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Taste of Prehistory and Visit the Ancient Ones Get-Together

In celebration of Arizona Archaeology Payson area's ancient history. Who and Heritage Awareness Month the Rim Country Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society is hosting a 'Taste of Prehistory' and 'Visit the Ancient Ones' get-together. The activities are open to the public and all are invited to attend and participate. This is an opportunity to experience foods of prehistoric people and visit ancient Native American sites located in Payson. It's also a chance for young people to realize some of the

says you can't have fun and learn at the same time?

The fun begins at 10:00 am. Saturday, March 21st in the meeting hall of the Church of the Holy Nativity, 1414 N. Easy Street. There will be a sampling of prehistoric-type foods along with a presentation of archaeological interest by Forestry Ranger Eddie Colyott, Tonto National Monument, and information about the historical sites

to be visited. Afterwards, we will car-pool to two sites in Payson: Archaeologists Scott Wood and Dr. Penny Minturn will be our guides at the Goat Camp Ruins and the Risser Ruins ancient Native American village sites.

All activities are free to the public, although donations will be greatly appreciated. One hundred percent of all donations received will go to the Goat Camp Ruins preservation fund.

HELP NEEDED FOR ARCHAEOLOGY EXPO

The Arizona Archaeology Expo is being held at Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix, from 10 am to 3 pm on March 14-15. The following link to the Az State Parks website has very good info:

http://azstateparks.com/find/arch_calendar.html

Help is needed at the AAS table as well as in the Museum's Children's area. We'll have two shifts per day at the AAS table, from 10 am to 12:30 pm and 12:30 to 3 pm We'll have lots of hands-on activities for children.

PGM is having a children's dig behind the museum. They also would like to have some volunteer help in this area. We'll have the same two shifts.

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Next deadline is at noon on

Wednesday, March 18th, for the

Spring AAS State Meeting, May 16, 2009

The folks from the Homolovi Chapter have graciously agreed to host the Spring State Meeting on short notice when another chapter was unable to complete arrangements. This is an preliminary notice intended for your advanced planning; detailed information and reservation forms will be in the April Petroglyph.

Date: Saturday, May 16, 2009

Place: Winslow AZ

Speaker: Susan Secakuku, Hopi Tribal Consultant to the Homolovi Project

Food: Hopi Native menu

Field trips: To some of the amazing sites in the Winslow area.

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

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

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

The Petroglyph is published 10 times a year as a service to the membership of the Arizona Archaeological Society. Address correspondence for the newsletter to Editors at thepetroglyph@cox.net or mail to Elinor Large, 945 N. Pasadena #5, Mesa, AZ 85201. Call Ellie at 480.461.0563. Send <u>address changes</u> to the membership chair, Sylvia Lesko, at slesko4@cox.net. Submissions are subject to approval by the editors, advisory committee, or members, and may be edited to best represent the scientific, educational, and organizational objectives of the AAS. Deadline: 18th of each month, at noon.

Upcoming Events

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	GUIDE TO LOCATIONS
AAHS	Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society. Meets in Duval Auditorium, Univ. Medical Center,
	1501 N. Campbell Avenue, north of Speedway (www.statemuseum.arizona.edu/aahs/lectures.shtml)
AIA	Archaeological Institute of America. Meets in ASU's Life Sciences Bldg, Room A191
	(www.centralazaia.ning.com)
ASP	Arizona State Parks (azstateparks.com/find/calendar.html)
CCA	Coconino Center for the Arts, 2300 N Fort Valley Rd, Flagstaff, AZ (www.culturalpartners.org)
CDAAC	Center for Desert Archaeology's Archaeology Café, the patio at Casa Vicente, 375 S. Stone Avenue, Tucson
DVRAC	Deer Valley Rock Art Center, 3711 W. Deer Valley Road, Phoenix (shesc.asu.edu/dvrac)
OPAC	Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, 2201 W. 44th Street, Tucson . (www.oldpueblo.org/index.html)
PGM	Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix (www.ci.phoenix.az.us/PARKS/pueblo.html).
PGMA	Pueblo Grande Museum Auxiliary
PCC	Pima Community College, 401 N. Bonita Ave., Tucson
PCPL	Pima County Public Library, 101 N. Stone Ave., Tucson
SHESC	ASU School of Human Evolution and Social Change (shesc.asu.edu/events)
SCSNA	Sonoita Creek State Natural Area Visitor Center, Patagonia
SWAT	Southwest Archaeology Team, Arizona Museum of Natural History, 53 N. Macdonald St., Mesa
	(www.southwestarchaeologyteam.org)
UAAD	UA Anthropology Department, Haury Bldg, Room 216 (anthropology.arizona.edu)

March is **Arizona Archaeology & Heritage Awareness Month**, sponsored by the Arizona State Parks' State Historic Preservation Office. This year's theme is *Celebrate Arizona's Past: Museums, Places, People*. See the Event Calendar at http://azstateparks.com/find/arch_calendar.html#central.

March 4, 7:30 pm, PGMA, Phoenix - Lecture: TBA

March 6, 3:30-4:30 pm, SHESC, Tempe, Colloquium: *Testing Race at the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition* by Nancy Parezo, American Indian Studies, University of Arizona, as part of its spring colloquia series.

March 7, 1-2 pm, DVRAC, Phoenix, Lecture: Desert Foods Past and Present by Colleen O'Brien.

Arizona Archaeological Society State Meeting Gila Bend, Arizona – January 24-25, 2009 Hosted by the Agua Fria Chapter

I. Welcome

1st Vice Chair Jim Graceffa began the meeting with a welcome to all attendees and thanking the Agua Fria Chapter for organizing the event. Sandy Haddock, President of the Agua Fria Chapter, added her welcome, and reviewed the event schedule for the weekend as well as logistics of where everything could be located. Both Jim and Sandy mentioned that late registrations become difficult to handle for the hosting chapter, and the membership could expect some changes in that area for future meetings.

II. Call to Order

1st Vice Chair Graceffa called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. Roll call followed:

Chapter	Present	Voting	Proxy	Chapter	Present	Voting	Proxy
Agua Fria	20	7	0	Northern Arizona	2	6	5
Ajo	6	4	0	Phoenix	14	2	5
Agave House	3	2	0	Rim Country	2	1	0
Desert Foothills	9	5	2	San Tan	1	1	0
Homolovi	0	0	0	Tubac/Santa Cruz	0	0	0
Little Colorado	0	0	0	Verde Valley	3	2	5
Mohave	0	0	0	Yavapai	6	2	0

Proxies were collected from Northern Arizona, Desert Foothills and Verde Valley. Phoenix will mail them directly to the secretary

III. Approval of October 2008 State Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved as published.

IV. State Treasurer's Report

Judy Rounds reviewed the Statement of Financial Position, as of December 31, 2008, as follows: activity.

Asset	Income	Interest Earned	Expenditure	Balance
Fielder Fund	\$750.00	\$173.87	0	\$36,330.39
Publication Fund	\$5,306.20	\$23.09	\$15.00	\$14,446.58
Unrestricted Cash	\$20,463.20	0	\$18,141.58	\$6,427.71
Savings Account	0	0	0	\$4,341.41
Total Assets	\$52,891.91	\$201.96	\$18,156.58	\$61,546.09

Judy then reviewed the handout of the 2008 Budget versus Actual.

- Total Income was budgeted at \$21,000. Actual came in at \$20,463.20.
- Membership Dues were down slightly, but income from sales of the *Arizona Archaeologist* was higher than anticipated, thanks to the sale of these publications by June Freden and Alan Ferg.
- Disbursements were expected to be \$23, 603.00. Actuals came in at \$18, 141.58
- No money was spent on publication of the AZ Archaeologist. This money will be held in reserve for when the next issue is published, hopefully in time for the May Meeting. The Petroglyph came in under budget, in main part due to reduced publishing and mailing costs because of an increase in email recipients. Education costs were under budget because Joan Young kindly donated the postage costs. A question was raised on why there is a line item for storage space rental. Field School supplies and equipment are the main items in storage.
- The 2009 Proposed Budget was then discussed. Publication costs for the Arizona Archaeologist remain the same. Publication costs for The Petroglyph were brought in line with this year's actuals. Most budgeted line items were stable, with minor increases due to economic shifts. The money allotted for hosting state meetings was increased to \$450. Costs for Promotional Items for Resale were increased because of purchasing costs incurred before sale revenues are received.

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- A motion was then made to approve the budget, and seconded. A question was raised about storage costs. Our rates have increased by about \$20 per month. It was asked if we have negotiated for a lower rate, we have, no go. Marie Britton asked if we have contacted Pueblo Grande, as they do have storage facilities. She will pursue this to see what it might cost.
- Another question was raised concerning the increase to \$450 for hosting state meetings. It was pointed out that there has been no increase in several years, while there have been increases in costs. Another point made was that about 25% of the budget goes to publication of The Petroglyph. Why is there reluctance to receive it by email? Chair Graceffa answered that this has to be addressed at the chapter level. The proposed budget was then passed.
- On another financial matter Mike Magnan announced he has received about 2/3 of the 1099 reports and would like to get the rest as soon as possible. Ron Robinson has received all but four of the chapter reports due January. Those in remiss were asked to email them to Ron as soon as possible.

V. Membership Report

As of January 3, 2009 we have 1,124 members, with 757 memberships. "The Petroglyph" was mailed to 534 members, with 230 receiving it by email.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Certification Department – Bob Lindsay gave the following report. Since the October state meeting 25 new certifications have been reported. The first meeting under the new reduced schedule was held on January 9, 2009. Attendance was better than in September, but travel time and expense are still a problem. Other means of communication are being explored. The Review Committee approval process for instructors, courses and advisors was handled by mail and email and seemed to work satisfactorily. Gina Gage was approved as advisor to the San Tan chapter. Eleven chapters have provided information on certification representatives. Could Agave House, Ajo and Little Colorado please send in their information? Mike Magnan briefly reviewed and submitted copies of the treasurer's report for 2008 and the budget for 2009 to the files. Both are available on request. The next meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2009.

Perry Mesa Project – Scott Wood will continue to support recording efforts. Classes wanting to use the site for field work are to contact Jerry Mead or Alan Troxel. Loci 10 and 11 should be completed this year. Elden Pueblo – Information and sign-up forms are available on the AAS website. Q-Ranch completed the work of backfilling and restoration of walls and the historic graveyard. Focus will now be on ceramic analysis and report writing. Field Schools: Crew member 1 & 2 will be held 6/22-26, 6-29-7/3, 2009. Alumni week is 7/20-24, 2009. Rock Art Recording will be 8/10-14, 20009. Ruins Stabilization and Reconstruction will be 8/14-16, 22-23, 2009.

B. Legislative – Kevin Palmer reported that there will be very little lobbying this year, primarily because of economics. Our voice isn't loud enough yet but will continue to improve, and we need to be ready to make our statement when things improve. He thanked those who were involved in preparation of the AAS Educational DVD, especially the Legislative Policy Committee and those specifically involved in all that was needed to produce the DVD. The DVD can be used as a "door opener" for discussions with legislators, a primary educational tool for the secular public, and is a first step for a public relations platform. We then viewed the 4-1/2 minute DVD, which was received with resounding applause.

Jim Graceffa stated that Dr. Beth Grundel, ASM, has asked AAS to write to legislators to not cut salaries that come from the state budget. He will send a copy to the chapter presidents.

C. Education – Joan Young reported that the book mark contest includes 30 choices from grades 4-6, 24 choices from the middle school and 25 from the high schools. These were narrowed down from well over 100. We should pick our 3 favorites from each school grouping. This is the first time in 3 years there has been good feedback from the teachers as to the educational value of the program. Over 1,000 letters/emails were sent out. Last year they were sent mostly to urban areas. This year they were sent to small towns and reservation schools. Grades 1-3 were discontinued because of lack of participation last year.

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- **D. Publication** Alan Ferg was unable to attend the meting. June Freden reported that the bottle book should be available for the May meeting. For the 2008 publication he is looking for two short monographs without many photographs or charts.
- **E. Website Committee** Jerry reviewed the results of the website poll. 100% agreed there should be more photos of chapter activities. Each chapter needs to provide these and describe how they would like to see them on their web page. Also 100% agreement to eliminate blank tables. Jerry will work on this. 75% felt there should be a redesign of the layout and artwork, organization and chapter pages. Jerry will contact those who have agreed to help. 59% felt there should be registration to get members to detail society information, and for members to log on with a name and a password. Would this cut down the number of people using the website? Could only a portion of the site be protected by password? 57% said the website should be aimed at new visitors. Jerry is preparing an introductory show or clip. 52% said a different format would be better. Jerry will tie this in with the different look. He would like help in this area. He also said some people are not receiving the newsletter by email because of poor addresses. If you aren't getting *The Petroglyph*, this may be the reason. Contact Jerry.

VII. Old Business

Nominations for this year's Professional Archaeologist are due and should be sent to Ron Robinson.

VIII. New Business

- A. Ken Zoll reported that the Nominating Committee included Sandy Haddock, himself, and Jerry Mead. The following slate was presented: Chair Sylvia Lesko; 1st Vice Chair Jim Graceffa; 2nd Vice Chair Ron Robinson; and Treasurer Judy Rounds. A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate as presented. As there was no opposition or discussion, it passed. Jim made a plea for someone to step forward to fill the open secretary position.
- B. Chair Graceffa reported that hosts are needed for the meetings in 2010. There is also a possibility that we may reduce to two meetings per year, but this requires a change in the bylaws. The Planning Committee is looking into this change. Ideas included a meeting in the south and in the north, meetings with greater scope, and meetings as a destination. He asked the group why do we come prominent answer was for the field trips. The Yavapai and Verde chapters will help Homolovi host the spring meeting.
- C. Chair Graceffa asked for volunteers to work at the AAS booth at the 2009 Archaeology Expo to be held at Pueblo Grande.

IX. Announcements

- A. AAS Spring 2009 State Meeting Homolovi May 16, 2009
- B. AAS Fall 2009 State Meeting: Date to come Rim County Chapter, Payson
- C. Other Ken Zoll talked about some of the fund raising activities that the Verde Valley will have, including a lecture by Dr. Brian Fagan in April. He has tickets available at \$10. The chapter is a partner with other organizations such as Eco-Tourism and the Chambers of Commerce. There will be a Native American Cultural Awareness Week June 5-7, with movies (\$1) entertainment (\$5). More information and/or tickets will be available at the January meeting. Businesses are helping with sponsorships. All is an effort to raise the profile and funding for archaeology in that area.

X. Chapter Report – Agua Fria Chapter

Sandy Haddock thanked all members of her chapter for their hard work in putting together the events of the meeting. With her wonderful sense of humor (irony?!), she indicated reports should be available in 2038 and 2073 on some of the work they have completed. The work at the Gatln site, owned by the City of Gila Bend, has been directed by the Pierpoints and supported by the city and by SHPO. Sixteen mounds have been stabilized.

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The platform mound is late Hohokam. Roy and Ellen Pierpoint have been nominated Avocational Archaeologists of the year.

XI. The meeting was adjourned by Chair Graceffa at 11:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ginger Johnson, Acting Secretary

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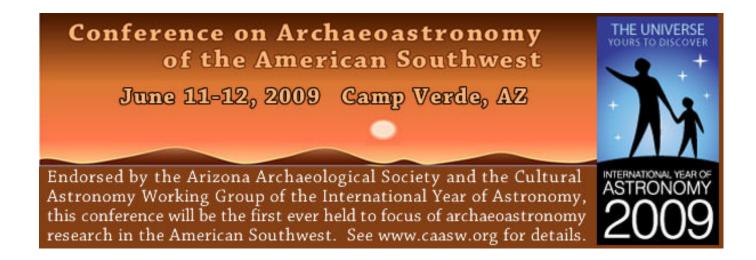
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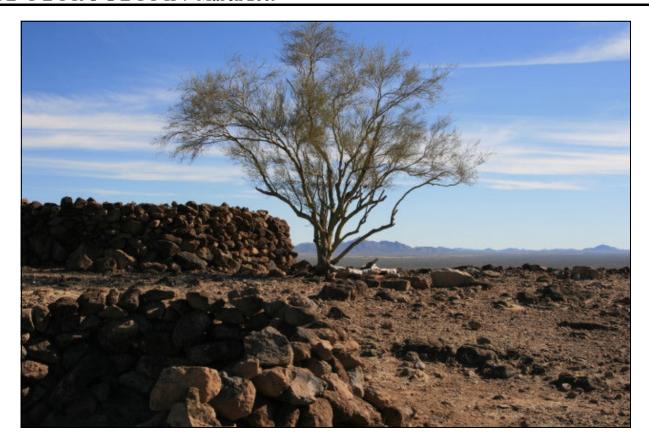
Use the form on the website to sign up, or send an e-mail to slesko4@cox.net with the words "e-mail my Petroglyph" in the subject line and indicate your name and chapter. Of course your dues must be current!

Conference on Archaeoastronomy of the American Southwest

The **Conference on Archaeoastronomy of the American Southwest** will be held in Camp Verde at the Cliff Castle Lodge on June 11-13, 2009. In addition to about a dozen professional papers, there will be many related activities such as workshops, site tours, Native American story-telling and other events. The registration website is archaeology@esedona.net.

--Todd Bostwick, Ph.D., City Archaeologist, Pueblo Grande Museum 602-495-0901; todd.bostwick@phoenix.gov





Trincheras Ruin, Mexico



La Proveedora Petroglyph Site Sonora, Mexico

CHAPTER NEWS

Agave House Chapter



The Agave House Chapter held its January meeting on the 28th at the Black Mesa Ranger Station. The meeting was called to order by Ralf Kurzhals. He informed us that the state by-laws are changing, and we will have two state meetings a year instead of three. "The Petroglyph" is available online, and we are encouraged to take advantage of this in order to help keep down costs.

Our speaker for the evening was Jason In January & February the Ajo Theuer, Archeologist for the Petrified Forest. The title of his talk was Tracing Population Movements through Pottery. Pottery is the mainstay of studying migration. Because different groups used different clays, tempers, and glazes, we can tell if they moved from place to place or if the pottery moved through trade routes. Much of the talk dealt with the Hummingbird Pueblo in New Mexico. It sat at the crossroads of trade routes for more than 2000 years.

Jason talked about the development of paint glazes and which ores were used for them. The glaze techniques spread in a variety of ways: some because of extra-local social networks, some because of trade routes, and some because of shared ritual calendars. and some because of marriage exchanges. We were also taught about the various analytical methods used on the pottery including laser ablation, x-ray defraction, and petrographic analysis. A very interesting part of his presentation was the description of the ritual closing of rooms in the pueblo and how pottery was involved.

Our next meeting is Feb. 25 at 6:30 pm at the Black Mesa Ranger Station. We will meet for dinner at 5 pm at Casa Ramos.

— Ron Collins

Ajo / Why Chapter



Busy, Busy, Busy! Well with only 3 months before the blast furnace heats the desert pavement to the temperature of a Teflon-coated frying pan waiting for a couple of sunny-side up eggs we in Ajo must cram in all the fun we can, NOW! So here we go!

Archaeological Society continued surveying and recording at the Rio Cornez site. Every Monday our dedicated group of volunteers follows our GPS's and intuition searching this parcel of BLM desert for the remains of the "Arenenos" while trying not to get impaled by a barrel cactus. We completed the Rio Cornez site in late January without a single impalement.

At our January monthly meeting, Jeffrey Altschul, co-author of Fragile Patterns, spoke on Archaeology of the Western Papagueria. Jeffrey is a walking, talking encyclopedia of information on our portion of the Sonoran desert and he gave descriptions and explanations of what's out there in layman's terms that even I could understand and appreciate. Rock on Jeffrey!

Field trip of the year awards go to Rick & Sandy Martynec who led us into old Mexico for three days in January. I'm not one to drop names but how does Trincheras, La Playa, La Proveedora, and La Purisima Concepcion de Neustra Senora de Caborca sound? We were there and WOW! As Jeffrey Altschul and Adrianne Rankin mentioned in their book Fragile Patterns, "The sites of La Playa and Cerros de Trincheras are

two of the most spectacular in the southern Southwest...". Now throw in a visit to the thousands of petroglyphs at La Proveedora and the Caborca Mission founded in 1692 by the Jesuit Priest Father Kino, and you have some idea of the scope of our magical mystery tour. So, a salute of aged agave juice to old Mexico! - the warm, friendly amigos, classic culture and cuisine, picturesque colonial ranches but most of all to it's hosting through the millennium ancient peoples who flourished from its valleys to the tops of its Sierra.

Takin' care of business, everyday! Many Ajo members attended the state archaeological meeting in Gila Bend at the end of January and attended field trips to Red Canyon, Pierpoint and the Gatlin Site. Hey next time come on down to Ajo for the state meeting, the Plaza is the perfect venue and maybe the following meeting can be held in Why – Why not? Don't get me started.

In February, our featured speaker was Betty Pope, speaking on Anthropology and what Anthropologist Do. I never knew that! Thanks, Betty, for filling in the blanks!

These boots are made for walkin! was the theme for the recent 12-mile hike into the Growler Mountains past Charlie Bell Well. This grunt of a hike was led by Bob Adams and its purpose was to continue to survey a remote area in the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge. Only the strong need apply, thank you very much!

A tip of the hat goes to Adrianne Rankin, co-author of Fragile Patterns, who led a merry little field trip for Site Stewards to rock shelters near Hat Mountain on the Barry M Goldwater Range. Adrianne is an archaeologist

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for the Barry M. Goldwater Range East and Luke Air Force Base and has worked in the Western Papagueria since 1989. Thanks, Adrianne, from all of us in Ajo!

On Feb.6th, Dr. David Doyel gave us valuable insight into the political, historic, and archaic stew that comprises the Gatlin Site in Gila Bend. As pressures from all sides continue to threaten this site David has continued his vigilance and dream to make this site available to future generations. Kudos to David.

Heads up! Our speaker at our monthly meeting Wed., March 4th, will be Jeffrey Clark on the topic Whatever Happened to the Hohokam. This one is not to be missed! By the way now that I think of it whatever happened to Elmer Fudd??? But I digress! Till next time - Adios!

— Bob Dundas

Desert Foothills *** Chapter



At our February meeting, Dr. Pat Spoerl spoke on the Central Arizona Ecotone Project Revisited: Interpretations of Hohokam Hilltop Sites near New River, Arizona. Pat conducted archaeological surveys and excavations in the area in the mid 1970s and developed interpretations regarding the role of "fortified" hilltop sites in Hohokam prehistory. Her presentation focused on the defensive hilltop sites in the New River region, and her photos, taken 30+ years ago of the areas, were dramatic in their lack of houses and roads! When these excavations were conducted, they did not have the modern tools that we use today - all the work was dug by hand, cameras used regular film, and there were no GPS units. Sounds like just about everyone on the excavation

came down with Valley Fever at some To celebrate Archaeology Month point. Pat holds a Ph.D in Anthropology from Southern Illinois University with an emphasis in Southwestern archaeology.

The next Chapter meeting will be held at The Good Shepherd of the Hills (Community Building), 6502 E. Cave Creek Rd, Cave Creek, AZ 85331, on March 11, 2009. Starting time is 7:00 p.m. The March speaker will be Dr. Todd Bostwick, Phoenix City Archaeologist, who will provide a slide program and discussion on five famous Paleolithic caves that he recently visited. His program, entitled, Sanctuaries of Power: Ice Age Cave Art in Southern France, will — Robyn Davidson explore the Cro-Magnon culture, whose artists began painting and engraving art deep inside caves more than 30,000 years ago. We will witness colorful and powerful scenes involving groups of large, fierce mammals associated with mysterious geometric signs. Dr. Bostwick has written numerous articles and books on Southwest archaeology and history. Two of his recent books include Landscape of the Spirits: Hohokam Rock Art at South Mountain Park and Byron Cummings: Dean of Southwest Archaeology.

Upcoming Speakers:

April: Ekkehart Malotki. Details are not yet available, but we know his expertise lies in Rock Art. May: Andy Seagle. Andy will relate the story of how a very special cave came to become known as "Tim's Cave" and the wonderful artifacts the cave contained.

Upcoming Hike: Tuesday, March 17 - Lila Elam will lead us on a hike to the "Vulture Mine," and a tour of the Desert Cabelleros Museum in Wickenburg. Sign-up sheets and details will be available at the next meeting.

and Expo, the Cave Creek Museum, along with our Desert Foothills Chapter, will host two programs: Monday, March 9: Grace Schoonover will lead a hike to Brazaletes Ruins and Horseshoe Mesa Site, from 9:00 to 2:30. Meet at the Cave Creek Museum. (An alternative, if the roads are bad, will be a hike to a historic cemetery and historic canals in the area of the Desert Foothills Land Trust.)

Monday, March 23: Dr. John Hohman will discuss Cave Creek Archaeology at the Cave Creek Museum, at 7:00 pm.

Little Colorado Chapter %



Our regular meeting was a business meeting and program planning session held at the Casa Malpais Museum/ Town Hall in Springerville at 6:30 pm on Jan. 19th. A tentative 2009 activities calendar of scheduled day trip hikes, field trips to historic and prehistoric sites and guest speakers was firmed up. A rock art field trip is in the very early planning stages. We extended a warm thanks to the 2008 board members for their wonderful job and reviewed new officers elected in December. Catherine Cely was then elected as secretary for the chapter. 2009 Membership renewal/ dues should be taken care of as soon as possible.

Casa site manager Linda Matthews obtained the thesis written by Melissa Julien on research exploring the form of exchange between the Casa Malpais site and the Zuni region by applying instrumental neutron activation analysis. Julien's thesis, written in 1993, is titled, Evidence of Regional Exchange at Casa Malpais: Tracing Heshotauthla Polychrome

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Activation Analysis."

Doug Gann visited Casa to discuss plans for stabilization in rooms #10 and #11 at the site. Other chapters are invited to join us in our 'on site' work and during our Saturday 'work' days as part of our cooperative endeavors. We thank all members who have devoted countless hours to stabilization work at Casa. A special summer 'celebration' is planned when the archiving of the Casa site collection is completed.

Wall stabilization is tentatively planned for March 7th and 8th (weather permitting). Those interested may wish to call ahead at the contact number (928) 333-5375.

— Catherine Cely

Phoenix Chapter



Our regular February meeting on Feb. 12 was replaced by the opening reception for the new Pueblo Grande Museum exhibit, *Pieces of the Puzzle: New Perspectives on the Hohokam*, which will be on display from Feb. 13 through October 4, 2009. The reception was followed by a presentation by Dr. Patrick Lyons.

On March 12th, Gene Rogge from URS will talk about The Last Ditch Site: The Challenges of Investigating and Interpreting the Oldest Known Site in the Phoenix Basin. When first discovered by archaeologists, the "Last Ditch" archaeological site northeast of Phoenix was believed to be an extensive but extremely sparse scatter of Hohokam Indian artifacts. Test excavations proved that in addition to Hohokam material, several archaeological features dating to the Middle Archaic and Late Archaic/ Early Agricultural periods had been serendipitously buried, making Last

Ditch the oldest documented archaeological site in the Phoenix Basin. In 2006 and 2007, a cluster of deeply buried hearth features at this nearly 200-acre site were excavated.

This year's Archaeology Expo will be at the Pueblo Grande Museum on March 14th and 15th. Volunteers are still needed for a variety of tasks. Please call or email Marie Britton if you would like to help (480-827-8070 or mbrit@cox.net).

On April 9th, Michael Smith, from ASU, will bring us up to date on his excavations at Calixtlahuaca, Mexico, and on May 14th, Allan Schilz, from ACS, will report on the archaeological results from the Light-Rail Project.

We are working on arranging both new classes and additional hikes and field trips. If anyone has suggestions on either classes they would like to take or places they would like to visit as either a hike or a weekend field trip, please contact Marie Britton at mbrit@cox.net or any member of the board (see the AAS website for the phone numbers and email addresses of the rest of the Phoenix Chapter Board).

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

— Ellie Large

Rim Country Chapter



At the chapter's monthly, on Saturday, February 21st, Dr. Sandy Lynch, Curator of Anthropology, Sharlot Hall Museum, Prescott, presented The People of the Sun, a story of the Yavapai People – from Nyav-peh (which means people from where the sun rises). It outlined their origins (their own interpretation as well as archaeologist evidence - how they lived, and the history since the coming of Americans into Arizona. The speech also carried the powerful message that The Yavapai are Still Here - they have endured. Additionally, recipes were passed out to those who were offering to prepare Southwestern foods for the March 21 Festive Celebration.

March 21, 2009: In celebration of Arizona Archaeology and Heritage Awareness Month in March, the Rim Country Chapter is hosting a **Taste of Prehistory** and **Visit the Ancient**Ones get-together. To connect us to the Central Arizona Tradition, the term used at this time for the Archaic Peoples of the Payson area, Scott Wood, Forest Archaeologist/Heritage Program Manager, Tonto National Forest, and Dr. Penny Minturn, AAS Rim Country Chapter Archaeology Advisor, will be assisting us with this program.

Scott will speak about the Pinal Historic Town site, and after our program and sampling of foods based on prehistoric traditions, he and Dr. Minturn will be our guides at the Goat Camp Ruins and the Risser Ruins here in Payson. A Taste of Prehistory and Visit the Ancient Ones is an activity we are opening to the public. All are invited to attend and participate. It is an opportunity for young people to realize some of the Payson area's ancient history. All activities are free to the public, although donations will

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be greatly appreciated. One hundred percent of all donations received will go to the Goat Camp ruins preservation fund.

— Monte McCord

San Tan Chapter

Our February meeting will feature the return of Dr. Jerry Howard who will present "The Hohokam Collapse: Environmental stress and the Hohokam-Pima Continuum."

Our Jan. 17 tour of Pueblo Grande, to be guided by Jim Britton, was postponed until Feb. 21.

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

Our March meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12 instead of Wednesday, March 11, and will feature Andy Seagle's 90- minute presentation of "Tim's Cave," the discovery of an undisturbed cave which contained Sinagua artifacts.

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

— Mel Marshall

Tubac/Santa Cruz County Chapter

A big thank you to Jane Kolber for a provocative and informative talk on Rock-Art! A world-acclaimed expert

and strong and admittedly opinionated Jane described the challenges advocate for the conservation of rock-art world wide, Jane shared with our attentive audience of about 40 folks her quest to bring attention to identifying, recording and conserving these expressions of ancient peoples in Southern Arizona. Jane, who is not an archaeologist but developed a passion for rock-art stemming from her background as artist and art educator, lent a provocative and unique perspective to the topic of rock -art. (her hyphen) Acquiring a distinctive and distinguished reputation within the archaeological community, Jane has worked closely with them on significant sites around the world

Through a series of her photographs of rock-art, Jane discussed and identified some designs and patterns that can be found at sites throughout the world and other motifs specific to sites found just in Southern Arizona. She indicated that trying to apply a standardized symbolism to the expressions of ancient peoples does not necessarily substantiate their meaning or the intent of the artist. In her view, each one is open to interpretation and the best approach is to honor what a viewer sees in it and what it means to them. "Who knows?" was a reply she made to several in the audience, including myself, who were looking for confirmation of their interpretation of a rock-art motif. To that point, Jane had the group laughing when she said that "Kokopelli" is not necessarily always playing the "flute" and described one photo of a carving found in Southern Arizona as looking like a "foot massage chart" to her. She conceded somewhat on one occasion and did allow some of her students to call a line with 42 lines extending off of it a "centipede" because centipedes do have 42 legs.

archaeologists face when studying the paintings (pictographs) and rock carvings (petroglyphs) due to the lack of scientifically accurate dating techniques. Although work is being done to develop an accurate dating technique, in the meantime, the identification and recording techniques used today are all that we have to work with. Jane shared with the group some caveats when coming upon rock-art, the first caution being to not touch it! Oils from our skin can contaminate its integrity and minimize opportunities for possible dating through techniques yet to be developed.

Jane's talk attracted a number of Tubac's artists and the tradition of Tubac: Where Art and History Meet took on a whole new meaning as Jane's photos showed an amazing array of geometric and representational paintings and carvings that for artists, and all of us, were a source of inspiration. With her extensive and impressive background and expertise, Jane is very much in demand as an organizer and speaker at various international symposiums and conferences. She is very busy with writing and adding to her impressive list of publications, papers and books. Currently, Jane is working on a recording project at Chaco Canyon. We are all very appreciative that she took the time to share with us. Thank you, Jane, for broadening our appreciation, understanding and passion for Rock-Art!

A Rock Art Follow Up: Rock Art Recording Classes -. Jim Farley, our Certification Rep., brought to my attention after the program that a rock art recording class is being offered Aug. 10-14 with the base camp at Elden Pueblo near Flagstaff. The class offers a basic introduction to rock art.

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rock art etiquette and training in the AAS method of rock art recording. For more info, check out the AAS website at <u>azarchsoc.org</u> or Lisa Deem-Edmonson at 928-527-3452 or email her with questions at eldenpueblo@mpgcable.com. Thanks, Jim.

And More Rock-Art Follow Up:

The Tubac/SCC AAS chapter continues to explore a trip/tour to the extraordinary rock art site at La Proveedora Reserve near Caborca, Sonora, Mexico this fall! We'll keep you posted!

Arizona State Museum Tours with Arthur Vokes, Repository Curator!

Thank you, Arthur, for another great tour of ASM's Set-In Stone Exhibit and Pot Room. Our members where enthralled and two hours just wasn't long enough. We highly recommend members visit the museum for this extraordinary exhibit, even without Arthur's personal guidance, and delve into the amazing 3-dimensional computerized format for actually "seeing" the awesome pottery room collection. ASM's efforts to save and share these treasures with the public has received world-wide recognition. Again, Thank You Arthur! letters and phone calls!

A Personalized Note About Tubac Presidio State Park - Support for Park Manager, Joe Martinez, and staff Victor and Rick! Aside from the significance of its history as Arizona's first state park, the tourism and resulting positive economic impacts of keeping the Park open, there is another reason, personal to me and to those who know Joe Martinez, the park's manager. Since 1965, I've watched from out my window across the street from the

Tubac Presidio State Historic Park Possible Closure! State legislators and Arizona State Parks Board are threatening to close the Tubac Presidio State Historic Park due to the budget crisis. A grassroots outcry via letter writing and phone calls spared its immediate closure, however its status is still uncertain. On Feb. 20th, another public meeting is being held in Phoenix to determine the fate of our park and that of other state parks. Chapter member and Archivist Alan Sorkowitz and his wife Michelle have established a campaign - See It Before it Closes - to generate support for the Tubac

Presidio State Historic Park and others that are being considered for closure. Alan shared with the group their efforts to date. The campaign, complete with bumper stickers, is detailed on their website at www.seeitbeforeitcloses.com. including to whom, how and where to send letters and the how's and where's of getting to Phoenix for the Feb. 20th meeting. Contact Alan via his website for more information and updates, and I'll also keep you posted and pass along what comes my way. Thank you Alan and Michelle and all of you for standing up, and thanks to those of you who responded to my alert, picked up the fighting-for-whatwe-value stance and sent your compelling "Keep the Park Open" letters and phone calls!

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Reminder to Renew Memberships and Clarification for New Folks -

Make \$30 checks out to the "Arizona Archaeological Society" for state dues, (applies to both individual and "family") and include \$10 cash for each member for our Tubac chapter dues. Mail a completed membership form (for new folks) and the dues to me, Nancy Valentine, P.O. Box 4521, Tubac AZ, 85646 or give them to me at the next meeting, March 12th. Any questions, give me a call. Thank You!

And WELCOME to all the lovely folks who joined us for the first time! We look forward to your continuing participation and interest in all of our activities not the least of which, more of those extra special potluck contributions. A veritable feast for us all! Thank You and we look forward to sharing more of our past with you again soon.

Upcoming Programs/Activities/ Opportunities

Excavation on Regional and Santa Cruz Valley Archaeological Sites - Check out what has been and will be happening in our region on the website of our Chapter Advisor, Deni Seymour, at seymourharlan.com and let her know of your interest in volunteering by emailing her at

March 12th - Doug Craig, *New Ideas About Ancient People: Hohokam Archaeology in the 21st Century.*Location to Be Announced....

—Nancy Valentine

seymourharlan.com.

Verde Valley Chapter



Our January meeting was held on the 22nd at the Sedona Public Library. Our speaker was Bud Henderson,

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who showed us his slides of the Grand Canyon National Park, and spoke to us about the 5-year project he and others are currently engaged in. Much of Bud's talk concerned Axhandle Alcove, where the primary purpose was to excavate as many artifacts as possible before they were washed away. Every shovelful of dirt needed to be removed and sifted, and all vegetation had to be replaced. Some artifacts were found that were 5,000 years old, dating from 2800 B.C. Others involved in this project, in addition to Bud, are Ted Neff, Lisa Leap, Tim Collette, Kim Spurr, John Schaefer, and Mick Robbins.

Our February speaker will be Dr. David R. Wilcox, one of our chapter advisors, who will discuss the Cultural Interplay of the American Southwest and the Mexican Northwest. Dr. Dave is the Senior Research Archaeologist at am at the Castle. Those from the Museum of Northern Arizona, where he conducts a vigorous program of pure research in three areas: history of archaeology, anthropology, and museums; archaeology of the greater Flagstaff area; and macro-regional syntheses in Southwestern archaeology. In addition to the presentation of a wide variety of public programs and lectures for the Museum, and for Flagstaff, Dr. Dave has also published and co-edited extensively.

Our March speaker will be Paul F. Reed, a Chaco Scholar and Preservation Archaeologist at the Center for Desert Archaeology. He will be making a "book tour" stop at our meeting to discuss his latest book, Chaco's Northern Prodigies.

Linda Krumrie, our Field Trip Coordinator, continues to set up interesting field trips for us. In mid-February there will be a Tuzigoot National Monument Field Trip. This

trip will be led by Park Service Archaeologist Matt Guebard. This is considered an easy walking hike – it is paved and handicap-accessible. There will be a guided lecture in the museum of the Visitor Center and the hilltop ruins. We will meet at 9:00 am at the Monument. Contact Linda at 451-1567 or at aplaceinthesun@commspeed.net if you wish to carpool from Sedona. This event will be 2-2^{1/2} hours long, so please bring snacks, water, hats, cameras, waiver forms, and the \$2 club fee.

On March 7 there will be a Montezuma Castle Field Trip, led by Park Service Archaeologist Matt Guebard. This is another easy paved walk and is handicap-accessible. It will be a guided lecture, digital presentation, and a stroll to the cliffside ruins. We will meet at 9:00 Cottonwood wishing to carpool should meet at Fry's parking lot, closest to Hwy 260 at 8:15 am. Sedona folks may meet at Posse Grounds parking lot at 8:00 am. This trip will also be 2 - $2^{1/2}$ hours in length, so please bring snacks, water, hats, cameras, waiver forms, and the \$2 club fee.

There are still a couple of places left for the Mata Ortiz trip into Mexico for March 27-29. There is also room on the Utah River Rafting Trip for April 28-May 1. In late March there will be a trip to Casas Grandes, Mexico. In early April Dr. David Wilcox will lead a trip to Perry Mesa to visit sites and rock art panels. Also, in mid-April, Phyllis Lindberg will lead a Spring Botany Hike, at a place to be selected later

Jim Graceffa is planning a trip to the Chaco Outliers. This will be a week-long trip, from May 26 to June 3. There are places for about 20 people.

There will be a Chapter Picnic on Sat., April 25, in the Pavilion of Red Rock State Park. The Chapter will provide hamburgers, brats, soda, and plates/ napkins. Members are asked to bring a side dish to share.

Marlene Conklin has some new projects at the Museum for those who might be interested. The project on the History of the Museum of Northern Arizona and the History of Museums are starting, under the direction of Dr. Dave. Other projects will begin soon, including work for Travis Bone in the Village of Oak Creek for those who prefer not to travel to Flagstaff during the winter.

Jerry Ehrhardt has issued a report on his discoveries for the last several months. In the area between Sycamore Canyon and Buckskin Hills, Jerry and his team discovered four single-room structures and one field house. More two-room and single-room structures have been found in the vicinity of Deer Basin and Partnership Tank, several with line-of-site connections to previously surveyed sites. In the six years spent surveying in the vicinity of Sycamore Canyon, 165 new sites have been discovered, mapped and logged.

Websites Which May Be Of Interest:

Festival of Native American Culture: http://

www.festivalofnativeamericancult ure.org

Conference on Archaeoastronomy of the American Southwest:

http://www.caasw.org

Chapter Website:

http://www.azarchsoc.org/

verdevalleychapter.html

Chapter Online Bookstore on Amazon:

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

— Louise Fitzgerald

Yavapai Chapter



At the Feb. 19 meeting, the presentation by agroecologist Dr. Tim Crews of Prescott College reminded us how other fields of research can shed light on important questions in archaeology. Titled Farming on Sunlight: Agroecological Strategies of Prehistoric Farmers in the Arid Southwest, his fascinating talk compared today's fossil-fuel dependent agricultural methods with traditional methods, focusing on which strategies provide the most efficient use of energy.

The Feb.28th field trip will be to Tuzigoot National Monument, near Clarkdale. Led by NPS archaeologist Matt Guebard, participants will tour the main ruin, view some of the recovered artifacts, and gain insight into the reconstruction of the pueblo.

For Archaeology Month, AAS members and the interested public are invited to attend a lecture jointly sponsored by the Yavapai AAS chapter and the Smoki Museum. NAU geology professor Ted Bunch will present *Aspects of the Black Mat Theory* in the afternoon on March 28 in the Pueblo of the Smoki Museum.

Also on March 28, Dr. Sandra Lynch, curator of Sharlot Hall Museum, will conduct her popular behind-the-scenes tour of the museum's archived artifacts. Tours will be at 10 am, 11 am and 12:45 pm. Because of the

increasingly cramped quarters in the museum basement, reservations are required. Contact Fred Kraps, fkraps@mac.com 928-776-9085 to save your spot.

Please note: regular chapter activities in March are suspended for Archaeology Month. That is, there will be no meeting March 19 and no field trip March 28.

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— Susan Jones

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Join environmental anthropologist Colleen O'Brien for a lecture introducing and describing many of the foods eaten by Native American and other desert populations. Methods for gathering, preparing and storing these foods will also be discussed, as will changes in wild food knowledge and diet, including some of the current effects of delocalization of food on regional health issues. This event is FREE, and everyone is welcome!

March 14-15, 10 am-3 pm, PGM, Phoenix – *Archaeology Expo and Ancient Technology Day*. Free. PGM will be hosting the 2009 Arizona Archaeology Expo as part of the 26th Annual Arizona Archaeology and Heritage Awareness Month put on by Arizona State Park's State and Historic Preservation Office. Learn why it is important to preserve archaeological and historic sites. Discover what it is archaeologists, historians, native tribes and cultural centers do to preserve, understand and present Arizona's past. The event will feature archaeological hands-on activities, craft and ancient technology demonstrations, tours, lectures and much more for all ages and interests. Don't forget to purchase some fry bread, an Arizona favorite.

March 20, 3:30-5:00 pm, SHESC, Tempe, Colloquium: *The Collective Logic of Pre-Modern Urbanism* by Richard Blanton, professor of anthropology at Purdue University. Blanton appears as part of the School of Human Evolution and Social Change's Late Lessons from Early History lecture series.

March 25, 7 pm, AIA, Tempe – Lecture: *The Classical Greek Theatre: Architecture, Performance, Cult,* by Hans Goette, German Archaeological Institute (Kress Lecture).

April 1, 7:30-9:00 pm, PGMA, Phoenix - Lecture: *Mesoamerica and Hohokam Symbolism, Public Architecture, and Ideology* by Paul Fish, Curator for the Arizona State Museum and Professor for the Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona. This lecture is free and open to the public.

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