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# AAS 2017 ANNUAL MEETING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017 PUEBLO GRANDE MUSEUM COMMUNITY ROOM, PHOENIX, AZ 10:30 am to 4:00 pm

Chapter Directors and AAS members come and join us on Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> when the 2017 AAS Avocational Award will be presented to Yavapai Chapter member Betty Higgins. Betty has truly earned this honor and is worthy of your applause.

Some highlights of the meeting will be the Chapter Directors Meeting (usually held on the prior Friday evening) and the general business meeting plus the election of the 2018 State Executive Officers. Nominations from the floor will be accepted. Lunch will be provided at no charge for all attendees (see the reservation form on page 2).

Following lunch, Matthew Behrend from the Arizona State Land Department's Phoenix Office will review the visitation requirements for archaeological and historical sites on state and state trust lands, followed by a Q and A session. The State Executive Board is fully aware of all of our chapters' concerns pertaining to visitation; hopefully everyone will have full clarification of today's requirements after this session has concluded.

The State Executive Board sincerely hopes that most of our chapter directors and members will attend this year's meeting. The agenda has yet to be completed so watch your email for further updates

--Glenda Simmons

#### WELCOME TO THREE NEW STATE ADVISORS

Peter Pilles, Arleyn Simon, and David Wilcox have all graciously agreed to join Joan Clark as advisors for the AAS State Board and we offer them a sincere welcome. (Allen Dart is also an advisor for Certification and Education.)



Peter Pilles received his BA degree from ASU in 1967, worked at Pueblo Grande Museum from 1965-57, and at the Museum of Northern Arizona University from 1967 until he became Forest Archaeologist for the Coconino National Forest, his present position. He has presented over 80 papers and authored 50 publications. Peter has been an advisor for the Verde Valley Chapter for many years and has taught courses in cultural resource management, archaeological law enforcement, and rock art conservation and management. He has received many awards for his public archaeological work, including the first AAS Professional Archaeologist of the Year Award in 2006 in recognition of his contributions to the AAS.

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# Coconino National Forest Volunteer Receives 2017 Governor's Award for Avocational Archaeology

Sedona resident Dr. Ronald Krug received the 2017 Governor's Archaeology Advisory Committee's Award in Public Archaeology in Avocational Archaeology at the Arizona Historic Preservation Conference on June 16<sup>th</sup> in Oro Valley, AZ.

Dr. Krug has volunteered for the Coconino National Forest and has been an Arizona Site Steward for over 15 years. Dr. Krug served as chair of the Dept. of Psychiatry, College of Medicine, at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center and is now an emeritus professor there. He moved to Sedona in 1996 and joined the AAS, initiating years of contributions to volunteer archaeology

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#### ...More on New State Advisors...



Dr. Simon is an Assoc. Research Professor in ASU's School of Human Evolution and Social Change and directs the activities of ASU's Archaeological Research Institute (ARI), which includes collection management and research projects. She received her PhD from ASU in 1988, was Project Director for the ASU Office of Cultural Research Management's Roosevelt Platform Mound Project from 1989 to 1995, and has worked with the collections at ARI since then. She also worked on the South Mountain Petroglyph Project. Recent publications include two papers on ASU's Perry Mesa Project.



Dr. Wilcox received his PhD from the University of Arizona in 1977 and joined the Museum of Northern Arizona in 1984. He became a Curator in 1985 and head of the Anthropology Dept. in 1988. In August 2006 he stepped down as head and was appointed a Senior Research Anthropologist. He retired in 2010 and calls himself an "itinerant scholar." He is also a Research Associate at the Arizona State Museum. He has published 11 monographs and over 65 articles or book-chapters and is still writing. He has been an advisor to the Verde Valley Chapter since at least 2007 and a frequent speaker for several AAS chapters as well as at the State Meetings. In 2008 the AAS named him the Professional Archaeologist of the Year in recognition of his contributions to the AAS.

--Ellie Large

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## ... More on 2017 GAAC Award for Avocational Archaeology...

programs and projects. His primary interest has been documenting and mapping the distribution of projectile points found on the Coconino National Forest, creating a database that can be used by future researchers. This work led to the development of a systematic typology of projectile point styles and materials in collaboration with archaeologists Michael Lyndon, Kaibab National Forest; Dr. John Whittaker, Grinnell College; and Peter Pilles, Coconino National Forest. By early 2017, he had catalogued and documented almost 5,000 projectile points. He purchased a new computer and learned how to use Geographic Information System technology to analyze their distribution patterns, ensuring this information is archived and available to future researchers. He has written several reports and given presentations at professional meetings that summarize the results of his research.



Much of the Coconino National Forest material is from large collections of illegally obtained material either received through law enforcement operations or turned in by collectors. A component of Dr. Krug's work has been public education, outlining why collecting artifacts from the ground surface is not a harmless activity and why collecting artifacts on public lands is illegal and has many negative ramifications, including an impact on future research. Dr. Krug has also conducted extensive volunteer surveys in the Mogollon Rim District of the Coconino National Forest where he is an Arizona Site Steward for the Chavez Pass area. He has surveyed and recorded over 275 archaeological sites in the Jacks Canyon and Sunset Pass areas.

--submitted by Nancy Bihler, Verde Valley Chapter

#### REGISTRATION FOR STATE MEETING

October 28, 2017, 10:30 am – 4 pm Pueblo Grande Museum 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix, Az.

There is no reg	istration fee;	a free Mexica	n buffet	lunch is	included	with atter	ndance,	however,	a total l	head
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Please send this form to: Sandy Gauthier, P.O. Box 11	105 Mayer AZ 86333-1105 by October 15 2017

#### **CHAPTER NEWS**

## **Agave House Chapter**



<u>May Meeting</u>: The speaker for our May meeting was John Ruskamp, who presented updated information on his theory that some petroglyphs found in the Americas were written by or inspired by Chinese explorers. As of this date 115 glyphs have been confirmed by authorities such as National Park Service personnel, Native leaders and multiple recognized experts on ancient Chinese writing. It is exciting to be getting cutting-edge information on a new field of study.

<u>June Meeting</u>: The speaker for our June meeting was Jerry Snow, who presented **Sun, Moon and Stars in Pueblo and Navajo Culture.** Very interesting!

<u>July Meeting</u>: The speaker for our July meeting was our very own Miles Gilbert, who spoke on *The Apache War of 1881-1882*. A delightful talk as always.

President Richard Gonsalves and members Ralf & Gloria Kurzhals entered their antique autos – Model A sedan (Richard) and Model T Ford truck (Ralf) in the Annual Pioneer Days on July 22, 2017 in Snowflake Az.



Richard Gonsalves



Antique in the Parade



Ralf & Gloria Kurzhals

--Era Harris

## **Desert Foothills Chapter**



September Meeting: Todd W. Bostwick, PhD, RPA, will present *Interpreting the Nazca Lines: Enigmatic Images of the Peruvian Desert*. The mysterious lines and figures sketched onto the desert floor of southern Peru have long intrigued archaeologists and explorers. This talk provides a detailed examination of the culture which created the geoglyphs, shows aerial photographs of the more famous geoglyphs, and discusses the various researchers who worked in Nazca and the results of their studies. Studies demonstrated that the Nazca people developed an ingenious underground water system that allowed them to survive in the harsh desert environment, and excavations revealed a ceramic tradition that incorporated colorful and bizarre scenes painted on their vessels.

This is the first meeting of the new activities year. During the summer a change was made to the DFC website: just below the "Upcoming Events" section on the DFC page is a short slide show featuring trips or activities as a pictorial synopsis from the prior year (2016-2017). This will enable people pondering upcoming activities to see folks enjoying other places visited or the people that attended these activities. We stress "short" because it is an annual synopsis and not intended to replace the slide shows often shown before each regular meeting during the year, which are far more extensive and specific. This slide show takes advantage of a new feature added to Wild Apricot software a while ago (I finally had time to work with it).

<u>Chapter Web News</u>: The AAS website <u>www.azarchsoc.wildapricot.org</u> features a "Members-Only" page. Instructions for access to this section are on the AAS Home Page and DFC Chapter Page. Please investigate the

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features only available to members and not the general public. The chapter website is the best place to check for DFC Chapter news and updates: <a href="www.azarchsoc.wildapricot.org/desertfoothills">www.azarchsoc.wildapricot.org/desertfoothills</a>. If you are gone for the summer, taking a vacation, or unable to attend meetings this is an excellent information source. Please drop by and look at the new slide show added just below "Upcoming Events" featuring the prior year's activities.

<u>Classes</u>, <u>Workshops</u>, <u>and Expanded Field Trips</u>: Mary Kearney is the primary contact for classes and workshops (<u>maryk92@aol.com</u>) and the only place to sign up or get more information. Remember classes and workshops are open to AAS members only and DFC members have priority. There is "no" registration on the day of the activity and "no" preregistration for any activity before its formal announcement.

#### **Proposed Events (Watch for formal notifications):**

Note: All of the proposed events listed below are currently evolving; more information will be available in future Petroglyphs, DFC e-blasts, and on the Desert Foothills website as they reach fruition over the next few weeks. Updates on speakers and classes are always available on our chapter page: <a href="https://www.azarchsoc.wildapricot.org/desertfoothills">www.azarchsoc.wildapricot.org/desertfoothills</a>.

- Oct. 14: Join us as we transform a Yucca leaf into cordage. In this all-day workshop, you learn how to process a whole Yucca leaf to extract the fibers and spin 2-ply cordage using hand-thigh-spinning techniques. Limited to 12 members.
- Oct. 25: Evening. Beginning basket-making class. Limited to 12 members.
- Oct. 19/20: We are planning a 2-day trip to the Petrified Forest with Dr. Arron Wright. Limited to 10 members.
- Nov. 25: A 1-day class on making shell ornaments. This is a hands-on participation type of class. Limited to 12 members.
- Dec. 13: The DFC annual Holiday Party. Our wonderful Joan Young and team are putting together another great party.

More later...

--Roger Kearney

## **Homolovi Chapter**

We had an informative and interesting summer, beginning with presentations on pottery (White Mountain Redware and Beyond by Gloria Kurzhals) and the prehistory of the area (From Rock Art Ranch to Homol'ovi: 13,000 Years of Migration in the Middle Little Colorado River Valley by E. Charles Adams - see photo by Sky Roshay at right.)

We did not meet in August because the date was too close to the Pecos Conference, which several of our members attended, along with members of the Agave House Chapter and other friends, with interesting talks, a good band, and better weather (i.e., less rain) than last year.





We also enjoyed Suvoyuki Day at Homolovi State Park, the annual event co-sponsored by the Park and the Hopi Tribe, where we feasted on pit-roasted corn, watched Hopi Dancers (see photo by Sky Roshay at left), admired Hopi arts and crafts and listened to several presentations, including an extremely interesting one by Eric Polingyouma on his research into Hopi migration routes.

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<u>September</u>: Our September meeting features Evelyn Fredericks, with a talk on contemporary Hopi Lifeways, focusing on the arts and their future.

Our regular meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at the Winslow Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center (Historic Lorenzo Hubbell Trading Post), 523 W. Second St in Winslow. You can also join us and the speaker(s) for dinner at 5 pm at the Historic La Posada Turquoise Room (on your own tab).

--Sky Roshay



2017 Pecos Conference Attendees Photo by Dennis Roshay

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## **Little Colorado River Chapter**

<u>September Meeting</u>: Our first meeting of the fall will be on Sept. 18. We are working to confirm Dr. Jaime Awe from Northern Arizona University. My husband and I had the great pleasure to meet with Dr. Awe in Belize in May of this year. Each summer Dr. Awe travels to Belize and continues his research on numerous Mayan Ruins such as Cahal Pech, Xunantunich, Caracol and many others. These ruins were ancient Mayan cities with populations up to 150,000 people. We are hoping to hear about his latest travels and findings.

Dr. Jaime Awe was born in San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District of Belize. A graduate of St. John's Junior College in Belize City, he was awarded a Bachelor's Degree with Honors, and a Master's Degree in Anthropology at Trent University in Ontario, Canada. In 1992 he completed a Ph.D. in Archaeology at the University of London, England. He has published numerous articles in various books, journals, and magazines, and his research has been featured in Several national and international television documentaries.

August Meeting. At our August meeting on Aug. 21 our presentation consisted of the showing *The Cave Of Forgotten Dreams*. This film is a documentary on the Chauvet Cave in France, home of the most ancient visual art known to have been created by man. We had a wonderful turnout of 33 viewers - one of our biggest events. For over 20,000 years, Chauvet Cave had been completely sealed off by a fallen rock face, its crystal-encrusted interior as large as a football field and strewn with the petrified remains of giant ice age mammals. In 1994, scientists discovered the caverns, and found hundreds of pristine paintings within: spectacular artwork dang back over 30,000 years (almost twice as old as any previous finds) to a time when Neanderthals still roamed the earth and cave bears, mammoths, and ice age lions were the dominant populations of Europe. Since then, only a handful of specialists have set foot in the cave, and the true scope of its contents had largely gone unfelt - until Werner Herzog managed to gain access. Filming in 3D, Herzog captured the wonder and beauty of one of the most awe-inspiring sites on earth, all the while musing in his inimitable fashion about its original inhabitants, the birth of art, and the curious people surrounding the caves today.

Chapter meetings are held at the Udall-Johnson room of the Springerville Heritage Center in Springerville. If you have any questions regarding this month's event, please contact Beverly Dishong-Smith, Secretary, at 520-730-1871 or bev.redsun@gmail.com. Meet the speaker at Safire's at 5 pm (dinner on your own); the General Membership Meeting starts at 6:30 pm; the presentation starts at 7:00 pm.

--Bev Dishong-Smith



## **Phoenix Chapter**

<u>Fall Meetings</u>: Our chapter meetings resume on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> with a talk by Steve Swanson, Cultural Resources Director, and Andrew Vorsanger, Archaeologist, from the Environmental Planning Group (EPG), on *Footprints* 

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of the Ancestors: A 1,000-Year-Old Hohokam Trackway in the La Plaza Site, Tempe, Arizona. In 2016, archaeologists with EPG conducted excavations at a portion of the La Plaza site near the ASU campus in Tempe, Arizona, for a HUD-funded veterans' housing project. La Plaza is the largest and most significant prehistoric resource known to exist in Tempe, with many human remains and other objects of cultural significance having been located throughout the expansive site. Exposures near a large canal revealed a short prehistoric trackway segment associated with the Hohokam archaeological culture, ancestral to the O'odham people and dating to approximately AD 1000. They will describe the techniques leading to its discovery and successful excavation and the prehistoric context of features surrounding the trackway, as well as its placement in the immense La Plaza site. They will also discuss the collaboration of multiple stakeholders to ensure preservation and public interpretation of the trackway, and the methods that were used to preserve and successfully extract the trackway intact for subsequent display. Preservation of the prehistoric trackway was a lucky combination of natural processes burying the trackway and subsequent urban development sealing the trackway until excavation in 2016. The trackway provides a visual and tactile link to past residents of Arizona.

<u>Upcoming State Meeting at PGM</u>: We will be having a Silent Auction at the upcoming State Meeting on Oct. 28th at PGM. Please bring any items you wish to donate to our September or October meetings.

#### Summer Activities:

Several chapter members visited the <u>Goat Camp Ruin</u> on the next-to-the-last day of the spring season's excavations in Payson on June 10. It was a beautiful day and we learned about the history of the excavations from Scott Wood and Marie Britton as well as some of the field crew.

Several members traveled to Rowe, N.M., to attend the <u>2017 Pecos Conference</u> on Aug. 11-12. It was held as usual in a large tent in the National Forest outside Rowe, south of the Pecos National Monument. It only rained once, late on Friday afternoon, and was dry by the next morning. There were many interesting talks, especially by the students who were vying for the Cordell-Powers Prize.

<u>Upcoming Hikes:</u> Eric Feldman and Phyllis Smith have been working on getting permission to visit several interesting archaeological and/or petroglyph sites when the weather cools, including another trip to the Picacho Point Petroglyph Site for those who missed the first hike.

#### Fall Meeting Schedule:

- Oct. 10: Aaron Wright, ASW, Bouse Site
- Nov. 14: Steve Hoza, SRPMIC, Arizona's Greatest Battle. The Battle of Maricopa Wells between the O'odham and their Piipaash allies against the Mohaves is believed to have been the largest battle ever fought in Arizona. Replicas of the weapons used by both groups will be available for viewing and handling.
- Dec. 12: Matt Guebard, NPS, Tuzigoot and Montezuma Castle

The Phoenix Chapter meets at 7 pm on the **2nd Tuesday** of each month in the Community Room at the Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix. We will take the speaker to dinner at 5:30 pm at the Ruby Tuesday Restaurant on 44th Street and Washington just northwest of the museum. If you are interested in having dinner with the speaker, please call or email Marie (480-827-8070 or mbrit@cox.net) so that she can reserve a large enough table.

--Ellie Large



## **Rim Country Chapter**

<u>September Meeting</u>: The Rim Country chapter fall season begins on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>. After the long hot summer we are ready to inaugurate our fall speaker line-up with Jerry Ehrhardt, who will present *Historic Indian Trails of the Verde Valley and the General Crook Trail*. Jerry is a Mechanical Engineer who was an apprentice Machinist with the Army's Harry Diamond Research Laboratories in Maryland. He was a civilian project engineer of

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gas turbine engines for the U.S. Navy, Naval Sea Systems Command in Washington, D.C. and later became a program manager in the Landing Craft, Air Cushion (Hovercraft) Program.

Since retiring and moving to Sedona in 1996, he joined the Verde Valley Chapter and has been a member for 20 years. He has been certified by AAS in Field Study Techniques, prehistoric pottery fabrication, and archaeological excavation, Field Crew 1 and 2. In 2001, he organized and initiated, with Peter Pilles and Dr. David Wilcox, an archaeological survey program with our chapter members to find unknown archaeological sites in the greater Verde Valley. He received the 2007 Governor's Archaeology Advisory Commission's Award for Avocational Archaeologist.

We meet at 10 am on the third Saturday of the month at the Church of the Holy Nativity Fellowship Hall, 1414 N. Easy St,. in Payson. Please come and bring your friends.

--Evelyn Christian

#### San Tan Chapter

September Meeting: Our Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> speaker will be Dr. Chuck Adams, Curator of Archaeology at the Arizona State Museum, who will talk on *From Rock Art Ranch to Homol'ovi: 13,000 Years of Migration in the Middle Little Colorado River Valley*. Six years of research on Rock Art Ranch near Winslow by ASM archaeologists has documented human use going back to Clovis times. The ranch was also a focus of intensive hunting, gathering, and small-scale agriculture during the Basketmaker II period from 1000 BCE to 500 CE. During the AD 1200s, Mogollon groups from the south built numerous small pueblos throughout the region and later joined Pueblo groups from the north to build and occupy the large Homol'ovi pueblos along the Little Colorado River. Evidence of this lengthy use is etched in the walls of Chevelon Canyon. This talk traces this fascinating history of population movement that truly made the area a cultural crossroads.

Since 1985, Dr. E. Charles (Chuck) Adams has been Curator of Archaeology at ASM and a Professor in the-School of Anthropology, University of Arizona. Since arriving at UA, he has directed the Homol'ovi Research Program for ASM, which involved extensive survey and excavation of numerous Homol'ovi pueblos in Homolovi State Park. Since 2011, the HRP has conducted survey and excavations on and near Rock Art Ranch, 25 miles southeast of Winslow, with work wrapping up there this summer.

There is a big possibility that we will schedule a field trip to Rock Art Ranch. I have gotten a commitment from Darlene Brinkerhoff to lead our group through the Ranch to show us the most interesting areas. More details will be available at the Sept 13th meeting.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**:

Oct. 11th: Huge Grinnell, AZ Humanities speaker, will talk about *The Explorations of George Bird Grinnell, The Father of Glacier National Park*.

Nov. 8th: Jared Smith, Director of the Tempe Historical Museum, will talk about *New Data on Historic Tempe*.

Dec. 13th: Steve Hoza, Curator of the HuHugam Ki Museum, will talk about the book *Massacre on the Gila: an Account of the Last Major Battle Between American Indians with Reflections on the Origin of War*.

I hope to see more of our members out this coming fall with this great lineup of speakers. Remember we always take our speakers to dinner prior to the meeting at Serrano's Mexican Food restaurant just up the street on Old Ellsworth Rd. Contact Marie Britton if you'd like to attend the dinner so we can make reservations.

The San Tan Chapter meetings are held at the San Tan Historical Society Museum at 20425 S Old Ellsworth Rd in Queen Creek (on the corners of Queen Creek Rd and Ellsworth Loop Rd.) Parking is behind the museum. Go east on Queen Creek road and another sharp right into the rear parking lot. Presentations start at 7 pm. Dinner with the speaker is at 5:30 pm prior to the meeting. For more information, contact Marie Britton at 480-390-3491 mbrit@cox.net or Earla Cochran at 489-655-6733

-- Marie Britton

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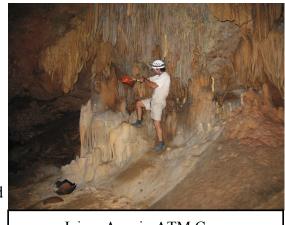
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## **Verde Valley Chapter**

<u>September Meeting</u>: Our next monthly meeting will be held at 7 pm on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> in the Community Room at the Sedona public Library, 3250 White Bear Road, Sedona. We are extremely fortunate to have Dr. Jaime J. Awe as our evening's speaker who will present: *Let's Talk of Graves, Eccentrics and Epitaphs: The Socio-Political Implications of Recent Discoveries at Xunantunich, Belize.* 

Ongoing investigations and conservation efforts by a joint Belize Valley Archaeological Reconnaissance and Belize Institute of Archaeology Project at Xunantunich have resulted in several significant discoveries at this major western Belize site. In addition to a large royal tomb, caches of eccentric flints, and graffito, the finds include two hieroglyphic panels that implicate four royal courts of the Classic period, among them that of the Snakehead kings. The discoveries also serve to demonstrate that, in spite of being the focus of explorations for more than a century, Xunantunich continues to provide us with intriguing new information on the significant roles played by Belize valley polities in the socio-political landscape of the Late Classic Maya lowlands.

Jaime Awe is an Associate Professor in the Dept of Anthropology at Northern Arizona University, as well as Emeritus member of the Belize Institute of Archaeology where he served as Director from 2003 to 2014. After receiving his Ph.D. at the University of London, England, he taught in the Anthropology Departments of Trent University in Ontario, Canada, then at the Universities of New Hampshire and Montana. He joined the faculty at NAU in 2014. During his extensive career in archaeology, Dr. Awe has conducted important research and conservation work at most of the major sites in Belize (including Altun Ha, Baking Pot, Cahal Pech, Caracol, Cerros, Lamanai, Lubaantun, and Xunantunich, and at Actun Tunichil Muknal, Chechem Ha, and Barton Creek Caves). He has also published numerous articles in various books, journals, and magazines, his research has been featured in several



Jaime Awe in ATM Cave

national and international television documentaries, and he was a major collaborator on the Maya: Hidden World's Revealed exhibition project that is presently being featured in several museums across the U.S.

Whether you are a novice or professional, the Verde Valley Chapter welcomes everyone with an interest in archaeology and anthropology. Please join us this month for this fascinating program. Admission is free. For additional information or questions, contact Nancy Bihler at 928-203-5822, or check our website: www.azarchsoc.org/VerdeValley.

-- Nancy Bihler



## Yavapai Chapter



Avocational Archaeologist for 2017: Yavapai Chapter's Betty Higgins has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the Avocational Archaeologist award. Congratulations to Betty for this well-deserved recognition of her many years of good work. (See photo at left.)

<u>September Meeting:</u>: July and August flew by and it's back to work once again. I hope we will see all of you at our first meeting of the fall at 6:30 pm on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> in the Pueblo of the Smoki Museum. Our speaker will be Dennis Gilpin, whose topic is *The Cavates of Cosmos Mindeleff: Smithsonian Architects Victor and* 

Cosmos Mindeleff and the Study of Pueblo Architecture, 1881-1900. Gilpin easily gets the 2017 award for most daunting title for his talk. It looks to be an extremely interesting account of what led up to the publication

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in 1891 of Victor Mindeleff's famous book, *A Study of Pueblo Architecture in Tusayan and Cibola* (that is, Hopi and Zuni). "One of the sites he documented today bears his name: the Mindeleff Cavate Site, on the east side of the Verde River across from Beasley Flat, which contains approximately 250 rooms in approximately 110 suites. The use of the Cosmos Mindeleff maps of the Mindeleff Cavate Site in the 1990s by Susan Hall and Peter Pilles to glean new information about the lives of ancient peoples of the Verde Valley exemplifies the powerful legacy of the Brothers Mindeleff." (This is a quote, but don't know exactly who is being quoted! SK?)

<u>Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> Fall Picnic:</u> It was a stormy night in Prescott, but our gracious hosts, Sandra and Leonard Hennigan, opened their beautiful home to us for our fall picnic. Nearly 40 members attended including the 2017 recipient of the Avocational Archaeologist Award, Betty Higgins. At the June membership meeting, Betty fell and did serious damage to her wrist and shoulder and was taken to the emergency room before we had an opportunity to formally congratulate her. It was good to see her recovered and active once again. The food was excellent -lots of casseroles, salads, and desserts - that provided fuel for lively conversation and the usual camaraderie. (Thanks to Eileen Chalfoun for this report.)

<u>Field Trips:</u> Warner Wise made arrangements for us to visit The National Park Service Museum Collection at the South Rim of the Grand Canyon. So many wanted to participate that we were scheduled over two days, June 23 and 24 because only 14 people are allowed in the facility at one time. Although open to the public, it is a research facility with items stored in flat files and cabinets rather than glass cases as in most museums. Our tour guide was Colleen Hyde (Sounds like the first line of a limerick!) who introduced us to highlights of the 1.5 million objects in the collection. If you would like to know more about the collection and facility, go to: <a href="https://www.nps.gov/grca/learn/historyculture/muscol.htm">https://www.nps.gov/grca/learn/historyculture/muscol.htm</a>



Photo on left: Split twig animal from the Museum Collection.

Photo by Eileen Chalfoun.

Photo on right: Pottery from the Museum Collection.

Photo by Eileen Chalfoun



<u>Scheduled Trips:</u> As of this posting, we do not have a September field trip. If we do have one, it will be announced at the September membership meeting.

Flo Reynolds has another blockbuster trip scheduled for the first week in October. The trip is already fully booked with 43 participants, but there are occasional cancellations if you are interested. We are going to Blanding, Utah where we will visit sites in Montezuma Canyon, Butler Wash and North Mule Canyon as well as the Edge of the Cedars.

As reported in the Aug. 17 YCAAS News, another October field trip is also available to members. This one is not YCAAS-sponsored, but may be of interest to some of you. The Prescott-Caborca Sister City Committee has a trip scheduled for Oct. 20-23 to archaeological sites near Caborca, Mexico. To participate or get additional information, refer to the YCAAS News or contact Susan Jones at 928-499-4389.

<u>Photo Gallery and Website</u>: Marilyn McCarthy has been our featured photographer over the summer hiatus. Her photos echoed the beauty of this area through landscapes, flowers, and animals. Thank you, Marilyn!! The new exhibit will open on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> and will feature photos by Eileen Chalfoun of archaeological sites in Sicily and southern Italy. The website address is: azarchsoc.org/Yavapai

-- Charles Stroh

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS**

- AAHS Az Arch & Hist Soc., Tucson; UA's Duval Auditorium, 1500 N Campbell Blvd, Tucson; www.az-arch-and-hist.org.
- AIA AIA Central Arizona Society, www.aiacentralarizonasociety.wordpress.com
- AzMNH Arizona Museum of Natural History, 53 N. Macdonald, Mesa; arizonamuseumofnaturalhistory.org; 480-644-2230
- HSP Homolovi State Park, AZ-87, Winslow; www.azstateparks.com/homolovi; 928-289-4106
- MOW Museum of the West, 3830 N. Marshall Way, Scottsdale; scottsdalemuseumwest.org; 480-686-9539
- PGM Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix; www.pueblogrande.com; 602-495-0901
- OPAC Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, 2201 W. 44th Street, Tucson; www.oldpueblo.org; 520-798-1201
- RRSP Red Rock State Park, 4050 Red Rock Loop Rd, Sedona; azstateparks.com/red-rock; 928-282-6907
- Smoki Museum, 147 N Arizona Ave, Prescott; smokimuseum.org; 928-445-1230
- VVAC Verde Valley Arch'l Center, 385 S. Main Street, Camp Verde; www.verdevalleyarchaeology.org; 928-567-0066
- Sept. 1, 2, 3, VVAC, Camp Verde, *Oak Creek Field Seminars*: VVAC offers guided hiking seminars exploring a variety of fun and compelling subjects on the archaeology of the area. Led by expert interpreters, custom and scheduled educational field seminars are available. Information and reservations at www.vvarchcenter.org/fieldseminars.
- Sept. 2, 10 am noon, PGM, Phoenix, Special Event: *Teacher Open House*. Free preview of PGM's educational tours and outreach programs. Includes an intro to the Pueblo Grande archaeological site, an indoor tour of the galleries, and the school tours activity classroom. Registration required; register online at pueblogrande.com to reserve a seat. Complimentary coffee and a light breakfast will be provided. Teachers will also have the opportunity to book their field trips that day, days before the public opening date for booking tours!
- Sept. 2, 3-6 pm, Town of Marana, Presentation and Archaeological Site Tour: *Archaeological Investigations in Marana's Crossroads at Silverbell District Park*, by Allen Dart. In the Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr. Library Community Room, 7800 N. Schisler Dr., Marana, Arizona. The Yuma Wash Hohokam village site and the Bojórquez-Aguirre Ranch historic archaeological site are in the Crossroads at Silverbell District Park near the Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr. Library. Fee and registration info to be announced.
- Sept. 3, Noon 5 pm, AzMNH, Mesa, Special Event: *Free Sunday*! Museum will open at noon, admission is free! Sept. 14, 6 pm, AIA, Mesa, Lecture: *Looking Beyond the Temples: Exploring the Residences of the Ancient Angkorians*, by Allison Carter, Univ. of Oregon. In the Benedictine University Community Room, 225 E. Main Street, Mesa. Free and Open to the Public. Sept. 15, Noon -1 pm, PGM, Phoenix, Brown-Bag Lecture: *Macaw Feathers and Chocolate in the Desert: Trade Routes Between the Maya and the Southwest* by Dr. Sharonah Fredrick, author and scholar. Free and open to the public.
- Sept. 15-16, 11 am 4 pm, ASM, Tucson, *Used Book Sale*. Mark your calendars for this not to be missed event. Hundreds of books under \$5.00 including but not limited to archaeology and anthropology. Proceeds benefit the ASM Library
- Sept. 16, 9 am, Smoki Museum, Prescott: *Annual Fall Navajo Rug and Indian Art Auction*. Preview 9 -11 am. Auction starts promptly at noon. 300 historic and contemporary Navajo weavings and 100 pieces of authentic Indian art will be up for auction at the best prices in the Southwest.
- Sept. 16, 9:30 am, Museum of the West, Scottsdale, New Exhibit: *Canvas of Clay: Hopi Pottery Masterworks from The Allan and Judith Cooke Collection*. Admission: Adults: \$13, Seniors (65+) and Active Military: \$11.
- Sept. 18, 7:30 pm, AAHS, Tucson, Talk: *Zuni Heritage And Cultural Landscape Documentation Through Film: Zuni And The Grand Canyon* by Kurt Dongoske. This presentation looks at the nature of interaction amongst and between Native Californians and colonists during the Mission period in the Los Angeles Basin to better understand the creation and sustaining of communities.
- Sept. 21, 6 8:30 pm, OPAC, Tucson, Dinner and Talk: *Hohokam/Patayan to O'odham/Yuman: The Cultural Landscape of the Lower Gila River* by archaeologist Aaron M. Wright at Karichimaka Mexican Restaurant, 5252 S. Mission Rd., Tucson. Free admission; order your own dinner from the restaurant's menu.
- Sept. 22, 8 am Noon, OPAC, Tucson, Tour: *Autumn Equinox Tour of Los Morteros and Picture Rocks Petroglyphs Archaeological Sites* with Allen Dart. Departs from ne corner of Silverbell Road & Linda Vista Blvd. in Marana, Arizona. \$20 (\$16 for OPAC/PGMA members). Limited to 32; reservations and prepayment required by 5 pm Sept. 20.
- Sept. 23, 9 am 4:45 pm, PGM, Phoenix, Special Event: *Smithsonian Magazine's Museum Day Live!* Gallery tours, artifact show and tell stations and fun prehistoric archaeology and Hohokam related crafts will be available throughout the day. For more info and to print off a ticket for two free admissions, visit <u>smithsonianmag.com/museumday</u>.

## ....More Upcoming Events....

Sept. 23 & 30, 10 am - 1 pm, HSP, Winslow, Tours: **Ranger** Guided Tour of Homolovi IV, a site that is not usually open to the public. Tours begin at the HSP Visitor Center at 10 am and are limited to 15. Call the park to reserve your spot on the tour of your choice (928) 289-4106. Fee: \$7 day use fee per car with up to 4 adults.

Sept. 29-Dec. 8, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, OPAC, Tucson, Class: *Prehistory of the Southwest: The Hohokam Culture of Southern Arizona* taught by archaeologist Allen Dart at OPAC, 2201 W. 44th Street, Tucson. Class meets each Friday evening except Nov. 24. Fee \$95 (\$80 for members of OPAC, AAS, or PGMA); does not include cost of AAS membership or AAS Certification Program registration. or cost of recommended text: The Hohokam Millennium by Paul R. Fish and Suzanne K. Fish, editors; available from Old Pueblo for \$24.95 (OPAC & PGMA members \$19.96). Reservations and payment required by 5 pm Sept. 26.

Oct. 1, 2 pm, Red Rock State Park, Sedona, Talk: *From Sun Rise to Meteor Falls: Cultural Astronomy of the Prehistor-ic Southwest* with Ken Zoll. Cost included with regular park entrance fees; seating is limited so call ahead to reserve your seats in the theater. 928-282-6907.

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9	<b>Chapter</b>	Location	Date & Time	<b>Membership</b>	g				
g	Agave House	Black Mesa Ranger Station Conf. Rm.	4 <sup>th</sup> Wed., 6:30 pm	Era Harris	g				
G		2748 Hwy. 260, Overgaard		928-713-1282	g				
G	Desert Foothills	The Good Shepherd of the Hills	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed., 7 pm	Glenda Simmons	g				
G		Community Building,	Sept. thru May	928-684-3251	G				
9		6502 E Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek			g				
G	Homolovi	Winslow Chamber of Commerce	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed., 7 pm	Karen Berggren					
G		523 W. 2nd Street, Winslow		928-607-1836					
G	Little Colorado	Casa Museum, 418 East Main	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon., 7 pm	Sheri Anderson	g				
g	River	Springerville		928-536-2375	g				
G	Northern Arizona	The Peaks "Alpine Room"	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues., 7 pm	Evelyn Billo	g				
G		3150 N. Winding Brook Road	Sept. thru Nov.,	928-526-3625	999				
G		Flagstaff	Jan. thru June		g				
G	Phoenix	Pueblo Grande Museum	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues., 7 pm	Nancy Unferth	G				
G		4619 E. Washington, Phoenix	Sept. thru May	602-371-1165	g				
G	Rim Country	Church of the Holy Nativity, The Cottage	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat., 10 am	Carolyn Walter	g				
G		1414 North Easy Street, Payson		928-474-4419	G				
G	San Tan	San Tan Historical Society Museum	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed., 7 pm	Marie Britton					
G		Ellsworth & Queen Creek Roads	Sept. thru May	480-827-8070	g				
G		Queen Creek			99				
G	Verde Valley	Sedona Public Library	4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs., 7 pm,	Terrilyn Green	G				
G		3250 White Bear Road	Sept. thru May	928-567-7116	g				
G		Sedona	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 7 pm,		G				
G			Nov and Dec.		g				
ā	Yavapai	Pueblo of the Smoki Museum	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 pm	Debra Comeau	G				
G		147 North Arizona St., Prescott	Sept. thru Nov.	928-237-5120	G				
G			Jan. thru June.		G				
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- To aid in the conservation and preservation of scientific and archaeological data and associated sites
- To serve as a bond between the professionals and the avocational non-professionals
- To increase the knowledge and improve the skill of members in the discipline of archaeology
- To participate in investigations in the field of archaeology and to put the information so obtained into published form
- To publish a journal and such monographs as the publications committee deems appropriate