

# SAN JUAN BASIN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Chapter of Colorado Archaeological Society



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## The Moki Messenger

June 2014

### Annual SJBAS Members Picnic - June 12<sup>th</sup>

The SJBAS Annual Picnic "semi potluck" will be held Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at the Edgemont Ranch Picnic Ground on Florida Road. Thanks go to our member David Wright, an Edgemont Ranch resident, for securing permission for us to use this facility again.

Members whose last names begin with A through F should bring a side dish; last names G through K a dessert; L through R an appetizer; and S through Z a salad. Bring alcoholic beverages of your choice, if you wish.

The picnic ground entrance is the first right after the Edgemont Ranch main entrance. The entrance is across the road from the giant pine cone sculpture and will be marked with a sign. The club will provide bratwursts, hot dogs, buns, condiments, disposable tableware, bottled water, iced tea and lemonade and seating.

Please RSVP to Fokie Mason at [fmason@frontier.net](mailto:fmason@frontier.net) by June 9<sup>th</sup>, so we have a fairly accurate head count for our food order for brats, hot dogs and buns. You may bring family members, friends and prospective new members. If you would like to volunteer to be on the set up or the cleanup crew, please email Fokie at [fmason@frontier.net](mailto:fmason@frontier.net) or call her at 970-247-0252.

### May Meeting Notes

Janice welcomed the group and made announcements about the June picnic and upcoming trips to Aztec Ruins for the summer solstice and to the powwow at Taos Pueblo and visit to Santa Fe. Bob Danielson reminded everyone about his July trip to the Tomboy mine with Rudy Davison.

Larry Baker M.A., Executive Director of Salmon Ruins and the San Juan County Museum Association, presented an interesting program about the solar/lunar observatory at Salmon Ruins.

### Upcoming Field Trips

Our 2014 Trip Schedule is available on our website at [www.sjbas.org/Trips.htm](http://www.sjbas.org/Trips.htm). Please check the website schedule periodically to check for trip updates and date changes, and contact the trip leaders directly by phone or email for trip details and to sign up. Remember, our Field Trip Schedule is a work in progress. If you have a trip in mind that you would like to lead, please contact Lyle at [lylehancock@bresnan.net](mailto:lylehancock@bresnan.net) to see if it can be worked into the schedule.

<b>June 21</b>	<b><u>Aztec Ruins National Monument for Summer Solstice</u></b>  This is a day trip to experience the summer solstice at Aztec Ruins. We will leave Durango at 5:00 a.m. sharp in order to catch the sunrise. This unique event will be followed by a presentation about archaeo-astronomy. Trip Leader: Rich Robinson. Contact Mary Ann Hiller: 970-259-5170 <a href="mailto:johnhilldurco@durango.net">johnhilldurco@durango.net</a> .
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<p><b>July 11 - 13</b></p>	<p><b><u>Taos Area</u></b></p> <p>During this three-day motel trip, we will attend the Taos Powwow at the Taos Pueblo, and visit Taos, the Harding Mine, and walk the Plaza in Santa Fe to see 400 years of history and architecture. There is a trip participation limit of 20.          Trip Leader: Rich Robinson. Contact Mary Ann Hiller: 970-259-5170 <a href="mailto:johnhilldurco@durango.net">johnhilldurco@durango.net</a></p>
<p><b>July 23</b></p>	<p><b><u>Tomboy Mine near Telluride</u></b></p> <p>This is a wonderful opportunity to visit the historic Tomboy mine with our knowledgeable guide Rudy Davison. This trip will take all day so bring a lunch and snacks. We will leave Santa Rita Park at 7:00 a.m. High-clearance, four-wheel drive vehicles are required, and there is a trip participation limit of 20.          Trip Leaders: Bev and Bob Danielson – 970-385-1058 <a href="mailto:bnbdan@bresnan.net">bnbdan@bresnan.net</a></p>

**In Memoriam – Dr. Donald E. Weaver, Jr.**

We are saddened to announce the passing of Dr. Donald E. Weaver, Jr. Weaver (PhD, Anthropology, Arizona State University 1978) was the owner of Plateau Mountain Desert Research, an archaeological consulting firm. His most recent project was with Rupestrian CyberServices documenting the Sears Point Rock Art for the Bureau of Land Management, Yuma, Arizona, with the help of many volunteers. He has been involved in archaeology in both contract and grant-supported research, for more than 30 years. Weaver initiated the cultural resource management program at Arizona State University and directed the program for three years. He directed the contract section and served as the Head of the Department of Anthropology at the Museum of Northern Arizona for more than 10 years before forming his own private consulting company in 1988.

A recognized authority on Southwestern prehistoric rock art, especially that of Arizona, Weaver authored numerous books and articles dealing with rock art research, notably Stone Chisel and Yucca Brush: Colorado Plateau Rock Art and Images on Stone: The Prehistoric Rock Art of the Colorado Plateau. Dr. Weaver served as president of the American Rock Art Research Association in 1994. Weaver personally visited and partially documented more than 600 rock art sites scattered across every region of the state of Arizona. Between 1989 and 2001, Dr. Weaver served as the professional advisor and coordinator of the Arizona Archaeological Society Rock Art Recording Field School that recorded rock art sites in the Chavez Pass - Anderson Pass areas, in Wupatki National Monument, Deadman’s Wash, Inscription Point on the Navajo Indian Reservation, in Red Tank Draw, and on Perry Mesa. Weaver, along with Jane Kolber, organized and directed the complete recording of the Chevelon Steps site, one of the most important rock art sites in Arizona. The recording project using trained volunteers spanned more than five years and resulted in the preparation of a successful National Register of Historic Places nomination.

Weaver was an active participant on the Flagstaff Picture Canyon Working Group that successfully recorded the rock art, placed the site on the National Register, and acquired the site as Flagstaff’s newest Cultural and Natural Preserve. As an experienced rock climber, he provided valuable assistance recording of the rock art Canyon de Chelly National Monument and Chaco Canyon National Historical Park. He was exceedingly generous in sharing his time and talents to achieve a permanent record of fragile rock art resources by documenting them. Weaver was awarded ARARA’s Frank and AJ Bock Lifetime Achievement Award in 2009.

**2014 CAS Raffle - Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund**

<http://www.sjbas.org/RaffleFlyer2014.pdf>

**CAS Spring Newsletter – The Surveyor**

<http://www.coloradoarchaeology.org/PUBLICATIONS/Newsletters/TheSurveyor-2014Spring.pdf>

**Hisatsinom Chapter News**

As part of the Four Corners Lecture Series, the Hisatsinom Chapter of the Colorado Archaeology Society is pleased to present Dr. Randall H. McGuire on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church, 515 Park Street, Cortez, CO to discuss Cerros de Trincheras and War in the Formative Period Trincheras Tradition. McGuire’s presentation will address research on cerros de

trincheras, terraces constructed by prehistoric people in Sonora, México, and the results of the Cerros de Trincheras and Defense Project. Contact Kari Schleher at 505-269-4475 with questions.

### Hisatsinom Chapter Newsletters

<http://www.sjbas.org/HisatsinomNewsletter-June2014.pdf>

<http://www.sjbas.org/HisatsinomNewsletter-May2014.pdf>

### Chipeta Chapter May Newsletter

<http://www.sjbas.org/ChipetaChapter-UncompahgreJournal-May2014.pdf>

### Mesa Verde Foundation – Spring Newsletter

<http://www.sjbas.org/MesaVerdeFoundationSpring.pdf>

### Press release for Andy Gulliford’s new book

<http://www.sjbas.org/Gulliford-42609-PR.pdf>

### Four Corners Lecture Series – 2014 Roads Less Travelled

[http://www.nps.gov/meve/planyourvisit/upload/4c\\_lecture\\_series\\_14.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/meve/planyourvisit/upload/4c_lecture_series_14.pdf)

### Ghost Ranch Course – History and Culture of the Southwest – Instructor: Andrew Gulliford

[http://www.sjbas.org/HistoryCulture\\_AndrewGulliford.pdf](http://www.sjbas.org/HistoryCulture_AndrewGulliford.pdf)

### Crow Canyon Spring Newsletter

<http://www.sjbas.org/CrowCanyonSpring2014.pdf>

### Cannonball Mesa Artifacts

<http://www.sjbas.org/CannonballArtifacts.pdf>

### Dinosaur Fossils

<http://www.sjbas.org/Dinosaur.pdf>

### SJBAS Elected Officers

President	Janice Sheftel	<a href="mailto:jsheftel@mbssllp.com">jsheftel@mbssllp.com</a>
Vice President	Florence (Foxy) Mason	<a href="mailto:fmason@frontier.net">fmason@frontier.net</a>
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### Other Positions

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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 31<sup>st</sup> 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.