



THE MOKI MESSENGER

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SAN JUAN BASIN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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Next Meeting – July 10th

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10th, at 7:00 p.m. in the lyceum at the Center of Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College. After a brief business meeting, Layne Miller will present: “Fremont Rock Art.” There will be a social at 6:30 p.m. in the CSWS foyer.

Layne Miller is a long-time rock art researcher, a founding member of the Utah Rock Art Research Association, and a wonderful photographer with recent photos in the new book by Kevin Jones, *Standing on the Walls of Time: Ancient Art of Utah's Cliffs and Canyons*.

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Volunteer Opportunities

We need one more volunteer to help with the **July 10th pre-meeting social**. Please email Susan Hicks at hicks@animas.net or call 970-759-7152 if you would like to help.

President's Letter

Dear SJBAS Members:

I want to express my sincere appreciation to Foxie Mason and Susan Hicks, SJBAS Vice Presidents, for organizing a splendid semi-annual meeting and picnic. Thanks to all the volunteers, rounded up by Foxie and Susan, who set up the pavilion at Edgemont, cooked the brats, and helped with the clean up so that we got our deposit back. Finally, thanks to all the members for bringing such yummy food. It would be great if members could email their delicious recipes to Lyle, lylehancock54@gmail.com, for inclusion in the Moki.

CHEERS. At the picnic we celebrated SJBAS's new status as an independent organization - a Colorado non-profit corporation AND a federal 501(C)(3) entity with its own tax-exempt number.

On September 14th SJBAS will host the John W. Sanders Lecture: "Underwater Excavation and Analysis of Pirate Blackbeard's Flagship, the Queen Anne's Revenge." Volunteers are needed to help with the lecture. If you can assist, please contact Rhonda Raffo, rhondaandjim@msn.com.

For those who wish to attend the Blackbeard lecture, AND WE HOPE LOTS OF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND, tickets are available in person at the Durango Welcome Center, at 970-247-7657, or online at www.durangoconcerts.com at a cost of \$10, plus \$3 convenience fee. Tickets, if still available, may be purchased at the door, cash or check only, starting at 6:00 p.m. for \$15. Five dollars of the price of all tickets will support the SJBAS John W. Sanders Internship and Education Fund, which provides, annually, two FLC student internships at the Center of Southwest Studies and summer FLC archaeology field school scholarships.

Sincerely,
Janice C. Sheftel
President

SJBAS Board meetings – open to all members

SJBAS members are welcome to attend SJBAS Board meetings. The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, July 18th, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. at the LPEA headquarters in Bodo at 45 Stewart Street.

Four Corners Lecture Series

The Four Corners Lecture Series is produced by several local organizations who sponsor speakers. The series features presentations on the archeology, current Native American cultures, history, and natural resources of Mesa Verde and the Four Corners Region. Guest lecturers will share their knowledge, interpretations, and experiences in the Four Corners. The following lectures for 2019 are free and open to the public: [Four Corners Lecture Series - 2019 Schedule](#).

July Lectures in our area

LOIS RUDNICK — *La Fabulosa Fabiola (Cabeza de Baca): First 'Lady' of New Mexican Cuisine*
July 10, Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., FLC, Center of SW Studies, Lyceum Room, Durango

LAYNE MILLER — *Fremont Rock Art*
July 10, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., FLC, Center of SW Studies, Lyceum Room, Durango

JIM ALLISON — *Coal Bed Village and the Archaeology of Montezuma Canyon, Utah*
July 23, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, Cortez

ANDY GULLIFORD — *La Estrella del Pastor - Hispano Shepherders from Colorado and New Mexico:*

Culture, Tradition, and Sheepscapes

July 24, Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., FLC, Center of SW Studies, Lyceum Room, Durango

TIMOTHY KOHLER — *How are Wealth Disparities and Violence Connected in the Pre-Columbian History of the Central Mesa Verde Area?*

July 29, Monday, 7:00 p.m., Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, Cortez

THE LOMAYESTEWA FAMILY — *Traditional Hopi Dancers*

July 30, Sunday, 11:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00., Visitor & Research Center, Mesa Verde National Park

Field Trip Report – Canyon de Chelly

Canyon de Chelly SJBAS Field Trip Report *June 6 & 7 2019*

Participants:



Pictured: Tom Darnell, Lydine Hannula, Ruth Guarino, Susan Hicks, Chris Merlier, Don Hicks

Not Pictured: Thomas Hannula, Randy Graham, Mary Morehead.

June 6, 2017

Thunderbird Lodge Trading Post



Our adventure began meeting our Navajo guides at the Historic Thunderbird Lodge & Trading Post which is on the site of the original trading post built in 1896. Some of our participants stayed at the lodge, one camped at the Cottonwood Campground next to the lodge and one couple stayed at a hotel in Chinle.

June 6, Tour of the Canyon & Group Dinner

At 2:00 pm, our group met our Navajo guides who drove two Pinzgauer army troop carriers, built in Austria to begin our canyon tour. The four-hour trip included visits to following ruins: Kokopelli Cave, Petroglyph Rock, First Ruin, Junction Ruin, Ceremonial Cave, Ledge Ruin, Antelope House Ruin in Canyon De Muerto and the White House Ruin in Canyon De Chelly.



Our drive in the canyon was bumpy but fun and challenging partly due to the high-water levels from the winter snowmelt. It was beautiful in the canyon and we passed several small farms where families were planting corn, grazing cattle and horses.

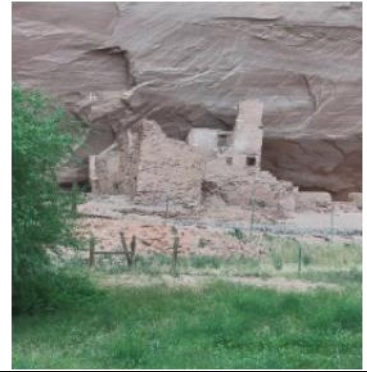


At the end of the day we enjoyed an evening meal at the Junction Café in Chinle which offered some local Navaho specialties such as Sheep herders, Navajo taco on fry bread.




June 7, 2019

Hike to Whitehouse Ruin

At 9:00 am, we met in at the Thunderbird Lodge and traveled to the White House trail head on the south rim. White House was built and occupied about 1,000 years ago and was named for the long, white plaster wall in the upper dwelling. This is one of the few trails that visitors are allowed to hike into the Canyon without a Navajo guide. We traveled 2.5 miles round-trip and descended 600 ft. to the canyon bottom. We complete our hike in about 2 hours.



Dates	<p align="center">Upcoming SJBAS Field Trips and Activities - 2019</p> <p align="center">To update this schedule, email lylehancock54@gmail.com.</p> <p align="center">Updates are in Red.</p> <p align="center">Please contact trip leaders by phone or email for more information or to sign up.</p> <p align="center">Follow this link for a printer-friendly 2019 Trip Schedule.</p>
July 10	SJBAS meeting - Layne Miller will present: "Fremont Rock Art."
July 11	Local Rock Art - half-day guided tour with Layne Miller, rock art expert from Price, Utah, to view historic and pre-historic rock art in Mancos Canyon in Ute Mountain Tribal Park - Maximum trip participation limit is 20; minimum is 8. Tour fee is \$29/person. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Lyle Hancock at lylehancock54@gmail.com .
July 26	Durango history walking tour – For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Andy Gulliford at andy@agulliford.com .
August 8 - 11	Pecos Conference – Cloudcroft, New Mexico - Each August, archaeologists gather at various locations in the southwestern United States. They set up a large tent and spend three days discussing recent research, and the problems and challenges of the profession. Native Americans, avocational archaeologists, the public and media organizations come to speak with the archaeologists. Dick and Foxie Mason will serve as hosts for SJBAS members who wish to attend. Choices are either camping at the conference site or staying in a local hotel. Registration for the Conference will be open until the third week of July. For more information, please contact Foxie at fmason@frontier.net or Dick at 970-247-0252.
August 14	SJBAS meeting - Richard Friedman will present: "Using Computer Technology to aid in the Identification, Documentation, and Visualization of the Chacoan Landscape (Built Environment)."
August 16 - 18	Zuni Pueblo Exploration – 3-day motel/camping trip - Inn at Halona/Camping option at El Morro National Monument (40 min. drive). Options for visiting the following: Old Zuni Mission Tour , Walking Tour of Middle Village, Awan Museum and Heritage Center and potential visit to an un-excavated site with an archeologist. Traditional meal at a Shalako House. Estimated Tour Fees \$25/tour/person (depends on number of attendees) Note, Inn will need to be booked early – only has 8 rooms. Participation Limit is 12; Minimum is 6. For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Randy Graham at rg44@bresnan.net .
September 6	Southern Ute Museum and Ignacio Cemetery – day trip – Activities include a private tour of the Southern Ute Museum and Ignacio Cemetery, followed by lunch at the Southern Ute Tribal Fair and viewing the Bear Dance ceremony. For more

	information or to sign up, contact trip leaders Rhonda Raffo and Jim Mueller at rhondaandjim@msn.com .
September 11	SJBAS meeting cancelled - Colorado Humanities will hold an Eleanor Roosevelt Chautauqua .
September 13	Haynie Site – Day trip – Site tour led by Susan Ryan to visit Crow Canyon research dig – For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Jim Mueller at rhondaandjim@msn.com .
September 14	John W. Sanders Lecture - Dr. David Moore will present: “Blackbeard and the recovery of his pirate ship, “The Queen Anne’s Revenge.” <div>    </div>
September 15	Aztec/Salmon or Mesa Verde – local archaeology trip for lecturer Dr. David Moore – For more information or to sign up, contact trip leader Janice Sheftel at janicesheftel@gmail.com .
September 27	Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Park Tour – day trip - \$\$ - For more information or to sign up, contact trip leaders Rhonda Raffo and Jim Mueller at rhondaandjim@msn.com .
October 9	SJBAS meeting – Larry Ruiz and Ruth Van Dyke will present: “Chacoan Landscapes.”
November 13	SJBAS meeting – Randy McGuire will present: “Sonoran Archaeology.”
December 7	SJBAS annual meeting and holiday brunch

Other Related Trips and Events

Yearlong	Canyon Country Discovery Center – a variety of trips in SE Utah
September 6 - 8	Southern Ute Tribal Fair and Powwow
October 11 - 13	CAS - annual meeting in Pueblo
Yearlong	History Colorado – many day trips on Front Range, but some multi-day trips. Follow link to review 2018 schedule: https://www.historycolorado.org/sites/default/files/media/documents/2018/2018-tours-and-treks.pdf

CAS Annual Meeting in Pueblo – October 11 – 13

Follow this link to an [information poster](#).

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Regional Archaeology News

Chimney Rock National Monument Opens for the Season Today

Come experience a unique part of America's heritage this summer in the shadows of Chimney Rock National Monument's awe-inspiring twin spires. Chimney Rock will open for the 2019 season on Wednesday, May 15. The site is accessible for guided tours and audio-guided tours. The price for guided tours is \$16/adult and \$8/child (ages 5-12). The price for audio-guided tours is \$12/adult and \$6/child (ages 5-12). There is no charge for children under 5. Chimney Rock National Monument is a protected archaeological site with limited access through tours only. – Pagosa Springs Sun ([Read article](#))

Feature: The Bears Ears Education Center

The terracotta mesas and umber buttes reveal that this is an exceptional place. Yet not one sign from the Bureau of Land Management or the U.S. Forest Service, the two federal agencies that jointly manage Bears Ears National Monument, indicates where it's actually located. There are no federal facilities dedicated to the rising tide of visitors. "It's managed by Google," says Josh Ewing, executive director of the land-conservation nonprofit Friends of Cedar Mesa, based in nearby Bluff, Utah... In the absence of federal resources, Ewing and Friends of Cedar Mesa raised \$700,000 from the crowdfunding site Kickstarter and built the Bears Ears Education Center last year. – High Country News ([Read article](#))

SJBAS Elected Officers and Other Board Members - 2019

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

Membership renewals are due by January 31st each year. Please complete the [SJBAS Annual Membership Form](#), make your check payable to 'SJBAS' and mail with the Annual Membership Form to: **SJBAS, Attn: Randy Graham, P.O. Box 3153, Durango, CO 81302.**