

# HISATSINOM CHAPTER

## Colorado Archaeological Society

*"The Mission of the Hisatsinom Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society is to further the education, opportunities and experiences of its members, students and the general public by partnering with and serving the archaeological, avocational archaeological, and related scientific communities of the Montezuma Valley, the Four Corners area and the State of Colorado."*

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### **OCTOBER MEETING**

7pm Tuesday, October 2

Kari Schleher and Ann Ramenofsky

### **The Archaeology and History of Pueblo San Marcos, New Mexico**

San Marcos Pueblo, located at the western edge of the Galisteo Basin, is a large aggregated town that has been known to the archaeological world since Nels Nelson's preliminary field work there in the early 20th century. Beginning before and continuing through the Pueblo Revolt of 1680, San Marcos was a vital community - a hub of Puebloan economic, political, and social activity. San Marcoseños were known for their fine glaze-painted ceramics traded both within the Basin and beyond. Spaniards were familiar with San Marcos, establishing a mission there in 1630, as well as metal smelting and assaying. Finally, because the San Marcoseños were not united in the Pueblo Revolt that pushed Spaniards out of the colony, factions may have been present in the community.

In this lecture, Schleher and Ramenofsky jointly discuss some of their results from a decade of archaeological and historical research at the pueblo. Highlighted are evidence of stability and change in their settlement strategy, the glaze-paint ceramics that inform on the nature of potting communities, and protohistoric native population change.

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Ann F. Ramenofsky is a professor emerita of anthropology at the University of New Mexico. She has authored numerous articles and books, including *Vectors of Death: The Archaeology of European Contact* and the coeditor *Exploring Cause and Explanation: Historical Ecology, Demography, and Movement in the American Southwest*.

Kari L. Schleher is the laboratory manager at the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center and an adjunct assistant professor of anthropology at the University of New Mexico. She is a specialist in Puebloan ceramics, especially the Glaze-paints of the Rio Grande. She is a contributor to regional and national journals including *Journal of Archaeological Science* and *Kiva*.



Ramenofsky (L) and Schleher are co-editors of a new book from UNM Press - *The Archaeology and History of Pueblo San Marcos: Change and Stability*

(This event is part of the 2018 Four Corners Lecture Series)

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### **Upcoming Speaker**

November 6, Tuesday 7pm – TBA

### **New Members**

Tim – Mancos

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### **FOUR CORNERS LECTURE SERIES** (October events)

October 2 Tuesday, 7pm Kari Schleher and Ann Ramenofsky, – The Archaeology and History of Pueblo San Marcos, New Mexico

**First United Methodist Church, Cortez (hosted by Hisatsinom/CAS)**

October 11 Thursday, 7pm Stewart Koyiyumptewa – Traditional Cultural Properties and the Hopi Model of Cultural Preservation

**Anasazi Heritage Center**

October 30 Tuesday, 7pm Wanda Raschkow – Introduction to the Rock Art of Southeastern Utah

**Bear's Ears Education Center, Bluff (hosted by Friends of Cedar Mesa)**

**<>These presentations conclude the 2018 Four Corners Lecture Series <>**

## **2018 CAS Annual Conference – Saturday, September 22**

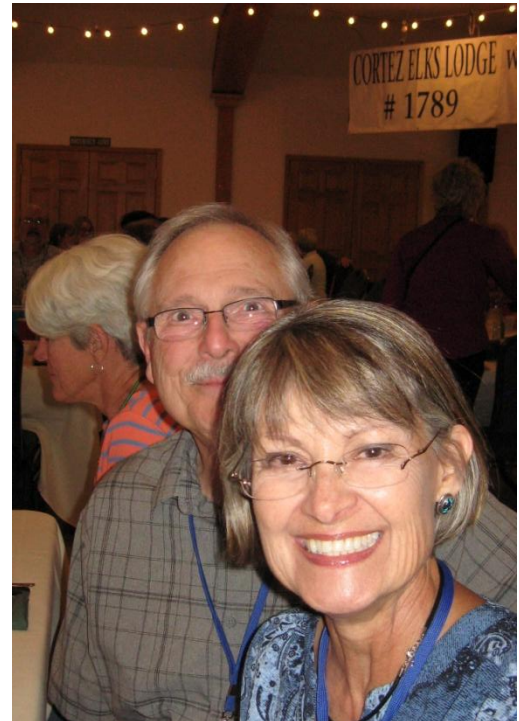
And, it's done.

From the Friday evening state board meeting and dinner at Shiloh's, thru the all-day Saturday conference with fifteen presentations and a silent auction and vendor and local archaeology group tables, to the banquet and banquet speaker, plus the Alice Hamilton Scholarship raffle winner, AND the 2018 CAS Chapter Achievement Award presentation. And a Friday afternoon field trip (Ute Mountain Tribal Park/Virginia Wolf), and three Sunday morning field trips (the Haynie site/Susan Ryan, Square Tower House, MVNP/Chris McAllister, and the UMTP/Virginia Wolf).

It took many chapter members doing many tasks for many months to make this conference successful. And it was!



**Kari Schleher, 2018 CAS Chapter Achievement Award presentee (left) and Becca Simon, assistant state archaeologist**



**Mike and Terry Woodrow, raffle winners!**





**The Haynie Site with Susan Ryan (left, background)**



**Square Tower House (at MVNP) led by Chris McAllister**

(Thank you to Read Brugger, Patricia Lacey, and Barbara Stagg for the photos that accompany this report.)





## Mitchell Springs 2018 Update



Thirty-four people (including Hisatsinom members Mary Gallagher, Karen Kinnear, and Tom & Terri Hoff) took part in the four-day Field Session at Mitchell Springs in August under the direction of Dave Dove. This year's work was focused on the eastern and southern side of Pueblo A, a 28-room two-story great house. An arc of Pueblo I surface rooms was discovered behind the previously excavated or tested Pueblo I pit structures PS 25, PS 27, and PS 28. This early pueblo extends beneath the great house and connects to another C-shaped Pueblo I pueblo that lies beneath the unusual tri-wall structure that is appended to the great house. A domestic living room in the new roomblock was found and approximately 20% was excavated. Like the PI rooms beneath and around the tri-wall, this room contains unusual green sand-filled floor features and a sipapu.



Figure 1 - Newly discovered kiva circa AD 1025

A new kiva was discovered (**see Figure 1**) on the immediate east side of Pueblo A. It dates to about AD 1025. Again, the building and rebuilding on top of older structures that has been a hallmark at the central core of Mitchell Springs is evident. The northeast corner of Pueblo A overlies an 11<sup>th</sup> century kiva, which in turn overlies a 9<sup>th</sup> century pit structure.



Additionally, a very large Mancos Corrugated jar (40 cm diameter) was found near the southern recess of a mid-eleventh century kiva that underlies the southern part of great house Pueblo A (see **Figure 2**).

(Thanks to Mary Gallagher and Dave Dove for this report and photos.)

**Figure 2 - Mancos Corrugated jar from Kiva D southern recess**



## **Chapter Private Land Survey**

The Fall survey project is underway with six outings scheduled on a 200 acre property about 20 miles northwest of Cortez. Originally homesteaded in 1911, it is on a mesa top surrounded by Canyon of the Ancients N.M. on three sides and consists of grassland on top and P-J on the steeper slopes.

This year marks ten years since the founding of the chapter survey team which started on a 360 acre property. This set the team on a mission to block survey as many private properties as possible and record all of the cultural sites encountered with the Colorado Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation. Diane and Bob McBride, Marcie Ryan, and Kim Sturm have been with the team the entire time, starting in 2008. Dr. Patricia Lacey, Dale Diede, and Nancy Evans are the next longest in service, joining the team in 2012 on a 2500 acre property which took two years to complete. Sadly, the team lost Rich Robinson this summer and all mourn his passing. Today the number of surveyors has grown to 15 making it necessary to have two teams.

During those 10 years we can be proud of our accomplishments: helping our 21 landowner clients to a better understanding of what preservation archaeology is all about, recording 287 sites on 4824 acres, and analyzing 57,823 artifacts. We've had great professional support and encouragement during our journey from Dale Davidson, Jerry Fetterman, Dr. Patricia Lacey, Dr. Scott Ortman, Dr. Kari Schleher, Dr. Mark Varien, and many others.

Thanks to all of our chapter volunteer surveyors for your loyal support, it could not have been done without you.

- *Bob McBride*



## **Hisatsinom Board Meeting Minutes**

September 11, 2018

Dave Melanson called the meeting to order at 5:35pm. Members present: Kari Schleher, Patricia Lacey, Karen Kinnear, Susan Montgomery, Nancy Evans, Larry Keller, Barbara Stagg, Sissy Pittenger, Tom Pittenger, Read Brugger, Mary Gallagher.

Membership and Treasurer's Report--Read handed out a spreadsheet with updated figures. We currently have about \$2000 more this year than last year at this time, and we should be fine to cover the Annual Meeting. The approximately \$100 invoice for picnic expenses will come in from Sissy soon. The Ballantine Grant is over in March, so we need to have expenses in order by then or get an extension for it. Barbara and Kari will discuss this. We have 97 memberships, and we have received \$125 in donations. The new CAS m365 online registration and return of monies to the local chapter, while working relatively well, is slow, often taking two months to notify us when we have a new member. Karen is working with CAS to improve the system.

CAS Annual Meeting—Susan and Karen report that the committee has done an excellent job and everything is looking good.

- As of now, 96 have registered for the conference, 29 for the Board Dinner, 81 are coming to the banquet, and 15 additional to the talk.
- 200 raffle tickets have been sold (Thanks to Kari for selling 77!), and more will be available at the meeting.
- Field trips are nearly filled up.
- Meal tickets and name tags are done.
- Programs go to the printer on Friday.
- April is doing well with the Silent Auction. Volunteers will meet with her on Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm to fill out the cards.
- Totes and swag to fill them are ready. A bag-stuffing party will meet at Karen's from 6-8 pm on Thursday.

Memorial for Richard Robinson--Linda Robinson thought that a substantial donation to Crow Canyon scholarships in Richard's name might be appropriate. After much discussion, it was decided to send \$150 to the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund and \$150 to Crow Canyon scholarships. Larry will write a note to Linda informing her of these donations.

Fall 2018 Elections—New officers needed for next year include: President, Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor. A nominating committee of Larry and Patricia reports good progress on putting together a slate of nominees.

Ethics Corner in Newsletter—Kari is proposing a routine "**Ethics Corner**" for the monthly Hisatsinom Newsletter. She envisions it as largely educational, informing and reminding people of laws and procedures that archaeologists need to know. She also thinks it will be a good opportunity for people to discuss some sensitive ethical issues. There was general agreement that this was a good idea, and Kari volunteered to write a couple of columns to get it started, and we could see how it worked.

Field Trips—We have not yet received an answer to our SRP application from BLM Utah. BLM Colorado is doing things the same way as last year, so there is no problem. Suggestions for future field trips this fall and next spring include Burro Canyon, Canyon of the Ancients Guest Ranch, and a rock art trip led by Tom Hahl. Sissy Pittenger was trying to put together another Ute Tribal Park work day on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday (**October 10-12**). Some people suggested field trips organized around a subject such as kilns, rock quarries, or historic mine sites. Another suggestion was to set up a field trip to New Mexico to visit Linda Wheelbarger's Tommy Site. Field Trip Coordinators Karen, Sissy, and Barbara will work on these suggestions.

Tom Pittenger announced that there will be a PAAC class on perishables held here the last weekend in October.

The meeting adjourned about 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Gallagher, Recording Secretary

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## P.A.A.C.

For information about the program, go to:  
<https://www.historycolorado.org/paac-event-schedule>

Or contact Tom Pittenger, chapter P.A.A.C. Coordinator: 882-2559 or [pittengerte@gmail.com](mailto:pittengerte@gmail.com)

----- To read the CAS state newsletter, **THE SURVEYOR**, go to  
[www.coloradoarchaeology.org](http://www.coloradoarchaeology.org) and click on **NEWSLETTER** -----

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## Finances

Treasurer's Report as of 8/31/2018

8/1/2018 Balance: \$5741.85  
8/31/2018 Balance: \$7394.33

Expense: \$120.52      Income: \$1773.00

Membership information is on the chapter website  
[www.coloradoarchaeology.org](http://www.coloradoarchaeology.org) click on **Chapters**, click on **Hisatsinom**

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Copy for the newsletter should reach the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.  
Submissions are welcome.

**Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the First United Methodist Church in Cortez.**

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