



# THE MOKI MESSENGER

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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## Summer picnic & semi-annual meeting – June 13<sup>th</sup>

Our semi-annual meeting and summer picnic will be held on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. at the Elks Picnic Ground on Florida Road. The picnic ground is located 5.5 miles east of the stoplight at Florida Road and CR 250 (Exxon near Bread). Continue east past Edgemont, about a mile past the fire station, and make a very sharp right-hand turn onto paved CR 240A. (Look for the balloons!) Then go another 1/3 mile and the picnic ground will be on your left along the Florida River.

The club will provide brats, hot dogs, buns, condiments, disposable tableware, bottled water, iced tea and lemonade. To complete our meal, we are asking participants whose last names begin with **A through F** to bring a side dish, **G through K**, a salad, **L through R**, an appetizer, and **S through Z**, a dessert. You are welcome to bring your favorite beverage. You may bring family members, friends and prospective new members. We need a head count, so we know how many brats, hot dogs and buns to order. You can sign up for the picnic at the May meeting, or please RSVP to Susan Hicks at [hicks@animas.net](mailto:hicks@animas.net) by June 5<sup>th</sup>. Please respond by that date so we can place our food orders before the picnic.

Participants may go fishing but must be properly licensed. Also, there are horseshoe pits with horseshoes and a kid's playground. There are picnic tables, but participants may bring their own folding chairs if they would like.

We need a few volunteers to help. Susan needs two people to help set up tables and chairs and we also need a few volunteers to cook brats and hotdogs. To volunteer, please contact Susan at [hicks@animas.net](mailto:hicks@animas.net).

## President's Letter

Dear SJBAS Members:

Just a note to remind you of the Second Annual John W. Sanders Lecture on Saturday, September 15, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Ballroom at Fort Lewis College. The lecture, by Aaron Deter-Wolf, Tennessee Division of Archaeology and Adjunct Professor of Anthropology at Middle Tennessee University, is entitled "Otzi, The Tyrolean Iceman Mummy and the World's Oldest Tattoos."

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Tickets for the Lecture, at a cost of \$10 plus convenience fees, are available at the Durango Welcome Center, in person, at (970) 247-7657 or at [www.durangoconcerts.com](http://www.durangoconcerts.com). Tickets, if still available, may be purchased at the door, starting at 6:00 p.m. for \$13. One-half of the ticket price will support the SJBAS John W. Sanders Internship and Education Fund, which provides two FLC student internships at the Center of Southwest Studies annually and scholarships for the FLC summer archaeology field school.

#### PLEASE GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY

Since his recovery from an Alpine glacier in 1991, the ice mummy, known as "Ötzi," has come to represent a triumph of modern scientific analysis. After nearly three decades of research, scientists know more about this 5,300-year old man than perhaps any other ancient human. Studies have examined the tools he carried, the clothes he wore, his health conditions, the ingredients of his last meal, deciphered his complete genome, and even identified the bacteria that inhabited his gastrointestinal tract. Analysis has also shown that Ötzi's body was adorned with at least 61 tattoos, the oldest preserved examples of this behavior discovered to date.

Hi Janice,

I thought you'd like to know that one of my students who attended Dr. Owsley's lecture this fall has signed up for a forensic anthropology class at the Fort for this coming fall. He says he was inspired by the lecture!

Leigh Gozigian – Durango Schools

For the past decade, archaeologist Aaron Deter-Wolf of the Tennessee Division of Archaeology has been studying the archaeological evidence for tattooing. He is co-editor of the new volume, "Ancient Ink: The Archaeology of Tattooing," has authored multiple book chapters and articles on tattoo archaeology, and appeared in a 2016 NOVA documentary discussing Ötzi's tattoos. Join us on September 15th for a program in which Aaron will discuss Ötzi's life, death, and discovery, and what 5,300-year-old tattoos can tell us about human behavior and the ancient world.

Aaron will also be part of a panel discussion, together with Dr. Jesse Tune, FLC Dept, of Anthropology, and other FLC faculty, about "Frauds, Myths, and Mysteries in Archaeology", tied into today's conversations around the notion of "fake news," on Monday, September 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., in Room 130 at Noble Hall. This panel discussion will be free and open to the public. The many examples of fringe theories in archaeology range from a race of giants building mounds to aliens and pyramids. Many honest archaeological ideas, like the Solutrean hypothesis (first Americans coming from Europe via boats 20,000 years ago), have been used by groups to justify fringe agendas.

Save the dates, September 15 and 17.

-- Janice C. Sheftel

### **SJBAS Board members needed**

Treasurer, Mark Gebhardt, and Vice President, Foxie Mason, are resigning at the end of this year. If you are interested in one of these Board positions, please contact Janice at [janicesheftel@gmail.com](mailto:janicesheftel@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Know Your SJBAS Neighbor – Foxie and Dick Mason**

Richard "Dick" Mason and Florence "Foxie" Mason became part time Durango residents in 1983 and moved permanently to Durango in December 2006. Foxie currently serves as VP of the SJBAS.

Dick earned a Ph.D. in Business Administration at University of California Berkeley and a B.S. from Oregon State University, where he also lettered 3 years in football. Foxie holds a B.A. in History with a focus on Medieval Studies from Skidmore College, an M.L.S degree from Simmons College, and a PhD in Information Science with a minor in Organizational Behavior from the University of Southern California. Foxie studied archaeology during a summer semester at Oxford University after her junior year in college and participated in three medieval excavations in Britain.

She completed a semester in a master's program in Classical Archaeology at the University of Pennsylvania before moving in 1969 to Aspen. During her 10 years in Aspen she was a ski instructor, and co-owned two retail businesses. She was the Pitkin County Library Director in Aspen and she worked for the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies for eleven years, first as librarian and later as Program Coordinator for the Aspen Institute -Baca in Crestone, Colorado.

After marrying in 1981, Dick and Foxie lived in Los Angeles, Tucson, and Dallas before moving to Durango. Dick held the Carr P. Collins Distinguished Professor Endowed Chair at the Edwin L. Cox School of Business, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, 1982-2006. From 1998 to 2005 he served as Director, The Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility at SMU and before SMU, he was Professor of Management and Management Information Systems at the University of Arizona; Professor and Chairman Department of Management and Policy Sciences and Associate Dean for Research and Faculty at the University of Southern California; and, Associate Professor and Assistant Dean at UCLA.

The author of numerous academic articles and books, in 2001 he received the LEO Award from the Association of Information Systems for his lifelong contribution to the information systems field. Mason's appointments at SMU include Senior Fellow and member of the Executive Board of the John G. Tower Center for Political Studies; member Faculty Advisory Board for the Clements Center for Southwest Studies; and member University Committee for the George W. Bush Presidential Library.

Dick's activities include author and co-authorship of six books. He and Foxie also co-authored the *Ethics of Information Management*. Dick is a former Board member of the Women's Resource Center. He served on the Durango School District 2009 "Independent Review Panel for Athletic/Activities Policies and Procedures." He currently serves on the Mercy Regional Medical Center Ethics Committee, the MRMC Institutional Review Board (IRB), and the Fort Lewis College IRB.

Foxie's career encompassed many information professional roles, serving, as a former public library director, public library trustee, and committee member of library organizations in Colorado and Arizona including serving as Chair of the Arizona State Library Association Legislative Committee. After moving the Dallas, she started a library management consulting company, "F. Mason and Associates" in 1990. During the period 1990-2009 she worked with approximately 90 public, academic and corporate libraries nationally preparing studies ranging from organization, personnel, long-range planning, building, facility and master planning studies. She also held adjunct faculty positions at Emporia State University, Syracuse University and the University of North Texas teaching courses in the areas of Economic of Information and Managing Emerging Technologies. As F. Mason and Associates, Foxie prepared the Needs Assessment Report for a new Durango Public Library and served as co-chairman of the Durango Public Library Fundraising Committee.

Foxie founded Music in the Mountains in 1987 with Mischa Semanitzky and Jenny St. John and served as MITM President 2009-2011. She is currently Trustee Emeritus. Along with Dick, she is a current member of the San Juan Basin Archaeology Society, and FLC Professional Associates. She also serves as an art docent at the Durango Art Center and is currently a Colorado Humanities board member. CH plans and distributes humanities-related funding for humanities programming statewide. In Dallas, she was the President and Board member of The Assemblage, a group supporting the visual arts in Dallas. Foxie was Vice President and member with Dick of the Texas Old Forts and Missions Restoration Association dedicated to the preservation of Texas' missions and forts.

## **Chimney Rock National Monument Field Trip**

Due to some cancellations, we have room for a few more SJBAS members on the July 12<sup>th</sup> Chimney Rock National Monument field trip. Michael Stillman of the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association will lead a special tour for our group. Tour cost is \$25 per person. For more information or to signup, contact Lyle at [lylehancock@bresnan.net](mailto:lylehancock@bresnan.net).

## Field Trip Report - Yellow Jacket Pueblo – by Janice Sheftel

Despite huge winds, fourteen SJBAS members followed guide Jerry Fetterman, Woods Canyon Archaeological Consultants, on a two-mile tour to view the portion of the 140-acre Yellow Jacket Pueblo ruin owned by the Archaeological Conservancy, based in Albuquerque. The remainder of the site, including a great kiva, is in private hands.

The site is situated in the upland area between the two arms at the head of Yellow Jacket Canyon northwest of Cortez. Looking at the site from the parking area, it is overgrown with sagebrush. Without being immediately apparent, there are 42 room blocks with possibly 1,500 rooms, 192-195 kivas, 27 towers, a Great Tower, a possible great house, a possible Great Kiva and a possible reservoir. The possible great house and great kiva on the north end of the site, are outside the reserve boundaries and can be viewed only from a distance. It is thought that Chaco Canyon-influenced people appeared here around 1,080 AD. The elevation is about 6,800 feet. Besides great archaeology, there are also sweeping views of Yellow Jacket Canyon and Sleeping Ute Mountain.

Yellow Jacket Pueblo, the largest known Ancestral Puebloan village in the Mesa Verde region, may have been the center of a larger community that included an unknown number of smaller sites near the main village. A substantial amount of research has been conducted in the Yellow Jacket community. In 1931, there was a field school from the Museum of Western State College in Gunnison. For many years, Joe Ben Wheat supervised field school excavations at the small sites southwest of Yellow Jacket Pueblo for the University of Colorado Museum.

The Yellow Jacket site still hasn't been fully excavated. In 1930, according to the Conservancy, the Great House was damaged when building stones were put through a rock crusher to make gravel for the highway being built between Cortez and Dove Creek.

With permission from various landowners, archaeologists from Crow Canyon surveyed the entire Pueblo and conducted extensive mapping. They conducted test excavations at Yellow Jacket from 1995 through 1997, principally on the portions owned by the Conservancy and on one privately owned site. Crow Canyon re-excavated several of the structures initially excavated by Western State. The data from those excavations indicate that the village was occupied by perhaps 1,500 people from 1160 through the late A.D. 1200's, possibly by Chacoan people, the dates corresponding to the late Pueblo II through Pueblo III periods.

Research on possible archaeoastronomy alignments at sites within the Yellow Jacket community was conducted by Kim Malville (1991), who also briefly discussed a monolith at the southeast corner of Architectural Block 2600 and an "ash cave" below the south canyon rim. Several exact alignments at Yellow Jacket are similar to the alignments found at Chaco Canyon. Near a petroglyph site there is a very large rubble pile structure. On one side there is a standing monument that is thought to have a summer solstice alignment with the Lizard Head formation and other peaks in the San Miguel Mountains about 50 miles away that are sometimes visible. Two similar monuments have fallen over. An interesting feature is a five-foot monolith believed to be a solstice marker that projected shadows across a wall that is no longer standing. Four similar-sized monoliths that are no longer standing have been found.

The highlight of the site, the Great Tower Complex, is on the northeast side of the pueblo. The large tower-kiva is 23 feet across and is part of castle-like compact structure that may have been located to protect the spring water source for the area. The Great Tower Complex has been partially excavated several times but has been back-filled, so no standing walls are visible. This complex appears to have been built relatively late in the history of Yellow Jacket, around 1240-1280 AD. Some surface water is visible below the cattails in Yellow Jacket Canyon and rubble is visible near the springs. In addition to the springs as a water supply, there are the remains of check dams along the drainages to catch surface runoff. Further down the Canyon, there are rubble piles below the rim. The structures protecting the water source are thought to be part of a trend in the mid-thirteenth century as rising population put more demand on the resources.

No large structures are still standing at the site, but the ground is littered with potsherds, rock artifacts, tool-making scatter and partial walls. There may be several shrine structures along the east side of the site near the canyon rim, semi-circular, east facing sites where offerings to the spirits or forces of nature were made.

The Archaeological Conservancy owns 500 archaeological preserves in 46 states, many of which are in Colorado. Over the past 32 years, the Conservancy has slowly acquired 140 acres of the Yellow Jacket Pueblo complex.

For more information about this interesting site, see Kuchelman, Kristin A., "The Archaeology of Yellow Jacket Canyon: Excavation at a large community center in southwestern Colorado," which is based on data contained in Crow Canyon's "The Yellow Jacket Pueblo Database," which contains detailed descriptions and interpretations of individual study units, including information on features, point-located artifacts, masonry styles, stratigraphy, building construction, and structure dating. The database also contains more than 70 AutoCAD maps and 800 color photographs.

## **New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science – “Da Vinci, The Genius”**

SJBAS members Pam and Lyn Butler have recommended this temporary exhibit at the Museum of Natural History and Science in Albuquerque. It opened in February and runs until July 29, 2018. This special exhibit contains more than 200 pieces, and about 75 are large-scale or interactive models of da Vinci's inventions and designs. It also contains drawings that were studies for some of his masterpieces. Tickets may be purchased online or at the museum. Museum hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. For detailed information and online tickets, follow this link: [Da Vinci, The Genius](#).

## **Save the Date**

Save the date: next spring Jesse Tune and Chuck Riggs are hosting the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists' annual meeting in Durango, the weekend of March 7-9. They are in the initial planning stages, and will keep us updated as things come together

## **Fort Lewis College – CSWS Summer Lecture Series schedule – 1:30 p.m. in the Lyceum**

June 13: "O'Keefe's Odyssey to the West," Judith Reynolds

June 27: "Three Women, One Story: 1,000 Years of Art, History and Culture," Kate Nelson

July 11: "Millicent Rogers: From New York to Taos." Shelby Tisdale

July 18: "Western Women We Respect: Durango's Own Olga Little," Andrew Gulliford

July 25: "Alice Eastwood: Pioneer Botanist in the Four Corners." Marietta Easton

August 8: "Mable Dodge Lujan and Company," Lois Rudnick

August 22: "Slim Woman: Louisa Wade Wetherill of Kayenta.: Harvey Leake

## **Four Corners Lecture Series – [2018 Schedule](#)**

| <b>Upcoming Field Trip and Activity Schedule - 2018</b> |   |
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| <b>Dates</b>  | <p><b>Updates are in red.</b></p> <p>To update this schedule, email <a href="mailto:lylehancock@bresnan.net">lylehancock@bresnan.net</a>.</p> <p>Please contact trip leaders by phone or email for more information or to sign up.</p> <p>Follow this link for a <a href="#">printer friendly 2018 Trip Schedule</a>.</p>   |
| <b>June 8 - 9</b>                                       | <p><b>Ouray Perimeter Trail Historical Hike</b> – 2-day camping or hotel trip - Don Paulson, curator of history for the Ouray Museum, may lead the Perimeter Trail hike; trip will include Ute Indian Museum in Montrose and docent-led tour to Shavano Valley Rock Art Site. For more information or to sign up, contact Joan Kellogg at <a href="mailto:joankellogg@charter.net">joankellogg@charter.net</a>.</p>   |
| <b>June 13</b>  | <p><b>SJBAS semi-annual meeting and picnic</b> - at Elk's picnic ground on Florida Road</p>   |
| <b>June 18 - 22</b>                                     | <p><b>CANCELLED Southern New Mexico (Mimbres Country)</b> – 5-day camping trip - Three Rivers Petroglyph Site; Hueco Tanks State Park with guided tour; 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 <a href="mailto:paula@durango.net">paula@durango.net</a>. This trip will be offered again in 2109 in the spring.</p>   |
| <b>June 18</b>  | <p><b>FLC Field School in Canyons of the Ancients National Monument</b> – 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 <a href="mailto:chambrke@aol.com">chambrke@aol.com</a>.</p>  |
| <b>June 23 – 25</b>                                     | <p><b>CANCELLED SMU-in-Taos Field School at Picuris Pueblo</b> – 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. Also, Taos Pueblo corn project. TPL 18. For more information or to sign up, contact Foxie Mason at <a href="mailto:fmason@frontier.net">fmason@frontier.net</a>.</p>  |
| <b>June 22 - 24</b>                                     | <p><b>San Miguel Mission, Pecos National Historic Park, and Feast Day at Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo</b> – 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 24<sup>th</sup>, 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 <a href="mailto:rhondaandjim@msn.com">rhondaandjim@msn.com</a>.</p> |
| <b>July 11</b>  | <p><b>SJBAS meeting</b> - 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>  |
| <b>July 12</b>  | <p><b>Chimney Rock National Monument</b> – 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 <a href="mailto:lylehancock@bresnan.net">lylehancock@bresnan.net</a>.</p>   |

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| <b>August 8</b>          | <b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Dr. Heather Smith – <i>“The contribution of Southwest archaeology to our understanding of how North America was occupied by humans.”</i>  |
| <b>August 9 - 12</b>     | <b><a href="#">Pecos Conference 2018</a></b> at Flagstaff, AZ - Group camping event. For additional information, contact Foxie Mason at <a href="mailto:fmason@frontier.net">fmason@frontier.net</a> .   |
| <b>August ?</b>          | <b>CANCELLED El Rancho de las Golondrinas</b> (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 <a href="mailto:fmason@frontier.net">fmason@frontier.net</a> .  |
| <b>September 12</b>      | <b>SJBAS meeting</b> – 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.   |
| <b>September 14</b>      | <b>Haynie Site</b> – 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 sign up, contact Jim Mueller at <a href="mailto:rhondaandjim@msn.com">rhondaandjim@msn.com</a> .   |
| <b>September 15</b>      | <b>John W. Sanders Lecture Series</b> - Dr. Aaron Deter-Wolf, a prehistoric archaeologist with the Tennessee Division of Archaeology, and an adjunct professor at Middle Tennessee University, will discuss “Otzi, the Iceman: a 5,000-year- old mummy found melting out of a glacier in the Italian Alps” at Fort Lewis College Ballroom.   |
| <b>September 21 - 23</b> | <b>Natural Bridges National Monument</b> - 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 sign up, contact Andy Gulliford at <a href="mailto:andy@agulliford.com">andy@agulliford.com</a> .  |
| <b>September 22 - 25</b> | <b>Northern Arizona Exploration</b> - 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 sign up, contact Lyle at <a href="mailto:lylehancock@bresnan.net">lylehancock@bresnan.net</a> . |
| <b>September 22 - 23</b> | <b>CAS annual meeting in Cortez</b>  |
| <b>September 29</b>      | <b>Local Hispano Cemeteries Tour</b> – day trip led by Ruth Lambert – Trip Participation Limit is 20. For more information or to sign up, contact Joan Kellogg at <a href="mailto:joankellogg@charter.net">joankellogg@charter.net</a> .   |
| <b>October 10</b>        | <b>SJBAS meeting</b> - Geri Hockfield Malandra will present: <i>“The Ancient Sites of Ellora: A Microcosm of South Asia’s Archaeological Past”</i>   |
| <b>October 26 - 29</b>   | <b>Rock Art near Vernal, Utah</b> – 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 sign up, contact Tish Varney at <a href="mailto:tishvarney@att.net">tishvarney@att.net</a> .   |
| <b>November 14</b>       | <b>SJBAS meeting</b> – Kristin Bowen, Lead archaeologist with Bureau of Reclamation, Western Colorado Office, will present: <i>"A Federal Archaeologist’s work experiences in the Western USA."</i>  |



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| December 15 | SJBAS annual meeting and holiday brunch |
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## Southwest Open School artwork exhibit at Canyons of the Ancients Visitor Center

A new exhibit at the Canyons of the Ancients Visitor Center and Museum will feature Southwest Open School student art pieces inspired by local archaeological sites, documents and artifacts. “Our local museum staff worked with these talented students to formulate and install an exhibit,” said Marietta Eaton, BLM Canyons of the Ancients National Monument, Visitor Center and Museum manager. “We are proud of our unique partnership with the Southwest Open School and look forward to sharing their creations with the public when the exhibit opens.”

The students also connected with BLM staff to learn about the importance of cultural resource management as well as Ancestral Puebloan culture including architecture, technology and art through the school’s local alternative education campus charter high school.

“We appreciate the BLM’s willingness to help our students explore art and archaeology,” said Ed Whritner, Southwest Open School teacher. “It’s our mission is to create a community of learners who utilize expeditionary, experiential education in developing and nurturing high academic character and health standards while honoring diversity and fostering self-directed lifelong learning.”

The public can view the exhibit from May 29 to June 12, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Canyons of the Ancients Visitor Center and Museum, [27501 Hwy. 184, Dolores, CO](#). Admission to the museum is \$3 per person. Children under 18 and America the Beautiful Public Lands Pass holders enter the museum for free.

To learn more, contact Ed Whritner at 970-565-1150 or visit <https://www.blm.gov/learn/interpretive-centers/CANM-visitor-center-museum>.

## 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 – [June Newsletter](#)

As a part of the Four Corners Lecture Series, the Hisatsinom Chapter of the Colorado Archaeology Society is pleased to present Dr. Maxine McBrinn on Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Methodist Church, 515 Park Street, Cortez, CO to discuss “Renewing a Classic: Updating the first large community-curated exhibition on the US Southwest.” Maxine, along with collaborators Joseph Aguilar and Lenora Tsosie, are renewing and updating the “Here, Now and Always” exhibit at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture in Santa Fe, NM, and discuss the collaborative process of this update. Contact Kari Schleher at 505-269-4475 with questions.

## Regional Archaeological News

**Adaptive Reuse: Historic Bar Becomes Bears Ears Education Center**

Two and a half hours west of Durango, the small desert town of Bluff, Utah, is experiencing a canyon country renaissance. A dozen new tourist cabins are going up. A 54-unit resort is being built. A former trading post is a thriving restaurant, and the old Silver Dollar Bar built in 1955 has found new life as the forthcoming Bears Ears Education Center. ([Read article](#)) — Durango Herald

### **Zuni Kiva Project Goes Forward with Funding from the National Trust**

The Crow Canyon Archaeological Center has been awarded a grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation to help start work on the next phase of the groundbreaking Zuni Kiva Project. The Zuni Kiva Project is a collaboration between Crow Canyon’s American Indian Initiatives department and the Pueblo of Zuni which aims to restore and revitalize six Zuni kivas. ([Read article](#)) — Crow Canyon Archaeological Center

### **Resource Extraction Encroaches on Hovenweep**

The Utah Bureau of Land Management has sold oil and gas leases near Hovenweep National Monument, despite requests by monument officials to defer them to protect archaeological and natural resources. In March, 43 parcels totaling 51,400 acres in southeastern Utah were sold for oil and gas development for \$1.5 million. The National Park Service requested that 13 of the parcels located within 15 miles of Hovenweep National Monument units be deferred, according to an Oct. 23 comment letter on the BLM lease sale plan. The request was denied. ([Read article](#)) – The Cortez Journal

### **Group of Senators Asks Interior to Pause Management Planning at Bears Ears and Grand Staircase, Pending Lawsuits**

U.S. Senator Tom Udall led a group of 16 senators in calling on U.S. Department of Interior (DOI) Secretary Ryan Zinke to halt the development of management plans for Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments until legal challenges related to President Trump’s illegal attempt to shrink these monuments have been resolved. The senators also expressed their deep concern that the Bureau of Land Management does not intend to consider the millions of public comments in support of maintaining these national monuments—and has no plan to conduct meaningful tribal consultation—as DOI moves forward with the rushed planning process. “The president lacks the authority to revoke or reduce previously established national monuments—that authority is reserved to Congress,” the senators wrote. “We strongly disagree with the Department of the Interior’s decision to rush into the planning process for these landscapes based on proclamations which are being challenged in court and are likely to be overturned.” ([Read article](#)) – tomudall.senate.gov

### **Blogs Worth Reading: Kellam Throgmorton (Binghamton) Reports on Two Chacoan Outliers**

Given that recent research keeps pushing back the dates of the really interesting things that happened in Chaco Canyon (macaws at AD 900! venerated leaders by AD 850!), it seems like it might be time to take a good look at the Early Bonito Phase (AD 840–1020) across the San Juan Basin as a whole. Over the past forty years, John Stein, Michael Marshall, Ruth Van Dyke, Thomas Windes, and others have identified numerous outlier great house communities with origins in the 800s (and earlier). For my dissertation research with Dr. Van Dyke at Binghamton University, I am comparing community development at two of these outlier great house communities in New Mexico—Morris 40 and Padilla Well. ([Read article](#)) — Preservation Archaeology News via Archaeology Southwest

### **SJBAS Officers and Other Positions - 2018**

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