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# A BIG THANK YOU TO THE THE YAVAPAI CHAPTER FOR HOSTING THE 2016 AAS STATE MEETING IN PRESCOTT

The Executive Board and the Planning Committee of AAS sincerely thank the Yavapai Chapter for hosting and arranging the 2016 AAS Annual Meeting. Held this year in the Prescott Club Room of the Stoneridge Resort, the facilities, the excellent catering, and the variety of field trips as well as the great book sale and silent auction all contributed to a great weekend.

Thanks to the AAS Planning Committee for great agendas, both Friday and Saturday, and for the arranging of some incredible, wonderful speakers who informed and educated us all. We learned much about the Smoki Organization and the history of the Yavapai Prescott People, in addition to receiving some much needed explanations and information regarding legislative issues pertaining to Arizona archaeology. And our evening speaker, Dr. Aaron Wright of Archaeology Southwest kept us enthralled with his discussion of "Along River Margins".

Thanks again to the Little Colorado Chapter for the beautiful quilt made and donated by Billye Wilda in 2015 as a fundraiser for AAS. We thank you again for the quilt and the fundraising concept. We understand approximately \$1700 was raised!

And last but not least, thank you to all the members who traveled to Prescott to participate in the 2016 Annual Meeting.

And so we move on to 2017...

Glenda Simmons, Chair



#### 2016 AAS AWARDS

The 2016 AAS Avocational Archaeologist Award (left) was presented to Jim Britton by Chair Glenda Simmons on Nov. 5 at the 2016 AAS State Meeting in Prescott, and the 2016 AAS Professional Archaeologist Award (a plaque) and Belt Buckle (right) was presented to Dr. David Abbott at the 2016 Arizona Archaeological Council Conference on Nov. 18 in Mesa by Chair Glenda Simmons. See photos on next page.



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Next deadline is 5 pm, Friday, Dec. 23

#### \*\*\*RENEW NOW - 2016 MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRE DEC. 31\*\*\*

Reasons to pay now:

- It will be done you'll be able to sit back and relax!
  - It won't slip your mind during the Holidays!
- You won't have to worry about missing The Petroglyph!

Chapter members can renew at chapter meetings. Only **at large** members can renew online or by contacting the state membership chair.

--Sylvia Lesko, Membership Chair



Left - Glenda Simmons presenting the 2016 AAS Professional Archaeologist Award to Dr. David Abbott on Nov. 18.

Right - Glenda Simmons presenting the 2016 AAS Avocational Archaeologist Award to Jim Britton at the State Meeting in Prescott on Nov. 5.



## AAS CHAPTER DIRECTORS MEETING, NOV. 4, 2016

The Pueblo at the Smoki Museum, 147 Arizona Ave., Prescott, Arizona

#### **Members Present:**

State: Glenda Simmons, Chair; Sandy Haddock, 1st Vice Chair; Ellie Large, 2nd Vice Chair; Bob Unferth,

Treasurer; Sandy Gauthier, volunteer Secretary.

Agave House: Richard Gonsalves, President; Ralf and Gloria Kurzhals.

Desert Foothills: Mary Kearney, President; Kathy and Dan Queen; Alan Troxel.

Homolovi: Darlene Brinkerhoff, President.

Little Colorado River: Carol Farnsworth, President; Lynette Cross; Carl Smith and Beverly Dishong-Smith.

**Phoenix:** Nancy Unferth.

San Tan: Marie Britton, President; Jim Britton; Dalen and Mari Townsend; Carlos and Sylvia Acuna.

Rim Country: Wayne Walter, President; Carol Walter.

Verde Valley: Chuck Jenkins, Training, Certification, Education Chair.

Yavapai: Julie Rucker, President; Ken Bigolin, Chuck Stroh, Chris Cone, Flo Reynolds, Eileen Chalfoun, Bill

Burkett, Warner Wise, Joann Read, Larry Gauthier, Irene Komadina.

**Welcome:** Glenda Simmons called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm and welcomed the members and thanked them for their attendance.

Roll Call:	Number attending*	Number voting
Agave House	3	1
Desert Foothills	3	1
Homolovi	1	1
Little Colorado River	4	1
Northern Arizona	0	0
Phoenix	5*	1
San Tan	2*	1
Rim Country	2	1
Verde Valley	0	0
Yavapai	10*	1

<sup>\*</sup>these numbers were given by the Chapter Presidents verbally and do not correspond with the "Members Present" above.

## 2016 Financial Reports: Bob Unferth

Bob distributed a 3-page report to all present. He also had the complete 14-page report for anyone who was interested.

- Main points for Jan.-Oct. 2016 (p. 1): Income \$10,352; Expenses \$9,032; ending checking balance \$31,960.
- Page 2 is the Jan-Oct 2016 AAS Membership dues by Chapter. Beginning in 2015 the At Large membership dramatically increased. This was probably due to the disbanding of the Agua Fria Chapter in Dec. 2014.
- Page 3 details the activity of the individual funds Jan-Oct 2016. The General Fund investments gained \$189 for an ending balance of \$30,189. The Publication Fund ending balance is \$20,205, having spent \$662 for printing the AZ Archaeologist. Certification Fund is unchanged at \$14,296. The Fielder Fund investments gained \$3145 (\$2,645 Earnings and \$500 contributions) for an ending balance of \$46,493.

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# **Chapter Directors Meeting Minutes cont.**

• Bob called for approval of the Financial Statement, all concurred. The Chapter Presidents will receive the 3-page Financial Report in the future along with the minutes of the State Planning Committee meetings.

2017 State Budget Review: Bob is working on the 2017 Budget; it will be issued for review and approval soon.

**Review/Discussion for growth of Chapter treasuries:** If any of the Chapters are interested in investing their Chapter's funds, Bob would be willing to help them with that activity.

**Review of AAS Finances: Alan Troxel, Chair of the Finance Resources Committee.** Per the AAS Bylaws, Alan and committee member, Kathy Oueen, reviewed and approved the status of the AAS' Finances.

**End of Year Chapter Reports: Ellie Large.** Ellie has received 8 of the 10 Chapters End of Year reports. She reminded the chapters that they should include their newsletters in their reports as an activity. Ellie distributed to each Chapter President two CDs, Charlie Gilbert's slides and The Prehistory of the Southwest.

**Election of 2017 State Officers: Sandy Haddock.** Sandy recognized the many other people in the AAS organization who work to keep AAS running smoothly:

Roger Kearney – Webmaster – Desert Foothills

Alan Troxel – Archivist and Finance Resources Committee Chair – Desert Foothills

Chuck Jenkins – Training, Certification, Education Committee Chair – Verde Valley

Bill Burkett – Editor, *Arizona Archaeologist* – Yavapai

Ellie Large – Editor, *The Petroglyph* - Phoenix

Sandy presented the slate of 2017 Officers:

Glenda Simmons – State Chair

Cathy Cowen – 1st Vice Chait

Ellie Large – 2nd Vice Chair

Bob Unferth – Treasurer

Sandy Gauthier – Secretary

Bill Burkett moved to approve the slate; Eileen Chalfoun seconded the motion, which passed with no objections.

#### Discussion of Chapter concerns, Idea sharing, etc. - All

A major problem affects many chapters - the unwillingness of chapter members to step up and serve on their chapter boards. Currently there are several chapters that do not have a President or a complete board; many chapters have Presidents and boards who have served for many years. All these people are tired and need a rest. Even the threat that the chapter would disband if no one steps up doesn't seem to motivate anyone. Chapters cannot have the same 5 or 7 people doing all the planning and scheduling forever. Suggestions posed:

- The State could go to each chapter and conduct board member training.
- Chapters could find out what members did in their working lives and use those strengths and expertise to foster interest in the chapter.
- Work with people one on one, greet members at the door, make them feel welcome, provide positive reinforcement, provide lots of communication to members, schedule great field trips that most members would be interested in.
- It was noted that people wanted to excavate, but there is opposition to that idea from SHPO. Also the archaeological consulting companies need the work for their employees, not volunteers.

#### Personal contact is essential!

Two people questioned whether there needs to be a full board for a chapter to function – Bill Burkett and Cathy Cowen. There are at least two chapters that have existed for many years without a full board. Bill further asked if a Bylaw change to allow more flexibility for the Chapters (less members on the board) would be worthwhile.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Gauthier, AAS Secretary

# **CHAPTER NEWS**



# **Desert Foothills Chapter**

November Meeting: Todd W. Bostwick, PhD, RPA presented The Megalithic Temples and Tombs of Malta: Early Religion and Ritual in the Mediterranean, 3,600 BC - 2,500 BC. Located in the middle of the Mediterranean Sea and south of Sicily, the islands of Malta and Gozo contain some of the oldest Megalithic temples and tombs in the world. As early as 5,000 BC prehistoric people were farming and raising livestock on the islands, and by 3,600 BC they built megalithic temples with astronomical features and carved chambered tombs out of solid bedrock. The presence of a variety of stone and clay figurines of plump females suggested they practiced an Earth Mother cult. The origins of these ancient people remain a mystery, as does their disappearance around 2,500 BC. The people in question were able to move and "install/shape" large objects on the order of the pyramids stone movement or Easter Island megalith movement/carving in an era before the Egyptians. There were well over 100 people present for this talk.

<u>Pottery Identification Workshop</u>: Dr. Jim Graceffa and staff provided the basics of identifying prehistoric pottery at the Verde Valley Archaeology Center in Camp Verde this month. We learned to identify different Wares and Types of prehistoric pottery found in the Verde Valley. We used all of our available slots filling the training area and the class was well received by all.

Membership Renewals: Membership renewals are due literally now. Our chapter accepts paper renewals as well as electronic; go to www.azarchsoc.org/desertfoothills to download the renewal form for those so inclined. For the digitally oriented folks, logon at www.azarchsoc.org as a member with your password. Once moved to the Members-Only tab after your successful logon, you will see your membership status and can use PayPal (you do not have to join PayPal) to make a credit card payment to renew your membership. I just did mine last week to ensure it was working properly under the Members-Only tab and it is... You get confirmation on your computer screen and see your status change. Moreover, you get confirmation and a receipt sent to the email address registered on our database that you used to logon as a member.

Holiday Event Info: While the Silver Spur continues to recover from their fire earlier this year, the event tent is open for business as usual. The AZ snowmen (DFC Elf team) are waiting for you to attend our December Holiday Party on Wednesday, Dec. 14th at 6 pm. The Silver Spur event tent location is within Frontier Village, 6245 Cave Creek Road. Reservation registration began in early November and was also available at the November 9th DFC regular monthly meeting. "Please Read Carefully – Time Sensitive Material." The cutoff date for Holiday Party reservations is Saturday, Dec. 2nd. The meal is a Traditional Western Buffet at a cost of \$25 which includes tax and food gratuity. Cash Bar: gratuity for meal does not include bar drinks. Reservations (hurry): Mail to- Kathy Queen, 5311 E. Evans Dr., Scottsdale, AZ 85254. Checks Payable to: DFC/AAS. Payments are due-in prior to Dec. 2nd and are not refundable. Questions: contact Joan Young - joanpyoung@msn.com, 623.551.1085 home, 480.540.0769 cell.

<u>Chapter Web News</u>: The AAS website, www.azarchsoc.org, features a Members-Only page (instructions for access to this section are on the AAS Home Page and DFC Chapter Page.) This page features a collection of links to documents spread throughout the AAS public website. Please take a moment and look at these documents because they are informative and part of our AAS and DFC heritage. If you have information that can expand on these documents, Please Share. Hopefully, each of you checks in on our home page, www.azarchsoc.org/desertfoothills, all year long or when away on other activities. Our home page features a quick reference chart for upcoming speakers this fall; detailed descriptions are available under Upcoming Events. Keep up-to-date during the summer or on vacations with our chapter web site and email blasts for reliable Desert Foothills Chapter information.

Botany Workshop Class: Tammy Teegardin instructs us on Friday, Jan. 20th from 9:30 am to approx. 12:30 pm in the Cave Creek area. Which food would you choose for your medicine bag? The desert is a rich environment learn plant identification techniques; ethical harvesting and safety; creation of tinctures, salves, infusions, decoctions, etc. This class is open to AAS/DFC members with priority given to DFC members. Class size limitation is 12 preregistered members and you can only sign up with Mary Kearney at maryk92@aol.com. There is no registration on the day of the class. Current Status: Wait List Only!

Extended Field Trip Feb. 14-15 - On the road to the Tucson area: Cost is \$80 per member with only 10 member slots available. For exact details, schedules, nuances, reservations or wait listing contact Mary Kearney at <a href="maryk92@aol.com">maryk92@aol.com</a> as soon as possible. This is an overnight trip with Day One at the Arizona State Museum and Bannister Tree Ring Research Center behind-the-scenes tours on the U of A Campus. Day Two is with archaeologist Allen Dart touring Los

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Morteros Village and Picture Rocks Petroglyphs as well as a lecture in the Marana area north of Tucson. Hotel or camping reservations, transportation, food, fees, etc. are your responsibility. You must be signed up at <a href="maryk92@aol.com">maryk92@aol.com</a> prior to the event and pay in advance because of limited slot availability. This is the "only" place to register and get information! There is "no" registration on the day of the event and "no" pre-reservations prior to formal announcement. Current Status: Wait List Only!

--Roger Kearney

# Little Colorado River Chapter



November Meeting: Our Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> meeting featured a spectacular display of petroglyphs. Roxanne Knight, a local photographer and archaeology enthusiast, shared some photos of very special glyphs. Because the site where most of the petroglyphs are located is not open to the public and is considered a very sacred site, the name and location of the site were not revealed. We were reminded of the ethics regarding the treatment of petroglyphs and the need to seek permission to view glyphs on private property. Roxanne also showed photos of some glyphs in the local area which were not considered to be on sacred areas. Again the location of most glyphs was not revealed but may have been known to local people. They included some of the glyphs that LCRC member John Ruskamp has interpreted as being ancient Chinese writings and provide evidence of the Chinese visiting the American Southwest much earlier that universally accepted. His hypothesis is not accepted by everyone but Roxanne said his ideas are gaining acceptance from more people.

<u>December Meeting</u>: The Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> meeting will be our annual Christmas potluck and gift exchange. It will be held on Sunday at the home of Carl and Bev Deshon-Smith in Eagar. The main business to be conducted will be the election of officers for the 2017 year. The nominating committee presented a full slate of candidates for offices. We are gratified that even with a relatively small membership, we have people willing to accept the responsibility of their office. The slate of programs for 2017 is nearly complete with only a few months left for the next program chair to fill.

AAS State Meeting: Six of our members attended the annual meeting in Prescott. It was a great meeting with very interesting presentations and educational field trips. Thanks to the Yavapai chapter for hosting the meeting again! The winning ticket for the quilt raffle was drawn at the meeting. The winner, Joan Hood of Tucson, was thrilled to receive the beautiful quilt. The AAS is (I am sure) equally thrilled to receive a donation of \$1800 from the ticket sales. Thanks again to Billye Wilda for donating all the time, materials and expertise that went into the making of the quilt.

-- Carol Farnsworth



# **Phoenix Chapter**

<u>December Meeting</u>: The Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> meeting is our Annual Holiday Potluck, which will start at 6 pm. The chapter will provide meat, rolls and beverages as usual; members bring side dishes or desserts to share. A drawing will be held at the end of the night for the table decorations. We will also hold the annual election of officers for next year's board of directors. The talk will begin around 7:15 pm. The speaker will be Sylvia Wright, Docent, Phoenix Art Museum; her topic is *The Art of Ancient Egypt: A Visit with The Little Giants.*! This presentation offers a different look at the arts of Ancient Egypt by exploring minor works from the prehistoric period through the era of King Tut (25th Dynasty). Special attention will be paid to design features comparable to those in contemporary design - ceramics and jewelry, for example, as well as pharaonic portraiture: characterization, personalization, physical details, etc.

<u>Election for 2017 Phoenix Chapter Board</u>: Our current board is: President/Programs - Ellie Large; Exec. VP/Cert. Rep. - Marie Britton; Treasurer - Bob Unferth; Secretary - Ellen Martin; 3 yr. Dir/Membership - Nancy Unferth; 2 yr. Dir/Field Trips - Phyllis Smith; 1 yr. Dir. - Vicki Erhart; Archivist - Vacant; Archaeology Advisor - Laurene Montero. If anyone would like to join the board for 2017, please call or email one of our current board members.

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Contact information is on the Phoenix Chapter page of the AAS website, <u>azarchsoc.org/Phoenix</u>.

November Meeting: The speaker for our Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> meeting was David Morris, a Native American and an Ethnobotanist, who gave us an informative and entertaining presentation on *Harvest of the Desert*. He gave us a visual tour of the many useful plants that are native to the Sonoran Desert and explained the biology of the plants that makes them useful in terms that we all could understand - even the 8 young boy scouts who came to hear his talk. He explained how native plants have fed, healed and clothed Sonoran Desert peoples for more than 1,000 years.

<u>January Book Sale</u>: We will have a book sale before and after the Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, with the proceeds to be donated to PGM, so please save your books, journals and magazines and bring them to the January meeting. Books on archaeology would be great, but magazines, journals and books on other subjects are fine, especially those with a southwestern emphasis.

January Field Trip: On Jan. 28th, Aaron Wright will lead an all-day field trip to Oatman Point (in the Gila Bend area) to see petroglyphs, the village site, and the historic massacre site. 4WD, high-clearance vehicles are required. It will be rough hiking, with no trail, through thorny vegetation; hopefully the snakes will still be asleep. We will carpool (truck pool?) from the Gila Bend area. This is a fantastic site and well worth seeing in spite of the challenges. With Aaron along we will learn a lot - and no test! You must be an AAS member, priority given to Phoenix Chapter members; YOU MUST SIGN UP FOR THIS TRIP. Further details on time and meeting place will be sent to those who sign up. Sign up at the meeting or email Phyllis at 76desert@gmail.com.

# **Upcoming Events:**

Dec. 9, 5 pm, Film Screening: Special viewing of the film *Neither Wolf Nor Dog* in the Community Room. Doors open at 5 pm, film begins at 7 pm. Food trucks will be on-site from 5-7 pm.

Dec. 10-11, 9 am - 4 pm: *40th Annual PGM Indian Market*. Tickets are \$10, free for children 12 and under; discounted admission tickets available for Museum members. For more information about artists, entertainment, and Indian Market details, visit pueblogrande.org/indian-market.

# **Upcoming Speakers:**

- Jan. 10: Melissa Kruse-Peeples, Native Seeds/Search, Prehistoric Agricultural Productivity in the Perry Mesa Region, Central Arizona
- Feb. 14: Gina Gage, Northland Research, Historical Ranching in the Big Sandy Valley (near Wickiup)
- March 14: Todd Bostwick, Verde Valley Archaeology Center, The Megalithic Temples and Tombs of Malta: Early Religion and Ritual in the Mediterranean, 3,600 BC 2,500 BC.
- April 11: Scott Wood, Retired USFS Archaeologist, Excavations at Goat Camp Ruin, Payson.

The Phoenix Chapter meets at 7 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Community Room at the Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix.

--Ellie Large

# **Rim Country Chapter**

November Meeting: Wayne Walter, Chapter President, announced the completion of recruiting nominees to be officers of the RCC board for the coming year. The election of officers will take place at the December meeting. Karen Benjamin was introduced as the president nominee for 2017. The position of Hiking Coordinator remains unfilled. This is an appointed position, and the board still holds out hope for finding someone to serve. It was announced that membership dues for next year are now due, so bring your checkbook to the next meeting. Ed Spicer, Activities /Trips Coordinator, asked for trip suggestions for the coming year. Scott Wood, Archaeology Advisor, gave us an update on the status of the Goat Camp excavation. Evelyn Christian, Speaker Coordinator, introduced our featured speaker, Miles Gilbert. Miles has previously been a guest speaker with the RCC, and his

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presentations are always enjoyed. He has a way of presenting information in such an enjoyable manner, his audience doesn't even realize it's learning something. Not surprisingly, his subject, *Tales of the Buffalo Hunters*, was well received.

<u>Looking Ahead</u>: The best way to describe our upcoming December meeting is "it's going to be a party," a full spread of chicken stew, meat balls, cheesy potatoes, a vegetable tray, a variety of deli sandwiches, and desserts to satisfy the sweet tooth. And yes, members are encouraged to bring family and guests. Our featured presenter at the December meeting will be Allen Dart. Allen has been with us before, and he is always a combination of being interesting and informative.

<u>Chapter Meetings</u>: The Rim Country is the only chapter currently meeting on the weekend. If this is a fit, you might want to stop by when visiting the Payson area. Even though you may already be a member of another chapter, visitors are always welcome. We meet each third Saturday of the month. Our meeting starts at 10 am at the Fellowship Hall of the Church of the Holy Nativity, 1414 Easy Street, here in Payson. This month the meeting date is Saturday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>.

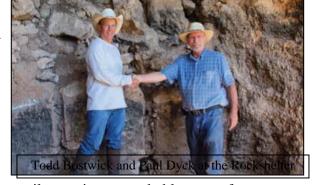
--Wayne Walter

# San Tan Chapter

<u>December Meeting</u>: This will be our annual Holiday Potluck meeting. Our special guest will be Dr. Todd Bostwick, who will speak on the *The Dyck Rock Shelter*, a Sinagua Habitation Site overlooking Wet Beaver Creek in Central Arizona. In 2014, the Verde Valley Archaeology Center received a large collection of prehis-

toric artifacts from a Honanki phase (AD 1100-1300) Sinagua rock shelter located north of Montezuma Castle. The rock shelter was excavated in the 1960s and 1970s by a professional archaeologist at the request of the landowner, Paul Dyck, and includes -preserved cotton textiles, yucca cordage, wooden artifacts and a diversity of food remains.

A report was never written and the collection has been hidden away in storage for more than 40 years. This presentation will cover the history of the excavations and the results of the preliminary analyses of the materials. Numerous photographs show the



remarkable archaeological materials found in the rock shelter. The textiles are in a remarkable state of preservations and very colorful. Dr. Bostwick has extensive experience in the Archaeology of the Southwest. He served as the Phoenix City Archaeologist for 21 years and is now the Director of Archaeology at the Verde Valley Archaeology Center, Camp Verde.

Please plan on attending this meeting and bring your favorite dish to share at 6 pm and enjoy a fun get-together with friends and family at the San Tan Historical Museum. Then at 7 pm, after dinner, listen to an interesting and enthusiastic talk from Dr. Todd Bostwick.

November Meeting: Matt Guebard, the park archaeologist at Montezuma Castle and Tuzigoot National Monuments in the Verde Valley, presented an overview of the Montezuma Castle National Monument and mentioned a small site just west of the big Castle. This smaller site was designated Castle A. The Park was excavated early in 1933-34 as part of the New Deal era projects by the Civil Works Administration. Earl Jackson and Sally Price Van Valkenburg were the first formal archaeologist to work at the site called Castle A. They found an 8-room cliff dwelling and in their 60-page report indicated the site was burned extensively after it was abandoned. Matt was able to look at their stratigraphic evidence to learn much more about warfare in this area. Matt's goal was to have tribal leaders view the evidence to help make connections between living Native American groups and ancestral populations and suggests that their oral histories can be used to enrich the interpretation of the archaeological data.

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<u>Chapter Meetings</u>: The San Tan Chapter meetings are held at the old school Museum at 20425 S. Old Ellsworth Rd., in Queen Creek (on the corner of Queen Creek and Ellsworth Loop Roads). Parking is now behind the museum and enter via the front door. Our meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of month September thru May. The presentation begins at 7 pm. For more information on our chapter, contact Marie Britton at 480-390-3491 or email mbrit@cox.net or Earla Cochran 480-655-6733 or email earlaken@centurylink.net

-- Marie Britton



# **Verde Valley Chapter**

<u>December Meeting</u>: The annual holiday celebration of the Verde Valley Chapter will be held on Thursday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> in the Community Room at the Sedona Public Library, 3250 White Bear Road, in West Sedona, at 7 pm. Visitors are welcome to join us. Joan Sexton, the organizer of our party, has asked visitors and members to bring their favorite hors d'oeuvres, finger foods, snacks, or a dessert to share. The club will provide a delicious home-made punch, coffee, water, plates, and plastic ware.

The program for the evening will be *Experiences With Hopi People: 3 Decades Retrospective* presented by Sandra Cosentino, Director of Crossing Worlds Hopi Projects, a non-profit service group. She will share stories and cultural insights that flow from the evolution of the non-profit since its inception in 1999 and her prior years as a Hopi tour guide and explorer of ancestral puebloan sites. "My fascination with the ancestral sites and rock art in the Four Corners region led me to the Hopi villages in the early 1980s to begin to understand today's life," Sandra says. "I never imagined this was the start of decades of sharing in friendship and respect with these open-hearted and devout people. My life in the Verde Valley is enriched by Hopi peoples' active presence, linking ancestral lands here to their ceremonies at Hopi."

She will also speak about the growing self-empowerment movement by Hopis (and her non-profit), visitors to Hopi expectations-interactions, humble observations of the cultural cycle of the year, and the enduring strength of Hopi values through these times of change. Crossing Worlds Hopi Projects is currently working on it's 17<sup>th</sup> Hopi Holiday Project and beginning fund raising to build a youth learning center. You can read more about the projects at their website: www.crossingworlds.org

The VVC has been actively involved in the archaeology of the Verde Valley and the greater Southwest. We are a volunteer organization with a long history of supporting professional archaeology. We work hand-in-hand with the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Museum of Northern Arizona Research Center and Northern Arizona University. Whether you are a novice or professional, the Verde Valley Chapter welcomes everyone with an interest in archaeology and anthropology.

Please join us this month for this fascinating program. Admission is free. For additional information or questions, contact Nancy Bihler 928-203-5822 or visit our website: www.azarchsoc.org/VerdeValley

--Nancy Bihler



# Yavapai Chapter

Holiday Greetings to everyone from the YAVAPAI CHAPTER including our wishes for a Happy New Year. October Field Trip: Jeff Martin met our field trippers on Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> at the Willow Lake Pit Houses where he gave a talk and demonstrations on wilderness living skills such as those used by our prehistoric ancestors. Among the items of interest were small-game traps, atlatls, rabbit sticks, and fabrication of bows and arrows.

<u>Annual AAS State Meeting – Nov. 4-6</u>: The 2016 Annual Meeting of the AAS was held in the Prescott Club Room of Stoneridge Resort in Prescott Valley and included 82 participants from around our state. A potluck dinner was served in the Pueblo of the Smoki Museum on Friday night for board members from each of the chapters. Saturday was a very full day of business, lectures (Linda Ogo, Sandy Bahr, Aaron Wright), meals, a book sale,

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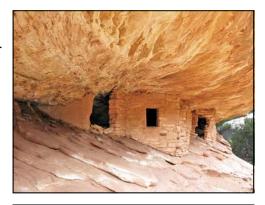
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and a silent auction as well as the raffle of the beautiful quilt donated by the Little Colorado Chapter and Billye Wilda. The quilt raffle winner was Joan Hood of Tucson. Four field trips were scheduled on Sunday to Alkali Canyon in Agua Fria National Monument; the Verde Valley Archaeology Center; the Coyote Ruin, and the Sharlot Hall Museum, with a total of 32 people participating. (A more complete report on the Annual Meeting is on the website: azarchsoc.org)

<u>November Meeting</u>: The speaker for our Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> meeting was Jeff Martin, who is a very welcome recent addition to the Yavapai Chapter membership. In announcing his lecture, Vice-President Bigolin described him this way... "Jeff Martin is a naturalist, conservationist, and instructor in his school, Primitive Lifeways ... (and) ... he has been featured on National Geographic for his primitive life skills." His topic at our meeting was *Primitive Technology and Wilderness Living Skills*. He showed examples of various hunting tools and introduced us to how they are made.

The following Yavapai Chapter Officers for 2017 were elected: Irene Komadina, President (New Board Member); Chris Cone, Vice-President; Joann Read, Treasurer; Charles Stroh, Secretary; Julie Rucker, First-Year Director; Bill Burkett, Second-Year Director; Eileen Chalfoun, Third-Year Director; Warner Wise, Education Chairman; and Chris Cone, Archivist. Additionally, Susie Kinkade and Mary DeWitt will be assisting Vice-President Cone with scheduling speakers and Education Chairman Wise with field trips.

Yavapai Chapter Photo Gallery: The Yavapai Chapter Photo Gallery on the AAS website for the month between Nov. 17 and Dec. 15 will be showing photos taken by Jim Hays of Bears Ears ruins and Natural Bridges National Monument in Utah. The photographs are exceptional, but the Bears Ears location is prescient as well since it is an area proposed for status as a National Monument. See <a href="www.azarchsoc.org/">www.azarchsoc.org/</a> Yavapai. The photo is an example of what is currently in the Photo Gallery.



House on Fire - South Fork Mule Canyon, Utah; photo by Jim Hays

-- Charles Stroh

#### SAVE THE DATE: 2017 ARCHAEOLOGY EXPO - MARCH 4, 2017

The 2017 Archaeology Expo will be held at the Himdag Ki Cultural Center and Museum on the Tohono O'Odham Nation on Saturday, March 4, 2017 from 10 am to 4 pm. The Archaeology Expo kicks off a month-long celebration of archaeology and heritage. Join us at this event. The theme of the 2017 Expo is "Protected footprints of the past walk into our future." --Kris Dobschuetz, RPA, SHPO

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

UPCOMING EVENTS GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS				
AAHS	Arizona Archaeological & Historical Society, Tucson; www.az-arch-and-hist.org.			
AIA	Archaeological Institute of America, Central Az Chapter; aiacentralarizonasociety.wordpress.com/			
ASM	Arizona State Museum, 1013 E University Blvd, Tucson; 520-621-6302; www.statemuseum.arizona.edu.			
ASW	Archaeology Southwest, 300 N. Ash Alley, Tucson; 520-882-6946; www.archaeologysouthwest.org			
HSP	Homolovi State Park, I-40 Exit 257, 1.5 mi. N on Hwy 87, Winslow; 928-289-4106; azstateparks.com/Parks			
LDSP	Lost Dutchman State Park, 6109 N. Apache Trail, Apache Junction; 480-982-4485; azstateparks.com/Parks			
PGM	Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix; 602-495-0901; www.pueblogrande.com			
OPAC	Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, 2201 W. 44th Street, Tucson; 520-798-1201; www.oldpueblo.org			
OSP	Oracle State Park, 3820 Wildlife Drive, Oracle; 520-896-2425; azstateparks.com/Parks			
RMSHP	Riordan Mansion State Historic Park, 409 West Riordan Rd., Flagstaff; 928-779-4395			
RRSP	Red Rock State Park, 4050 Red Rock Loop Rd, Sedona; 928-282-6907; azstateparks.com/Parks			
TPSHP	Tubac Presidio State Historic Park, One Burruel Street, Tubac; 520-398-2252; azstateparks.com/Parks			
VVAC	Verde Valley Archaeology Center, 385 S. Main Street, Camp Verde; 928-567-0066; verdevalleyarchaeology.org.			
WTMRP	White Tank Mountain Regional Park, 20304 W. White Tank Mountain Rd, Waddell; 623-935-2505.			

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- Dec. 6, 1 pm, LDSP, Apache Junction, Walk: *Medicinal Plant Walk*. Introduction to edible/medicinal plants of the Sonoran Desert; healing plants will be identified and discussed. An easy one mile loop stroll beginning at Cholla Day Use Parking lot. Bring water, sunscreen, hat and proper hiking shoes as well as pencil and paper to take notes as you forage with Ranger Erica!.
- Dec. 6, 5:30 pm, ASW, Tucson, Dinner & Talk: *Eastern and Western Perspectives on Archaeology and the Past* by Dr. Fumi Arakawa, NMSU, joins us for our December Archaeology Café. At Casa Vicente, 375 S. Stone Ave., Tucson. Enter through the restaurant. Presentations begin after 6 pm.
- Dec. 7, 6:30 pm, PGM, Phoenix, Talk: *The Explorations and Discoveries of George Bird Grinnell, The Father of Glacier National Park* by Hugh Grinnell, a distant cousin of George Grinnell, who founded the first Audubon Society, co-founded the Boone and Crockett Club with Teddy Roosevelt, and led the effort to establish Glacier National Park.
- Dec. 9, 10 am-1 pm, TPSHP, Talk: *History of Chocolate in the Southwest*. In celebration of the village-wide *Dipped in Tubac Chocolate Festival*, everyone is invited to come and discover the rich history of chocolate in the Southwest. Taste a cacao bean, learn how the Mayans and pre-Columbian Native Americans prepared their chocolate, and sample the energy drink that fueled the 1774 and 1775 Anza expeditions from Tubac to Alta California. Included with park admission, \$5 adult, \$2 youth, children free.
- Dec. 9, 7 pm, PGM, Phoenix, Film Festival: Special viewing of *Neither Wolf Nor Dog* in the Community Room. Doors open at 5 pm. Food trucks on-site from 5-7 pm.
- Dec. 10 & 11, 9 am 4 pm, PGM, Special Event: *40th Annual Indian Market*. Tickets are \$10, free for children 12 and under; discounted admission tickets available for Museum members. For more information about artists, entertainment, and Indian Market details, visit <u>pueblogrande.org/indian-market</u>.
- Dec. 10, 1 pm, OSP, Oracle, Talk: *Bighorn Basics* by Arizona State Parks volunteer Richard Boyer at the Kannally Ranch House for a 35-minute talk about bighorn sheep. What are they? Where have they been? Where are they now? Many of the tools we use can be compared to the tools the Bighorn Sheep use to survive in mountainous areas of Arizona. Free with park admission. Reservation preferred.
- Dec. 15, 10-10:45 am, PGM, Phoenix, Tour: *Behind the Scenes Tour* with collections staff. \$5 tour fee in addition to Museum admission; discounts for Museum members. Sign up at the front desk.
- Dec. 15, 11 am-1 pm, TPSHP, Tubac, Tour: *Guided Tour of the Barrio de Tubac Archaeological Site* by Phil Halpenny and Gwen Griffin of the archaeological site just south of the Park (the remains of the original Tubac town site, including residence foundations, plaza area, refuse area and partial irrigation ditch). Meet at the Park's Visitor Center. Tour involves a walk of about 1-1/4 miles. Wear walking shoes, sunscreen and hat. \$10 fee includes admission to tour the Presidio Park. Tour limited to 15; reservations encouraged, 520-398-2252 or info@TubacPresidio.org.
- Dec. 15, Noon-2 pm, DCWM, Wickenburg, Talk: *Honky Tonks, Brothels, and Mining Camps: Entertainment in Old Arizona* by Jay Cravath, composer, writer, and scholar in the field of music and Indigenous studies. Free. At 21 N. Frontier Street, Wickenburg.
- Dec. 15, 6-8:30 pm, OPAC, Oro Valley, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays Dinner & Talk: *Epics of the American Southwest: Hopi, Diné and Hispanic Narratives of Heroes and Heroines in Mythic Literature* by Dr. Sharonah Fredrick at Karichimaka Mexican Restaurant, 5252 S. Mission Road, Tucson; Free; guests may select and purchase their own dinners from the restaurant's menu. Call 520-798-1201 for a reservation before 5 pm on the Wednesday before the program date.
- Dec. 17, 9-10 am, PGM, Phoenix, Hike: *Petroglyph Discovery Hike #141876*. Bring the whole family for an easy petroglyph-rich hiking experience at South Mountain. An experienced Museum guide will lead participants on a quick 1-hour interpretive hike. Space is limited. Registration required by Dec. 15. Cost is \$5; discounts for Museum members.
- Dec. 17, 10 am–1 pm, TPSHP, Tubac, Demonstration: *Living History: Spinning*. Spinning is one of the oldest surviving crafts in the world; weaving traces back to Neolithic times, approx. 12,000 years ago. Learn how fiber and spinning impacted human activity from ancient to modern times. A knowledgeable volunteer will demonstrate how the spinning wheel produces thread from fiber, and you are welcome to experience spinning with a drop spindle. Included with park admission, \$5 adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.
- Dec. 17 & 30, 10 am-Noon, TPSHP, Tubac, Tour: *Walking Tour of Old Tubac*, guided by Connie Stevens. Discover fascinating facts about the town's early adobe buildings and learn about Arizona's first European settlement. Meet at the Park's Visitor Center. Wear walking shoes, sunscreen and a hat. \$10 fee includes admission to tour the Presidio Park. Tour limited to 20; reservations requested, 520-398-2252 or info@TubacPresidio.org.

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Dec. 18, 1-3 pm, RRSP, Sedona, Hike: *Archaeology Hike*. Red Rock State Park has been a destination for Native Americans for several millennia. Most of the ancient features found in the park are from the Sinagua culture dating about 1100 to 1425 AD. The hike will identify the various archaeological features and interpret them into the wider context of important regional Sinagua sites. Easy hike, an elevation gain of only 250 feet along easy trails. Bring water and wear suitable footwear. This hike is included with park entrance fees.

Dec. 19, 7 pm, AAHS, Tucson, Talk: Frank Hamilton Cushing as a Professional Archaeologist in the 1880s and Anthropology at the 1893 World's Fair by archaeologist David R. Wilcox. Free.

Dec. 21, 8 am-Noon, OPAC, Marana, Tour: *Winter Solstice Tour of Los Morteros and Picture Rocks Petroglyphs Archaeological Sites* with archaeologist Allen Dart; departs from northeast corner of Silverbell Road & Linda Vista Blvd. in Marana. Fee \$20 (\$16 for OPAC and PGMA members).

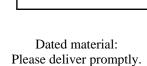
Dec. 30, 10-11 am, PGM, Phoenix, Tour: *Guided Tour of the Park of the Four Waters*. This tour takes you through undeveloped, natural desert to the ruins of prehistoric Hohokam canal systems. Space is limited, register at front desk in Museum Lobby. \$5 tour fee is in addition to Museum admission, please sign up at the front desk to reserve your spot. Discounts for Museum Members.

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	© CHAPTER MEETING SCHEDULE					
9	<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Location</b>	Date & Time	<b>Membership</b>		
9	Agave House	Black Mesa Ranger Station Conf. Rm.	4 <sup>th</sup> Wed., 6:30 pm	Gloria Kurzhals		
		2748 Hwy. 260, Overgaard		928-536-3056		
	Desert Foothills	The Good Shepherd of the Hills	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed., 7 pm	Glenda Simmons		
G		Community Building,	Sept. thru May	928-684-3251		
G		6502 E Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek				
G	Homolovi	Winslow Chamber of Commerce	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed., 7 pm	Karen Berggren	G	
G		523 W. 2nd Street, Winslow		928-607-1836	G	
G	Little Colorado	Casa Museum, 418 East Main	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon., 7 pm	Sheri Anderson	G	
G	River	Springerville		928-536-2375	G	
G	Northern Arizona	The Peaks "Alpine Room"	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues., 7 pm	Evelyn Billo		
		3150 N. Winding Brook Road	Sept. thru Nov.,	928-526-3625	G	
G		Flagstaff	Jan. thru June		G	
	Phoenix	Pueblo Grande Museum	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues., 7 pm	Nancy Unferth	G	
G		4619 E. Washington, Phoenix	Sept. thru May	602-371-1165	G	
G	Rim Country	Church of the Holy Nativity, The Cottage	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat., 10 am	Carolyn Walter	G	
G		1414 North Easy Street, Payson		928-474-4419	G	
S	San Tan	San Tan Historical Society Museum	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed., 7 pm	Marie Britton	G	
s		Ellsworth & Queen Creek Roads	Sept. thru May	480-827-8070	G	
G		Queen Creek			G	
G	Verde Valley	Sedona Public Library	4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs., 7 pm,	Terrilyn Green	G	
S		3250 White Bear Road	Sept. thru May	928-567-7116	G	
S		Sedona	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 7 pm,		G	
			Nov and Dec.		ā	
ā	Yavapai	Pueblo of the Smoki Museum	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 pm	Joann F. Read	G	
		147 North Arizona St., Prescott	Sept. thru Nov.	928-925-6358	ā	
S			Jan. thru June.		ā	
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## **OBJECTIVES of the AAS:**

- To foster interest and research in the archaeology of Arizona
- To encourage better public understanding and concern for archaeological and cultural resources
- To protect antiquities by discouraging exploitation of archaeological resources
- To aid in the conservation and preservation of scientific and archaeological data and associated
- To serve as a bond between the professionals and the avocational non-professionals
- To increase the knowledge and improve the skill of members in the discipline of archaeology
- To participate in investigations in the field of archaeology and to put the information so obtained into published form
- To publish a journal and such monographs as the publications committee deems appropriate