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**Plan now to attend the
2011 ANNUAL STATE MEETING
October 14-16, Benson, Arizona**

**See the schedule, lodging, and field trip information on pages 3 and 4 of the
May Petroglyph, or go to the AAS web site:
<http://www.azarchsoc.org/annualmeeting>**

The Dinner Menu and Registration Form is on page 3

HOMOLOVI WORK CONTINUES

Two work weekends were held in May to continue stabilization work in the Homolovi State Park near Winslow. All work is now complete at Homolovi II, the main attraction of the park. The May effort centered on stabilization of the 5 rooms in the pueblo village which were excavated in 1984, and were in dire need of attention to preserve the fabric of the walls. Additionally, a small kiva was stabilized and backfilled, and work was started on some small walls at Homolovi I, which sits close to the banks of the Little Colorado River. Some work remains at Homolovi I, and we are planning a short, one weekend project on Sep. 17 & 18 to finish this area. Fourteen crew members, representing nine AAS chapters, participated in the work, undaunted by the winds and heat.

We are now discussing the possibility of stabilizing the walls at Homolovi IV, where numerous walls were exposed during excavations in the nineties, and which is in a similar state of deterioration. A new round of planning documents and approvals will be needed before we can proceed. If approved, work would begin in Spring 2012; it will require a lot of work. More info will be published as plans progress.

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Next deadline is noon on
Thursday, Aug. 18th

PICTURE CANYON CELEBRATION

Saturday, June 11, 10 am to 2 pm



The Picture Canyon Core Group invites you to attend a very special event at Picture Canyon, listed on the National Register of Historic Sites. Come join us to celebrate the

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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/aahs/lectures.shtml).
AIA	Archaeological Institute of America, ASU Tempe, Lattie F. Coor Hall, Rm 170
ASU	ASU Main Campus, Tempe, Anthropology Building, Room 340
CAASW	Conf. on Archaeoastronomy in the American Southwest, www.caasw.org/2011conference.html .
DVRAC	Deer Valley Rock Art Center, 3711 W. Deer Valley Rd, Phoenix 623-582-8007, dvrac.asu.edu .
IHO	Institute for Human Origins, ASU, Tempe, 727-6580, iho.asu.edu .
OPAC	Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, 2201 W. 44th Street, Tucson, 520-798-1201, www.oldpueblo.org .
MNA	3101 N. Ft. Valley Rd., Flagstaff, 928-774-5213, www.musnaz.org/ ,
PGM	Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix 602-495-090, www.pueblogrande.com .
PGMA	Pueblo Grande Museum Auxiliary, www.pueblogrande.org .

June 1, 7:30 pm, PGMA, Phoenix, Lecture: *O'odham View of Ancestral Lands* by Mr. Barnaby Lewis, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer for the Gila River Indian Community.

June 7, 1:30-3 pm, Library Presenters, Tucson, Presentation: *Set in Stone but not in Meaning: Southwestern Indian Rock Art* by Allen Dart, at the Murphy-Wilmot Branch Library.

June 11, 9:30 am - 5 pm, Heard Museum, Phoenix, Opening: Public Opening of *Navajo Textiles: 100+ Years of Weaving*.

June 11-12, 9am – 5 pm, MNA, Flagstaff, Auction: *2011 Semi-Annual Navajo Rug Auction* at the Coconino Center for the Arts. Public Preview 9 am-1 pm, Auction 2-5 pm on both days. Each auction will feature over 200 vintage and contemporary Navajo weavings. Consignments will be accepted for both auctions. Artists and other consigners are invited to bring their Navajo weavings to the MNA from June 8 - June 10. Experts will be on hand to view and select weavings.

June 11, 6:30-7:30 pm, DVRAC, Rock Art Tour: Guided *Twilight Tours* will be offered on June 11, 25, July 9, 23, and Aug. 6, 20. Reservations are required; call 623-582-8007. For more info, go to their website listed above.

June 16-18, 2011 CAASW Conference, Albuquerque: *Astronomy and Ceremony in the Prehistoric Southwest Revisited*. University of New Mexico Hibben Center for Archaeological Research. See their web site at <http://caasw.org/2011Conference.html>.

June 20, 7:30 pm, AAHS, Tucson, Lecture: *The Interplay Between Forensic Anthropology and Bioarchaeology in Interpreting Human Skeletal Variability* by Bruce Anderson, Adjunct Assistant Prof. of Anthropology and Forensic Anthropologist for the Pima County Office of the Medical Examiner.

June 22-24, Tucson, Conference: *The 9th Annual Arizona Historic Preservation Conference* at the Marriott University Park Hotel. <http://azpreservation.com/regstart.aspx>

June 24-28, OPAC, Educational Tour: *Mimbres Ruins, Rock Art, and Museums of Southern New Mexico* with archaeologist Allen Dart, sponsored by Old Pueblo Archaeology Center. See OPAC website for details.

June 30, 12 - 1 pm, Library Presenters, Tucson, Food for Thought:

Arts and Culture of Ancient Southern Arizona Hohokam Indians with archaeologist Allen Dart, OPAC, at Tucson Main Library.

July 2, 2 – 3 pm, Library Presenters, Marana, Presentation: *Southwestern Rock Calendars & Ancient Time Pieces* with archaeologist Allen Dart at Pima County Public Library, Wheeler Taft Abbott Sr. Branch, Marana, Arizona.

July 5-Sept. 6, 6:30-8:30 pm, Tuesdays, Tucson, Class: *Prehistory of the Southwest* with archaeologist Allen Dart at OPAC.

July 15, 2 – 3 pm, Library Presenters, Green Valley, Children's Presentation: *What is an Archaeologist?* by Sherry Eisler, OPAC, at Pima County Public Library, Joyner-Green Valley Branch.

July 18, 7:30 pm, AAHS, Tucson, Lecture: *Tree-Rings, Documents, and Oral Histories in Cebolla Creek, NM* by Ronald Towner, Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Associate Research Professor, Dendrochronology.

July 20, 1:30 – 3 pm, Library Presenters, Tucson, Presentation: *Set in Stone but Not in Meaning: Southwestern Indian Rock Art* by archaeologist Allen Dart for Pima County Public Library - Mission Branch, Tucson*

Aug.11-14, Fredonia, Az, Conference: *2011 Pecos Conference*. The conference will be at a large group campsite in the Kaibab National Forest at Mile-and-a-Half Lake, south of Jacob Lake. Early Registration opened April 10 and ends July 1. Conference Early Registration Forms: http://www.swanet.org/2011_pecos_conference/prereg.html

Sept. 10, Phoenix, Symposium: *The Friends of the Agua Fria National Monument* will be holding a one day symposium on current studies related to the prehistoric cultures of Perry Mesa and surrounding areas at the Embassy Suites Hotel at I-17 and Greenway Rd in Phoenix.

Sept. 23-26, Price, Utah, Conference: *31st URARA Symposium*. For details and registration, visit the website: <http://www.utahrockart.org/symposium/index.shtml>

Oct. 28, Tucson, Conference: *The Arizona Archaeological Council Fall Conference* will be held in conjunction with the 69th Plains Anthropological Conference, which will convene in Tucson on Oct. 26-29..



2011 Annual AAS State Meeting

October 14-16, Benson, Arizona



Registration Form

Please include the following in the 2011 State Meeting:

Name(s) _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Quantity

Are you attending the Breakfast/Business Meeting? (open to all) _____

Deli Style Box Lunch **\$9.00 each:**

Served on a Kaiser Bun with Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Chips, Fruit, Cookie:

Roast Beef _____

Turkey _____

Veggies _____

Total for Lunches _____

Dinner **\$25.00 each**

Served with Garlic Whipped Potatoes, Broccoli with Walnuts, Mixed Greens, and Dessert!

Prime Rib of Beef _____

Grilled Salmon w/Tropical Salsa _____

Chicken Marsala _____

Vegetarian Tortellini w/Pesto Sauce _____

Total for Dinners _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Thank You!

Please detach and mail along with your check for food to:

Trudy Mertens
P.O. Box 819
Wickenburg, AZ 85358

ITEMS NEEDED FOR SATURDAY SILENT AUCTION

Do you have an item to contribute to the Silent Auction?

If so, please notify Carolyn Walter, Rim Country Chapter, by **Sept. 15** at WaltCarolAZ@aol.com or 928-474-4419. Please download the form from the Annual Meeting page at <http://www.azarchsoc.org/annualmeeting> and bring it with the item to Saturday's registration. Be sure to include the minimum bid. Thank you!

HOMOLOVI WORK CONTINUES (Continued from page 1)

The AAS has received a lot of favorable publicity and grateful comments from the Principal Investigator, Charles Adams, Ph.D., of the Arizona State Museum and the University of Arizona, as well as state parks personnel at all levels. We were able to step up to a large task that was sorely needed at a time when the State of Arizona had no funds to maintain the archaeological sites in the Homolovi State Park. The quality of our workmanship has drawn praise from all quarters, in particular from the Archaeologist at the State Historic Preservation Office. Although everyone worked hard, it is Jim Britton, our crew chief, who has spent countless additional days conducting the research, preparing the planning documents, supervising the work, and writing up the final detailed report of work accomplished. Thanks from all of us, Jim.

The abbreviated September schedule will be a good opportunity for members who might not have stabilization training to come out and give it a try. Almost all of the crew is now certified, and will be able to train new crew members. My thanks to all who helped; I am looking forward to more such productive activity and good times in the future.

Ron Robinson, AAS Chair



PICTURE CANYON CELEBRATION (Continued from page 1)

Meander Restoration Project and share our vision for the future of this important resource. Special guided hiking tours, conducted by Picture Canyon experts, will be provided.

The event will be opened with welcome and introductions by Mandy Metzger, Coconino County Supervisor; Flagstaff Mayor Sara Presler; Rodney Held, Arizona Water Protection Fund; Stephanie Yard, engineer; David McKee, City of Flagstaff. Following welcoming talks, visitors will be able to hike this important pre-historic and environmental location on the outskirts of Flagstaff, which protects Sinagua rock art and habitation ruins as well as natural vegetation and a permanent water supply.

Peggy Taylor



2011 Cultural Workshop Series

Flagstaff, Arizona

Sponsored by:

Coconino National Forest

Arizona Natural History Association, Elden Pueblo

Arizona Archaeological Society



ELDEN PUEBLO

The Cultural Resource Workshop series is designed to introduce the public and interested AAS members to field opportunities on public lands. It encourages stewardship goals and engages the public in being involved in the care of cultural resources on public lands while having FUN outdoors. Workshops are conducted at Elden Pueblo, or it serves as the meeting site for field activities. Workshops are from 9 am to 3 pm, unless otherwise noted. Registration is required. Contact Lisa Deem at Elden Pueblo/Coconino National Forest (928) 527-3452 for registration and information.

LODGING

Many motels are available in the area and a KOA campground is nearby. Primitive camping facilities with drinking water, chemical toilets and solar showers are available adjacent to the site at no cost.

ALUMNI FIELD SESSIONS

June 6-10, June 13-17

Two 1-week long Elden Pueblo Alumni Field Sessions will be held in the cool pines of Flagstaff. Alumni are invited to join the staff for 2 work weeks to complete documentation and interpretation of test trenches that have been completed but require final confirmation. This involves review, corrections, and updates to previous excavation notes, photographs, plan drawings, and profiles, as well as verifying correlations within the overall site strata graphic sequence. Registration is required and a fee will be charged to cover site expenses. This session is limited to Elden Alumni or persons with equivalent field experience. Members who are looking to complete Crew Member II certification (week two) may also attend. Non AAS members will need to join the AAS to participate. Program Fee is \$50 per week.

RECONNAISSANCE OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES SERIES

Thousands of archaeological sites have been previously recorded by the Coconino National Forest. The majority of these sites were recorded prior to GPS technology. Before GPS, these site locations were hand plotted on maps with varying degrees of accuracy. Many land management agencies, including the Coconino National Forest, need help in identifying the location of pre-GPS sites. This task often requires quite a bit of sleuthing. Workshop attendees will work with site records, maps, and GPS to strategically search for site locations, verify site locations, and provide updated site datum and boundary information using a GPS. Forest archaeologists will lead the workshop and assist attendees in using GPS. Attendees will need to be able to walk over uneven terrain for up to 2 miles. Attendees will need to bring sunscreen, lunch, water, and be prepared for warm temperatures. GPS units will be available for use, but attendees are encouraged to bring their own. The workshop is limited to 8 people.

Workshop No. 3: Instructor: Jeremy Haines

Fri, July 8, 2011

Workshop No. 4: Instructor: Don Keller

Sat, July 16, 2011

LABORATORY TECHNIQUES

July 11-15, 2011

Instructor: Peter J. Pilles, Jr.

A one-week session of lab work. This class deals with the methods and materials used in processing, preserving, cataloging, and storing of artifacts. It includes classifying artifacts, with particular attention paid to ceramics and lithics. We will be working on cataloguing work done over the years at Elden Pueblo. Two weeks of coursework are required for certification. Non AAS members will need to join the AAS to participate.

Program Fee is \$100 per week.



2011 AAS – ELDEN PUEBLO
ENROLLMENT FORM



Please enroll me for the following Session:

- Elden Alumni Field Session 1 June 6-10
Elden Alumni Field Session 2 June 13-17
Laboratory Techniques July 11-15
Cultural Workshop No. 3: July 8
Cultural Workshop No. 4: July 16

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

Note:

AAS Membership is required for all participants. Please indicate your membership status by checking one of the boxes below. If you are not a paid up 2011 member, please check the appropriate box and enclose fee with your application. Due to differing dues, those wishing to enroll in a specific Chapter must contact that Chapter. If no chapter preference is listed, new members will be automatically enrolled in the Northern Arizona Chapter, which helps sponsor the Elden Pueblo Project.

- I am currently a member of the Chapter
Please enroll me as a Member of AAS, Chapter
Membership fee due with application: \$40 Family, \$35 Individual, \$33 Student
Please enroll me in the AAS Certification Program (optional).
Include a \$10 one-time fee. This covers all of the AAS courses.

Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
Phone: Email:

\$ Course Fees
\$ NAAS Membership Dues (due with application if not a current AAS member)
\$ Certification Enrollment (optional)
\$ Total Enclosed \$ Balance due

An information packet and liability waiver will be mailed prior to beginning of your session.

Make checks payable to: Arizona Archaeological Society
Mail to: Elden Pueblo Project, 1824 S. Thompson St., Flagstaff, AZ 86001.
Questions? Contact: Lisa Deem at (928) 527-3452 or eldenpueblo@npgcable.com

CHAPTER NEWS

Agave House Chapter



The Agave House Chapter met at the Black Mesa Ranger Station on April 27 with 16 persons in attendance. It was announced that two members passed away this week.

Our speaker was Joe Nickolas, retired chairman of the Biological Sciences Department, Northland Pioneer College. His presentation featured material contained in his book, *The General Crook Trail, An Arizona Pioneer Road*. General Crook was a West Point graduate. Construction of the wagon trail, also known as the Crook Military Road, along the Mogollon Rim throughout the then northern Arizona territory was undertaken by the U.S. Army from 1871 to 1875 and from 1882 to 1886 under General Crook's direction and was documented by his photographer, Timothy O'Sullivan. The trail was paved under the leadership of Colonel Corydon E. Cooley.

Soldiers, civilians and Apaches used mules, picks, shovels, and black gunpowder to construct the road bed for 35 cents a day plus room and board. The trail ran for some 220 miles, and today it passes through three national forests - Prescott, Coconino and Apache-Sitgreaves. Along the route were Army bases called camps (later known as Fort Whipple, Camp Verde, and Fort Apache). One of the first supply train passengers was Martha Summerhayes, wife of an Army officer. She wrote a book, *Vanished Arizona*, in which she described climbing the rim on the General Crook Trail.

The next meeting is Wednesday, May 25, at the Black Mesa Ranger Station at 6:30 pm. Those who choose may join us for dinner at 5 pm at Sue's Pizza Time. All are welcome.

--Virjean Svoboda

Desert Foothills Chapter



The DFC does not meet during the summer months of June, July and August. President Paddi Mozilo would like to thank all those members who helped make our 2011 spring season a great success. The DFC Board will be meeting this summer to plan our fall session. Larry Morehouse is planning some local, more easily accessible hikes and Joan Young is working on local cultural trips for the *Out and About* group. As always, we are interested in hearing from our members about what activities, hikes and speakers you might enjoy. You may contact Paddi at 480-595-9255.

Remember to register for the *Prehistory of the Southwest* and *Advanced Southwest Archaeology* certification classes offered this September thru November. See the May Petroglyph for more information or email Mary Kearney at maryk92@aol.com.

The AAS State Meeting in Benson, Oct. 14-16, promises to be a good time, with speakers, hikes and the fellowship of other AAS chapters. The DFC would love to see lots of our members there enjoying the archaeological activities planned.

We wish all our members a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing you back at The Good Shepherd of the Hills Church on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. Our speaker for that evening will be historian Tom Kennedy and he will present a PowerPoint entitled, *The History of the Zuni Culture*. Until then, safe travels!

--Holly Bode to seeing you this September for more hikes, lectures and archaeological adventures!

--Holly Bode



Homolovi Chapter

The Homolovi Chapter received a letter of thanks from Marlo Buchmann and the Arizona State Parks for our Volunteer Efforts during the "Homolovi State Park" re-opening on March 18 and 19, 2011. The Event was a great success with over 500 visitors. Our Chapter also aided in grants to help pay for some of the Hopi Artisans. The Hopi tribe provided Dancers, demonstration of Crafts and other cultural activities. And we must mention the food was great, with many folks being able to taste the Hopi tea.

Our Chapter and Karen Berggren also received a letter of Appreciation for the donation we made to pay for a Homolovi State Park "Billboard" to advertise the park along the I-40 corridor. We believe this will aid in visitation and had been a vision of the chapter for a long time.

Although we are an Archaeological Chapter we are excited about listening to other Sciences of our local area, so we were fortunate to have a paleontologist speak to our chapter. Our speaker for April was Bill Parker, paleontologist for the Petrified Forest. Bill has his B.S. and M.S. in Geology from N.A.U., and had been the paleontologist at the park since 2001. He has published over 30 papers pertaining to the Triassic Period Geology and Paleontology. Since Bill has a degree in both departments, we received the best of both worlds. Additional information found in "naturescience/research-activities".

During the weekends of May 7 - 8 and the 14 - 15, many AAS statewide volunteer members and Park Staff, including Chad Meunier and Ken Evans, participated in restabilizing walls at Homolovi II and Homolovi I under the direction of Dr. Chuck Adams, Tom Woodall, and Jim and Marie Britton. This was the second season we were able to work on these projects. We must remember to pat ourselves on the back, because after the completion of the project, we all "stood back" and noticed the walls looked 100 % better than they had looked before. I think the "right" recipe, along with a more natural color, was found and utilized. The weather was fairly nice; we only had to brave the winds a couple of times. Of course the Holbrook-ites and Winslow-ites are used to this kind of weather.

Everyone is welcome to join us for our following Presentations:
May 19 - Todd Roth- Dedication and Relocation in Rotary Park, Winslow, of the 9-11 Memorial.

June 16 - Dr. E. Charles Adams - Rock Art Ranch Project

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- July 21 – Jason McInteer: Black Mesa District Archaeology
Aug. 18 – Ben Mixon: Circumpolar Star Observations by the Ancient Stargazers
Sept. 15 – Mike Lawson: Hubbell, Keam and Graham – Trade Relations in the Southwest
Oct. 20 – Nancy Humphry: A Frontier Family's SW Journey – time reflected in the lives of Clem Humphry and Maria Lucia Gonzales Humphry, and book signing.
Nov. 17 – Joe Nickolas: Cibeqe Uprising of 1881

--Darlene L. Brinkerhoff

Little Colorado River Chapter



Our May meeting introduced us to Joe Nickolas from Show Low. Although a retired Biology professor, he has great interest in the history of Arizona and now classifies himself as a "Bio-historian". His presentation was on the history and formation of the General Crook Trail and, later, Military Road. He was chosen to participate in the Bicentennial re-marking of the trail, which brought him directly through our community. Unfortunately, given the breadth of the Rodeo-Chedeshki fire in this area, it is likely many of the markers no longer exist. We look forward to his return visit as our Sept. 19th when he will present the *Cibeqe Outbreak of 1877*.

Dennis and Sky Roshay will present *Tone Poem Petroglyphs* [during our June 20th meeting, which we are anxiously waiting to experience – be sure to stay tuned for next month's report on what we saw! October will be an as-yet-undecided topic by Mike Lawson of Winslow, depending on the amount of research he is able to complete on a topic he has presented to us previously. Regardless of the topic, we are sure to enjoy his presentation.

Arrangements for other speakers are still in process but activities are scheduled as follows: Our big trip of the year (June 24-28) to the 9 Mile Canyon area of Utah, with a sprinkling of other local areas of interest to round out the journey, has been planned and we are patiently waiting until time to hit the road. This is a new area of exploration for us and we plan to take in as much of the local flavor as possible. Given liability issues, this will be a members-only event.

- July 10 – Golf Course glyph walk
Sept. – local glyph tours with Roxanne Knight
early Oct. – Canyon de Chelly weekend
Nov. 5 – Apache Creek, NM
Dec. 11 – Annual Christmas party at Anderson's

Our regular meeting is the 3rd Monday each month, but contact Carol Farnsworth for more information at (928) 333-3219 or farnsc570@gmail.com.

--Suzanne Trezise

Northern Arizona Chapter



There will be no chapter meetings held from June - August. Meetings will resume on Sept. 20th, when Lyle Balenqua will present a talk on *Hopi Migration Trails Through Northern Arizona*. Lyle is a member of the Greasewood clan, of Bacavi on Third Mesa. He has worked on archaeological studies with the National Park Service, the Hopi Tribe, and the Museum of Northern Arizona. Lyle's focus has been Hopi ancestral settlements and lifeways. He has developed information on Sipaulovi clan migrations for the Sipaulovi Historic Tourism Program. For visitors to northern Arizona, Sipaulovi Village offers tours of this beautiful mesa village which all will enjoy. Tour information can be found on the web.

—Peggy Taylor

Phoenix Chapter



May 12th meeting: Geoffrey Clark, Ph.D., a Regents Prof. of Anthropology at ASU, gave us an interesting overview of new finds that have changed the views on *Human Origins from the Miocene to the Pleistocene*. He also brought along a large number of casts for members to look over. Due to an equipment malfunction, the lecture was truncated, but this left extra time for the audience to ask questions and to discuss the casts. Dr. Clark will provide a follow-up lecture (The Rest of the Story) on Sept. 15th to start off our fall season. Note that the date is 1 week later than our usual meeting, to allow members to attend the 30th Anniversary Celebration of ASU's Institute of Human Origins on Sept. 8th.

Upcoming Speakers:

- Oct. 13th: Allen Dart, Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, Tucson, will speak on Southwestern Rock Calendars and Ancient Time Pieces.
Nov. 2: Todd Bostwick will talk on Ancient Egypt: 3,000 Years of Pyramids, Temples and Tombs at our joint meeting with the Pueblo Grande Museum Auxiliary.
Dec. 8: Deni Seymour will talk on "Where the Earth and Sky are Sewn Together: Sobaipuri O'odham Contexts of Contact and Colonialism (her new book).

Classes:

The Archaeological Recording class at Q Ranch was cancelled because only 5 people had registered.

The Ceramic Reconstruction and Repair Workshop is scheduled for June 20-24. John Hohmann will conduct this workshop at Q. See the March Petroglyph for details and the registration form.

Hikes: A hike with ethnobotanist Dave Morris is planned for Sept. or Oct. at the Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix.

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. We usually take

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the evening's speaker to dinner at 5:30 pm at the new Ruby Tuesday Restaurant on 44th Street and Washington just northwest 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) so that she can reserve a large enough table.

--Ellie Large



Rim Country Chapter

The Rim Country Chapter begins the summer season on June 18th with guest speaker Allen Dart, who will present *Southwestern Rock Calendars and Ancient Time Pieces* in affiliation with the Arizona Humanities Council. Southwestern Native Americans developed sophisticated skills in astronomy and predicting the seasons, centuries before Old World peoples first entered the region. Mr. Dart, Director of Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, Tucson, will discuss historically known sky-watching practices of various southwestern peoples, and how their ancestors' observations of the heavens may have been commemorated in ancient architecture and rock symbols.

We would like to invite anyone from our sister chapters, especially those needing relief from the heat, to take a day trip to Rim Country, to please join us.

For information about all the activities associated with the Rim Country Chapter, please E Mail or call Evelyn Christian, President, at elkwoman3@msn.com (928 476-3092)

-Ric Alling, Publicity Chair



San Tan Chapter

The Chapter came together on May 11th for its last session before our summer hiatus. We hosted our first free Pot Luck Supper and Speaker event, welcoming presenter Will Russell, doctoral candidate and leader of the Racetrack Project at ASU.

Features referred to as "racetracks" are horizontal pathways that are generally 9 to 15 meters wide with varying lengths (i.e. 300 meters). They were used by indigenous peoples throughout North America for non-competitive, ceremonial foot racing. The Racetrack Project focuses primarily on Perry Mesa within the Agua Fria National Monument.

Initially, there were 8 of these linear features known at Perry Mesa. To date, there are 35 confirmed tracks with another 96 more linear anomalies awaiting further review. Will's presentation took our group through the archaeological approaches and detailed the rigors involved in his team's questions, criteria and analysis.

His analysis of the racetracks west of Bloody Basin involved approaching the feature from the viewpoint of "What can you learn about the social processes from them?" and "What do they have in common?" to pursuing the investigation from ethnohistoric, ethnographic and intuitive perspectives.

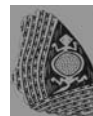
As Perry Mesa was home to a large number of native people from disparate tribes who migrated to and habituated the area for generations, Will discussed the possibilities of the use of racetracks as a unifying and integrating element across groups ("multi-identity coalescence"). They may well have played a key role in dispute resolution, cultural continuity, mythical recreation and celestial maintenance.

The racetracks are often co-located with a large feasting pit. Will and his team have begun the excavation of 3 of these thermal features. The Desert Botanical Garden is partnering with his project to provide vital DNA testing on the retrieved organic artifacts. The National Land Conservation System (NLCS) Mapping Project of the BLM and AFNM was also cited for their invaluable efforts on the Racetrack Project. For more project information and volunteering opportunities, please visit theracetrackproject@asu.edu

The San Tan Chapter will be on summer hiatus until Sept. 14th. Speakers and activity updates will be in the following issues.

The San Tan Chapter meets at 7 pm on the second Wednesday of each month (except June-August) at the Queen Creek Historical Society Museum (the old Rittenhouse School). We are located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Ellsworth and Queen Creek Roads in Queen Creek. Call (480) 987-9380 for more information.

Peg Lynch



Santa Cruz Valley Chapter

Our April speaker was Dr. Eric Eugene Klucas, Senior Manager in the Environmental Planning and Cultural Resources Division at Tierra Right of Way Services, Ltd., in Tucson. Eric's presentation focused on the results of several recent contract archaeology projects in the Tucson Basin that are expanding our understanding of many aspects of the Tortolita phase (ca. A.D. 500-700), including social organization, cultural affiliation, and water control technology. Of particular interest was his discussion of the Silverbell-Coachline project, which suggests that a Hohokam community organized around a large cemetery area was maintained on the site over the course of several hundred years.

Our spring lecture series concludes on May 12 with a presentation by Monica Young of the Arizona State Museum, entitled *San Agustin del Tucson Mission and its Impact on the Indigenous Community*.

---Alan Sorkowicz



Verde Valley Chapter News

Our last meeting before the summer break, will be at the Sedona Public Library, on May 26th, at 7 pm. Our speaker will be Ted Neff, Ph.D., who, between 2004 and 2009, was the Archaeological Projects Principal Investigator, Cultural Resources Project Manager, and Exhibit Curator at the Museum of Northern Arizona. Ted will speak to us about the recently completed survey of Walnut

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Canyon National Monument, which included many chapter members. Ted Neff has 22 years of experience in archaeology and over 18 years of experience with the prehistoric, historic, and contemporary cultures of the Colorado Plateau. He is currently with USU Archaeological Service, Logan, Utah, where he serves as a member of their Project Management team and as Principal Investigator.

As many of you know, we recently lost a well-loved member of our organization, Marge Herkenham, a mere six months after the passing of Norm, her husband of 68 years. In addition to her involvement in the Sedona Westerners, the Red Rock Rovers, the Sedona Camera Club, the Oak Creek Apple Macintosh Users Group, the Sedona Gem and Mineral Club and the Sedona Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society, Marge spent long hours volunteering at the Museum of Northern Arizona in Flagstaff, helping to inventory a paleontological collection and put it into the new MNA computer system.

A celebratory gathering and open house will mark the reopening of Tuzigoot National Monument's historic visitor center and museum Friday, June 3, with the open house continuing through Saturday and Sunday, June 4 and 5. There will be no fee charged during the three-day period. Park Superintendent Kathy M. Davis will deliver opening remarks at 10 am on June 3, and Park Ranger John Reid will give an overview of the museum and highlight the legacy of 75 years of service to the public.

This summer the Verde Valley Archaeology Center will sponsor the Arizona premier showing of Werner Herzog's documentary entitled "Cave of Forgotten Dreams" through the efforts of the Sedona International Film Festival. Werner Herzog obtained exclusive access to film inside the Chauvet caves of southern France, capturing the oldest known pictorial creations of humankind in their astonishing natural setting. He gained extraordinary permission to film the caves using lights that emit no heat. This film takes us back in time over 30,000 years. The film is making its way across the country for exclusive showings - watch the website of the Sedona International Film Festival and the Verde Valley Archaeology Center this summer for more details.

For more information, please contact Ken Zoll at (928)284-1228, or ken.zoll@esedona.net.

--Louise Fitzgerald



Yavapai Chapter

Our May 19th speaker, Charly Gullett (a Yavapai Chapter member!), gave a presentation on his research and newly released book *Engineering Chaco, Anasazi Design Rules on the Chaco Meridian*. Based on his research, it appears the Anasazi were not just building Great Houses; they were constructing monuments in stone to document their worldview which contains a significant mathematical component. No previous evidence in the Anasazi record exists for any type of mathematics. This previously unrecognized prehistoric geometry apparently formed the basis of community planning in both landscape and architecture throughout the Anasazi culture and beyond.

On June 16th, Allan Dart, Director of Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, presents his talk *Set in Stone but not in meaning: Southwest Indian Rock Art*, illustrating how the same symbol may be interpreted differently from popular, scientific, and modern Native American perspectives. Funding for this program was provided by the Arizona Humanities Council. We will host a dinner for the speaker at the Prescott Brewing Company (upstairs) at 5 pm. All members and their guests are welcome.

There will be no meeting in July or August.

Judy Stoycheff will lead the June 25th field trip to one of the notable Prescott Culture ruins, Fitzmaurice Ruin, which is now a part of Fain Park in Prescott Valley. There are some twenty-seven rooms in the principle pueblo, with twenty-four outlying one- and two-room pueblos and pit houses.

The dates for the autumn field trip to Utah have been changed to Sept. 12-15. Plans are still being finalized but mark your calendars now. Participants will likely visit Hovenweep, Moon House Ruin, Edge of Cedars Museum and possibly the Montezuma Canyon sites.

--Susan Jones

Journal of Arizona Archaeology, Volume 2

The Arizona Archaeological Council just announced that the Journal of Arizona, Volume 2, Spring 2011, has just been published. Guest editors Douglas B. Craig and Todd W. Bostwick compiled a second set of excellent papers from the 2008 AAC Advances in Hohokam Archaeology conference held at the Pueblo Grande Museum. The issue presents scholarly work on the archaeology of the Salt and Gila River valleys, the Tucson Basin, and the Papaguería to the Puerto Peñasco area. Authors tackled topics of land tenure and sharecropping, craft production, long-distance resource procurement, community organization and settlement histories, and even factionalism in the prehistoric record of the northern Sonoran desert.

For more information, go to the AAC website at <http://arizonaarchaeologicalcouncil.org/aac/>.



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Thank you to William Henry!

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For more information, or to contribute, contact our AAS treasurer, Judy Rounds, P.O. Box 1401, Carefree 85377. Please include your chapter affiliation.

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<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date & Time</u>	<u>Membership</u>
Agave House	Black Mesa Ranger Station Conf. Rm. 2748 Hwy. 260, Overgaard	4 th Wed., 6:30 pm	Gloria Kurzhals 928-536-3056
Agua Fria	Glendale Public Library Auditorium 59th Avenue & Brown, Glendale	2 nd Tues., 6-7:45 pm Sept. thru May	Chris Reed 623-561-9161
Desert Foothills	The Good Shepherd of the Hills Community Building, 6502 E Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek	2 nd Wed., 7 pm Sept. thru May	Glenda Simmons 928-684-3251
Homolovi	Winslow Chamber of Commerce 523 W. 2nd Street, Winslow	3 rd Thurs., 7 pm	Karen Berggren 928-607-1836
Little Colorado River	Casa Museum, 418 East Main Springerville	3 rd Mon., 7 pm	Sheri Anderson 928-536-2375
Northern Arizona	The Peaks "Alpine Room" 3150 N. Winding Brook Road Flagstaff	3 rd Tues., 7 pm Sept. thru Nov., Jan. thru June	Peggy Taylor 928-526-8963
Phoenix	Pueblo Grande Museum 4619 E. Washington, Phoenix	2 nd Thurs., 7:30 pm Sept. thru May	Bob Unferth 602-371-1165
Rim Country	Church of the Holy Nativity, The Cottage 1414 North Easy Street, Payson	3 rd Sat., 10 am	Carolyn Walter 928-474-4419
San Tan	San Tan Historical Society Museum Ellsworth & Queen Creek Roads Queen Creek	2 nd Wed., 7 pm Sept. thru May	Norm Jones 480-963-3110
Santa Cruz Valley	The North County Facility 50 Bridge Road, Tubac	2 nd Thurs., 7 pm	Sharon Sevara 520-390-8998
Verde Valley	Sedona Public Library 3250 White Bear Road Sedona	4 th Thurs., 7 pm, Sept. thru May 3 rd Thurs., 7 pm, Nov and Dec.	Ron Krug 928-284-9357 928-477-3020
Yavapai	Pueblo of the Smoki Museum 147 North Arizona St., Prescott	3 rd Thurs., 7 pm	Tom Garrison 928-445-7652



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