

SAN JUAN BASIN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Chapter of Colorado Archaeological Society



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The Moki Messenger

January 2015

Happy New Year!

January SJBAS Meeting

Mark your calendars, our next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, January 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Lyceum at the Center of Southwest Studies. After a brief business meeting, Judith Reynolds will present, "Lost Cities".

Judith Reynolds is a Durango writer, art historian, arts journalist, and a columnist, arts critic and political cartoonist for the Durango Herald. She is a founder and guest lecturer for the Fort Lewis College Life-Long Learning Program.

Annual Meeting Notes

Our annual meeting and holiday celebration was held on Friday, December 5th, at the Student Union Ballroom at Fort Lewis College. The spacious ballroom was decked out with Christmas cheer. There were about fifty SJBAS members present with plenty of room to move about and socialize. Many items were on display for the silent auction, Christmas carols were sung by the delightful group Women's Prerogative. Janice thanked Fokie Mason for all her efforts organizing the holiday party, Peggy Morris awarded Fort Lewis College with another \$500 check for the John W. Sanders Scholarship Fund. Janice explained that Peggy was stepping down as Vice President, and Jim Mueller had volunteered to take over her duties as vice president. Janice announced that all the other board members and program chairs had agreed to serve another term in 2015, and asked the members present if they approved of the slate of officers as announced. There were no objections. Door prizes were handed out and members bid on silent auction items. After the buffet dinner, more door prizes were handed out and Lyle presented a preview of the 2015 field trip schedule and a review of 2014 field trips.

The auction was a great success and about \$1,000 was raised for the scholarship fund. Way to go Peggy and our generous SJBAS members!

Annual Membership Renewal

Please get your checkbook now, as it is time to renew your SJBAS membership; **payments are due by January 31st**. If you already have signed Liability Waiver and Site Etiquette forms on file, you do NOT need to fill out

these forms again. If you have new information such as a postal or email address change, you will need to complete a membership renewal form. All three forms may be found by following this link: <http://www.sibas.org/Application.pdf>. Print and complete the form(s) you need, write a check to SJBAS for the appropriate amount, and mail it to our Chapter Treasurer, Mark Gebhardt, at 107 St. Andrews Circle, Durango, CO 81301. Annual dues are \$23 for an individual with no Southwest Lore (SWL), \$31 with SWL mailed; \$30 for a family (two or more) with no SWL, \$40 for a family with SWL mailed. Student memberships are \$10. Donations to the John W. Sanders Internship Fund may also be made when you pay your membership dues. If you have any questions, please contact Mark at mark@virtbiz.com.

Upcoming Field Trips and Activities

Our complete 2015 Field Trip Schedule is available on our website at www.sibas.org/Trips.htm. Please check the website schedule periodically to check for trip updates and contact the trip leaders directly by phone or email for trip details and to sign up.

January 8	SJBAS meeting – Judith Reynolds presents “Lost Cities”.
January 22 - 23	Puye Cliff Dwellings and Feast Day at San Ildefonso Pueblo – New Mexico On the first day of this culturally interesting two-day trip we will tour Puye Cliff Dwellings National Historic Monument near Espanola and visit San Ildefonso Pueblo for evening ceremonies preceding Feast Day. We will spend the second day at the Feast Day celebrations and will visit the Maria Martinez pottery museum. We plan to be home before dark on Friday afternoon. The closest lodging is the Hilton Buffalo Thunder Resort (\$89) along Highway 84/285 just south of Pojoaque. For more information or to signup, contact trip leader Lyle Hancock at lylehancock@bresnan.net or 970-764-4531.
February 12	SJBAS meeting - Jason Chuipka presents “Navajo-Gallup Water Project Archaeology”.
February 26	Tour Mesa Verde Visitor Center and Anasazi Heritage Center This day trip includes a special tour of the new Visitor Center at Mesa Verde and a behind the scenes tour of the Anasazi Heritage Center. Trip participation limit is 12. For more information or to signup, contact trip leader Tish Varney at tishvarney@att.net .
March 5 - 9	Exploring Cochise County – Arizona This is Gail and Marlo’s popular four or five-day trip in Southeast Arizona. The itinerary is a work in progress, but it will include some easy hiking to historic ghost towns, some rock art, historical monuments and museums, and a guided tour of Camp Naco with Becky Orozco. Participants usually stay in a motel in the Sierra Vista area. For more information or to signup, contact trip leaders Gail and Marlo Schulz at mschulz@frontier.net or 970-946-5234.
March 12	SJBAS meeting - Ali Scotten presents “Iranian Archaeology”.

Durango Herald article about SJBAS by Anne Butler

<http://www.durangoherald.com/article/20141226/COLUMNISTS03/141229675/Not-just-interested-in-the-past->

PAAC Events for first half of 2015

[2015 PAAC Schedule 1st half.pdf](#)

Hisatsinom Chapter January Meeting

The Hisatsinom Chapter of the Colorado Archaeology Society is pleased to present Dan Simplicio on Tuesday, January 6th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church, 515 Park Street, Cortez, CO to discuss “‘Besides Jewelry:’ Other Uses of Turquoise by the A:shiwí (Zuni) People.” Dan will discuss how turquoise is understood and used by the Zuni people, as well as how this relationship has changed through time. Contact Kari Schleher at 505-269-4475 with questions.

Excellent Article from NPS at Natural Bridges National Monument –

Introduces the rich cultural history of the Natural Bridges and Cedar Mesa area with both European and Hopi perspectives.

<http://www.nps.gov/nabr/planyourvisit/upload/archeology.pdf>

Article from the Smithsonian Magazine – Sand Creek Massacre

<http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/horrific-sand-creek-massacre-will-be-forgotten-no-more-180953403/#LkU6x9bhjuG0iQk0.03>

SJBAS Recommended Reading List

Winter is a good time to curl up on the couch with a good book. Here is a link to our SJBAS reading list; these books have all been recommended by SJBAS members.

<http://www.sjbass.org/Reading.htm>

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San Juan Basin Archaeological Society – Annual Membership Renewal

Name(s) _____ and _____

Mailing address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Preferred phone number: _____ Email address: _____

Membership Category (check one) "with SWL" means the CAS Southwestern Lore journal will be mailed to you.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Individual (with SWL) | SJBAS \$15.00 & CAS \$16.00 = | \$31.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Individual (no SWL) | SJBAS \$15.00 & CAS \$ 8.00 = | \$23.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Family (with SWL) | SJBAS \$20.00 & CAS \$20.00 = | \$40.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Family (no SWL) | SJBAS \$20.00 & CAS \$10.00 = | \$30.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Student (no SWL) | = | \$10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Donation to John W. Sanders Internship Fund | = | |

Membership renewals are due by January 31st each year. Make your check payable to 'SJBAS' and mail with this application form to our chapter treasurer: **Mark Gebhardt, 107 St. Andrews Circle, Durango, CO 81301.** Donations to the John W. Sanders Internship Fund may be included with your dues payment.

New members must complete the full SJBAS application, <http://www.sjbas.org/Application.pdf>, including Liability Waiver and Site Etiquette forms.