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The Diablo Highway Excations of the
Upper Gila Drainage: A New Awakening
Christopher A. Turnbow, Assistant Director
Laboratory of Anthropology/Museum of Indian Arts & Culture
Tuesday, January 20, 2004—7:30 P.M.
Albuquerque Museum

Have you ever wondered what great mysteries are locked up in museums? You are not alone. Shortly after coming to the Laboratory of Anthropology, Chris Turnbow became curious about the archaeological collections of four sites excavated for the Diablo Highway Salvage Project in 1966. Excavated by the Museum of New Mexico, the sites are located near the Gila Cliff Dwellings along the upper Gila River and include occupations from the Georgetown phase (AD 550-650) pithouse village to three Classic Mimbres pueblos (AD 1000-1130) to two historic ranches. Unfortunately, due to a lack of funding at that time, the final 1966 reports on those excavations amounted to only 32 pages. Thirty-seven years later, a team of professional and avocational archaeologists from the Lab, Texas A & M, University of California at Berkeley, and Western University Museum are shifting through the collections to offer a better understanding of the cultural history of this little known portion of the state. This paper presents an overview of the research and the larger implications for Mimbres research in the region.

Chris Turnbow is the Assistant Director of the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture and the Laboratory of Anthropology. He has been an archaeologist since 1974 and has worked on sites ranging from Paleoindian processing camps dating to 9,000 BC to Spanish Colonial occupations in Bernalillo. He is past president of the New Mexico Archaeological Council and is currently on the Board of Trustees of the Archaeological Society of New Mexico. Chris has most recently been involved in research on the Mimbres occupation of the Gila River drainage and the development of the "Roads to the Past: 50 Years of Highway Archaeology in New Mexico" scheduled to open at the Laboratory of Anthropology on February 28, 2004.



## Minutes, December 9, 2003 Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting and welcomed all members and guests. Guests at the meeting included the Carson's daughter, Cindy, and Dara's little son, Jonas. Anne Francis offered thanks to all who have been serving on the various AAS committees, especially the committee chairs.

There was a sign up sheet to volunteer for refreshments in 2004.

The minutes from last month were accepted as published.

#### Committee Reports:

- Treasurer Jim Carson was not at the meeting.
- For Field and Lab Dick Bice was also absent.
- Librarian Charlie Pfuntner was also absent.
- From the Membership Committee Dara Saville reported that many activities to attract new members continued. As in the past, the Vice President advertises monthly meetings and speakers in several local newspapers. New achievements for this past year include notifying students of monthly meeting topics through several UNM student listserves (email), creating an email address for general in quiries and to participate in the UNM listserves, AAS business cards created by Frankie Merkt, and the AAS website created and run by Maynard Merkt. AAS email is abqarch@hotmail.com and our website is located at www.abqarcsoc.org. Thanks to all who contributed to this process of expanding our membership services.
- For rock art projects Jean Brody reported on Creston and Jack Francis reported on the work at Petroglyph National Monument. Jean said that the Creston field crews were on a winter hiatus and will return to working on alternate Wednesdays (in conjunction with alternate Wednesdays at Petroglyph NM) when warmer weather returns next year. Jack announced the completion of the survey at the monument on December 3rd!! The final petroglyph has been recorded in all lands within the monument including the Volcanoes and both Geologic Windows as well as some lands outside the boundary. Clean up work (identifying and correcting errors) and data entry work continues. AAS has by far contributed the most hours to the project. Jack thanks all those who worked on the project including Jean and Jerry Brody, Helen and Jay Crotty, Rita Elliott, Milford Fletcher, John and Janet Geohegan, Frankie and Maynard Merkt, Larry Robinson, Joan

Wilkes, Dara Saville, and of course Jack and Anne Francis. Many thanks to Jack for leading the project for the last seven years!

 From the Nomination Committee Maynard Merkt announced the candidates for next year's officers.
 All candidates are running unopposed: Anne Francis for President, Dara Saville for Vice-President, Patricia Lee for Secretary, Jim Carson for Treasurer, and Milford Fletcher for Director at Large. The membership at the meeting voted unanimously to accept all candidates.

Joan brought up the subject of the continuing debate on Paseo del Norte. Much discussion ensued as to what AAS might do in the future regarding this issue. Previously AAS members voted to adopt a public stance of opposition to the proposed extension of this road through lands that once belonged to Petroglyph National Monument. Consequently AAS has written letters to City Council Members and the Mayor as well as submitting an editorial to local newspapers. Also Board Members have met with Sage Council representatives to discuss strategies for defending the West Mesa and its archaeological resources. At the December meeting Jean Brody suggested creating a petition/fact sheet in support of reversing Dominici's legislation, which removed the land from the monument necessary for building the road. Dara Saville added that she is willing to coordinate efforts and anyone with ideas should contact her at harrisfuz@hotmail.com or by phone at 248-1774. The subject will be addressed further at the next Board Meeting on January 8th (see below). Anyone with ideas is encouraged to come.

An announcement regarding the State Society ASNM: Nominations are needed for the Amateur Achievement Award and for the annual volume of papers. The deadline for the Amateur Award is the end of January. Please see Carol Condie with nomination ideas.

There will be a Board Meeting on January 8th at 7pm at the home of Jack and Anne Franics. All are invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

### Dara Saville

It has been an honor to serve as your Secretary for the last three years,

### Minutes of January 8 Board Meeting

- The January 8, 2004 meeting of the AAS Board was presided over by President Anne Francis. Present at the meeting were Dick Bice, Jack Francis, Patricia Lee, Maynard Merkt and Dara Saville. The following topics were discussed:
- Director at Large: Maynard Merkt has been appointed Director at Large in light of Anne Francis serving a second term as President.
- 2004 Meeting Dates: The Board agreed to continue holding membership meetings on the third
  Tuesday of the month with the exception of December when the meeting will be held on the second Tuesday. It was also agreed that in keeping with past practices there would not be a membership meeting in August. Reservations for meeting space have been made with the Museum.
- Budget: In the absence of Jim Carson, budget discussions were deferred until a meeting of the Board which will take place after the January 20<sup>th</sup> membership meeting. However, the Board did take up the subject of the ASM \$500 scholarship and approved the continuance of that practice.
- Audit Committee: Ralph Brown will continue as Chair and John and Janet Geohegan have agreed to continue their service.
- Field and Laboratory: Dick Bice reported that
  the Laboratory of Anthropology has offered to store
  of the mine site collections. Storage at the Lab will
  afford researchers greater access to these extensive
  collections. Specific details will be worked out.
- Website: Maynard Merkt discussed the possibility of interacting with ASNM on a cooperative website which would include more local entities. Maynard will pursue this possibility with state board members and may make a presentation at the state meeting in Gallup. Funds allocated for the website in the 2003 budget will be carried forward to 2004. Members are encouraged to visit the website at <a href="http://albarcsoc.org">http://albarcsoc.org</a>. Maynard informed the Board that we are now #1 on Google!
- ASNM Annual Meeting: The annual meeting will be held from April 30 to May 2 in Gallup and the Board discussed AAS participation. Dara Saville and Patricia Lee volunteered to set up a poster display comprised of information on the Mine Site

Project, Petroglyph Monument and Creston-Comanche Gap Rock Art. Jack Francis and Maynard Merkt have offered help with accumulating art work and additional input will be sought at the membership meeting. Maynard Merkt may make a presentation regarding the AAS website.

- Name Tags & Greeter: Joan Feldman has agreed to act as Greeter for the membership meetings. However, no volunteers have come forward to help with the name tags. Possible solutions for this situation will be discussed the next meeting.
- Membership Directory: Frankie Merkt, Dara Saville and Patricia Lee have volunteered to update the Membership Directory.
- August Picnic: Since many people will be traveling in August the Board decided to put the idea of an August picnic to the membership. If someone is willing to act as Coordinator, the idea can be pursued.
- Newsletter Concerns: A great deal of discussion took place regarding the most efficient manner to handle the distribution of the AAS monthly newsletter. Larry Robinson and Moreau Parsons have graciously agreed to serve as committee members. Paramount on everyone's mind was the lack of a Newsletter Distribution Coordinator. Since Gwen Poe can no longer assume this role, a call went out for volunteers at the last membership meeting. To date no one has agreed to undertake this critical task

WANTED: Newsletter Distribution Coordinator

<u>DUTIES</u>: Accept delivery of copies of the printed newsletter; supervise team of helpers in folding, sealing, and labeling monthly newsletter; deliver presorted newsletters to the Post Office.

<u>TIME NEEDED</u>: Approximately 3-4 hours per month.

<u>COMPENSATION</u>: Heartfelt gratitude of AAS members.

 Next Board Meeting: The next meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m., place to be announced at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Lee

### December Speakers Merkt and Brugge

#### Maynard Merkt on Creston Rock Art:

The rock art of Creston, also called Comanche Gap, is located along a long volcanic dyke to the east of the ruins of Pueblo Blanco. The site is located on private and state lands off of highway 14 in the Galisteo Basin. Maynard used the GIS (Geographic Information System) created by AAS members to show a satellite image of the area as well as a topographic map. Overlaid on these maps were locations showing petroglyph boulders. These locations appeared as dots on the map and were recorded by the field crew members using GPS (Global Positioning System) technology. Also shown on these maps were the survey divisions used by the field crews while recording the petroglyphs. Maynard showed various photographs of the sort of images one might find at Creston such as a bear, mountain lion, ceremonial figures, birds, serpents, and lots of masks. Some of the more well-known images included two large shield bearers over 5 feet tall with detailed shield decorations. He also showed photos of AAS members Jack and Anne Francis, Milford Fletcher, Dara Saville, Jay and Helen Crotty, Jean and Jerry Brody, John and Janet Geohegan, hard at work in the field recording petroglyphs.

#### Dave Brugge on Navajo Rock Art:

Dave showed slides of actual Navajo artifacts and corresponding images in the rock art record. One example was of a headdress made of thin pieces of wood tied together with sinew, which was likely used with feathers. A comparison was made between the actual headdress and its depiction as a petroglyph. Other examples were made of hand tablitas and a ceremonial shield with iconography similar to that of the Pueblos. He also discussed images of the horse and rider and how the details of the image may reveal when it was made. For example, earlier images show a corpulent horse with rounded contours and no accessories. Later images depict the horse as angular and are often incised into the rock surface. Also the later images show reins, chin pieces, and a ring bit. By the 1800s realism begins to increase dramatically as evidenced by the petroglyphs and pictographs in Canyon del Muerto. By the 1850s horse hooves and prints are very realistic as they are shown from the side instead of from above. Dave showed many photographs of Navajo petroglyph and pictograph panels including battle scenes and a Ute raid

### Arbuckles Ariosa Coffee Rides Again

Up until the end of the Civil War, coffee was sold green. It has to be roasted on a wood stove or in a skillet over a campfire before it could be ground and brewed. One burned bean ruined it all.

In 1965 John Arbuckle and his brother Charles, partners in a Pittsburgh grocery business, changed all this by patenting a process for roasting and coating coffee beans with an egg and sugar glaze to seal in the flavor and aroma. In airtight, one pound packages, the new coffee was an instant success with the chuckwagon cooks in the west and has been called the "coffee that won the west". Many cowboys were not aware there was any other kind of coffee.

Keen marketing minds, the Arbuckle Brothers printed coupons on the bags of coffee redeemable for all manner of notions including handkerchiefs, razors, scissors and wedding rings. And, as a bonus, each package of coffee contained a stick of peppermint coffee.

Up until World War II, Navajos used the celebrated Arbuckles Ariosa coffee almost exclusively. They called it, in their language, Hosteen Cohay, which translates as "Mr. Coffee".

The product arrived at trading posts in heavy crates decorated in red with the name Arbuckles Coffee above their trademark, a flying angel. Traders handed out the crates to Navajo customers who put them to a variety of uses.

Today, Arbuckles Ariosa Coffee is available once again—complete with the original Flying Angel trademark and a piece of peppermint candy inside.

Just look up Arbuckles Ariosa Coffee on the web to find out where to order ... and prepare to enjoy a full-bodied, aromatic cup of coffee that is a piece





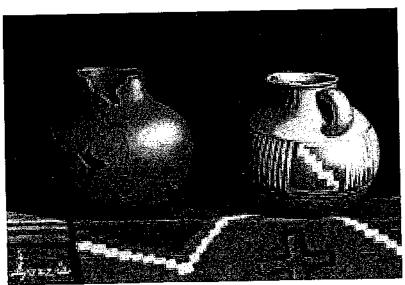
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**FEBRUARY 2004** 

The Many Faces of Contemporary Indian Art:
An Overview of Native Art in the Southwest
Katherin L. Chase
Independent Scholar and Curator
February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004—7:30 P.M.
Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Road NW

Katherin L. Chase is an independent scholar and curator with a longstanding interest in Native American arts. Formerly Curator of Art at the Museum of Northern Arizona in Flagstaff, she has authored numerous publications in the field of Native arts, curated many exhibitions of Southwest Indian and Western American arts and frequently lectured and taught in these areas of interest. Over the years, she has served as a judge for Native American arts and crafts: most recently for the painting division, SWAIA, Santa Fe Indian Market, 2003. Currently she serves as a consultant to the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture in the area of post-1940 paintings and drawings and holds an appointment as a Research Associate at the Indian Arts Research Center, School of American Research. Since 1987 she has been President and Executive Director of the BF Foundation, a private educational foundation.



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# Minutes, January 20; 2003 Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting and thanked the membership for their vote of confidence in electing her for a second term as President. She welcomed all the members and their guests.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

Anne then asked the members present to consider volunteering for a number of open slots.

- Newsletter: She thanked Gwen and Howell Poe for doing the Newsletter for so many years. Presently, we have volunteers to assist with the Newsletter but a Newsletter Distribution Coordinator is needed. The AAS by-laws state that the Society must publish a newsletter monthly. Joan Wilkes took care of the task for December and January. One alternative would be to have the distribution handled professionally. However, this would entail an increase in membership dues.
- <u>Assistants</u>: A Field Trip Assistant is requested to help Maynard Merkt organize and communicate about AAS field trips and a Membership Assistant is requested to help Dara Saville. A Librarian is also requested.
- Greeter and Name Tag Manager: Joan Feldman
  has agreed to serve as the Meeting Greeter. However, someone is still needed to keep name tags and
  put them out at monthly meetings.
- Website Input: A volunteer is needed to assist in inputting information on the AAS website. Please take a look at the website at http://albarcsoc.org to see how you can help.
- Speakers: Anyone who would be interested in being a speaker or who has suggestions for speakers please contact Vice President Dara Saville.

#### IN THE NEWS:

- John Roney: The January 8th issue of the Albuquerque Journal carried a feature story, complete with color photo, of John Roney and his work with the Bureau of Land Management.
- <u>Petroglyph Monument Crew</u>: The recent issue of the National Park Service's magazine featured an article on the recording work done by AAS members and others.
- Milford Fletcher's letters from Jordan: Fletch's letters 10 and 11 have now been posted to our website. He is due home in February and reports he is looking forward to ham!

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2003 MEETING: The Minutes were approved.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Treasurer: Jim Carson reported that it is time to pay annual dues and requested that members do so promptly. He and Anne Francis requested that members complete the questionnaire provided in the January 2004 newsletter. Anne pointed out that the Society needs to determine how many members would be interested in having their newsletters delivered by e-mail so it could be determined if this would be more cost effective.
- Field and Lab: Phyllis Davis reported on the Mine Site collection and that she and Dick Bice were working on a procedure to turn the collection over to the Laboratory of Anthropology. At present, the collection needs to be repackaged to conform to the Laboratory of Anthropology's standards. Volunteers are needed to help repackage the collection. Dick reported that work would probably commence the weekend of January 31 and with the help of three 2-person crews the work could be accomplished in a few weeks.
- <u>Field Trips</u>: Maynard Merkt asked that if anyone is interested in field trips they should give him their email address since opportunities often come up on a short notice basis and may take place before announcements can be made at the monthly meeting.
- Membership: Dara Saville reported that there was no news and we are sustaining current membership.
- Rock Art: Jean Brody reported that it is too cold and new work will probably start in March.
- Jack Francis reported that the survey is completed at Petroglyph Monument and Dara is still working on the input.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Meetings for 2004: 2004 meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. except for December's which will be at 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday. There will be no meeting in August.

<u>Newsletter deadline:</u> February Newsletter articles must submit it by January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Next Meeting: The next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, February  $17^{th}$  at 7:30 p.m.

<u>Refreshments:</u> Refreshments for the meeting were provided by Anne and Jack Francis.

Respectfully submitted.

M. Patricia Lee

### January Speaker, Chris Turnbow

Dara Saville introduced Chris Turnbow, Assistant Director of the Laboratory of Anthropology/Museum of Indian Arts & Culture. The topic of his presentation was: The Diablo Highway Excavations of the Upper Gila Drainage: A New Awakening.

During his presentation Chris recounted how sites located near the Gila Cliff Dwellings along the upper Gila River were excavated in 1966 for the Diablo Highway Salvage Project. Excavated by the Museum of New Mexico, the sites range from a Georgetown phase (AD 550-650) pithouse village to three Classic Mimbres pueblos (AD 1000-1130) to two historic ranches. Artifacts from the excavations eventually wound up at the Laboratory of Anthropology where, due to a lack of funding, they remained with very little research performed over the intervening 37 years. Now, a team of professional and avocational archaeologists from the Lab, Texas A&M, University of California at Berkeley, and Western University Museum are sifting through the collections to offer a better understanding of the cultural history of this area. Chris' presentation was replete with maps, old and new excavation photos, and a variety of illustration of artifacts.

Chris closed by extending an invitation to the membership to attend the opening of "Roads to the Past: 50 Years of Highway Archaeology in New Mexico" on February 28<sup>th</sup> at the Laboratory of Anthropology. For those interested, a conference linked to the exhibit will take place on February 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. The conference will present some 30 papers as well as vintage footage of highway work and presentations by speakers from past as well as those speaking about contemporary projects. There is a \$35 fee associated with the conference which includes some meals. For details on attending the Conference you can e-mail Daisy Levine of the Highway Department at Daisy.Levine@nmshtd. state.nm.us or telephone: 505-827-5551.

### **Special Board Meeting Minutes**

Special Board Meeting to Approve 2004 Budget: January 20, 2004

On January 20, 2004 a special meeting of the Board was convened to review and approve the 2004 Budget for the Albuquerque Archaeological Society. The Board discussed various means to cover a small shortfall in that Budget and agreed unanimously to move \$130.93 from the Report Publications Fund to the Operating Fund. The motion was then made and seconded to approve the 2004 Budget as presented by Treasurer Jim Carson in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted, M. Patricia Lee

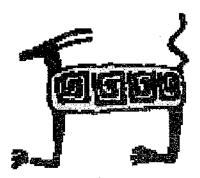
### Petroglyph February Events

Petroglyph National Monument will be offering two free weekend events.

Saturday February 7th will be the "Beginning Bird Watching" class, and on Sunday February 8th will be a slide presentation by Ron Fields, "Atlatls of the Pre-Columbian Southwest and the Americas."

Each presentation will take place at the monument's Las Imágenes Visitor Center, located at 4735 Unser Blyd. NW at Western Trail. Seating is limited and advanced registration is required.

For more information, or to register for these events, please contact Cheryl Ford, Park Ranger Interpretation at 505-899-0205 ext. 337.



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Its purposes are (1) to preserve and protect prehistoric and historic remains in the region; (2) to educate members and the public in archaeological and ethnological fields; (3) to conduct archaeological studies, research, surveys, and excavations; (4) to publish data obtained from research studies and excavations; and (5) to cooperate with other scientific institutions.

Membership includes a monthly meeting with a lecture and opportunities to participate in field trips, seminars, and cooperative activities with other institutions.

#### ANNUAL DUES:

Regular: Sustaining: Individual \$20; Family \$25 or more Individual \$25; Family \$35 or more

Institutions:

\$8

REGULAR MEETINGS are held on the third Tuesday of each month in the auditorium of the Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Road NW, Old Town.

FIELD TRIPS: as scheduled; see Newsletter

SEMINARS, EXCAVATIONS & SURVEYS: as scheduled - see Newsletter

#### OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

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Refreshments	Jacqueline Johnson	881-9861
	Frankie Merkt	771-0815
Rock Art Projects	Jean Brody	281-3579
	Jack Francis	898-2163
Greeter	Joan Feldman	821-2651
Name Tags	Helen Crotty	281-2136
Audit Committee	Ralph Brown, chairman	
	Janet and John Geohegan	

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**MARCH 2004** 

Superpower Politics Among the Classic Maya Dr. T. Patrick Culbert University of Arizona March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2004—7:30 P.M. Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW

The decipherment of Maya hieroglyphic writing in the 1960's revolutionized our understanding of the Classic period (A.D. 250-850) Maya. To the archaeological information on tombs, temples, and art, can now be added the names and doings of mighty rulers told to us in their own words. One of the most recent breakthroughs derived from new decipherments shows that much of the history of the 6th through 8th centuries involved a contest for dominance between two superpowers, Tikal and Calakmul. In a complicated series of political maneuvers involving alliances and battles over long distances, the dynasties of these two giant sites engaged in a power struggle that affected the largest and most important centers of the time.

T. Patrick Culbert is Professor Emeritus at the University of Arizona. He has conducted research in the Maya Lowlands, mostly in Guatemala, for more than 40 years. Major projects in which he has been involved include the Pennsylvania Tikal Project and the Rio Azul Project. His most recent fieldwork has been on ancient Maya agriculture in the Bajo la Justa between the sites of Yaxha and Nakum. He has edited or written books and articles on Maya ceramics, population and subsistence, Classic Maya political history and the Classic Maya collapse.

# Minutes, February 17 Meeting

Vice President Dara Saville presided over the meeting in the absence of President Anne Francis. She thanked the membership for their vote in electing her as Vice President and welcomed all the members and their guests.

Dara reiterated the need for a Newsletter Distribution Coordinator. Although we have volunteers to assist with the Newsletter a Coordinator is still needed. Data explained that if we cannot come up with a Coordinator it will be necessary to have the distribution handled professionally. This would necessitate an increase in membership dues. The AAS by-laws state that the Society must publish a newsletter monthly. She also pointed out that the membership form includes a short questionnaire that members should be certain to fill out. One alternative to mailing the newsletter would be to have it distributed electronically through e-mail.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2004: The Minutes were approved.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Treasurer: Jim Carson repeated that it is time to pay annual dues and requested that members do so promptly. He and Dara requested that members complete the questionnaire provided in the January 2004 newsletter. The Society needs to know how many members would be interested in having their newsletters delivered by e-mail so it could be determined if this would be more cost effective.
- Rock Art: Jean Brody reported that at present it is too cold and new work will probably start in March.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business to discuss.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Meetings for 2004: 2004 meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. except for December when the meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. There will be no meeting in August.

Next Meeting: The next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, March  $16^{th}$  at 7:30 p.m.

Archaeological Society of New Mexico 2004 Annual Meeting: Dara reminded the members present that the ASNM Meeting will be hosted by the Plateau Sciences Society and held in Gallup from Friday, April 30th to Sunday, May 2nd. Meeting headquarters are the Best Western Hotel and Suites located at 3009 West Highway 66 in Gallup. In addition to the papers which will be presented on Saturday, two field trips will be offered.

The first field trip to the Village of the Great Kivas, Zuni, NM takes place at 1 p.m. on Friday afternoon and will include visits to nearby rock art sites. For those interested carpools meet up at the Best Western Inn and Suites. The fee for that trip is \$10.00.

The second field trip entitled "Seven Cities of Cibola" meets at 9 a.m. at the A:shiwi A:wan Museum and Heritage Center in Zuni. This field trip will be the first time the Pueblo of Zuni has sanctioned a visit by outsiders to all six of the ancient Zuni Villages. Travel will be in vans to KWA'KIN'A, KECHIBA: WA, and HAWIKKU. There will be a mid day break in Zuni for a traditional dinner of Posole, Chile stew and oven baked bread hosted by a Zuni family. After the meal the vans continue to MATS'A:KYA and KYAK:MA returning to Zuni about 3:30 p.m. The fee for this field trip is \$35.00.

Additionally, Patricia Lee will be heading up the committee for a poster presentation by AAS at the Meeting. Suggestions for items to include in the presentation can be e-mailed to Patricia at LeeP87111@aol. com.

<u>Heritage Preservation Month:</u> May is New Mexico Heritage Preservation Month. There will be activities all month and the awards ceremony will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Santa Fe Scottish Rite Temple at 2 p. m. Nominations are due by March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Paseo del Norte Extension: The question was raised as to the status of the extension in light of events at the legislative session in Santa Fe. Discussion ensued and a suggestion was made that individuals could contact the Governor in an attempt to forestall the extension.

<u>Refreshments:</u> The refreshments for this meeting were provided by Jacqueline Johnson.

Respectfully submitted, M. Patricia Lee

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# February Speaker, Katherin Chase

Dara Saville introduced Katherin Chase who spoke on "The Many Faces of Contemporary Indian Art: An Overview of Native Art in the Southwest." Ms. Chase, an independent scholar and curator has served as a judge for Native American arts and crafts, most recently for the painting division SWAIA, Santa Fe Indian Market, 2003. Presently she serves as a consultant to the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture in the area of post-1940 paintings and drawings and holds an appointment as a Research Associate at the Indian Arts Research Center, School of American Research.

Members present at the February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting were treated to a visual feast while Ms. Chase elaborated on the relationship of the post-1950 arts to earlier Native American works. Rather than a chronological or typological presentation, Ms. Chase chose to explore the thread of commonality in the works in a talk which she entitled "What's Old Is New". Explaining that Native American easel art is only 100 years old she illustrated how rock art, pottery and sand painting themes as well as earlier flat paintings have found their way into modern Indian art.

Respectfully submitted, M. Patricia Lee

### AAS Board Meeting March 30th

Don't forget the Board meeting on Tuesday, March 30th, at 7 p.m. at the Lab. Interested parties are invited.

### Deadline for Membership Directory

MARCH 31 is the deadline for listings for the 2004 Membership Directory. Be sure and fill out the membership form when paying your dues. We hope to print a Membership Directory in April. We need your name, address, phone number and e-mail address.

# Petroglyph National Monument Alert

Now is the time for each and every one of you that receives this appeal to act on behalf of Petroglyph National Monument. We need phone calls to Governor Richardson (505.476.2200) to protest the line item inclusion of \$3.5 million for road construction through the Monument. The Development Lobby is not going to rest until the Monument is breached by this road to enable West Side Albuquerque expansion. We can not rest either.

Regards, Leigh Marymor Vice President, American Rock Art Research Association Acting Chairperson, ARARA Conservation Comm. Co-Chairperson, Bay Area Rock Art Research Association Representative, Public-at-Large, Bureau of Land Management Central California Resource Advisory Council.

## Free Lecture - Petroglyph Nat'l Monument

Sunday March 7th, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm "Animals on the Rocks" Las Imágenes Visitor Center

Join Petroglyph National Monument's Cultural Resources Program Manager Gretchen Ward for her lecture and slide presentation called "Animals on the Rocks." Explore with Gretchen the variety of animal petroglyph images that can be found at the Monument. Learn about the stories and beliefs surrounding these images and why the monument is still important to the native peoples of the area today.

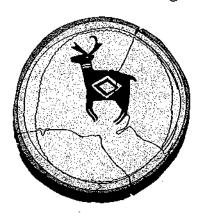
The presentation will take place at the Monument's Las Imágenes Visitor Center located at 4735 Unser Blvd. NW at Western Trail. Seating is limited to 25 participants and advanced registration is required.

For more information about this event contact Cheryl Ford, Park Ranger Interpretation at 505-899-0205 ext. 337.



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# Newsletter

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Early Navajo Stone Tool Technology and a New Approach to Tracking Migrations John Torres-Nez Museum of Indian Arts & Culture April 20, 2004—7:30 P.M. Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW

John Torres-Nez (Diné), is Curator of the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture in Santa Fe. As part of a team-approach, he plays a significant role in the planning, development, and design of various archaeological, historical, and contemporary art exhibits at the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture. Past exhibits include The Harlow Collection, Touched by Fire: The Art, Life and Legacy of Maria Martinez, Allan Houser (Haozous) Progression: 1974-1994 and Rez3: Rezervation Rezurrection Reztiution. His current projects include Beesh Ligaii in Balance: The Besser Collection of Navajo and Pueblo Silverwork opening July 3, 2004, and Tracking the Apache opening August 15, 2004. Mr. Torres-Nez's research interests include experimental lithic technology, Navajo archaeology, and migration theory. His current research project focuses on tracking the Athabaskan migration from their subarctic homeland to the American Southwest with the use of archaeological data and computer simulation models. He has also had many publications on these topics.

The Navajo and Apache People who entered the American Southwest brought with them a set of specialized stone tool technologies. The subsistence strategies for which these technologies were adapted relied on an economy heavily focused on hunting. This hunting life-way developed in the northern High Plains and subarctic regions of North America and allowed the Apacheans to occupy and utilize new environments. Evidence of this adaptation remains in the archaeological assemblages of the Early Navajo sites of northern New Mexico. This talk explores Early Navajo stone tool technology, its origins, and evidence of its arrive in the southwest. It will also show how these unique technologies, in conjunction with computer modeling, can be used to support new approaches to migration theory and address the age-old questions of: When did the Navajo and Apache people arrive in the southwest, how did they get here, and by what route?

# Minutes, March 16th Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting. She welcomed all the members and their guests.

The Minutes of February 17, 2004 were approved.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- <u>Treasurer</u>: There was no report from the Treasurer, just a reminder to pay your dues!
- Field and Lab: Phyllis Davis reported on the Mine Site collection and the progress being made on repackaging to meet the Laboratory of Anthropology's standards. Volunteers have been working on the collection and the work is about half done.
- Field Trips: Maynard Merkt reported on an upcoming field trip to the basement of the Maxwell Museum and that there would be two upcoming rock art trips. Members were reminded to check the website at <a href="http://www.albarcsoc.org">http://www.albarcsoc.org</a>. He also reminded those present that if anyone is interested in field trips they should give him their e-mail address since opportunities often come up on a short notice basis. Additionally, there is a page regarding Rock Art Field School and forms available to download.
- Website: In the last two weeks there have been 250 hits at the AAS website. Richard Holmes, a former member now residing in New York City, sent his congratulations on the website.
- Membership: Dara Saville reported that there was no news and we are just sustaining current membership.
- Rock Art: Jean Brody reported that the first trip to Crestone (Comanche Gap) will take place Wednesday, March 17, 2004. Anyone wishing to participate in the Rock Art work can call Jean at 281-3579.

OLD BUSINESS: Anne reiterated the need for a Newsletter Distribution Coordinator and noted that March and April issues were covered but that a coordinator was needed after that, especially from May through the summer. Additionally, she noted that only 21% of respondents were willing to receive the newsletter via e-mail so the mailing of hard copies would have to continue.

Archaeological Society of New Mexico 2004 Annual Meeting: Anne reminded the members present that the ASNM Meeting will be hosted by the Plateau Sciences Society and held in Gallup from Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting headquarters are the Best Western Hotel and Suites located at 3009 West Highway 66 in Gallup. In addition to the papers which will be presented on Saturday, two field trips

will be offered. AAS will be presenting a poster at the meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Petroglyph National Monument: Jerry Brody reported that as a result of the e-mails, phone calls and letters to Governor Richardson's office, caveats have been added to the \$3.5 million earmarked for development of Paseo del Norte. Among other things, Jerry facilitated a contact with the American Rock Art Association who, through its nationwide network, succeeded in getting messages to the Governor's office from members around the country. Jerry has also been contacted by an international journal interested in doing a story on Petroglyph National Monument/ Paseo del Norte conflict. Thus, Governor Richardson attached caveats to the \$3.5 million earmarked for the development. Specifically, the Governor withheld his endorsement of the project and will not release the funds until a series of conditions are met. In summary, those conditions are:

- "Creation of a true multimodal transportation plan including fair and thorough analysis of the alternatives to the construction of the Paseo extension – that will provide transportation choices for West Side residents. . . .
- Adoption of a written resolution of support for the project by the governing body of the City of Albuquerque – the City Council.
- Development of a plan to enhance the protection of the Petroglyph National Monument. . . . . I am asking my State Historic Preservation Officer and the regional Pueblos to participate in this process because of its state-wide importance.
- Assurance that the project is legally defensible and that the state is not irresponsibly exposing itself to lawsuits by spending state money on a project that wasn't adequately planned in conformance with state and federal law"

To read the complete text of the Governor's statement you can do a Google search on the internet for Governor Richardson and Paseo del Norte. Jerry will be working with Maynard to keep up-to-date information available on the AAS website.

Next Meeting: The next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m

<u>Speaker:</u> Dara Saville introduced Dr. T. Patrick Culbert of the University of Arizona who spoke about Superpower Politics among the Classic Maya.

Respectfully submitted, M. Patricia Lee

# Audit of Society's 2003 Books April at Petroglyph Nat'l Monument

The audit committee met at Jim Carson's residence on Wednesday, March 8, to audit the books of the society for 2003. All of the books were in order following normal accounting methods and are accepted.

Respectfully submitted, Ralph Brown, Chair Janet Geohegan, member John Geohegan, member

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### 2004 Pecos Conference website

The web page for the 2004 Pecos Conference in Bluff Utah) is available at www.swanet.org.

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#### Coronado Monument's Horno Workshop

Coronado State Monument and The New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum are conducting a 4-day workshop April 24-25 and May 1-2 on the History, Construction and Operation of a treaditional Southwest Adobe Horno. Students will participate in the actual construction of an Horno and will learn the skills necessary to construct and operate their own oven. The workshop will culminate with the firing of the Horno and the baking of bread. The fee if \$50 (\$90 for couples) and provides all tools, materials and literature landouts. Call Angie Manning at the Monument (867-5351) for more information

### Rock Art Sites of the East Mountains

From: Glenna Dean GDean@lvr.state.nm.us

Tuesday, April 13, Sandia Ranger Station, Tijeras, NM 7:00 pm. "Rock Art Sites of the East Mountain Area". Rock art is especially abundant in the East Mountains, particularly in the Galisteo and Estancia Basins, where petroglyphs are to be found on igneous rock outcroppings and rock paintings in sheltered areas on sandstone cliffs.



April 10, 8:30 am - 10:00 am Rinconada Canyon Bird Watching Hike Meet volunteer birder Lannois Neely at the Rinconada Canyon trail head for our monthly bird watching hike. Bring binoculars and water. Dress appropriately for weather conditions. No advanced registration is required.

April 10th, 12:30 - 3:00 pm "Starting and Maintaining a Nature Journal" Petroglyph National Monument volunteer and artist Ray Kriese will conduct a free workshop on nature journaling. A combination of writing and drawing methods will be explored. Basic materials to get you started with your journal will be supplied free. Advanced registration is required.

April 18th, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Pottery Workshop with Dr. Kurt Anschuetz Learn the art of traditional pottery making using micaceous clay. Participants will be provided with a prebuilt pot to finish by sanding and polishing. The pot will then be fired in an open pit kiln. Workshop participants will also have the opportunity to build a pot using the traditional coil building process. Materials will be supplied and participants will be taking home a finished micaceous pot. A \$50 fee will be charged. All proceeds will be donated to Petroglyph National Monument to support future public programs. Advanced registration is required. April 22, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon "Exploring Mother Earth on Earth Day" Volunteer geologist Jack Babcock will lead an interpretive tour of the West Mesa Volcanoes. Meet at the Volcanoes Day Use Area for this hike. No advanced registration is required. Dress appropriately for the weather conditions and bring water. This hike may be difficult for people who have trouble walking.

April 25th, 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm Nature Observation and Awareness Workshop Join Mike Bochnia a graduate of Tom Brown's famous "Tracking, Nature and Wilderness Survival School" for a journey of exploration about ways to observe nature. Workshop will take place in Rinconada Canyon. Advanced registration is required.

For more information or to register for any of these events, please contact Cheryl Ford, Park Ranger Interpretation, Petroglyph National Monument at 505-899-0205 ext. 337 or email Cheryl\_Ford@nps. gov

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Can Oral Tradition Inform the Archaeological Record?
Dr. Paul Zolbrod, Navajo Nation Dine' College
Tuesday, May 18, 2004—7:30 P.M.
Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW

As part of the presentation, Dr. Zolbrod will share a passage from Washington Matthews' published version of the Navajo Mountain Chant. Matthews began to assemble the text of that traditional ceremony in the early 1880's. It includes not only transcriptions of a full cycle of prayers, but the text of the accompanying narrative, which is actually a stirring account of a Navajo youth's escape from his Ute captors. Evidence indicates that the bulk of the story predates the Spanish entry into the Navajo homeland, so it might very well have something to say about how early hunter-gatherers lived. The passage Dr. Zolbrod will share comes from a segment that describes with remarkable vividness one hunter-gatherer family's daily routine as they moved from place to place, eking out an existence. He will use this passage to reconstruct the poetic quality inherent in how it was recited. In doing so, he will raise the question of whether the oral tradition at its most poetic has something to tell archaeologists about day to day living in prehistoric times.

With a Ph.D. in English from the University of Pittsburgh, where he specialized in Medieval and early renaissance literature, Paul Zolbrod began to suspect that similarities existed between early medieval printed versions of orally transmitted stories coming out of Europe and written versions of Native American narratives. And just as those old texts can tell us how life was lived in the so-called Old World, so can texts such as those gathered by Washington Matthews on the old Western frontier. That premonition is what drew Dr. Zolbrod to the Navajo Reservation, where he began to assemble an English version of the Navajo Creation Story, eventually published by the University of New Mexico Press under the title Dine' Bahane. For thirty years Dr. Zolbrod taught literature at Allegheny College in Pennsylvania, getting back and forth as often as he could to gather material. Ten years ago he retired and moved out to New Mexico permanently. During that time he worked as a senior curator at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, and now teaches English and Humanities at the Crownpoint Campus of the Navajo Nation's Dine' College.

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# Minutes, May 18th Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting. She welcomed all the members and their guests.

Minutes of April 20, 2004 Meeting: The Minutes were approved.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Treasurer: There was no report from the Treasurer, just a reminder to pay your dues!
- Field and Lab: There was no report from the Field and Lab committee.
- Library: There is no news from the Library committee.
- Website: Maynard Merkt reported that there were 950 visitors to the site in the past 60 days. 80 of those occurred between May 2 and May 18. Visit our website at http://www.albarcsoc.org.
- Field Trips: Maynard Merkt reported on two upcoming field trips and two archaeological excavation opportunities. Members were encouraged to check the website at http://www.albarcsoc.org for updates. He also reminded those present that if anyone is interested in field trips they should give him their e-mail address since opportunities often come up on a short notice basis and may take place before announcements can be made at the monthly meeting. The field trips included a visit to Casa Mira and Andrews Ruin currently owned by the Archaeological Conservancy. Participants in this trip should meet at the Sheraton Old Town at 8:30 a.m. Travel time to the site is approximately 1 hour and the group should return to Old Town by 2:00 or 3:00 p.m. Maynard asked Carol Condie to discuss how the Archaeological Conservancy handles sites they acquire. She reported that the Conservancy does not hold on to sites forever. Rather they often turn over sites they have acquired to caretaker agencies such as BLM or the Park Service.
- The second field trip will be to Kenyata Alamosa which is approximately 1.5 hours west of Truth or Consequence. This site may have been settled by the Anasazi and includes several ruins as well as a spring fed oasis. There is a deep gorge at the site. The trip is limited to 25 people and requires a high clearance vehicle. Jerry Brody will be the leader of the trip.
- Excavation Opportunities: Currently there is an opportunity to volunteer with the Maxwell Museum at

UNM. The Maxwell Museum is looking for volunteers to assist with an excavation in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The site is near Osuna and Edith in the north valley area, and is a Territorial to early Statehood period Hispanic adobe. The work will probably begin June 11, 2004 and continue until the Labor Day weekend. Also, Tom O'Laughlin is looking for volunteers starting June 21 to work at the Piro Site. Information regarding that work is available at our website.

- Membership: Dara Saville reported that there was no news and we are just sustaining current membership.
- Rock Art: Jean Brody reported that work at Crestone (a.k.a. Comanche Gap) has commenced. Anyone wishing to participate in the Rock Art work can call Jean Brody at 505-281-3579.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Archaeological Society of New Mexico 2004 Annual Meeting: Anne reported that the ASNM meeting was a success and that the AAS poster display was well received. The poster was displayed at the meeting. Additionally, everyone who participated agreed that the field trips were a success.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Petroglyph National Monument: Dara Saville reported that the Albuquerque City Council voted 5-4 in favor of the Paseo del Norte extension at their May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. There remain several obstacles to be cleared before the extension can take place including the clearance of the Tribal Council and possibly a new Environmental Impact Statement. Dara will lead a trip through the Paseo corridor on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Archaeological Society of New Mexico: Dolores Sunt reported on the ASNM field trips to Zuni Site as well as the books published annually by ASNM and encouraged members of AAS to join the statewide society. She also discussed the scholarship program sponsored by ASNM as well as ASNM's certification program.

**Next Meeting:** The next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

Dara Saville provided the refreshments for the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Patricia Lee

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# May speaker Dr. Zolbrod Jim Carson passes away

Dara Saville introduced Dr. Paul Zolbrod of the Navajo Nation Diné College. Dr. Zolbrod spoke of the possibility that poetry could inform the archaeological record. Working with materials gathered by Washington Matthews in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, he cited examples from the Mountain Chant. Dr. Zolbrod pointed out that language can often tell something that artifacts cannot. He quoted passages from a story of a captured youth. Stanza by stanza the story recounts how the family of hunter-gathers spent their days moving across the land.

# Some Summer Activities

Petroglyph National Monument will continue the summer evening lecture series with events on June 12th and 13th;

June 12th lecture and booksigning by Dr. David Stuart starting at 7:00 pm on the visitor center patio. The lecture's title is "Prehistoric New Mexico."

June 13th 8:30 am - 10:00 am will be a plant identification walk at Piedras Marcadas Canyon led by volunteer naturalist Nan Simpson.

Both of these events are free and no advanced registration is required.

Born in Glendale, CA on June 6, 1940, Jim Carson-passed away on June 3, 2004. Cherished by wife Ann and daughter Cindy, family in California, Arizona, Colorado, Wyoming, and friends across North and South America. Jim received a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Cal Poly and went to work for IBM, later receiving an MBA from Cal State Fullerton. He retired from IBM and Power of New Mexico.

On an archaeological expedition to Guatemala in 1977, Jim met the love of his life, Ann, and they made a life together in Fresno. They moved to Albuquerque in 1985 and soon became active in historic preservation. Jim was an officer and member of the Fresno County Archaeological Society, the Albuquerque Archaeological Society, the Albuquerque Historical Society, and a mainstay of Huning Highlands Historic District. He and Ann were organizers and hosts of the annual "Dickens of a Dinner" home tour, and, since 1987, participants in the Southwest Institute.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jim's memory to the Albuquerque Museum Photo Archive, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104.



Jim and Ann Carson, 2003

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### Prehistoric Spearthrowers of the American Southwest Ronald Fields, Museum of Indian Arts and Culture Tuesday July 20, 7:30 P.M. Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW

Join Ron Fields for a look at spear and atlat! technology. For over five years he has been compiling a record of all atlat!s found in the American Southwest as well as those found throughout North America. He received grants from the New Mexico Archaeological Council to radiocarbon date atlat!s discovered in the Guadalupe Mountains. This program will introduce these ancient devices, show their variability, and shed new light on their significance.



Ron Fields was captivated by archaeology when at the age of eight he found a stone ax. From this moment on he saw archaeology, an thropology, and history as his life's endeavor. He has worked at museums such as Miami University, SunWatch Archaeological Park and Mesa Verde National Park. Ron has his Bachelors in anthropology and history from Miami University of Oxford Ohio. Ron has conducted archaeology throughout the country. Today he is an Environmental Scientist for the Public Service Company of New Mexico and a Research Associate for the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture.

Richard H. Kern, artist with Lt. Simpson's 1849 expedition and brother of Dr. Benjamin Kern, made this painting of Francisco Hos-Ta (The Lightning), governor of Jemez Pueblo. (Domenech, 1862)

# Minutes, June 15th Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting. She welcomed all the members and their guests. Anne then informed the members of the sad passing of Jim Carson and read the obituary from the AAS Newsletter aloud. Anne also told the members that if Jim were present he would have reminded everyone to pay your dues! She requested that board members stay for a meeting immediately following the general meeting and asked that anyone willing to serve as Treasurer please contact her.

Minutes of May 18, 2004 Meeting: The Minutes were corrected and approved as corrected.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Field and Lab: Phyllis Davis reported that the repackaging of the Mine Site materials which are to be given to the Laboratory of Anthropology is complete along with the clarification of records in accordance with the Lab's standards. She thanked all the volunteers who gave so generously of their time. Phyllis also asked for a volunteer with a pick-up truck or SUV to help transport the materials to the Lab.
- <u>Library</u>: Helen O'Connor reported that Sylvia Fink is currently out of town and that they would have a report for the July meeting.
- <u>Website</u>: Maynard Merkt reported that the website was up and running. Visit our website at <a href="http://www.albarcsoc.org">http://www.albarcsoc.org</a>.
- Field Trips: Maynard Merkt reported that 13 members participated in the trip to Cañada Alamosa field trip on June 11<sup>th</sup> and a photo album of the trip is available at our website. Members were again encouraged to check the website for updates on field trips. Maynard pointed out that a sign-up sheet had been circulated at the May 18 meeting for those interested in the Cañada Alamosa field trip. He reiterated that field trip opportunities often come up on a short notice basis and may take place before announcements can be made at the monthly meeting. Those interested in field trips should give him their e-mail address.
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Membership: Dara Saville reported that recruitment activities are being sustained through e-mailings to four different UNM listserves as well as notices in print media such as <u>Alibi</u>, <u>Crosswinds</u>, and the <u>Journal</u>.

Rock Art: Maynard Merkt reported that activities at Creston were proceeding apace even though Jerry and Jean Brody were away for a month. He reported that specific sectors have been completed.

OLD BUSINESS: Members were asked to check the draft membership directory available on the table outside the meeting room and make any necessary corrections so that the list could be finalized. Anne also mentioned that there had been book signings at Petroglyph National Monument by two AAS members: Dave Brugge and Marian Rodee. Dave offered that his book is available at the Monument's gift shop.

Petroglyph National Monument: Dara Saville reported that since the Albuquerque City Council voted 5-4 in favor of the Paseo del Norte extension at their May 17th meeting the Council and their legal advisors are now looking for a way to put the issue on the November ballot. The City is trying to rearrange the funding proposal so that a public debate can be avoided. Dara reported that the City would like to rewrite this year's street bond to include Paseo del Norte with the same total dollar amount as last year's, but would allocate some more of the funds to Brad Winter's district in order to get more votes for the Bond. A rewrite of the bond requires public input, which the City would like to avoid regarding Paseo. The next City Council meeting scheduled to discuss the Paseo extension is scheduled for August. Updates on Paseo will be on our website. Dara reported that the trip through the Paseo corridor on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. was a success and members who were unable to participate on May 23rd requested a repeat performance. Dara will look into another date and provide a sign-up opportunity at our July meeting. Continued on page 3

# **June Minutes Continued**

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

• Fund Raising Event for OAS Anne reported that AAS received an invitation to a supper and tour of the Tiffany Turquoise Mines located in the Cerrillos Mining District on July 11 from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Friends of Archaeology, the support group for the New Mexico Office of Archaeological Studies and the fee is \$85.00. Anyone interested in this event can call the OAS at (505) 827-6343.

Pipeline Expansion Anne also reported on a notice from the Department of the Interior regarding the Western Expansion Rocky Mountain Pipeline Looping Project that runs through Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico. Details on the proposed project and a project map can be found at <a href="http://www.nm.blm.gov">http://www.nm.blm.gov</a>. Public meetings are scheduled for Placitas and Roswell as follows: Tuesday, June 29, 2004, 6:30-9:00 p.m., Placitas Elementary School, 5 Calle de Carbon, Placitas, NM and Wednesday, June 30, 2004, 6:30-9:00 p.m., Best Western, Sally Port Inn and Suites, 2000 N. Main Street, Roswell, NM. Karen Armstrong provided the refreshments for the meeting.

Next Meeting: The next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Members were reminded that there would not be a meeting in August

# June Speaker

Dara Saville introduced Dr. Christine VanPool of UNM. Dr. VanPool's richly illustrated talk on Casas Grandes Cosmology and the Shamanic Universe focused on the three levels of the cosmic world: the lower, the middle and the upper world. The lower world was one of monsters and amphibians; the middle world or geographic center was one of humans, and the upper world was the home of powerful beings often represented as macaw-headed humans. Utilizing images of a wide array of Casas Grandes vessels including male and female effigies, Dr VanPool postulated that through these vessels the Casas Grandes potters conveyed the central tenets of their belief system. According to her hypothesis, the Casas Grandes Medio Period was presided over by religious leaders

rather than by traders, the model suggested by Dr. Charles DiPeso. Further, she proposed that the shamanism of Casas Grandes was tobacco based. To illustrate this, Dr. VanPool pointed to various smoking male effigy vessels and to other cultures wherein tobacco shamanism was the practice. Macaw burials were also significant at Paquime, totaling 50 in all. Each macaw burial contained four scarlet macaws and one green military macaw. The macaws' necks were broken and they were arranged in a half fan pattern. Finally, Dr. VanPool discussed the presence at Paquime of large quantities of exotic goods, i.e. enormous quantities of shells, as an indication that these commodities were tribute items and not trade goods insofar as they were not redistributed.

Dr. VanPool's presentation generated many questions from those present. For anyone interested in her fascinating topic, the following are a few suggested readings:

Di Peso, Charles

1974, Casas Grandes: A Fallen Trading Center of the Gran Chichimeca. Flagstaff AZ: Northland Press. Edited by Gloria J. Fenner, illustrated by Alice Wesche. 8 volumes. The official report of the excavations of the ruins of Paquimé, Casas Grandes, Chihuahua, 1959-1961

Phillips, David A., Jr.

2002, Archeology of Northwest Mexico: A Bibliog raphy

http://www.unm.edu/~paquime/bibliography/nwmhome.html

Schaafsma, Curtis F. and Carroll L. Riley, ed. 1999, <u>The Casas Grandes World</u>. The University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.

VanPool, Christine

2003 "The Shaman-Priests of the Casas Grandes Region, Chihuahua, Mexico", <u>American Antiquity</u>, 68(4), 2003, pp. 696-717

2002, "Flight of the Shaman," Archaeology 55(1), pp. 40-43

2001, "Birds, Burials, and Beliefs at Paquime, Chi huahua, Mexico." in From Paquime to Mata Ortiz: The Legacy of Ancient Casas Grandes. Grace Johnson, ed. San Diego Museum Papers 40. San Diego. pp. 65-72.

Whalen, Michael E. and Paul E. Minnis 2001, "Architecture and Authority in the Casas Grandes Area, Chihuahua, Mexico", <u>American Antiquity</u>, 66(4), 2001, pp. 651-668

Respectfully submitted,

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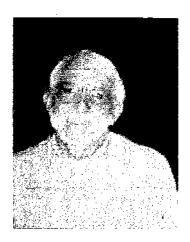
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**AUGUST 2004** 

No August Meeting See you September 21st



AAS Potluck Picnic Remembering Jim Carson Sunday, August 22, 4-6 P.M.

Bring a potluck disk to share. Drinks, plates, etc. will be furnished. . If you have any questions, call Jacqueline Johnson at 881-9861

Location: Tijeras Pueblo Archaeological Site at Sandia Ranger Station, 15 miles east of Albuquerque off I-40 at Tijeras Exit.



**Pay Your Dues!** 

There are several members in arrears with their dues. Look at the address label on your Newsletter. If you have an 02 or 03 to the right of your last name, that indicates the last year your dues were paid and you need to renew. Those with the 02 will have their membership and newsletter discontinued in September unless payment is made. Send your check—\$20 for individuals or \$25 for family to The Albuquerque Archaeological Society, PO Box 4025, Albuquerque, NM 87198. Thank you.

# Minutes, July 20th Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting. She welcomed all the members and their guests.

Anne then asked for five volunteers for the Nominating Committee.

Minutes of June 15, 2004 Meeting: The Minutes were approved.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Treasurer: Jack Francis reported that he is Acting Treasurer until the end of the year and that he had spent some time with Ann Carson going over the files. Jack converted the files to Excel and purchased a copy of Works 7 to maintain the membership files. He also reported that there is one person interested in serving as Treasurer next year and they are still negotiating. Further, he reminded folks to pay your dues. There are some members who have not paid dues since 2002 or 2003 and as of September 2004, those who did not pay since 2002 will be dropped from the roster. One member spoke up and said that he believed some of the mailing labels were not up to date. However, Jack said that as of this month's mailing, the membership roster was up to date.

<u>Field and Lab</u>: Phyllis Davis reported that they are awaiting word from the Laboratory of Anthropology as to when the Mine Site materials can be delivered. The Lab is still cleaning up from a recent flood so it may be a month or more before they can accept the materials.

Library: Anne Francis reported that we received a book from the Bureau of Land Management entitled "Guardian of the Trail" which is a very thorough report on Fort Craig and its excavation. It is available to check out.

Website: Maynard Merkt reported that the website was up and running. Visit our website at http://www.albarcsoc.org. Included on the website is a calendar of local events and an update on recent archaeological finds in Utah.

<u>Field Trips</u>: Maynard Merkt reported that presently it is too hot for field trips. However, plans are in the works for a trip to Socorro and another to Rio Puerco. Since some opportunities come up on short notice, those interested in field trips should give him their e-mail address.

Excavation Opportunities: Work on Piro archaeology at the Plaza Montoya Site (A.D. 1450-1650) has been concluded for this season. The Maxwell Museum work continues at the site near Osuna and Edith in the

North Valley area. It is a Territorial to early State-hood period Hispanic adobe. The work is conducted on Fridays and Saturdays and will probably continue until the Labor Day weekend.

Membership: Dara Saville reported that recruitment activities are being sustained through e-mailings to four different UNM listserves as well as notices in print media such as Alibi, Crosswinds, and the Journal.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Petroglyph National Monument: Dara Saville reported that at present not much is happening. Governor Richardson toured the site and announced that he would wait until after the Democratic Convention in Boston to make a decision as to releasing funds for the Paseo extension. Thus, there is still time to make our voices heard. Letters commenting on the Paseo del Norte extension through the Monument can be sent to:

Governor Bill Richardson Office of the Governor State Capitol Room 400 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Department of Cultural Affairs Historic Preservation Division Kak Slick, SHPO 228 East Palace Avenue Santa Fe, NM 97501 Phone: 505-827-4045

Senator Jeff Bingaman 703 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-5521

Walk through proposed Paseo extension site: Jean and Jerry Brody will lead a walk through the site of the proposed extension on Sunday, July 25 at 5:30 p.m. Those interested in participating should meet at the MacDonald's parking lot at the dead end of Paseo. The walk is an easy one and takes about 2 hours. Participants should be sure to bring a bottle of water, wear a hat and sturdy shoes.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Anne Francis reported that the following events will take place in September and October:

Archaeology Fair September 10-11<sup>th</sup> in Aztec. Anyone interested in participating should contact Glenna Dean at gdean@oca.state.nm.us.

Mogollon Conference September 30-October 2<sup>nd</sup> in Silver City. The conference contact person is Cynthia Bettison at bettisonc@wnmu.edu. (continued on 3)

# July Minutes Cont'd

San Juan River & Archaeology October 2-9<sup>th</sup> hosted by Friends of Archaeology, for information contact Patty Hotchkiss at 505-982-3766.

Albuquerque Museum the Museum sent a thank you note for the contribution made in honor of Jim Carson. Nominating Committee the following members agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee: Dave Brugge, Jack Francis, Sally McLaughlin, Rudi Roney, and George Schmidt.

Jean and Jerry Brody provided the refreshments.

Next Meeting: The next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Members were reminded that there is no meeting in August.

#### SPEAKER:

Dara Saville introduced Ron Fields, Research Associate for the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture and Environmental Scientist for the Public Service Company of New Mexico. Ron treated members to a presentation on Prehistoric Spearthrowers of the American Southwest. For the past five years Ron has been compiling a record of all atlatls found in the American Southwest as well as those found throughout North America. His presentation began with a review of spearthrowers from Alaska and made its way throughout the Southwest and south to Mexico. Design and technology were described in depth and at the conclusion of his presentation members were treated to a brief demonstration.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Patricia Lee

Petroglyphs with herons at V-Bar-V Ranch near Sedona



# AAS Annual Report

ALBUQUERQUE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY 2003 (As read at the state meeting in Gallup)

Our Society meets the third Tuesday of every month at the Albuquerque Museum at 7:30 p.m.

This year we made big strides and Maynard Merkt created our website in September at <a href="www.albarcsoc.org">www.albarcsoc.org</a>. Please visit it. We also have an e-mail address at <a href="mailto:ab-qarch@hotmail.com">ab-qarch@hotmail.com</a>.

Dick Bice, Phyllis Davis and the late William Sundt completed and published <u>Indian Mining of Lead For Use in Rio Grande Glaze Paint</u> which is now available for purchase. They worked almost 80 hours in the field and 10 years in the lab completing this project which is the only excavation like it in the world reported in depth. Dick & Phyllis also summarized their field methods and results during a presentation at our June meeting.

The rock art survey of Petroglyph National Monument was finally completed after 7 years and 15,000 hours on December 3<sup>rd</sup> with most of the crew from our Society. There were a couple of articles in the National Parks Conservation Association magazine featuring the crew. A few from our Society did work at the Piro dig near Socorro. Also as of June 2003, over 1,200 petroglyphs from Creston at Comanche Gap were entered into a GIS system and over 800 volunteer hours were logged in last year.

We supported a couple of causes: We objected to moving the Casa San Ysidro collection and protested the proposed Paseo del Norte Road extension through Petroglyph National Monument.

We went on field trips to Pottery Mound and the Lab of Anthropology.

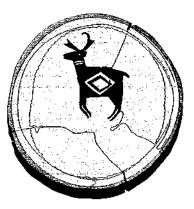
We had excellent speakers including Owen Severance speaking on Archaic Routes & Archaic Rock Art, Jerry Brody on Mimbres Pottery, Joseph Sanchez on Spanish Colonial Research, Joseph Weixelman on Southwest Archaeology, Bradley Bowman on Science, the Public & Our Past, Milford Fletcher on New Techniques for Recording & Analyzing Rock Art, Oswald Werner on Archaeological Photography at Long House, Karyn de Dufour on A Historical View of Mission Archaeology, and Carolyn O'Bagy Davis on Burt & Hattie Cosgrove in Mimbres County.

We produced a business card to advertise our Society and meeting times and have been reaching out to UNM students through our e-mail address by inviting them to attend monthly meetings and lectures. And last but not least we gladly contributed to the ASNM scholarship fund.

### Anne Francis

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Archeological and Geophysical Investigation of the Putative Foster Ranch Skip Site and Debris Field Dr. William H. Doleman, UNM Office of Contract Archeology Tuesday September 21, 2004, 7:30 P.M. Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW

The so-called Roswell Incident of the summer of 1947 is probably the most famous UFO "sighting" in the world. Until recently, evidence of the event has been limited to early newspaper reports, eyewitness accounts, signed affidavits, ancillary documents, and interviews. Physical evidence, however, has remained totally lacking. In the Fall of 2002—with funding by the SCI FI Channel—archeologists from the UNM Office of Contract Archeology (OCA), together with volunteer excavators and a professional geophysicist conducted a scientific investigation at the reported initial Roswell impact site in search of just such evidence. The location, known as the "debris field" and "skip site" is located on the former Foster Ranch, where, as the story goes, rancher Mac Brazel found "strange metallic debris" one morning in early July 1947. He subsequently took samples of the material into Roswell to the sheriff's office, thus launching one of the most interesting, if controversial, chapters in New Mexico's colorful history.

The project was conducted under a staged research design devised to discover physical evidence of the event, including that implied by eyewitness reports: "debris" and a "furrow" or "gouge" produced by the glancing impact of a presumed extraterrestrial vessel that "skipped" and came to rest many miles away. The investigation used aerial photography, as well as two geophysical prospection methods to search for subsurface anomalies that might represent buried evidence of debris or a furrow. Based on these results and an assessment of the site's geomorphology, promising locations were then tested using standard archeological field methods. Finally, backhoe trenches were excavated across the reported, but now-invisible furrow.

Follow-up laboratory analyses focused on analyzing the geochemistry of geophysical anomalies, evaluating on- and off-site soils samples for differences in elemental composition, and identifying some 50 "historic materials of uncertain origin" (HMUOs) recovered during excavation.

The project, which was documented in the SCI FI special *The Roswell Crash: Startling New Evidence*, and revisited in SCI FI's *The New Roswell:Kecksburg Exposed*, is one of the most unusual archeological expeditions ever mounted. The lecture will discuss the project rationale, methods, and recent findings, as well as offer suggestions for future research. (Continued Page 2)

# Cummings & Stoner Awards | Sept. Speaker Dr. Doleman

Since 1977, the Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society has annually presented two awards: the Byron S. Cummings Award and the Victor R. Stoner Award. Linda S. Cordell and R. Gwinn Vivian are the 2003 winners of the Byron S. Cummings Award. The Cummings award is given in honor of the principal professional founder of the Society who was also the first head of the Department of Anthropology (then Archaeology) at the University of Arizona and Director of the Arizona State Museum. It is given for outstanding research and contributions to knowledge in Southwestern archaeology, anthropology, ethnology, or history. The Victor R. Stoner Award celebrates the promotion of historic awareness, and is awarded to someone who brings Southwestern anthropology, archaeology, ethnology, or history to the public over an extended period of time. James B. Walker is the 2003 winner of the Victor R. Stoner Award. The awards were presented on August 15th at the Pecos Conference in Bluff, Utah.

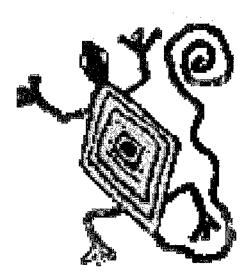
Linda S. Cordell is recognized for her role as a major contributor to research on ancestral Puebloans, for her influential writings, and for teaching and guiding new generations of Southwestern archaeologists.

R. Gwinn Vivian is recognized for his contributions in the areas of Southwestern archaeology, museology, historic preservation, and cultural resource management. Of special importance are his contributions to the understanding of the prehistory of Chaco Canyon and the surrounding region.

Of particular note is Gwinn's work in Chaco Canyon, where his fieldwork centered on making sense of the elaborate road and water control systems. In addition to writing numerous chapters in edited books, Gwinn is the author of The Chacoan Prehistory of the San Juan Basin.

James B. Walker is recognized for his exemplary work in the preservation of significant archaeological properties throughout the Southwest. Jim earned both a BA in anthropology and a Master's degree in business administration from the University of New Mexico. He also has extensive education and experience in real estate and cultural resource management. For the past 23 years Jim has served as the Southwest Regional Director for The Archaeological Conservancy.

William H. Doleman (B.A., M.A., Ph.D.) was born in 1948 in La Paz, Bolivia. His father was a career officer in the US Army and young Bill lived in Hawaii. Germany, and several US states during his youth. Following graduation from St. Johns College in Santa Fe, NM, he worked as a bartender and restaurant manager for five years, but had thoughts of becoming a writer. While researching an article on excavations under the floor of a the Palace of the Governors for the Santa Fe New Mexican, he "fell into" a career as an archeologist at the Museum of New Mexico, where he worked in cultural resource management until 1981. In 1977 he began graduate studies in archeology at the University of New Mexico, and in 1981 he moved to Albuquerque to complete his M.A. in 1982. In the same year he began work as a Project Director for UNM's Office of Contract Archeology, where he has directed numerous cultural resource management projects, including archeological survey, testing, and excavation projects throughout New Mexico. In 1995 Dr. Doleman received his Ph.D. from UNM, with his dissertation being based on a series of OCA projects conducted in the Tularosa basin and focusing on the analysis of landscape-scale artifact and feature distributions. In 2000, he became a Principal Investigator for OCA. On September 13, Dr. Doleman will become director of the New Mexico Historic Preservation Division's Archeological Records Management System in Santa Fe. Dr. Doleman's research specialties include environmental and settlement pattern analysis, prehistoric hunter-gatherers, the application of geological methods to archeology, and computer data base design and statistical analysis.



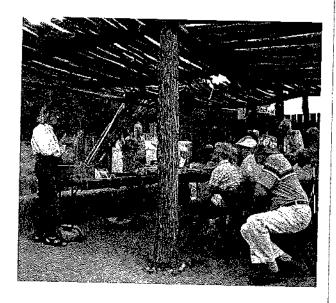
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Over 30 people gathered at the Tijeras Pueblo on August 21st to enjoy a pot luck picnic and remember Jim Carson. Ann Carson related how she met and married Jim beginning with their trip to Guatemala while others shared memories of Jim through the years.

Thanks to Jacqueline Johnson, assisted by Nancy Woodworth, for arranging this event. To see how much fun we had, go to our website at albarcsoc.org and click on Events for pictures taken by Maynard Merkt.

Preservation New Mexico, a newsletter of the NM Historic Preservation Division, also honored Jim Carson in their August issue. Calling Jim the mainstay of Huning Highlands Historic District in Albuquerque, they went on to say:

Ann and Jim moved to Albuquerque from Fresno in 1985 and became active in historic preservation. Jim was a loyal member of the Fresno County Archaeological Society, the Albuquerque Archaeological Society, the Albuquerque Historic Society, and was very active in the Huning Highlands Historic District. The couple were organizers and hosts of the annual "Dickens of a Dinner" home tour and, since 1987, participants in the Southwest Institute.



Ann Carson shares memories of Jim Carson at AAS Picnin, Tijeras Pueblo, Sept. 2004

# AAS 2004 Summer Picnic | Activities & Opportunities

### 5th Annual Fort Bayard Days

The Fort Bayard Historic Preservation Society will celebrate its National Historic Landmark designation along with a host of educational and entertainment activities during the fifth annual Fort Bayard Days festivities Sep 17-19. Two groups of Buffalo Soldier re-enactors from Phoenix and Albuquerque will discuss military life in the 19th century and will bring a display of military uniforms. The Silver City Archaeology Club will also be on hand, to display military buttons and other artifacts and to discuss the Native American sites on the grounds of Fort Bayard

### 13th Biennial Mogollon Archaeology Conference

From: Cynthia Ann Bettison <br/> <br/> bettisonc@wnmu.edu> We still have room for 6-8 papers at the 13th Biennial Mogollon Archaeology Conference in Silver City, New Mexico, September 29-October 2, 2004. Please submit abstracts to bettisonc@wnmu.edu within the next week to be placed on the program. For more information about the conference and a copy of registration materials please contact Cynthia Ann Bettison, 505.538.6386, Fax 505.538.6385, e-mail bettisonc@wnmu.edu. A special highlight of this year's conference will be a dinner honoring the contributions to archaeology of Dr. Harry J. Shafer, Professor Emeritus, Texas A&M University.

#### Preserve America Awards 2005

Preserve America Presidential Award: 2005 call for nominations now underway. Materials must be postmarked no later than November 1, 2004.

#### Volunteer Work this Fall

From: DeniJSeymour@aol.com I have some volunteer work coming up in western NM and SE AZ this fall, starting in a few weeks. I also have work from now throughout September at the Salinas Pueblos, looking for Apache and Plains nomad sites.



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#### Nominations for 2005 AAS Officers:

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#### **Commerative T-Shirts**

In recognition of the completion of the 7 year project of recording the Rock Art at Creston, by members of the our Society and others, a commerative T-shirt has been made available. A few of these shirts are still available for \$10 ea.

# Minutes - Sept. 21 Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting. She welcomed new members Ron Merkt, Gary Hein and Dacia Tucholke and guests.

Minutes of July 20, 2004 Meeting: The Minutes were approved.

Anne announced that there would be a brief meeting of the board directly after the general meeting.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Treasurer: Jack Francis reported that a notice had been in the newsletter with the wrong address for sending your dues. Jack explained that those who had 2002 after their names were to be purged from the membership roster. He went on to explain that he put the wrong P. O. Box to which checks should be mailed. It should be P. O. Box 4029. If anyone had a concern they were asked to see Jack after the meeting. Jack also reported that the Society had \$1,999 in the checking account, \$2,896 in the savings account, and \$11,802 in a certificate of deposit.
- Field and Lab: Dick Bice was not present. Thus, there was no Lab report.
- <u>Library</u>: Anne Francis reported that we received The Journal of National Stewardship from the National Park Service and that it would be available in our library.
- Website <a href="http://www.albarcsoc.org">http://www.albarcsoc.org</a>: Maynard Merkt reported that the website was up and running and received lots of "hits". Maynard requested that if anyone had any suggestions for articles he would appreciate receiving them.
- Field Trips: Maynard Merkt reported that field trips were listed on our website. On October 2<sup>nd</sup> a field trip is scheduled for Tsankawi, a Pueblo in Bandelier N.M. built sometime in the 1400s. Members are to meet at 9 a.m. on Saturday at exit 242 on I-25 about 100 yards to the right of the off ramp there is a Park and Ride where we will meet and car pool from there. He suggested bringing lunch and they would eat on the plateau. The trip is about 1.5 to 2 hours drive and about 2 hours would be spent walking around. Another trip later in the month may be scheduled to Tenabo. Check the AAS website for details. Maynard also reminded members that field trips often come up after a meeting and it is best to check our website and/or give him your e-mail address or if you do not have a computer you can give him your phone number for notifications.

- Membership: Dara Saville was unable to attend the meeting and Anne reported that there were no new developments.
- Rock Art: Jean Brody reported that the work on the Creston Butte was finished and are now working to finish the reports for ARMS archives. Work will be starting on the Galisteo Dike which involves training in the winter for new people interested in working on the project. T-shirts commemorating the completion of the Creston site are available for \$10 and profits will be donated to the rock art field school effort.

  August Picnic: Jacqueline Johnson and Nancy Woodward organized a picnic that was attended by 30 members. Anne Francis reported that all had a good time and pictures are on the website.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Nominating Committee: Dave Brugge, Rudi Roney, George Schmick, Sally McLaughlin and Jack Francis. Jack has the report from the nominating committee and thanked all involved. The slate of nominees for officers for 2005 is: President: Dara Saville, Vice President: Patricia Lee, Secretary: Sally McLaughlin, Treasurer: John Karon, Director at Large: Arlette Miller and Anne Francis will be Director at Large in her capacity as the past President. Anne thanked everyone for accepting.

New Mexico Archaeological Fair: 1200 people attended the fair which was comprised of 30 exhibits and on Friday 7 classes of school children participated. Carol Condie reported that the weather was good and it was a successful fair. She also mentioned the previous year's fair at Tucumcari was so successful that they decided that they would have a Clay County Fair every year.

Phyllis Davis made an announcement that on Friday,
September 10<sup>th</sup> the artifacts from the Mine Project
were successfully delivered to the Lab of Anthropology in Santa Fe. She also reported that the
files in the AAS office need to be organized. She
and Dick Bice will organize those materials. She
said that records need to be organized in such a
fashion that they can be handed over from one
administration to the next.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

 Anne Francis reported that we received a thank you note from Ann Carson thanking AAS for its contribution in honor of Jim Carson to the Albuquerque Museum's Photo Archive and commenting that the picnic was wonderful. Anne also

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noted that the Historic Preservation Newsletter had an article honoring Jim Carson and that the Newsletter would be in our library.

- The Taos Society announced that Phil Aldritt, Archaeologist, is taking a Maya trip to Guatamala February 22<sup>nd</sup> through March 2<sup>nd</sup>. If anyone is interested the trip is a little over \$2,000. Contact Phil at 505-586-2102.
- <u>David Grant Noble has edited a new book "In Search of Chaco".</u>
- <u>Mogollon Conference</u> September 30-October 2<sup>nd</sup> in Silver City. The conference contact person is Cynthia Bettison at bettisonc@wnmu.edu.
- San Juan River & Archaeology October 2-9<sup>th</sup>
  hosted by Friends of Archaeology, for information
  contact Patty Hotchkiss at 505-982-3766.
- Gran Quivera Conference in Las Cruces is October 8-10<sup>th</sup>.
- Sun Mountain Gathering on Museum Hill in Santa Fe will be October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Maynard Merkt and Milford Fletcher will be representing us with a rock art image study.
- Volunteer Work. Helen Crotty reported that if anyone is looking for archaeological volunteer work, Lou Haecker is looking for volunteers at ARMS who can commit to a more-or-less regular schedule of a half day per week or more. Computer skills are helpful but not required. She will train volunteers to do some of the necessary tasks in getting archaeological materials into the archives. Lou's direct line at ARMS is 505/476-1280 or e-mail <a href="mailto:haecker@arms.state.nm.us">haecker@arms.state.nm.us</a>.
- <u>December Meeting</u> Please contact Dara Saville if you have a slide show you would like to present at the December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Next Meeting: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 19th at 7:30 p.m.

SPEAKER: Anne Francis introduced William H. Doleman (B.A., M.A., Ph.D.) The topic of Dr. Doleman's talk was "Archaeological and Geophysical Investigation of the Putative Foster Ranch Skip Site and Debris Field".

The so-called Roswell Incident of the summer of 1947 is probably the most famous UFO "sighting" in the world. Until recently, evidence of the event has been limited to early newspaper reports, eyewitness accounts, signed affidavits, ancillary documents, and

interviews. Physical evidence, however, has remained totally lacking. Funding by the SCI FI Channel in the Fall of 2002 enabled archeologists from the UNM Office of Contract Archeology (OCA), together with volunteer excavators and a professional geophysicist to conduct a scientific investigation at the reported initial Roswell impact site in search of just such evidence. The location, known as the "debris field" and "skip site" is located on the former Foster Ranch, where, as the story goes, rancher Mac Brazel found "strange metallic debris" one morning in early July 1947. He subsequently took samples of the material into Roswell to the sheriff's office, thus launching one of the most interesting, if controversial, chapters in New Mexico's colorful history.

The project was conducted under a staged research design devised to discover physical evidence of the event, including that implied by eyewitness reports: "debris" and a "furrow" or "gouge" produced by the glancing impact of a presumed extraterrestrial vessel that "skipped" and came to rest many miles away. The investigation used an aerial photography study, as well as two geophysical prospection methods to search for subsurface anomalies that might represent buried evidence of debris or a furrow. Based on these results and an assessment of the site's geomorphology, promising locations were then tested using standard archeological field methods. Finally, backhoe trenches were excavated across the reported, but now-invisible furrow alignment.

Follow-up laboratory analyses focused on analyzing the geochemistry of geophysical anomalies, evaluating on- and off-site soils samples for differences in elemental composition, and identifying some 50 "historic materials of uncertain origin" (HMUOs) recovered during excavation.

The project, which was documented in the SCI FI special The Roswell Crash: Startling New Evidence, and revisited in SCI FI's The New Roswell:Kecksburg Exposed, is one of the most unusual archeological acxpeditions ever mounted. The lecture discussed the project rationale, methods, and recent findings. Dr. Doleman also offered suggestions for future research.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Patricia Lee



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### How to Look at a Pot: Through Time and Space with Pueblo Indian Painted Pottery Dr. Jerry Brody

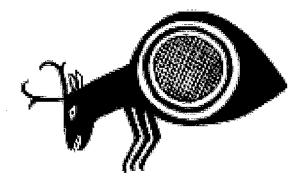
University of New Mexico Tuesday November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2004, 7:30 P.M. Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW

Our view of the Pueblo past is conditioned to an inordinate degree by Pueblo painted pottery traditions. A commonly made assumption is that recognizable artistic styles of painted pottery represent distinctive social groupings (called "cultures", "societies", "traditions" etc.) that can be identified through time and space. A related assumption is that collectively these different styles can be identified with a transcendent Puebloan mega-tradition that is also visible in time and space. Because reconstructions of the Puebloan past are so dependent on such historical assumptions we tend to see Pueblo painted vessels as though they were data bits made by an historical force rather than works of art made by human beings. A rare, unrelated but opposite assumption is made that treats ancient and modern Pueblo pottery traditions a-historically as though the artists were creative free agents unaware of or disinterested in the social dynamics and history of their own time and place.

Using many examples of ancient and modern painted pottery representing a broad range of traditions, Professor Brody will examine some of the implications of these modes of perceiving Pueblo pottery. He will attempt to show how each of these historical assumptions may interfere with our ability to see Pueblo pottery paintings as creative works of art: useful objects made to communicate metaphorically and symbolically to known audiences about issues of importance to the artists and those audiences.

Jerry Brody and his wife Jean are long-time members of AAS and active in its rock art recording activities. He is a Professor Emeritus of Art and Art History at UNM and a former director of the Maxwell

Museum of Anthropology there. His research interests focus on the ancient and recent artistic traditions of the Pueblo Southwest including Mimbres painted pottery. His books include Beauty from the Earth (1990), Anasazi and Pueblo Painting (1991), Pueblo Indian Painting: Tradition and Modernism in New Mexico, 1900-1930 (1997) and several on Mimbres painted pottery including a newly revised edition of his 1977 Mimbres Painted Pottery scheduled for publication any minute now by the School of American Research Press.



# Minutes - Oct. 19 Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting. She welcomed new members Nancy Dillard and other guests.

Minutes of September 21, 2004 Meeting: The Minutes were corrected. Clay County should have been Quay County. They were approved as corrected.

Anne announced that there would be a meeting of the board directly after the general meeting. Phyllis Davis reported on Dick Bice's surgery and said she would let folks know how Dick was progressing. Anyone who wanted to know about Dick's condition should call Phyllis rather than disturbing Dick's wife. Phyllis also reported that Dolores Sundt was struck by an automobile when coming out of the post office. However, she is doing fine and if you want to call her you can.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- <u>Treasurer</u>: Jack Francis reported that anyone who signs up now or pays dues now will be covered for all of 2005.
- Website http://www.albarcsoc.org: Maynard Merkt reported that the website was up and running and received lots of "hits".
- Membership: Dara Saville reported that there were no new developments and we were continuing with regular activities focusing on the UNM list serves and the local newspapers.
- Rock Art: Maynard Merkt reported that we are recording at Galisteo Dike. Work started 3 weeks ago covering a dike about 5 miles long and it looks like it will take several years. Jean Brody reported that if people did not feel like climbing all over Galisteo Dike, there are other jobs that need doing such as paper work. If anyone wants to participate at that level, please contact either Maynard Merkt or Jean Brody.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

 Slate of Officers for 2005: Anne Francis reported that the slate of officers for 2005 is: President: Dara Saville, Vice President: Patricia Lee, Secretary: Sally McLaughlin, Treasurer: John Karon, Director at Large: Arlette Miller. She then asked if there were any additional nominations. Since there were none Anne declared the nominations closed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- On Saturday, October 20, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. and again at October 23, 2004, the Maxwell Museum presents Ancient Egypt through Film at the Hibben Center. There will be free lectures by Dr. Garth Bawden and films of the Great Pharaohs of Egypt. Information available after the meeting.
- The Archaeological Society of New Mexico needs candidates for the annual papers honoree. They need to go to Carol Condie by January 25, 2005. Please contact Anne Francis for the appropriate format.
- The NM State Historic Preservation Division request for proposals for small grants is due November 8, 2004. See Anne Francis for additional information.
- Corrections to Membership Directory The corrections to the Membership Directory are available on the table where the name tags are. Please pick up your copy.
- Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at the Petroglyph National Monument Visitors Center Dr. Kurt Anschuetz will discuss landscape as living history and pottery making. Kurt will demonstrate firing "green" pottery in an open pit kiln.
- <u>Karen Armstrong</u> notified the members of a volunteer opportunity at the Hibben Center at UNM.
   The work is not physically demanding. Karen may be contacted directly at fybate@comcast.net.
- Pottery Southwest Anne reported that a month ago AAS was approached by someone in Farm ington interested in resurrecting the AAS journal, Pottery Southwest. The board examined this request for some time and Patricia Lee offered to do the leg work so that our Society could keep the publication and restart it ourselves. So far, the board has agreed to put all past issues on CDs for archival purposes. This would involve indexing and bookmarking and is relatively inexpensive. Just last week Patricia recruited two highly qualified professionals to co-edit the publication. Thus, we are well on our way. If anyone is interested in helping with this undertaking, please contact Patricia.
- Paseo del Norte Extension Dave Phillips spoke on behalf of the New Mexico Archaeological Council ("NMAC") with respect to the Paseo del Norte extension included in the Bond Issue on the November 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot. NMAC has decided to take a large ad in the Albuquerque Journal the Sunday before the election to encourage voting NO on the (continued on page 3)

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Street Bond issue. Although the ad will cost between \$3000 and \$6000, NMAC has decided to spend the funds and has received donations of about \$2600 to date. NMAC is also asking other organizations for endorsements as well as individual contributions. To date the Society for American Archaeology has endorsed the ad as well as four former State Historic Preservation Officers and Polly Schaafsma, one of the leading rock art experts in the Southwest. Dave asked for AAS' help in supporting this effort through its endorsement of the ad. Dara Saville brought Vote NO yard signs and flyers for those who are interested in helping to defeat the Paseo extension. Dara pointed out that the street bond was not scheduled to come up for a vote last year nor should it have been on this year's ballot. However, it was expedited to appear this year at a cost to Albuquerque taxpayers of \$600,000. Anne Francis asked if there were any objections to the ad and read its content to the assembled group. As there were no objections, the ad was approved.

- Additional New Business Maynard Merkt re ported that there were still Creston commemorative t-shirts left for the bargain price of \$10.
- <u>Refreshments</u> Tonight's refreshments are courtesy of the Crottys.

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# Jay Crotty (1926-2004)

Jay Crotty, well known throughout the national community of rock art researchers and former Director of the Rock Art Field School of the Archaeological Society of New Mexco (ASNM), died in Albuquerque early the morning of November 2, 2004. Jay was a Marine Corps veteran seriously wounded in 1944 at the battle of Iwo Jima. He and his wife, Helen, first recorded rock art in the Southwest in 1977 at an ASNM field school at Chaco Canyon. They soon became indispensable to the founder of the field school, Col. James Bain, by developing procedures to systematically record all human-made marks at rock art sites. Jay's knowledge of mapping methods, his pragmatism, unflappability and problem-solving skills made possible the documentation by avocational archaeologists of tens of thousands of images at such large sites as Three Rivers, NM where more than 23,000 petroglyphs were recorded from 1987 to 1992. Jay was honored during his lifetime by the American Rock Art

Research Assn. And ASNM, among others. In retrospect, this modest and unassuming man exerted a far more profound influence on the future of rock art recording than any of those who worked with him at the time ever imagined.



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Albuquerque Archaeological Society Annual Holiday Meeting Featuring AAS Members Milford Fletcher, Jerry Williams, and Jack Francis Tuesday December 14th, 2004, 6:00 P.M. Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Rd. NW

Come to our Traditional Holiday Party beginning at 6 p.m. Members are asked to bring appetizers or desserts to share. The Society will provide drinks and plates, etc. There will be a short business meeting with election of officers and brief presentations by and in honor of members.

Dr. Milford Fletcher will be speaking on the Roman city of Jerash, one of the 10 roman cities making up the Decapolis. Established about 175 BC, the city became one of the best known and beautiful of the near-east roman cities. The Roman portion of the city was created in the first century AD. Roman emperor Hadrian visited the city in 129-130 AD and by the 3rd century AD the city had approximately 25,000 inhabitants. By 611 AD there were 15 Christian churches in Jarash but the Persian invasion of 614 AD and the Muslim conquest of 636 changed the character of the city. When the Muslim capital was moved from Damascus to Baghdad in 750 AD and a series of earthquakes occurred in the 8th century, the city fell into decline and was abandoned. It was deserted for more than 1000 years after that.

Dr. Jerry Williams will present "Mesa Verdean Options for all: hiker, walker, and recliner"

Jack Francis will talk about Jack and Anne's trip to the "Land Downunder" in May 2004. He will present a short travel log and slides from the Australian Aboriginal Ubirr Arnhem lands in Kakadu National Park and Kathrine Gorge, some images maybe up to 33,000 years old.

The Society will also take a few minutes at the meeting to recognize the contributions of some of our long time members. Our purpose is to show our appreciation for all the work that they have done in furthering the objectives of the Society and helping to make the organization what it is today.

We cannot recognize everyone at once, as so many have contributed their time and energy over the years so we have picked a few and hope this will start a tradition to be carried on in future years.

These are the members that we will recognize on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>.

Phyllis Davis

Delores Sundt Dudly King

Dick Bice Mari King

Bettie Terry



# Minutes - Nov. 16 Meeting

President Anne Francis presided over the meeting. She welcomed new members and other guests.

Anne announced the sad news that Jay Crotty had passed away and read his obituary:

Jay Cleybourne Crotty died in Albuquerque November 3, 2004, at the age of 78. He is survived by his wife Helen, son and daughter-in-law Stephen and Susan Crotty, daughter and son-in-law Heather and Jeff Hegland, grandchildren Meredith and Robbie Crotty, and J. Cody and Brynn Hegland.

Jay was born in San Francisco, California May 1, 1926, and grew up in Santa Rosa, California, and San Francisco. He joined the Marine Corps in 1943 and served with the Third Marine Division on Guam and Iwo Jima, suffering a serious wound in the latter campaign. He and Helen (Koefoed) were married in 1947 and lived in California, where Jay worked as a land title underwriter and consultant, before moving to New Mexico in 1982. Jay was active in the Archaeological Society of New Mexico and directed its Rock Art Field School from 1987 to 1995. He was also a member of the Albuquerque Archaeological Society and the Edgewood Volunteer Fire Department.

Anne included in her comments tributes from Jean and Jerry Brody and Dick Bice:

"Jay and his wife, Helen, first recorded rock art in the Southwest in 1977 at an ASNM field school at Chaco Canyon. They soon became indispensable to the founder of the field school, Col. James Bain, by developing procedures to systematically record all human-made marks at rock art sites. Jay's knowledge of mapping methods, his pragmatism, unflappability and problemsolving skills made possible the documentation by avocational archaeologists of tens of thousands of images at such large sites as Three Rivers, NM where more than 23,000 petroglyphs were recorded from 1987 to 1992." Jean and Jerry Brody

"The people who have been exposed to archaeology through Jay's efforts provide a cadre whose influence will forever be felt in the preservation of the country's heritage. I reveled in Jay's dry humor, ingenuity and willingness to be helpful at every turn. We are all blessed to have known and worked with him." With my best regards, Dick Bice.

In accordance with his wishes, there will be no formal funeral service. Memorial gifts may be made to the Archaeological Society of New Mexico, P.O. Box 3485 Albuquerque NM 87190-3485 for its Rock Art Field School or Scholarship Fund, to the Archaeological Conservancy, 5301 Central Ave. NE, Suite 902, Albuquerque NM 87108-1517, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Minutes of October 19, 2004 Meeting: The Minutes were approved.

Anne requested that volunteers sign-up for refreshments for 2005.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Treasurer: Jack Francis reported that dues paid now would cover all of 2005.
- Field and Lab: Dick Bice discussed the outcome of the vote on the Street Bond Issue and the likely success of the Paseo del Norte extension. Recognizing AAS' involvement in the effort to protect the Petroglyph National Monument, Dick suggested that a future effort could be undertaken to identify pockets of petroglyphs not encompassed in the Monument. He pointed out that the City has a budget for Open Space and, if some of these pockets of petroglyphs were to be identified, they might be earmarked for Open Space eligibility.
- Library: Helen O'Connor has been working on the Library and needs some volunteers to help. The question was raised as to the practicality of maintaining the library since it doesn't appear to get a lot of sue and since maintaining a library in working order (which would allow more people to use it) is extremely time-consuming. It was suggested that we might want to think about donating it to one of the UNM libraries or to some other library. It was suggested that if we do, it should go to the Albuquerque Public Library because non-UNM students or faculty do not have checkout privileges unless they buy an annual UNM library card.
- Website http://www.albarcsoc.org: Maynard Merkt reported that the website was up and run ning and received lots of "hits."
- <u>Field Trips</u>: Maynard Merkt reported there will not be any field trips while the weather is cold.

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# **Nov. Minutes Continued**

- Membership: Dara Saville reported that there were no new developments and we were continu ing with regular activities focusing on the UNM list serves and the local newspapers.
- Rock Art: Maynard Merkt reported that we are recording at Galisteo Dike. Work started in Sep tember covering a dike about 5 miles long and it looks like it will take several years. Weather con ditions will dictate how the work will proceed over the winter.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Slate of Officers for 2005: Anne Francis reported that the slate of officers for 2005 is:

President: Dara Saville Vice President: Patricia Lee Secretary: Sally McLaughlin Treasurer: John Karon

Director at Large: Arlette Miller

Voting is scheduled for the December 14th meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- <u>ASNM Achievement Award</u> Tina Joslin with the Archaeological Society of New Mexico requests suggestions for the Amateur Achievement Award at the 2005 Annual Meeting. The deadline for nominations is January 30, 2005. You may send your nominations to Tina Joslin, P. O. Box 1582, Silver City, NM 88062. If you need to call her, her phone is (505) 469-7218.
- <u>Refreshments</u> Tonight's refreshments are cour tesy of Joan Mansfield Mathien.
- Next Meeting: The next meeting will be a week earlier on Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. This is our traditional holiday potluck. We will provide drinks, plates, etc. If anyone is interested in making a 10 minute presentation please check with Dara Saville.

SPEAKER: Dara Saville introduced Dr. Jerry Brody, Professor Emeritus of Art and Art History at the University of New Mexico and a former director of the Maxwell Museum of Anthropology. Dr. Brody's talk was entitled "How to Look at a Pot: Through Time and Space with Pueblo Indian Painted Pottery." Dr. Brody showed slides that illustrated how various potters had dealt with brush errors they had made while decorating their pots. He noted that if a potter

made a mistake, she (or he) had three options — reslip the entire pot, try to correct it by painting new slip over the mistake, or live with it. He had several slides that demonstrated the latter two options, which revealed the kinds of decisions humans make about whether to try an always-visible correction or to simply accept the error and go on with life.

To learn more you can read Dr. Brody's books which include Beauty from the Earth (1990), Anasazi and Pueblo Painting (1991), Pueblo Indian Painting: Tradition and Modernism in New Mexico, 1900-1930 (1997) and several on Mimbres painted pottery. A newly revised edition of his 1977 Mimbres Painted Pottery is scheduled for publication any minute now by the School of American Research Press.

Respectfully submitted, M. Patricia Lee

# Dara Saville Greets All

I am writing you all today to thank you for your service to the Albuquerque Archaeological Society and to introduce myself as your nominated president for 2005. All of you have donated much of your time and energy to keep our organization running and I honor your efforts and look forward to working with you all in the coming year. In an effort to get off to a good start (and to conform to the rules of the by-laws) I would like to invite all of you to a board meeting in January. The purpose of this meeting will be for outgoing board members to advise their replacements on their new duties and so that we can all get to know each other. Also, John Karon (our new Treasurer) will present the new year's budget for board approval. Anne Francis has offered her home as a meeting place and we will select a January date at the December 14th meeting, so please check your calendars prior to the general meeting. If anyone has any questions or feels unable to continue with their committee work, please let me know by responding to this email or calling me at 248-1774.

I thank you all for this opportunity as your president and hope that I am able to live up to the standards that Anne has set for the Society.

Dara Saville



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Its purposes are (1) to preserve and protect prehistoric and historic remains in the region; (2) to educate members and the public in archaeological and ethnological fields; (3) to conduct archaeological studies, research, surveys, and excavations; (4) to publish data obtained from research studies and excavations; and (5) to cooperate with other scientific institutions.

Membership includes a monthly meeting with a lecture and opportunities to participate in field trips, seminars, and cooperative activities with other institutions.

#### ANNUAL DUES:

Regular: Sustaining: Individual \$20; Family \$25 or more Individual \$25; Family \$35 or more

Institutions:

REGULAR MEETINGS are held on the third Tuesday of each month in the auditorium of the Albuquerque Museum, 2000 Mountain Road NW, Old Town.

FIELD TRIPS: as scheduled; see Newsletter

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