins of Tonto Basin and the Besh-ba-gowah Ruins that focus on the Salado people, a prehistoric American Indian culture. Each site will include a tour with professional archaeologists and staff that know the sites well. This will be a fun and educational trip with all transportation, food and entrance fees covered by the low cost of \$85.00 for non museum members or \$70.00 for museum members. Call 602-495-0901

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

A membership base is very important to an organization like AAS. It is important that chapters build on their membership throughout the year, but they also need to work at maintaining the members they have.

As membership chair I work with a database that holds 1978 records. Of these only 605 are active memberships. That's less than 1/3 of the people who have been members of our society. Those 605 memberships represent a total of 887 members. I think we can do better than this. Although the past few months have seen an influx of new members we lost too many members who should have renewed.

I am issuing a challenge to each chapter. Let's work on getting the non-renewals reinstated. Invite them back. Phone, e-mail, snail-mail a post card or a "we miss you" letter. People forget and sometimes a gentle reminder is all that is needed.

A few suggestions for maintaining members:

- Start reminding the members to renew their memberships in September.
- Make a poster to display at your meeting with the deadline date.
- Produce a special renewal form and distribute at your meeting.
- Set up a membership table with forms and a person to collect dues.
- Early in Jan. send a "Your dues have expired notice"
- Remind them that the Petroglyph will discontinue with the March mailing.

Encourage the use of the web page <u>www.AzArchSoc.org</u>. Information on upcoming events, both at the state and chapter level, is kept current on the website, with many items appearing on the website before they reach the Petroglyph. Information on membership renewal, including a membership form, is also available on the website.

The AAS is gaining greater recognition in the discipline of archaeology, with participation in a poster session at the Society for American

Archaeology meeting this April, and our recent membership in the Archaeology channel. With the varied activities offered by our chapters, the educational opportunities offered this summer at the Elden Pueblo Field School and the Stabilization Course at Q Ranch Pueblo, there is no better time to belong to the Arizona Archaeological Society than now!

- Sylvia Lesko, Membership Chair

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April 13, 7 – 9 pm: Radio Healer Musical Performance (#26733), a special performance of a multimedia music project. Radio Healer presents a model of Native American flute and electro-acoustic multimedia musical performance, demonstrating an interplay of metaphors signified through dance, design, and music. Following the introduction and performance, the directors of Radio Healer, Cristobal Martinez and Choctaw artist Randy Kemp, will answer questions and seek audience opinion about the performance and their own life experience of culture and technology. This performance is free and open to the public. Advance reservations are required. Please contact the museum on 602-495-0901 to make your reservation or for more information. Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix.

April 16, 7:30 pm: AAHS Lecture: U.S. 60 Archaeological Project and Aboriginal Use of the Upper Queen Creek Region, by Robert M. Wegener. University of Arizona Medical Center, Duval Auditorium, Tucson.

April 16, 7:00 pm: AIA Lecture: Tantura Lagoon, Israel: Revealing Four Millennia of Seafaring History by Shelley Wachsmann, Texas A&M University. ASU Main Campus, Life Sciences Building, Room A191, Tempe.

April 19, 7:00 pm: Old Pueblo Archaeology Center's monthly "Third Thursdays" lecture: Native American Flutes and Music with Ranger Alan Stanz, Casa Grande Ruins National Monument. Free, no advance reservations required. Contact Old Pueblo at 520-798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org for more information.

April 28, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm: Painted (Continued on page 11)

# **2007 FIELD SCHOOL AT ELDEN PUEBLO**

### Field Crew Member 1 and Field Crew Member 2:

The 2007 Arizona Archaeological Society Elden Pueblo Field School will be held as two one-week sessions in the cool pines of Flagstaff:

Week 1: June 25-29, 2007 Week 2: July 2-6,2007



The Crew Member I field school will cover beginning excavation and recording methods and is limited to 20 students.

The Crew Member II field school (maximum 5 students), offered simultaneously, will cover advanced field methods and offer opportunities for participants to act as supervisors (Crew Chiefs) for members in Crew Member I.

Non AAS members will need to join the AAS to participate. Participants may attend one or both weeks according to AAS certification needs. Program Fee is \$100 per week.

### Stabilization & Reconstruction

One week of a two-week certification course, Stabilization & Reconstruction, will be held August 20-24, 2007. Registration information will be available in the April Petroglyph, or contact Lisa Edmonson at 928-522-0776 or e-mail <u>eldenpueblo@npgcable.com</u>.

### Elden Pueblo

Dating to the period between AD 1100 -1275, Elden Pueblo is a 60-70 room Sinagua pueblo with smaller pueblos, pit houses, and other features. It is located at the base of Mt. Elden in Flagstaff, Arizona. Present day Hopi consider the site a special ancestral place called Pasiovi or Pavasioki.

Elden Pueblo was first studied in 1926 by archaeologist Jesse Walter Fewkes. Later, the US Forest Service began to study the site and in the process developed a public archaeology education program focused on: 1) teaching the public about the lives of the Sinagua people at Elden, 2) field methods in archaeology, and 3) facilitating on-going research and protection at Elden Pueblo.

### Field Trips:

There will be a half-day field trip to nearby sites each week. An all-day field trip to nearby Verde Valley sites will be offered on the middle weekend (free).

### Lodging:

Many motels are available in the area and a KOA is nearby. Primitive camping facilities are available on site at no cost (potable water, porta-johns, solar showers). Visitor information can be provided.

### **Enrollment**:

Mail the enrollment form with appropriate deposit (checks payable to AAS) to Elden Pueblo Project c/o ANHA, 1824 S Thompson St, Flagstaff, AZ 86001. Current AAS members will get first priority, as this school is advertised in archaeological field work websites. For more information, call Lisa Edmonson at 928-522-0776 or email <u>eldenpueblo@npgcable.com</u>.

# AAS - ELDEN PUEBLO FIELD SCHOOLS - 2007

Please enroll me for the following Elden Pueblo Field School Sessions:

Week 1, June 25-June 29, 2007 Week 2, July 2-6, 2007 Crew Member I, Week 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Crew Member II, Week 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Crew Member I, Week 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Crew Member II, Week 2 \_\_\_\_\_



Cost is \$100 per week, payable in full, or \$50 per week due on application, with the remaining \$50 due by May 1.

I would like to camp at the Elden facility (no fees)

AAS Membership is required for all Field School participants. If you have not paid your 2007 dues, please check the appropriate box and enclose the membership fee with your application. Due to differing dues, those wishing to enroll in a specific Chapter must contact that Chapter.

	I am currently a member of the		Chapter.	
	Please enroll me as a Member of the		_ Chapter or as a	Member At Large
	Fee due with application: \$35 Family,	, \$30 Individual,	\$25 Student	
	Please enroll me in the AAS Certificat	ion Program (op	tional), \$10 one-time	fee
Name	:			
Addre	SS:			
City:		_State:	Zip:	
Phone	·	Email:		
Course Fees (\$50/week with application, \$50 balance by May 1)				
Membership Dues (due with application if not a current member)				
	Certification Enrollment (optional)			
\$	_ Total Enclosed			
\$	_Balance due			

An information packet and liability waiver will be mailed prior to the beginning of Field School. Please make checks payable to Arizona Archaeological Society. Mail to: Elden Pueblo Project, 1824 S. Thompson St., Flagstaff, AZ 86001

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### **AAS Spring State Meeting** May 5 - 6, 2007

The Spring 2007 AAS Annual State Meeting will be held at Eastern Arizona College, 615 N. Stadium Ave. Thatcher, AZ 85552

Saturday, May	y 5
8:00 am	Registration begins/coffee
8:30 am	Presidents Meetings
9:00 am	General Business Meeting
11:30 am	Brunch
1:00 pm	Lecture by Dr. Patrick Lyons. Title: "The Jack
-	and Vera Mills Collection: Unlocking the Secrets
	of the Salado Phenomenon"
2:00 pm	Mills Collection Tour with Dr. Patrick Lyons
4:00 pm	No Host Cocktail Hour Rock'n Horse Saloon
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm	Speaker Presentation: Dr. Jeff Reid. Title: Persona
	the Mogollon Controversy.



ality and Power in Prehistory: Emil Haury and

Sunday, May 6

Field Trips: 9:00am-2:00pm, Goat Hill and nearby sites, Smith Tank and Cottonwood Wash. Led by Kyle M. Woodson. All field trip participants will meet their trip leaders at Eastern Arizona College, at the parking lot on the SW corner of Highway 70 and College Ave. Carpooling in four-wheel drive, high-clearance vehicles is recommended.

Accommodations: Visit AAS Website for list of hotels and RV parks. We do recommend that you make reservations as soon as possible. A List of Restaurants is available upon request.

### To Register:

Please make your checks payable to Arizona Archaeological Society, and mail along with your registration form (on next page) to:

Sylvia Lesko, 865 S. Oak St., Gilbert, Az. 85233

For further information, please contact Sylvia Lesko at:

slesko4@cox.net, 480-497-4229

Deadline for registration is April 20





#### Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State Zip Email Phone No. of guests at \$9.00 per person \$ Brunch Buffet Brunch buffet includes: Scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, potatoes and waffles or pancakes, fresh fruit, vogurt, cottage cheese, choice of cereals, beverages, bread basket. Cinco de Mayo Dinner Buffet: No. of guests at \$14.00 per person \$ Dinner buffet includes: Beef or Chicken fajitas, tortillas, beans, rice, chips & salsa, tossed salad with Ranch dressing and crouton, Apple Cobbler. & beverage. Total enclosed \$ and cotton. In order to support their see the SAA website at www.saa.org/ (Continued from page 7) Gourd Workshop (#22287), led by extensive agricultural system, the meetings/prelimProgram.html. Hohokam people constructed miles of Pueblo Grande Museum and Choctaw artist Dave Morris. Participants will canals in order to direct water from Aug. 9-12: 2007 Pecos Conference, create a decorated gourd using a the Salt River to their fields. The Pecos National Historic Park, New pottery design of the Mata Ortiz style. Park of Four Waters tour will take Mexico. For more information see Mr. Morris will share his gourd you on a tour through undeveloped. the website at: painting technique as you learn some natural desert to the ruins of some of www.swanet.org/2007 pecos confer secrets to creating this seemingly these canal systems. General ence/ intricate design. Gourds and materials Admission prices apply. Pueblo provided. Cost: \$25 for non members Grande Museum, 4619 E. and \$20 for members; Ages: 15 to Washington St., Phoenix. adult Pre-registration required; limited to May 3, 7 pm: SWAT Lecture: The 10 participants. Pueblo Grande cosmology of the Hopewell culture of Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Illinois by Dr. Jane Buikstra from Phoenix ASU's School of Human Evolution and Social Change. Mesa Southwest m Museum Theater, 53 N. MacDonald, April 28, 10 -11 am: Park of Four Waters Tour #22285. The Hohokam Mesa. people lived in the Salt River Area from approximately 450AD to April 25-29, Annual Meeting of the 1450AD. They were an agricultural Society for American Archaeology, society, growing corn, beans, squash Austin, Texas. For more information

### Agave House Chapter



The February 28th meeting started off with extremely bad news! Our beloved President Norman Viether and First Lady Betty have to move to Yuma for health reasons. We all are going to miss them so much! The club presented them with a plaque for their many years of service and hard work. Norm and Betty, we salute you!! Please come back and visit when you can!

Vice-President Ralf Kurzhals will assume the duties of President until our next elections in May. Ralf and Gloria have also done a tremendous job as VP and Sec/Treas. We are asking for any one interested in becoming an officer, or just to help out, to contact Ralf at 928-536-3056. Come on members, we really need some additional help. Please become involved and volunteer to become an officer.

Miles Gilbert gave a fascinating slide show and talk, "The Demise of the American Buffalo." Miles is a published authority on the American Buffalo and buffalo hunters. The slide show had some fascinating antique photos and hand drawn pictures (1800s) of buffalo hunters and hunting scenes. One of the most well-known hunters, "Buffalo" Bill Cody, was hired to slaughter buffalo; it has been reported that he shot over 4200 buffalo in one year! Another record reported from one of many buffalo killing contests was killing 120 bison in just 40 minutes!! Can you imagine how hot that rifle must have been?

Miles' speech was also interspersed with some interesting and amusing anecdotes. One was about two Australian ladies who were just

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learning about buffalo. One of the ladies was asked if she knew what a bison was. And she answered, "Bison is what you wash your face in!" (You need to put an Australian twang on the answer to enjoy!) Thank you, Miles, for a memorable presentation!

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, at Black Mesa Ranger Station starting at 6:30 p.m. Our speaker will be Geno Bahe, an accomplished speaker and a private guide on the Navajo Nation. We are all looking forward to his presentation. The group will also meet for dinner at Pizza Time (right across from the Black Mesa Ranger Station on Highway 260) at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited to join us for dinner and the meeting.

And one last THANK YOU to Norm and Betty. We will miss you!

— Era Harris

# Agua Fria Chapter

Todd Bostwick delighted us with what he calls "A Good Detective Story", also the name of one of the chapter in his book on Byron Cummings the father of Southwestern Archaeology. It is the story of thirty-one lead artifacts and one inscribed stone recovered from an old lime kiln on Silverbell Road in Tucson. Two things made these artifacts very unusual, first they had Latin and Hebrew inscriptions on them and secondly, they were found eroding out of a bank beneath a hard caliche deposit. Given the time it takes for caliche to form this would mean they were deposited long before the Spanish landed in the New World. The story gets better as expert upon expert state that the artifacts are genuine. See Todd's book for the details.

Our speaker next month will be Dr. Deni Seymour Ph.D., who's topic will be " Ancestors of the Modern Apache".

Paulette Ghelker has resigned as Speaker Chair so we are looking for someone who is interested in filling that position beginning with the Fall Speakers. If you think this is something you might be interested in contact Tim Cullison at timcullisonaz@aol.com or call him 623-981-7821 for more information on the position.

— Linda Dorsey

# **Ajo Chapter**



This news did not get sent in time for publication in the Feb. Petroglyph because we are without a volunteer to do it. It has to wait until Shelby (still busy in the lab doing paperwork for our excavation of late January and February 2007) has time to do it; our apologies.

A short business meeting on Feb. 12 included a report on the status of the excavation the chapter conducted this year, which began on Jan. 26 and ran through Feb. 12. Then, after a week's hiatus, it was decided that further time needed to be devoted to this year's project when an apparent archaic pit house was discovered. Work began on Feb. 20 and concluded on Feb. 28, though we did not work every day. Good C-14 samples were found on the pit house floor as well as in a second smaller, and likely older, pit house below the floor of the first one. A third C-14 sample was obtained from a roasting pit in the pit house area. These samples have been sent to the lab and we are anxiously awaiting the results. We were very pleased to receive \$1000 for testing from the

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BLM on whose land the excavation took place. Cheers to Cheryl Blanchard of the BLM.

This year's excavation was in a slightly different area of the same site we worked on last year, and where an archaic pit house was discovered that was C-14 dated to 3200 BP. These new pit houses are presumed to be archaic due to the lack of any ceramic artifacts at all and by the types of projectile points found in them. Most of the lithics were heavily covered with caliche, and an abundance of ochre nodules, mostly red but other colors too, were found in what is believed to be roof fall directly on the floor of the larger pit house. Next winter will bring further exploration into this site which archaeologist Rick Martynec feels confident contains at least 3 more pit houses from trenching adjacent to the pit house area.

On March 17, our chapter, in conjunction with the local Site Stewards organization, will again sponsor a booth promoting both organizations at the annual Sonoran Shindig held in Ajo at the Bud Walker Park. Chad and Leni Lockwood are in charge of organizing our booth, and a new member of the Ajo AAS Chapter this season. Bruzz Bethel from Alberta, Canada, will be demonstrating the craft of flint-knapping.

Adriane Rankin, archaeologist for the Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) and Luke AFB, spoke at the Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> meeting and showed slides about old and new methods for recording "Ancient Trails." In the recent past it was necessary to walk the trail segments and stop at every change of direction to take a triangulation with compass and map. This made trail recording very difficult and time consuming. Now the recorder is able to use a GPS unit to locate the changes of direction and measure the distance

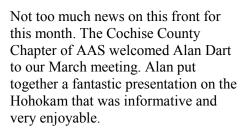
#### covered.

Satellite imagery data is now being used on the BMGR to record trails. The new method of identifying trails from satellite imagery cuts down the time needed to identify trails in the field. The satellite images are enhanced with filters. The images that Adriane showed us covered about 60 by 60 meters; they had been separated and enlarged from original images that covered an area of about five by five miles. Adriane worked with an archaeology student from Colorado who was doing his thesis on trail mapping with satellite imagery. They first thought that trails would be connected to water sources, but their study on the east tactical range showed Chapter that water locations and trails didn't correspond. The next idea they tested was whether lithic quarry sites were found along trail routes, which proved to be the better correlation. Things were entirely different on the north tactical range, where geoglyphs and rock cairns were more highly correlated with the trails.

Adriane ended her talk with a little story about a petroglyph called Traveling Man, which four different tribes of native peoples identified to her as a map. This petroglyph occurs along a trail in Area B of the BMGR.

- Shelby Ballard

# **Cochise County** Chapter



Our chapter also participated in the Grand Reopening of Fairbanks in

March, which included several activities for children.

We are still gearing up for the May 11th Relay For Life in Sierra Vista. Raffle tickets are being sold for an opportunity to win one of two Mata Ortiz pots. On April 28<sup>th</sup> the chapter is having a wine tasting to raise funds.

On April 15<sup>th</sup> chapter members will have an opportunity to visit Fort Bowie and have a pot luck. Plans are to visit Bisbee in May.

— Denise A. Agnew

# **Desert Foothills**



The Desert Foot hills Chapter hosted Archaeology Day at the Spur Cross Ranch Conservation Area on Saturday, March 17th. We led hikes to all of the various sites throughout the day. We created coloring books with drawings by Judy Darbyshire to give to children. The children made shell bracelets, painted rock art on small pieces of flagstone, and colored bookmarks. We had photo and artifact exhibits plus an information table. There was a good turn out in spite of a high temperature of 95° F. at Spur Cross Ranch.

I would like to thank my volunteers, Judy Darbyshire, Bob Cook, Trudy Menters, Lila Elam, Jay Chatzkel and Audrey Stephens who brought us our newest and youngest member, 12 year old Nikitha Ramohalli. Nikitha helped us with our children's program. John Gunn and Ranger Kevin Smith of the Spur Cross Ranch Conservation Area assisted us all day and also led hikes. Thank you everyone.

- Paddi Mozilo

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## **Homolovi Ruins** State Park and the **Homolovi** Chapter



Unless otherwise noted, programs are open to park visitors. Advance reservations are recommended for workshops as there is limited space. Programs are co-sponsored by Arizona State Parks, the Hopi Nation, and the Homol'ovi Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society. If you have questions or would like to make reservations, please contact Homol'ovi Ruins State Park at 928-289-4106.

Most programs are free, although there is an entrance fee to Homol'ovi Ruins State Park. Cultural Workshops are free and open to the public. Registration is required; call the park to register. All workshops are scheduled for Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. The workshops are designed to include both lecture and hands-on activities. Some are tailored for a particular audience, but are open to all. The Speaker Series is free and open to the public on the third Thursday of the month at 7 pm at Homol'ovi Ruins State Park. Summer Artist Demonstrations will be held on Saturdays throughout the summer (June, July, and August) and are free and open to the public.

Attention Groups Visiting Homol'ovi Ruins State Park: We invite you to sponsor a program or special event! We maintain a list of speakers and artists. For \$150 you can sponsor a program of your choice at the time of your choice! The fee pays for the speaker and the cost for advertising the event. These events are held at Homolovi Ruins State Park and are open to all visitors, but you are listed as the sponsor of the activity. Park entrance fees are required for participation in events within the park

other than our monthly Archaeology Society meetings. (If you are staying in the campground, there is no additional entrance fee).

Fun Runs: Due to problems with cracks in the road, we are now doing cross-country runs over rough, natural terrain.

Tours Of The Hopi Mesas. We are working with Arizona State Parks and with the Hopi Tribe to develop tours of the Hopi Mesas. These tours will originate at Homol'ovi Ruins State Park near Winslow, Arizona. We will have both guides that ride with you in your vehicle and tours with transportation provided (vans or a bus).

2007 Public Programming Calendar, Homol'ovi Ruins State Park (928) 289-4106

— Karen Berggren

# **Little Colorado River Chapter**

The March meeting featured a slide show of the trip to Mexico taken by members in late December and over New Years, including a stop at the Arizona State Museum in Tucson, to view the very interesting "Paths of Life" exhibit. (If you have not seen it, it is worth the trip.) Following that, we drove into Sonora, Mexico through renovated Casa Malpais Museum on Nogales and on to Magdalena de Kino, visiting many beautiful mission churches founded by Padre Eusebio Kino in the 1600's. Our final goal was the beach town of Nuevo Bahia Kino, west of Hermosillo, from which we were to visit the Seri Indians.

The two days we spent traveling into "Seri-land" were most rewarding, as we had studied several books about them ahead of time, and found them to be a gracious and talented people, from whom we purchased beautiful

ironwood carvings and wonderfully constructed baskets. We did not see any of the 3 to 5 foot baskets they use for ceremonial purposes, but did see one extremely beautiful museum quality "plata" about 3 feet in diameter, but no one had enough money to buy it.

One of the features of the second day trip was traveling in an open fishing boat to Isla Tiburon (Shark Island) from the village of Puenta Chuecka, to see where the Seri had lived for so many years before they were moved to the mainland by economic forces and the Mexican Government. The spiritual life of the Seri is threatened by a highway proposed by the government, and there have been several clashes between the two parties. The proposed road would pass through the Sierra where the Seri Indians gather the material for their baskets and carvings, but more importantly the materials for their religious ceremonies. To them, their land is sacred. If you wish information about the books and places to stay, please call me, it is a trip worth taking now, as progress and economic forces will continue to cause inevitable change in the Seri way of life over time.

Work on the Casa Malpais collection continues every Friday at noon, and members are invited to visit the Main St. in Springerville, see the new video and take a tour of this unique site, which shows the results of a great deal of volunteer time by members of the chapter. For more information contact Dave Rohlader, President at 928-333-0521 or 928 245 3356 (cell) or fax him at 928 333 3799.

— David W. Rohlader

**Mohave Chapter** 



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Our March 3rd visit to the remote Warm Springs Petroglyph Site saw a large turnout and went well. We were especially pleased to be joined by members of the Northern Arizona Chapter.

BLM volunteer Joni Alama, who grew up in nearby Chloride, gave a presentation on the Hualapai War (1866-69) at our March 9th meeting. The Hualapai War involved a number of rather small-scale skirmishes that resulted from tensions caused by an increased Euro-American presence in the area. In conjunction with the Kingman BLM, Joni has been doing research on the war, reviewing records and going into the field in an attempt to pinpoint the sites where various events occurred. This is complicated by the fact that place names have changed over time and information about locations is often non-existent or extremely sketchy. Joni invited members to join her in the field as she attempts to correlate geography with history, and to find supportive artifact evidence.

On March 21st and 22<sup>nd</sup>, members have an opportunity to participate in an archeological survey in Dolan Springs, led by Kingman BLM archaeologist Craig Johnson. Mohave Chapter meetings are held at 7 pm on the second Friday of each month at the community room at Grace Lutheran Church, 2101 Harrison Ave in Kingman. For more information, please contact John Ainlay at 928-753-2600 or jainlay@ctaz.com.

— Gale Dom



On March 8<sup>th</sup>, Mark Hackbarth, from Logan Simpson Design, discussed the results of "Archaeological Excavations in the Phoenix Convention Center Project Area." The excavations uncovered the remains of about 40 prehistoric habitations which include the first Early Agriculture Period structures and bell-shaped storage pits recognized in the Phoenix Basin. Red Mountain phase houses were also discovered along with later Hohokam structures. The site appears to span the transition from the first terrace to the floodplain of the Salt River based on relative elevations of the houses recovered as well as analysis of the geomorphology of the site. Carbon-14 dates were not yet available but should be in soon.

David Wilcox, Senior Research Anthropologist at the Museum of Northern Arizona, will speak at our April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting on "A Decade of Hilltop Survey in West Central Arizona: Some Results." Dr. Wilcox has conducted extensive research in many areas of the Southwest and has published a number of significant works on southwestern archaeology. In recent years Dr. Wilcox has worked extensively with members of the Verde Vallev Chapter, the Arizona Site Stewards, and other avocational groups. Most recently, working with Joe Vogel, Tom and Sue Weiss of the Yavapai Chapter and Neil Weintraub of the Kaibab Forest, significant new discoveries have been made analyzing hilltop sites in the greater Prescott area that point to a warfare pattern between the Prescott folk and their Cohonina neighbors to the north. A report on all of this exciting work will be presented in a slide talk.

Our speakers on May 10<sup>th</sup> will be Aaron Wright and Steve Swanson, who will bring us up-to-date on the South Mountain Rock Art Recording Project. They will have been in the field for almost a year by that date and have had a lot of enthusiastic help from our AAS members.

There was no real field trip last month, but Tom Harvey did organize (on short notice) some folks to help with the agave roast at Pueblo Grande Museum in connection with their Ancient Technology Days. Four members showed up to help roast the agave for the PGM Ancient Technology Days. It was a good learning experience, but the agave turned out way overcooked, so they did not get to find out what it tastes like. More information on Tom's field trips may be found on his website. <u>http://home.att.net/~tbharvey/</u>.

The 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. We usually take the speaker to dinner at 5:30 pm at Monti's La Casa Vieja on Mill and Rio Salado in Tempe. If you are interested in having dinner with the speaker, please call or email Sylvia (480-497-4229 or ok2ws@aol.com) so that she can reserve a large enough table.

— Ellie Large



# **Rim Country Chapter**

We hope you all had a Happy St Patrick's Day! The Rim Country is loaded with green all year round. pinyons, pines, junipers, and manzanita cover our area with wonderful textures of green. They especially like to grow into and around ruins. Mike Magnan, our speaker for March, vividly remembered cutting away the lower branches of these trees at Goat Camp ten years ago for the original John Hohmann survey. He also did a great job telling us how to proceed with our Certification Person, Sandra Carson, on the 23 areas of Certification.

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And, we got into past and present recording with Roger Haase. We look Our March meeting will be held on forward to doing new requirements and inundating Roger with paper. Don't worry Roger, it will be a while.

Our Speaker on April 14th will be Sarah Herr, Desert Archaeology Project Director for Transition Zone Archaeology alone Hwy 260....Payson to Heber. If you haven't heard, there were far more ruins than anyone thought. This should be quite interesting...so we invite and hope to see you all at MRCA on Main 9am April 14th. A side point:

The Site Stewards meet in Payson May 11th to 13th so our May meeting will be the 19<sup>th</sup>.

— Bob Breen

# Verde Valley Chapter

The Verde Valley Archaeological Society held its February meeting on the 22nd at the Sedona Public Library. Our speaker was Dr. David Wilcox, of the Museum of Northern Arizona. Dr. Dave spoke to us about Perry Mesa, the Hilltop Survey, and the Verde Valley Archaeological Society. Perry Mesa is a 75-square mile area, incorporating many sites, which seem to have been deployed in order to protect each other's backs. Since these peoples seemed to need an early warning system in order to protect themselves from invaders, they sought out the hilltop sites. This seems to be true not only for Perry Mesa, but for the Verde Valley Confederacy, many sites in the Prescott area, as well as for the Coconino Rim Forts, forts around Wupatki, and Chavez Pass. In addition, Jerry Ehrhardt's Site Survey Team has found similar sites in Sycamore Canyon and related areas

evidence of a truly amazing communication system!

Thursday, the 22nd, at the Sedona Public Library. Our speaker will be John Ware, Director of the Amerind Foundation. His topic will be Pueblo Culture. Dr. Ware is a fourthgeneration Arizonan, who has worked as an archaeologist in the Southwest for 35 years. He is currently completing the final chapters of a book entitled A Social History of the Pueblos. Marlene Conklin keeps her group of volunteers busy at the Museum of Northern Arizona, working on Dr. Wilcox's many projects. The project at the Grand Canyon may begin in mid-March, depending upon weather. Soon after that, the washing, sorting, and cataloging processes will begin.

Sherman Loy spoke to his site stewards about increasing vandalism at certain sites. He stressed the need for added vigilance because of the recent rains, which have caused the washing-up of many artifacts.

Jerry Ehrhardt reported on the 100+ sites he and his team of site surveyors have discovered in the 8-mile-long Sycamore Canyon. He has also located a trail near 13-Mile Rock Butte, which intersects with the Crook Trail.

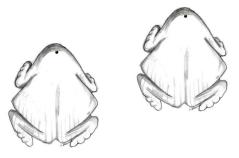
The Field Trip Committee planned a fascinating Astronomy Night on March 15. A group of over 40 joined Phyllis Lindberg, Ken Zoll, and Ranger Rex at Montezuma Well. Ranger Rex discussed the wildlife in and around the Well, in addition to some of the projects in process for tracking and counting them. Phyllis, aided by her husband Paul, pointed out many constellations and stars, and made quite real to us differences in size, density, and distance amongst the various celestial objects. Ken throughout the Verde Valley. There is followed with a presentation on the

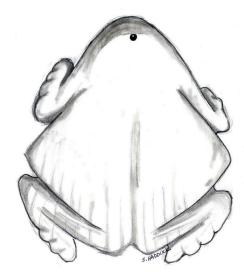
effect of precession on Orion and the Pleiades over the last 800 years. In addition, he presented differences in sky lore amongst different Native American populations, concentrating primarily upon the Hopi and the Navajo.

IN MEMORIAM: We regret to inform you of the recent passing on of Maurine Brynildsen. Maurine and her husband Richard have been active members of the Verde Valley Archaeological Society for fifteen years, and for a number of years have been members of the Hospitality Committee. In addition, Maurine was a great companion of field trips, and one of the nicest, most friendly people in our Society.

A REMINDER: The April meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 24, at the Sedona Public Library. Contact is Bud Henderson (928) 649-0412, or budandjoy@earthlink.net.

- Louise Fitzgerald





# **Final Report On Sierra Ancha Cliff Dwellings Now Available**

Since 1981, Richard C. Lange has been conducting research in the rugged Sierra Ancha in east-central Arizona.

Numerous cliff dwellings occur in the canyons, mostly dating to the late AD 1200s and early AD 1300s. A final report is now available through the University of Arizona Press: Echoes in the Canyons: The Archaeology of the Southeastern Sierra Ancha, Central Arizona, Arizona State Museum Archaeological Series 198.

The cliff dwellings were first formally described by Emil W. Haury in 1934 under the auspices of the Gila Pueblo Foundation in Globe. Haury directed two forays into the area and his report (Gila Pueblo Medallion Paper #14, 1934) was the only formal publication for many decades. His research contributed significantly to studies extending the range of tree-ring dating below the Mogollon Rim. Arizona State Museum's Sierra Ancha Cliff Dwelling Project began in 1981 as a follow-up to the museum's Cholla-Saguaro Powerline Project directed by Lynn Teague and Jeff Reid. During the Cholla project, Lange worked with crews to map and record several cliff dwellings in drainages leading toward Canvon Creek. In writing up the materials from the powerline project, the Gila Pueblo Foundation's site



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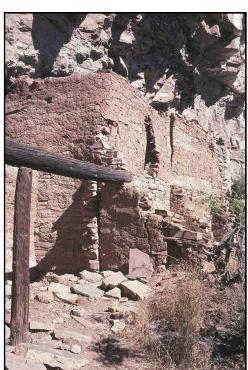
Sierra Ancha became important.

The Sierra Ancha Cliff Dwellings Project sought to re-locate, formally map and document, and recover additional tree-ring samples from all of the cliff dwellings identified by Emil Haury. Lange was fortunate to acquire generous funding from private sources as well as sponsorship from Earthwatch for two, four-week sessions in 1995 and 1996.

Private support allowed formal drafting of the site maps, and analysis of the botanical artifacts and roofing systems. Thousands of photographs and documents are now part of the ASM collection, preserving data about these amazing sites for future use. Over the years, dozens of volunteers have shared in the thrill of studying the spectacular cliff dwellings of the southeastern Sierra Ancha, both in the field and in the lab. Now you can read all about their exciting work. Find the blurb about the Sierra Ancha Cliff Dwelling Project at

http://www.statemuseum.arizona.edu/arch/arcprojs.shtml and click on the link to the UA Press.

(Pictures are from the CD that accompanies the volume.)



# Little Colorado River Valley National Heritage Area

The Center for Desert Archaeology in Tucson is spearheading an effort to create the Little Colorado River Valley National Heritage Area in northeastern Arizona. The area would be the second largest national heritage area in the US, and basically includes the entire drainage basin of the Little Colorado River. Thus, most of the area is in Arizona, but some also falls in New Mexico. Currently, there are about 30 such areas nationwide.

A "National Heritage Area" is a designation that is conferred by Congress. It does NOT take land away from anyone to make it federal land; it does NOT limit what anyone in the area can or cannot do with their property. It does encourage partnerships between private individuals and businesses and governmental agencies in order to promote and manage the resources within the designated area. Natural, cultural, and archaeological resources are all considered in developing the management plan for a National Heritage Area.

Federal matching funds are made available to a national heritage area for a specific period of time when it is designated. These may be used as a match to conduct projects within the area—developing marketing materials, preserving places or buildings, supporting events, etc. The LCRVNHA is currently a dream. Desert Archaeology has hired a coordinator, Linda Marie Golier, who is working out of Flagstaff to identify interested parties within the proposed area and move toward preparing a formal feasibility study for the NHA in the Little Colorado River Valley. Desert Archaeology recently completed a feasibility study for the Santa Cruz River Valley in southern AZ.

The archaeology of the Little Colorado River Valley is incredible. Many national, state, and local parks are dedicated to preserving and interpreting archaeological sites – places like Walnut Canyon and Wupatki, Homol'ovi, Petrified Forest, Lyman Lake, and Casa Malpais. AAS has three chapters in the proposed heritage area. They can play important roles in helping develop the plan for their local communities and in promoting the idea if they think it has merit. Contact Linda Marie Golier for further information: at 928-523-8259 or <a href="https://www.upack.com">https://www.upack.com</a>.

The Northern Arizona Chapter of AAS and the Elden Pueblo Project are pleased to announce the 2007 summer field season schedule.

**Public Days for 2007** are on April 28, May 20, June 24, July 28 and August 18. These are free events, open to the public. Activities beginning at 10:00 am include tours, excavations, artifact analysis and hunting games.



AAS Certification classes offered this year are:

**Crew Member 1 & Crew Member 2** courses provide instruction on basic excavation and recording techniques. Two one-week sessions are available June 25-29 and July 2-6. It will take two weeks to complete certification requirements for Crew Member 1 and Crew Member 2 courses.

**Ruins Stabilization and Reconstruction** course provides both lecture and field work to stabilize and reconstruct stone walls. Maintaining authentic architectural design, preservation challenges and site interpretation issues relating to stabilization are covered. One week of a two-week certification program is offered in 2007, scheduled for August 20-24.

Contact Lisa Edmonson at eldenpueblo@npgcable.com or (928) 522-0776 for more information.



# Legislative Policy Committee Steering Committee Meeting Report



### Overview

The LPC Steering Committee, which consists of Kevin Palmer (the Designated Lobbyist), Marge Williams, Joe DeVito, Veronica Francis, Robert Francis, (and one member to be named) will proceed with two short term goals for 2007 and discuss longer term goals as short term goals are completed. The next meeting will be on Wednesday April 11th at 6:30 in the same location.

### Goals

First: develop a network of individuals within the State that will work to enhance the communication process among AAS chapters by using the Legislative Policy Committee membership which includes: Ron Smith (Mohave), Bill Kusner (Verde Valley), Charlie Gilbert (Desert Foothills), Pete Stanley (Phoenix), and Shelly Saltens (Auxiliary Manager) as primary contacts. AAS members at large will also be recruited.

Second: Produce a five minute video about AAS that will advocate education and preservation of Archaeology in the Southwest.

### Methodology

LPC: A procedures manual, called Joe's Book, will be assembled to include all legislative districts and AAS Chapters and an AAS contact person as required. The immediate goal will be to update correct information from each chapter that can be utilized by all officers and members of AAS. This will be done by splitting the State into five parts and assigning a Steering Committee member to specific chapters in each area or Legislative District if that is more feasible. By December each of the five members should have a working relationship with a point person in each chapter or with the LPC member in a given chapter so we can proceed to the next step of enhanced communication within the organization, followed next year by a coordinated lobby effort that encompasses a two way information exchange.

Video: The video production will begin first with the creation of a storyboard (showing all information to be covered in the video) using a song by Robby Robertson called "Fallen Angel" as the audio bed. This will be developed by the Content Director (soon to be named) after consultation with the Research Committee headed by Dr. David Wilcox and Grace Schoonover. Creative Director Veronica Francis will coordinate with the technical team on how the concept will be shot and sequenced. The Creative Director will also interface the SWAT video provided by Chris Lange as needed. Final direction and post production will take place once that has been determined. We will also endeavor to discuss production cooperation with Jane Rau of the McDowell Conservancy, Congressman Rick Renzi coauthor of Public Lands Legislation and Kathleen Ingley of the Arizona Republic.

### Conclusion

These are first steps in an extensive undertaking that was detailed and adopted at the committee work session during the January State meeting and will be reviewed at the May State Meeting in Safford.

— Kevin J Palmer



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