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## Next SJBAS Meeting – Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>

The next SJBAS meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lyceum at the Center of Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College. After a brief business meeting, Jeanne Brako, from the Center of Southwest Studies, will present: "Navajo, Pueblo and Hispanic Textiles of the Southwest: a historic summary." A social before the meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. in the CSWS foyer.

Jeanne Brako is the Curator of Collections and Public Programs at the Center of Southwest Studies

## SJBAS Meeting Report – January 11<sup>th</sup>

In attendance were about 30 members and seven students. President Janice Sheftel opened the meeting and announced that membership dues are due by the end of January. Members may access the annual membership forms on the club website, <http://www.sjbas.org/Application.pdf>. Members should complete the application form, include email addresses from all family members, and mail it to our Treasurer, Mark Gebhardt. Janice introduced new members Joel Fleming and Gary Rottman, chair of the Life-Long Learning Lecture Series, and reminded members to complete the member Interest survey. She mentioned that several slots have become available for the Helen Sloan Daniels Collection field trip to the Animas Museum on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and that planning is underway for the June 2 – 4 Uranium Mining and Milling field trip to Naturita. Interested members should make reservations at the [Rimrock Motel](#) and email Janice regarding their participation. Rusty Chamberlain announced that he has only four slots left for his May 20 – 23 field trip to Hopi Land. Peggy Morris announced that SJBAS collected over \$2,200 for the John W. Sanders Internship Fund at the holiday party silent auction and that Jenna, a CSWS intern, would be presenting her on-going work on the Carolyn Tupper Collection after the evening lecture.

After the business meeting, Janice introduced the evening's speaker, Dr. Michael Martin, presenting: "Public History as 'Speculative' History through Archaeology: Pros and Cons."

## New Logo

The Board would like to thank Nancy Leach for designing our new logo. You will notice the logo being used on various SJBAS publications. Thank you, Nancy!

## Membership Renewal

Membership renewals are due by January 31st. To renew or join SJBAS, follow this link to our [Application forms](#). Print and complete the Annual Membership Form, make your check payable to 'SJBAS,' and mail the one-page Annual Membership Form to our treasurer: Mark Gebhardt, 107 St. Andrews Circle, Durango, CO 81301. Please keep your

signed Liability Waiver and Proper Etiquette forms for your records. Donations to the John W. Sanders Internship Fund may be included.

## **Member Survey**

The SJBAS Board would like to thank the 46 members who completed the Members Interests survey. The Board looks forward to reviewing the results and sharing them with the Membership in the coming months. Your feedback and ideas are very important, much appreciated, and a big help to the Board in planning for the future.

## **Possible Three-week SJBAS Tour of Greece**

Dr. Michael Martin, the SJBAS January speaker and chair of the FLC history department, is investigating a three-week tour of Greece for a SJBAS group, including four days on Crete, with perhaps a two-week tour option, for May 2018. The student tour he organized six years ago, for ten students, was about \$6,000 per person for three weeks, but that included tuition. (With 20 people, the tour probably would cost less.) The tour would include first class hotels and most meals, but there would be free days, or parts of days, and opportunities for meals on one's own. On the mainland, the tour by bus included Athens, Delphi, and Olympia. Then Naxos (a four-hour boat ride from Athens), Santorini, Delos and Paros, with buses on each island. The tour ended back in Athens after an overnight boat ride from Crete. The tour included lots of museums and exceptional local guides. If our group wanted special places to visit, that could be arranged. Michael said the food was delicious. In May, the temperature did get up to the high 80's and in some places there were crowds, but the tour tried to visit sites where there might be tour boat people, first thing in the morning before the boats arrived. Michael is doing a preliminary investigation. Therefore, we wanted to know how many SJBAS members might be interested in joining such a tour. Your positive response to this inquiry is not a firm commitment, just a preliminary head count so we know whether it is worth proceeding. Please email [janicesheftel@gmail.com](mailto:janicesheftel@gmail.com) ASAP if you might have an interest in this tour.

## **Spring PAAC Lab and Summer PAAC Survey**

A PAAC Lab will be held this spring at the El Pueblo Museum in Pueblo. The lab will occur on Wednesday (starting late February/early March) with the chance for additional participation slots once volunteers have been trained. Volunteers will be working with two students from CSU-Pueblo who are completing an internship related to their studies in anthropology. ([Read more](#))

The PAAC Survey will return to the San Luis Valley in July to partner with the Paleocultural Research Group and others for 16 days of survey, testing, and site recording. There will be two different sessions: one from July 8–15 (arrive the afternoon of the 7<sup>th</sup>) and one from July 20-27 (arrive afternoon of the 19<sup>th</sup>). Volunteers do not need to participate for the entire session, but a 3-day minimum is requested. ([Read more](#))


## **Bears Ears National Monument Map**

Follow this link to a preliminary map of the new [Bears Ears National Monument](#). You may have to look carefully, as the monument border is shown by a light green line; lands within the line are in the new monument.

## **Center of Southwest Studies News**

Wednesday, February 15 – Museum Premier Opening of New Galleries, 4:00-6:30 p.m. Ben Nighthorse Campbell: Colorado's Renaissance Man and Treasures of the Southwest featuring the Durango Collection®. Follow this link to all the [CSWS 2017 Spring Programs](#).

## Field Trip and Activity Schedule for 2017

<b>February 2</b>	<p><b>Helen Sloan Daniels Collection presentation at Animas Museum</b></p> <p>Mona Charles, Grant Project Director at the Animas Museum, will present a special talk for SJBAS members about the Helen Sloan Daniels Collection. For more information or to sign up, contact Janice Sheftel at <a href="mailto:janicesheftel@gmail.com">janicesheftel@gmail.com</a>.</p>
<b>February 8</b>	<p><b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Jeanne Brako from the Center of Southwest Studies will present: "Navajo, Pueblo and Hispanic Textiles of the Southwest: a historic summary."</p>
<b>February 10 - 12</b>	<p><b>Exploring Cochise County, Arizona</b></p> <p>This is Gail and Marlo's popular multi-day hotel trip to Southeast Arizona. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leaders Gail and Marlo Schulz at <a href="mailto:mschulz@frontier.net">mschulz@frontier.net</a></p>
<b>March 8</b>	<p><b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Connie Massingale will present: "Provenience ~ A Sense of Origin" followed by a longer SJBAS business meeting.</p>
<b>March</b>	<p><b>Crow Canyon Archaeological Center tour (CANCELLED)</b></p> <p>This will be a day trip to tour the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center near Cortez. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leaders Jim and Rhonda at <a href="mailto:rhondaandjim@msn.com">rhondaandjim@msn.com</a>.</p>
<b>April 12</b>	<p><b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Speaker Jane Thompson will present: "The History of Uravan."</p>
<b>April 26 - 28</b>	<p><b>El Morro and El Malpais National Monuments, and Acoma Pueblo - New Mexico</b></p> <p>This is a three-day camping trip to New Mexico. The trip participation limit is 16. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leaders Lyle and Barb Hancock at <a href="mailto:lylehancock@bresnan.net">lylehancock@bresnan.net</a> or phone 970-764-4531.</p>
<b>May 6 - 7</b>	<p><b>Montezuma Canyon and Hovenweep Exploration</b></p> <p>This will be a 2-day camping or motel trip to visit Ancestral Puebloan sites in Southeast Utah. On the first day, we will visit either the main Square Tower Complex or the outlier sites at Hovenweep National Monument, and rock art sites and Three Kiva site in the Montezuma Creek Valley. We will spend the second day visiting surface sites, cliff dwellings, and rock art panels further north in Montezuma Canyon. All the walks are nearly level and less than ¼ mile long. Overnight options include a motel in Blanding or camping at Hovenweep. Trip participation limit is 16. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Bob Powell at <a href="mailto:robertpowell@durango.net">robertpowell@durango.net</a> or phone 970-385-8949.</p>
<b>May 10</b>	<p><b>SJBAS meeting</b> – Dr. Steve Lekson, Curator of Archaeology at the Museum of Natural History, University of Colorado Boulder, will present: "A 'Big Picture' Look at the Chaco Phenomenon."</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  <p>Office for Outreach and Engagement UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER</p> </div>
<b>May 18 - 21</b>	<p><b>Hopi Immersion</b></p> <p>This will be a 4-day motel trip to Northern Arizona to explore the lands and culture of the Hopi. The trip participation limit is 10. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Rusty Chamberlain at <a href="mailto:chambrke@aol.com">chambrke@aol.com</a>.</p>
<b>June 2 - 4</b>	<p><b>Explore Historical Uranium Mining in Western Colorado</b></p> <p>This will be a 3-day motel trip to the Naturita area. Jane Thompson of the Rimrocker Historical Society will be our tour guide. For more information or to sign up, contact trip coordinator Janice Sheftel at <a href="mailto:janicesheftel@gmail.com">janicesheftel@gmail.com</a>.</p>

<b>June 8 - 10</b>	<p><b>Explore Canyon de Chelly National Monument - Arizona</b></p> <p>This will be a 3-day camping or hotel trip. A Navajo guide will take our group on a day-long jeep excursion into the <a href="#">Canyon</a>, and a guided evening hike is also planned. The trip participation limit is 12. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Joan Kellogg at <a href="mailto:joankellogg@charter.net">joankellogg@charter.net</a>.</p>
<b>June 14</b>	<b>SJBAS annual picnic</b>
<b>July 12</b>	<b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Louie Garcia will present: "Weaving in the Pueblo Southwest"
<b>July 17 - 18</b>	<p><b>Tour Silverton Cemetery and Mining Museum and Explore Animas Forks</b></p> <p>This will be a 2-day camping or hotel trip. Mary Beaber will guide our group through the <a href="#">Hillside Cemetery</a> and Bev Rich from the Silverton Historical Society would guide us through the museum and trip to Animas Forks. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Joan Kellogg at <a href="mailto:joankellogg@charter.net">joankellogg@charter.net</a>.</p>
<b>August 9</b>	<b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Kari Schleher, from Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, will present: "Pottery Production, Learning, and Social Networks from the Central Mesa Verde Region to Galisteo Basin."
<b>September 13</b>	<b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Dr. Jesse Tune, FLC Professor, will present: "The Times They Were 'A-Changin': Life on the Colorado Plateau at the End of the Ice Age."
<b>September 15</b>	<b>Special Program</b> - Dr. Doug Owsley, from the Smithsonian Institution, will present: "New Discoveries and the Story of Jamestown."
<b>September 25 - 27</b>	<p><b>Ancestral Puebloan Sites on Cedar Mesa - Utah</b></p> <p>During this 3-day camping trip, we will visit Ancestral Puebloan sites in remote canyons on Cedar Mesa. The hiking will be moderately difficult with some off-trail hiking required; hikes may be up to seven miles long and include elevation changes of over 400 feet. 4WD/HC vehicles will be necessary, but carpooling will be arranged. We will camp in the dispersed BLM campground in Comb Wash. The trip participation limit is 12. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leaders Barb and Lyle Hancock at <a href="mailto:lylehancock@bresnan.net">lylehancock@bresnan.net</a>.</p>
<b>October</b>	<b>CAS annual meeting</b> in Denver, CO
<b>October 11</b>	<b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Dr. Andrew Gulliford, professor of History and Environmental Studies at Fort Lewis College, will present: "Arborglyphs in Southwest Colorado"
<b>October 27 - 29</b>	<p><b>Nine Mile Canyon and USU Eastern Prehistoric Museum in Price, Utah</b></p> <p>This is a 3-day motel trip to visit one of the largest concentrations of rock art in Utah and to tour an amazing <a href="#">museum</a>. For more information or to sign up, contact Tish Varney at <a href="mailto:tishvarney@att.net">tishvarney@att.net</a>.</p>
<b>November 8</b>	<b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Kenneth Wright, CFO and Principal Engineer for Wright Water Engineers, will present: The Great Inca Road: A Pre-Historic Highway Engineering Marvel." This <a href="#">Andean Road System</a> has recently been listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site.
<b>December 13</b>	<b>SJBAS annual meeting and holiday party</b>

## Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) News

CAS Surveyor <http://www.coloradoarchaeology.org/PUBLICATIONS/Newsletters/Newsletters.htm>  
CAS Bulletin Board <http://www.coloradoarchaeology.org/BULLETINBOARD/bulletinboard.htm>  
CAS Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1425711501080053/>

### Hisatsinom Chapter News

The Hisatsinom Chapter of the Colorado Archaeology Society is pleased to present Kristin Kuckelman on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Methodist Church, 515 Park Street, Cortez, CO to discuss “Thirteenth Century in the Northern San Juan: It was the Best of Times, It was the Worst of Times.” Kristin discusses the thirteenth century in the northern San Juan region and the significant cultural changes that occurred in this period. Contact Kari Schleher at 505-269-4475 with questions.

### Archaeology from Around the World

#### Otzi the Iceman’s Last Meal Included Goat Bacon

Since his 5,300-year old mummified body was discovered in the Ötztal Alps between Italy and Austria in 1991, Ötzi the Iceman has been studied in incredible detail by researchers. Not only have they found that the ancient European was between 40 and 50 when he died, they discovered that [he was murdered](#). Just in the last year, researchers have revealed [what the ice man wore](#), what [his voice may have sounded like](#) and that he had calcification in his arteries. A look at his stomach contents in 2011 showed that the ice man’s last meal consisted of cooked grain and [meat from an ibex, a type of wild goat](#). Now researchers say that further testing shows that it wasn’t just goat meat—Ötzi’s last meal included goat bacon. – Smithsonian.com ([Read article](#))

### Archaeology in the Southwest

#### Philanthropists Rally Behind Bears Ears

Recognizing the world-class cultural and natural resources of the newly established Bears Ears National Monument in Utah, a group of philanthropic foundations are committing \$1.5 million to strengthen collaborative management of the area and ensure inclusion of local community voices. President Obama designated the Bears Ears National Monument on December 28, 2016 to safeguard one of the nation’s most significant and spectacular cultural landscapes and to honor five native tribal nations — the Hopi, Navajo, Ute Mountain Ute, Zuni, and Ute Indian Tribe — who, combined, prize more than 100,000 archaeological, rock art, and sacred cultural sites within the monument. With the support of another 30 tribal governments, those five tribal nations joined together for the first time in history to ask the president to designate a national monument to protect their sacred sites, which have long been threatened by ongoing looting, vandalism, and development plans. – William and Flora Hewlett Foundation ([Read article](#))

#### Farmington Area Parks Anticipate an Increase in Heritage Tourism

The newly declared Bears Ears National Monument in southeast Utah could draw more tourists to the Four Corners region, according to Michael Quijano-West, the superintendent of Aztec Ruins National Monument and Chaco Culture National Historical Park. That’s because new national monuments often see an increase in visitation and that can spill over to nearby National Park Service units, said Quijano-West. – Farmington Daily Times ([Read article](#))

## KSJE Looks at Crow Canyon’s Pueblo Farming Project

In this episode of the Big Fat Farm Show, host Kellie Pettyjohn visits with Leigh Kuwanwisiwma, Director of the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office, about the scientific and cultural topics that are being addressed at Crow Canyon Archaeological Center’s Pueblo Farming Project. – KSJ.com ([Read article](#))

## Seeking Ancient Lives in Harsh Lands

In *The Lost World of the Old Ones*, his 26<sup>th</sup> book, David Roberts merges his considerable experience of hiking in the desert Southwest with three decades of interest in the prehistoric peoples who lived there. His goal is to offer a general audience “the best and most provocative research conducted in the last 20 years by Southwestern archaeologists,” and this engaging narrative weaves together his understanding of the science with his many backcountry expeditions.

– High Country News ([Read article](#))

## Admission Fees Increase at Mesa Verde

“We are committed to keeping the park affordable, but we also want to provide visitors with the best possible experience,” said Mesa Verde National Park Superintendent Cliff Spencer. “The money from entrance fees is used to improve visitor facilities and amenities.” Admission fees have paid for water bottle filling stations, drinking fountains, additional visitor educational opportunities, new restrooms and stabilization work. – Denver 7.com ([Read article](#))

## Editorial: Fracking the Chaco Landscape: An Opinion from Acoma

With the arrival of the winter solstice, those of us with a deep cultural connection to the Greater Chaco Landscape ponder its future in the face of oil and gas drilling. In recent weeks, pueblo and community leaders have amplified and unified our calls on the Bureau of Land Management to protect remaining undeveloped public lands as it amends its Farmington Resource Management Plan for the coming years. Last month, the All Pueblo Council of Governors — which represents pueblos in the Southwest, including all 19 in New Mexico — ratified a resolution to protect the Greater Chaco region from the risks of oil and gas development. With more than 90 percent of the BLM-administered lands in this region already leased, the resolution calls on the BLM to protect the remaining parcels in the Greater Chaco region from inappropriate drilling and to support a “Master Leasing Plan” approach. – Santa Fe New Mexican ([Read article](#))

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## San Juan Basin Archaeological Society – Membership Renewal

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