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Next Meeting – January 10th

The next SJBAS meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 10th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lyceum at the Center of Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College. After a brief business meeting, SJBAS member Richard Robinson will present: “Revisiting SJBAS Field Trips with a review of their rock art and associated cultural theories: A Vision Quest.” A social will be held before the meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the CSWS foyer.

Richard is a long-time SJBAS member; he led many interesting field trips and was Field Trip Coordinator for many years.

Membership Renewal

It’s that time of year again - 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, “Waiver of Liability” and “Proper Etiquette” statements, make your check payable to ‘SJBAS,’ and mail just 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.

President’s Letter

Dear SJBAS Members:

I hope you had a great holiday season and are ready for another year of wonderful archaeological adventures and learning. Looking back, SJBAS hopes to learn about member responses regarding the annual meeting/brunch. Please fill out the [Annual Meeting Evaluation](#) included in this Moki and mail to Janice Sheftel, 35 Animas Place, Durango 81301, or deliver to me at the January SJBAS meeting, or you can complete the form on your computer, copy it to a file, and then attach the file to an email to me at janicesheftel@gmail.com.

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I want to thank Fokie Mason for all her hard work with the brunch preparations, and Barb Hancock and Jim Mueller for all their hard work as SJBAS Secretary and Vice-President, respectively.

Looking forward, the SJBAS Board is planning to hold a second John W. Sanders Lecture this fall, concerning "Otzi the Iceman," the 5,000-year-old mummy found frozen in a glacier in the Otztal Alps between Austria and Italy. We want to have not only a lecture but also a FLC faculty panel. We also hope to expand our educational program by holding a lithics class taught by Prof. Jesse Tune on a weekend. While this will not serve for PAAC certification, it will be a good learning experience.

We would love your suggestions regarding other offerings. We also need volunteers for several field trips; if you're willing to organize a trip, please contact Lyle, SJBAS field trip coordinator, at lylehancock@bresnan.net.

Looking way ahead to 2019, one of our current Vice Presidents, Fokie Mason, and Treasurer, Mark Gebhardt, will be resigning after this year. Let me know if you would be willing to assume one of those offices for 2019.

Happy New Year!

Janice C. Sheftel, President

Evaluation – Annual Meeting and Brunch

Our Board would like feedback from the membership to help improve our future annual meetings. Please follow this link to the [Annual Meeting Evaluation](#). We would like your input, whether you attended the annual meeting or not. You may complete the survey on your computer, save it as a file, and email the file as an attachment to janicesheftel@gmail.com, or print the evaluation, complete the survey, and bring it to the January 10th meeting, or mail it to Janice Sheftel at 35 Animas Place, Durango, CO 81301. Thanks for helping us improve our annual meeting.

Annual Meeting Notes – December 9th

Submitted by Paula Lutz

Brunch began at 9:30.

Meeting announced by President Janice Sheftel.

Initial Comment in Appreciation:

Shelby Tisdale, of the FLC Center for Southwest Studies: Thank you SJBAS for Internship Funding. SJBAS Treasurer Mark Gebhardt presented a \$500 Internship fund check to Shelby, who expressed the Center's thanks.

President did a Recap of the John W. Sanders Lecture Series presentation by Doug Owsley in September, its financial success, public draw, and importance to future national Speakers.

President did quick summary of our working with CAS: We are working on establishing a new relationship with CAS. We need changes in what the State Organization (CAS) does for us.

President gave thanks to outstanding members, including:

All who served as Field Trip Leaders in 2017

All who were Speakers at our public presentations

Lyle Hancock who does our website, Moki newsletter, and serves as field trip coordinator and Board Member

Barb Hancock who has been Secretary for the past three years and her many extra events on behalf of our organization, and being a field trip leader

Jim Mueller for working on many of our events, acting as field trip leader, and serving as Board Member

President announced the Slate of New Officers for 2018:

President – Janice Sheftel
Vice President – Florence (Foxy) Mason
Vice President – Sue Hicks
Treasurer – Mark Gebhardt
Secretary – Paula Lutz
Publicity – Jill Tripp
PAAC – Tish Varney

The President Opened the Floor to Nominations. None were offered.

A Motion was made by Andy Gulliford to accept the Slate of Officers as presented.

A Second was made by Byron Kellogg.

Members voting in Favor: All.

Members voting opposed: None.

Motion Carried to adopt the Slate of Officers for 2018 as presented.

The President opened the floor for open comments/suggestions from members: None offered.

Announcements:

Andy Gulliford:

1. Public History Speaker James R Brooks on March 13 on Campus.
2. Andy's Book: "Last Stand of the Pack" now out. Re: reintroduction of wolves. Andy to let us know when he will be presenting about his book.
3. Bears Ears: Andy working with local group in Monticello who has permits.
4. Hiking Trips are being scheduled.
5. San Juan River Trip has a July 9 launch.
6. We need to work with local entity in Utah regarding access to public lands.
7. There is still not total definition on Bears Ears National Monument – multiple lawsuits.

Shelby Tisdale:

1. Speaker Charles Wilkinson (CU) Speaking on Bears Ears on March 22 as part of Duane Smith Lecture Series.
2. Center Southwest Studies to do Tour to Oaxaca for Day of the Dead. Stay tuned. Archaeology, Museums, Indigenous Communities, Cooking, Cemetery visit. Dates: October 25 – Nov. 3.

Janice Sheftel:

1. SJBAS: 2018 John Sanders Lecture Series presentation will be on Otzi, "The Ice Man". Speaker will focus on Otzi's tattoos. More info later.

2017 Field Trip Review by Lyle Hancock.

2018 Preview of Field Trips by Lyle Hancock with request for some trip leaders

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Know Your SJBAS Neighbor

Each month we plan to feature a different SJBAS member in this article. Please contact Janice Sheftel, janicesheftel@gmail.com, if you would like to share your profile.

Paula Lutz – SJBAS Secretary 2018

A Colorado native, I was born and raised in the Denver area (Arvada '69). My family had one agenda on Saturdays and that was a car trip to the mountains to explore and "enjoy" our incredible great outdoors: history, geology. As a kid, there may have been other things I wanted to do with my friends on Saturday, but the mountains were a family ritual and a friend was always welcome to join us. From my early years I spent much time in the mountains on expeditions in my Dad's Willy's Jeep, seeking out the roads less traveled, the graveyards less known, and dirt roads that ended at the top of the pass.

After six colleges around the states (still exploring), I earned my BA from Fort Lewis College in Anthropology and Humanities ('76). I studied under John Ives ("Doc"), and participated one summer in an excavation at Blue Mesa (above Bodo). Later, I was a crew member conducting archaeological survey on Grand Mesa and the Book Cliffs. I then moved to the Olympic Peninsula and was a crew member at Ozette, Cape Alava, through Washington State University doing lab analysis, excavation (with a hose instead of a trowel), and archaeological survey in the rain forest. That was followed with archaeology survey in Central Washington. In those years, archaeology was a tough field to find steady work, and seldom in one location. Moving on...

I lived in Glens Falls, NY for 12 years, working as a Senior Paralegal, and was a graduate student at SUNY-Albany where I earned my Master's Degree in Library Science ('90). In 1991 I moved back to Durango and was the Director of Durango High School Library until 2003.

After retiring in 2003, I traveled the States, many countries and all seven continents with my husband, Stan Rabbe (we were running marathons). Stan passed away in January 2015 of complications from early onset Alzheimer's. 2014-2017 I organized the Alzheimer's Walk/Run in Durango for Athletes to End Alzheimer's Durango in his honor, raising funds for the local Alzheimer's office and a scholarship at FLC.

In July 2017 I traveled to Iceland with FLC on a geology/camping trip, and met the Varneys and Tripps, who invited me to join SJBAS, which I did. After I joined, I was "recruited" to accept the position as Secretary on the Board, and I have now volunteered to co-organize a field trip to Silver City (Mimbres country) in 2018 – join me!

I feel I am completing a circle in my life – returning to my roots, my heritage and my passions. In October 2017 Tish Varney led the SJBAS trip to Price, Utah where we visited many rock art sites in the Nine Mile Canyon and Muddy Creek areas – most of Fremont origin. I really felt my passions come back alive, and my brain kicked in with my education in anthropology/archaeology. How exciting!

I am very happy to be a part of SJBAS, and hope I serve the organization well. This is a dedicated group pursuing and promoting archaeological preservation, information, and exploration. I love this.

A friend told me a long time ago: "The map is not the territory." This is my metaphor, whether I am finding my way in Grand Gulch or Prague, and for every year of my life since I turned 18. Still seeking, still adapting, still exploring and still learning. -- Paula

Spring PAAC Schedule

Hello all,

I'm happy to announce that after much back and forth and cajoling we have a [Spring PAAC schedule](#). Two things to note for this: We will be holding a class in Fairplay in conjunction with the South Park Site Stewards group. Even though they are not an official CAS chapter they are a very active group and do some amazing stewardship projects in South Park. The class is open to all, so I hope to see folks from other chapters there!

The second thing, for that class and for the Denver class, we have a Google Form sign up sheet. Participants just need to click on that link on the schedule, fill out a few pieces of info, and then send the check to me (address is on there). If anyone has any issues with the forms or needs help, feel free to contact me.

We do have a new website, and as of this morning there's still not a way to navigate to the PAAC page unless you search PAAC. But the direct link to the page and the schedule is <https://www.historycolorado.org/paac>.

I wish you happy holidays and a healthy New Year!

Best,
Chris

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Chris Johnston
Assistant State Archaeologist | State PAAC Coordinator
History Colorado | Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

Visit with Respect Ambassador Program training – Public Lands in SE Utah

Hi SJBAS members,

I just realized you may be interested in our Visit with Respect Ambassador Program. We need friendly volunteers who enjoy hiking in Bears Ears and other public lands of San Juan County UT. Ambassadors are critical in our effort to engage with visitors about how to be respectful and leave little impact on fragile backcountry sites. Our next training is March 24-25, and there is more information available at this [link](#). Interested people should contact me for more information or to sign up.

In addition to the ambassador training, a separate event to Celebrate Cedar Mesa will take place March 2-4, in Bluff. Registration will begin in January.

Thanks,
Erica

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Erica Tucker
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Visit with Respect Program Manager, Friends of Cedar Mesa

Southwest Colorado Canyons Alliance

Southwest Colorado Canyons Alliance (SCCA) was founded in 2013 by a group of citizens who were concerned about the future of their local Public Lands. Limited federal funding and resources prompted this group to find alternative financial aid and volunteer support to care for the precious and delicate landscape of Canyons of the Ancients National Monument and its headquarters at the Anasazi Heritage Center in Dolores, Colorado. For more information, visit the SCCA website at <http://www.swcocanyons.org/>.

As of October 8, 2017, SCCA is proud to announce that it will be overseeing the Cultural Site Stewardship Program (CSSP) for BLM/Canyons of the Ancients National Monument and the Tres Rios Office. The program currently includes almost 60 volunteers and 90 cultural sites. Stewards visit designated sites, photograph them annually, and report on them electronically. For more information or if you are interested in joining this great team of dedicated volunteers, contact Diane McBride at swcocanyons@gmail.com.

Tentative Field Trip and Activity Schedule - 2018	
Dates	<p>Updates are in red.</p> <p>To update this schedule, email lylehancock@bresnan.net.</p> <p>Please contact trip leaders by phone or email for more information or to sign up.</p> <p>Follow this link for a printer friendly 2018 Trip Schedule.</p>
January 10	SJBAS meeting – Richard Robinson will present: “ <i>Revisiting SJBAS Field Trips with a review of their rock art and associated cultural theories: A Vision Quest.</i> ”
February 7	Special Lecture: Jessica Crawford will present “ <i>Mounds of the Lower Mississippi Valley.</i> ” For more information, contact Janice Sheftel at janicesheftel@gmail.com .
February 14	SJBAS meeting – Dr. Charles Riggs from FLC will present: “ <i>Fort Lewis College Archaeological Field School Excavations at the Bowthorpe Site (5MT 9399) in Southwest CO.</i> ”
February 24	Galloping Goose #5 – ride the “Snow” Goose from Durango to Cascade Canyon Wye – day trip – The historic Goose #5 will make several stops along the way to Cascade. - \$127.33 per person (bring your own lunch or order for \$13). For more information or to signup, contact Lyle Hancock at lylehancock@bresnan.net . Tickets are very limited, so if you want to go, contact Lyle ASAP.
March 1 - 5	Exploring Cochise County, Arizona - This is Gail and Marlo's popular multi-day hotel trip to Southeast Arizona. Destinations may include: Cochise College artifact collections, Camp Rucker and Fort Bowie, and the ghost town of Fairbank. For more information or to signup, contact trip leaders Gail and Marlo Schulz at mschulz@frontier.net .
March 14	SJBAS meeting – Mona Charles from the Animas Museum will present: “ <i>West to East and Kidder to Morris: A Historical Perspective on the Basketmakers of the American Southwest.</i> ”
April 11	SJBAS meeting - Charles DeFerdinando will speak about the 1917-18 flu epidemic and how the D&SNGR train helped it spread.
April 20	Canyons of the Ancients National Monument Backcountry Sites –day trip – Hike several miles to remote Ancestral Puebloan sites. Trip Participation Limit is 12. For more information or to signup, contact Lyle Hancock at lylehancock@bresnan.net .
May 9	SJBAS meeting - Ken Wright, of Wright Paleohydrological Institute, will present: “ <i>The Inca Road System, a World Heritage Site.</i> ”
May 12	Yellow Jacket Pueblo Archaeological Conservancy – day trip - Jerry Fetterman will lead a trip to Yellow Jacket Pueblo near Cortez – For more information or to signup, contact Janice Sheftel at janicesheftel@gmail.com .

<p>June 8 - 9</p>	<p>Ouray Perimeter Trail Historical Hike – 2-day camping or hotel trip - Don Paulson, curator of history for the Ouray Museum, may lead the Perimeter Trail hike; trip may include Ute Indian Museum in Montrose and tour to Shavano Valley Rock Art site led by Alma Evans. For more information or to sign up, contact Joan Kellogg at joankellogg@charter.net.</p>
<p>June 13</p>	<p>SJBAS semi-annual meeting and picnic - at Elk's picnic ground on Florida Road</p>
<p>June 18 - 22</p>	<p>Southern New Mexico (Mimbres Country) – 5-day camping trip - Three Rivers Petroglyph Site - one-mile trail through thousands of Mogollon culture petroglyphs; Western New Mexico University Museum in Silver City; Mimbres Culture Heritage Site; Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument; Dragonfly Trail petroglyphs. Trip Participation Limit is 10. Leaders are Paula Lutz and Candace Alburn. For more information or to sign up, contact Paula at paula@durango.net.</p>
<p>June 21</p>	<p>FLC Field School in Canyons of the Ancients National Monument – day trip – Dr. Chuck Riggs will lead the excavation tour and explain FLC research efforts. After the field school visit we may stop at Sand Canyon Pueblo or visit the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center. Participants must be prepared to carpool, and the Trip Participation Limit is 12. For more information or to sign up, contact Rusty Chamberlain at chambrke@aol.com.</p>
<p>Late June (21 – 25)</p>	<p>SMU-in-Taos Field School at Picuris Pueblo – 2-day motel or camping trip - Dr. Michael Adler (SMU) will be collaborating with Sev Fowles (Columbia U) and Lindsay Montgomery (U of A) on a field school studying indigenous archaeology at Picuris Pueblo. SJBAS members will tour the site and learn about remote sensing, site survey, and limited excavations in the Pueblo Revolt-era church. For more information or to sign up, contact Foxie Mason at fmason@frontier.net.</p>
<p>June 22 - 24</p>	<p>San Miguel Mission, Pecos National Historic Park, and Feast Day at Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo – 3-day motel or camping trip – We are tentatively planning to visit the San Miguel Mission in Santa Fe on Friday afternoon, overnight in Santa Fe, visit the Pecos Pueblo and Civil War battlefields in Pecos National Historical Park on Saturday, and visit Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo on Sunday, June 24th, to experience the Buffalo and Comanche dances on St. John the Baptist's Feast Day. For more information or to sign up, contact Rhonda Raffo and Jim Mueller at rhondaandjim@msn.com.</p>
<p>July 11</p>	<p>SJBAS meeting - Susan Ryan from Crow Canyon will present: the "<i>Northern Chaco Outliers Project</i>" and discuss current excavations at the Haynie Site near Cortez.</p>
<p>July 12</p>	<p>Chimney Rock National Monument – day trip – Special tour led by Michael Stillman of Chimney Rock Interpretive Association. Tour cost is \$25 per person, and the Trip Participation Limit is 18. For more information or to signup, contact Lyle at lylehancock@bresnan.net.</p>
<p>August 8</p>	<p>SJBAS meeting - Dr. Heather Smith – "<i>The contribution of Southwest archaeology to our understanding of how North America was occupied by humans.</i>"</p>
<p>August?</p>	<p>El Rancho de las Golondrinas (20 minutes south of Santa Fe) – 2 or 3-day hotel or camping trip - This living history museum is dedicated to the history and Hispano heritage and culture of 18th and 19th century New Mexico. Possibly combine with a visit to Galisteo Basin, Taos Pueblo, or another site with a focus on Hispano culture and history. For more information or to sign up, contact Foxie Mason at fmason@frontier.net.</p>

September 12	SJBAS meeting – Larry Ruiz, together with Laurie Webster, will present his new film: " <i>The Language of Landscapes: Places in Time</i> ," with a focus on the Cedar Mesa Perishables Project.
September 14	Haynie Site – Day trip - Site tour led by Susan Ryan to visit Crow Canyon research dig. Sign-ups accepted only after July 11th SJBAS meeting. For more information or to signup, contact Jim Mueller at rhondaandjim@msn.com .
September 14 - 15	Crownpoint Navajo Rug Auction and Navajo Nation Fair - 2-day hotel trip (Gallup is one hour from Crownpoint) Coordinate second Friday rug auction with Navajo Fair schedule – The auction takes place at the Crownpoint Elementary School. Weavers from all over the Navajo Nation bring their rugs to sell. Day 2 - Navajo Nation Fair and Rodeo – Window Rock, AZ (half-hour drive from Gallup) or visit other sites in or near Gallup. – need leader If you may be interested in leading this trip, contact Lyle at lylehancock@bresnan.net .
September 14 - 16	Natural Bridges National Monument - 3-day camping trip - Visit Edge of the Cedars Museum; visit Cave Towers site; hike to backcountry sites at Natural Bridges. Trip Participation Limit is 12. For more information or to signup, contact Andy Gulliford at andy@agulliford.com .
September 22 - 25	Northern Arizona Exploration - 4-day camping trip - Navajo National Monument - guided hike to Betatakin; Wupatki and Sunset Crater National Monuments; Walnut Canyon National Monument; Flagstaff - tour Riordan Mansion State Historic Park, and explore Museum of Northern Arizona; Grand Canyon – experience Desert View Watchtower, and tour Tusayan Ruin and Museum. Trip Participation Limit is 12. For more information or to signup, contact Lyle at lylehancock@bresnan.net .
September 29	Local Hispano Cemeteries Tour – day trip led by Ruth Lambert – Trip Participation Limit is 20. For more information or to sign up, contact Joan Kellogg at joankellogg@charter.net .
October 10	SJBAS meeting - Geri Hockfield Malandra will present: " <i>South Asia's Archaeological "Ruins" - From Harappa to the Babri Mosque.</i> "
October 26 - 29	Rock Art near Vernal, Utah – 4-day motel or camping trip – Tim Sweeney of Vernal will guide us to various rock art sites. Trip Participation Limit is 12. For more information or to signup, contact Tish Varney at tishvarney@att.net .
November 14	SJBAS meeting – Kristen Bowen, Lead archaeologist with Bureau of Reclamation, Western Colorado Office, will present: " <i>A Federal Archaeologist's work experiences in the Western USA.</i> "
December?	SJBAS annual meeting and holiday party

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/>

CAS Chapter News

Hisatsinom Chapter – [January Newsletter](#)

January Meeting - at the First United Methodist Church in Cortez; on Tuesday, **January 16th** at 7:00 p.m.

Rediscovering the Fremont of Northwest Colorado - Archaeologists first studied and named the Fremont culture along the Fremont River in south-central Utah and have since traced it through much of the Green and Colorado River drainages into northwest Colorado. Gilbert Wenger's 1956 thesis study constitutes one of the earliest research endeavors on Fremont granaries and habitation sites in northwest Colorado. Since Wegner, very little research on Fremont culture has been completed in this region until recent efforts by the BLM White River Field Office located in Meeker, Colorado. In this presentation, Brian Yaquinto will highlight fieldwork carried out by the BLM WRFO in 2012, 2015, and 2016, which included an archaeological field school through Colorado State University in the summer of 2016.

Pikes Peak Chapter - [December Newsletter](#)

Regional Archaeological News

Bears Ears National Monument Reduction – Fort Lewis College News

The recent announcement by the Department of the Interior that it proposes to reduce the size of Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante national monuments in Utah is one of the most high-profile changes to public lands in recent history. And Jon Harvey, assistant professor of Geosciences at Fort Lewis College, is helping the public and his students understand those changes through interactive GIS maps. ([Read article and view maps](#))

SJBAS Officers and Other Positions - 2018

President	Janice Sheftel	janicesheftel@gmail.com
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CAS representative	Janice Sheftel	janicesheftel@gmail.com
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San Juan Basin Archaeological Society – Membership Renewal

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