Calendar

November 11—PCAS General Meeting
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November 15 (Noon) Museum of Man
“Off the Tourist Track in Vietnam”
Speaker: Anne Chew
See announcement under Members’ News Corner (pg. 13)

November 16 (10 a.m.) Imperial County
IVC Desert Museum Society Tour
Fish Traps
See announcement under Members’ News Corner (pg. 10)

November 19 (7:15 p.m.) AIA Lecture
The Ongoing Evolution of Southern California Indian Cultures
Speaker: Cheryl Jeffrey
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November 20 (8 a.m.) Ocotillo, Imperial County
IVC Desert Museum Society Tour
Yuha Mesa Geoglyphs
See announcement under Members’ News Corner (pg. 10)

November 20 (10 a.m. – 4 p.m.) IVC Desert Museum
Fifth Annual Indian Fair
See announcement under Members’ News Corner (pg. 10)

November 23 (7 p.m.) Mission Trails Regional Park
Monthly SDCAS Meeting
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December 6 (8 a.m.) El Centro
IVC Desert Museum Society Tour
Palo Verde Petroglyphs
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Indian Pass
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President’s Message

By Brian K. Glenn

I want to take this opportunity to cover several reports and issues. These include our new meeting venue at Mission Trails Regional Park (MTRP), membership and participation in the SDCAS, our proposed publication series, as well as some thoughts on the direction the society is taking. But first, I would like to take advantage of my last stint at the President’s podium to thank the SDCAS Board of Directors for their efforts and assistance during my tenure as President. The SDCAS gave me some of my first experiences in archaeology (Fort Guijarros), has been an anchor to San Diego archaeology during my travels in pursuit of my education, and has given me an opportunity to further our mutual goals of cultural resource education and

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The New SDCAS General Meeting Location is at Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor Center. From Highways 52 or 125 take Mission Gorge Road to Father Junipero Serra Trail. From I-15 take the Friars Road exit east (it turns into Mission Gorge Road) to Father Junipero Serra Trail.

The SDCAS Office is at the Peñasquitos Ranch House, west of Black Mountain Road and Canyonside Community Park.
Editor’s Message

Please send me any archaeology-, anthropology-, or history-related news items, stories, events, photographs, drawings, cartoons, or anecdotes to include in upcoming Newsletters. Items in MS Word or TIFF format are preferred, however any items are appreciated and will be considered for inclusion.

My deepest apologies to Lynn Gamble for the calendar error that resulted in her talk not being listed for the October General Meeting. That’s what I get for trying to save time by cutting and pasting! Also I apologize for leaving Friars Road off of the map for the new meeting location. For those of you coming from I-15, take the Friars Road exit east and it will turn into Mission Gorge Road if you just follow it around. For those of you coming from other places, let me know if you find a good route that you would like to share with the rest of the membership and I will put it in the next newsletter. Thanks!

The submission deadline for the next issue is December 31. Have a Happy Holiday Season! Please send all items to:

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Members’ News Corner

Publication Series

By Herb Dallas Jr.

Greetings fellow members. I wanted to alert you to an exciting new development for SDCAS. The Board has decided that the SDCAS will start a publication series soon. What a great way to launch the Society into the next Millennium. This is an important service that SDCAS can provide to the archeological community, students, and its members. There is so much “grey” literature or unpublished professional material produced each year, that little of it gets reviewed or synthesized into the archeological system. This publication will hopefully change that. Our goal is to produce the first issue for publication within the next 6 months.

We are now in the process of organizing an editorial team that will review the submitted articles. After the editorial team is chosen, we will brainstorm an editorial policy for the publication series. A set of submission guidelines will be produced to guide all authors, as well as the editorial board. This will ensure consistency and quality of the publications. Then we will send out an announcement soliciting articles for publication. This will be a great opportunity for everyone to publish articles and then read what is happening in our area. This area sorely lacks an active publication venue. This will fill a tremendous void for this region. Each issue will have a theme. Articles will be linked to that theme, for that particular issue. You can submit articles at any time, however, recognize that articles will not be published until enough articles around a certain theme have been received.

Future themes will be announced in the newsletter about six months in advance of publication, so there will be plenty of time to submit your article. If a certain investigation has enough merit, maybe a publication issue will be devoted to that site or a particular project. This series will be offered to our members at a discount and the proceeds from the sales will go towards future publications. This series will be similar to what the Pacific Coast Archeological Society (PCAS) has done for many years.

So, members get involved: submit your article to us, suggest themes for future issues, or learn about the publishing end of the profession. This is your society: get involved. The main criteria for the articles to be published, will be that they are interesting and of enough merit to appeal to a wide audience. Members should be proud of this step into the publishing world. Stay tuned for future announcements. If you currently have an article that you think warrants publication, please contact me. Thanks.

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Historical Resources Forum

Submitted by: Lynne E. Christenson

Cultural Resource Management at Fort Irwin, the U.S. Army’s National Training Center in the Mojave Desert

Mark W. Allen and Jennifer S. Mitchell

Fort Irwin is the site of the U.S. Army’s National Training Center. Ten times a year, armored and mechanized infantry rotational forces travel from their home bases across the country to train in this 1,000 square mile installation. They face a highly skilled opposing force in large-scale war games, and have the opportunity to conduct realistic live fire training as well. In the midst of this mission, the Fort Irwin Cultural Resources Program has the responsibility of inventorying and protecting the archaeological and historic sites on the installation. Since the early 1980’s, the program has conducted extensive surveys, and other investigations. This work has yielded some highly significant results, including numerous large Lake Mojave and Pinto period sites. This presentation summarizes the program’s status and goals.

The November Historical Resources Forum will be held on November 16 at 12 Noon at the San Diego Archaeology Center, 334 11th Ave, San Diego. Please join us for this very interesting presentation.

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La Rumarosa Field Trip

By Bonnie Bruce

On October 9th it was HOT in San Diego but not in the high desert 45 minutes east of Tecate. It was beautiful weather for Richard Carrico’s San Diego State field trip to La Rumarosa, a site known for its Kumeyaay rock art. Richard, an adjunct professor at San Diego State University, shared his vast knowledge of the area with his students and us few SDCAS members who joined them. Richard’s ability to make the landscape come alive was evident as he explained how the prehistoric Kumeyaay lived and used the natural resources of the area. He also related contributions and stories from Kumeyaay elders who had participated in past field trips.

Many of the rock shelters were fenced off to help in their preservation, but luckily for us, Richard had a key! We felt privileged to see the vibrant pictographs up close and sit in awe in the rockshelters, and imagine how they must have danced in the firelight.

Renew your Membership Dues!!!

By Carol Serr

Hello – I am the new Membership Chair and I want to remind you that October is the beginning of our membership year – so PLEASE renew your dues today! And even better – become a LIFE member for a $250 one-time fee (that can be paid in installments over one year).

Apparently many people that have not renewed in over a year (or more) have still been receiving the newsletter – and perhaps you haven’t realized your dues have lapsed. Please check the expiration date in the upper right-hand corner of your newsletter address label. Some of you haven’t paid dues since Oct. 97!! Our society is in dire need of membership fees to stay afloat, and we don’t seem to attract many new members – so PLEASE Renew NOW!!! If your renewal fee is not received by the end of the year, this newsletter is the last one you will receive.

But more than just renewing – become an Active member – or even more importantly a Board Member. If the program topics haven’t interested you lately then let us know what sort of topics you do like. Better yet – GIVE a presentation yourself to the enthusiastic members who faithfully show up each month.

If you have any friends or family that would like to join – please give them an application form. Besides the copy in the newsletter – one can be printed off our website at: www.sandiegoinsider.com/community/groups/sdcas/Membership.html. The website also has a map page to the new meeting place.

Thanks for your continued support. See you at the meetings!

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### Upcoming Monthly Meeting

**Guest Speakers**

By Kaylene Fleming

**November 23, 1999**

There will be no guest speaker for November, instead an informal get-together is planned with archaeological videos, slides and a question and answer segment. The latter is intended to give members the opportunity to present those questions that they never seem to get around to asking. If you have any questions please get them to me by November 12, 1999 at 858-874-4056, or send to 2226 River Run Drive #157, San Diego, CA 92108.

There is no Monthly Meeting in December

**January 25, 2000**

January guest speaker will be Carol Demcak. Her topic is on the manufacture and distribution of red stone beads.

### Monthly Meeting Guest Speakers Synopses

By Kaylene Fleming

**September 28, 1999**

September’s guest speaker was Dr. Thomas E. Levy, Chair of the Department of Anthropology, University of California San Diego. The main focus of Dr. Levy’s talk was his research at Jabal Hamrat Fidan, Jordan. The Hamrat Fidan in southern Jordan is the “gateway” to the Faynan district, which is the largest source of copper ore in the southern Levantine. The goal of the research was to gather information that could answer question on the social context of the copper ore trade and metalworking in the various communities who exploited copper ore from Faynan.

This research project was a joint venture with a team from the University of Bristol, University of California San Diego. Dr. Levy was quick to point out that a hundred enthusiastic students can be a little tiring. But it was through these many hands that excavations and surveys revealed some interesting artifact, and features. By using an EDM (Electronic Distance measurer) Total Station and ArcView a comprehensive topographic map was made of the site. I certainly appreciate Dr. Levy sharing the two and three-dimensional map with us, the visual impressions tell a hundred stories.

A particular interest was the excavation of what Dr. Levy described as an accidental copper smelt in a Pre-Pottery Neolithic structure. A room in the structure had been badly burnt and a natural clay crucible was found with smelted copper ore with some slags. This observation substantiated the theory that new developments in the evolution of pyro-technology occurred by accident.

A total of twenty-eight 5-x-5-meter units were opened during the 1999 season. These excavations revealed much of the structure of the architecture and spatial/temporal layout of communities in relationship to copper smelting and production. Dr. Levy has tentatively concluded that at Khirbet Hamra Ifdam (one of three localities excavated) there was an organized system of copper production where materials moved across the site from south to north into different compounds from the initial smelting of metal, to the casting of metal ingots, and finally the production of finished metal objects. These results will eventually become a part of Dr. Levy’s research on the role of ore procurement and early metallurgy on the evolution of societies in the southern Levant.

More information on this project can be found at http://weber.ucsd.edu/Depts/Anthro/classes/tlevy/Fidan/from1999/deptrep99.html

**October 26, 1999**

October’s guest speaker was Dr. Lynn Gamble of the Anthropology Department, San Diego State University. The title of her talk was Effigy Forgeries - A Whale of a Tale. Throughout the introduction to this very interesting and informative talk, Dr. Gamble introduced us to the Chumash and their way of life. The main focus of her talk was the detailed analyses of the artifacts that are housed at the National Museum of the American Indian in New York to determine their authenticity.

These objects, which include inlaid pipes, effigies, stone beads, and bowls, came under the scrutiny of Heizer who was suspicious of their authenticity because of the fine detail in the inlaid shell bead-work. Dr. Gamble spent many hours at the Museum in New York, and even traveled as far as France to conduct her analysis of Chumash effigies. Throughout her presentation Dr. Gamble showed us many slides of the above mentioned artifacts. She also presented her analysis on how she could detect the forgeries. For instance many of the effigies were drilled with modern day metal drills, files and rasps were used to create grooves and holes, some of the effigies were not manufactured from steatite but were fashioned from plaster. Dr. Gamble was also suspicious of the coating on the artifacts implying that boot-polish was used instead of the traditional ochre.

Dr. Gamble concluded her talk with an all too brief discussion on Chumash canoes. We hope that she will soon conclude her research and return to present her work on this fascinating subject.

### President’s Message

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preservation within the community. It is my firm belief that the Society has an important role to play in these undertakings and will continue to do so in the years to come.

**Mission Trail Regional Park Venue**

We now have two lectures at the MTRP venue under our belt. Both were well attended and informative. We are still working out the nuances of presentation order and breaks, but all-in-all the meetings and the venue have
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been successful. We are pursuing several opportunities for interactions with both the park and the MTRP Foundation. We look forward to fostering a relationship of mutual respect and reciprocity. The incoming President (Glenn Russell) will keep you informed of opportunities and activities.

Membership

It is time once again to show your support for the SDCAS by renewing or updating your membership. Several levels are available and any additional support you care to give would be appreciated. We are a frugal society and take great care in using your membership dollars. However, it is not only your financial support, but your involvement in the Society that makes the difference. As I have said in past newsletters, it is your society and it needs your support and guidance if it is to continue to meet the needs of its members. I would encourage members of avocational, academic, and professional communities to support the Society and work together through the SDCAS to bring about a better understanding of the area’s cultural resources.

While select members of the professional community have contributed their time and expertise (and this is thoroughly appreciated), I have been disappointed by the lack of participation as members by a group whose very livelihood is based on the concern for proper treatment of these non-renewable archaeological and historical resources. Every professional in this county should be a member, if not a full participant, in the SDCAS.

The Board of Directors has done an excellent job at providing outstanding lectures and informative and entertaining field opportunities. Please contribute your ideas and expertise to the Board during the upcoming year. You’ll find it is a better society for the effort and that you will better appreciate the work necessary to maintain and grow with the Society. I would also encourage you to pass on your newsletters to friends and coworkers that might be interested, so that we might continue to grow and service more of our community.

Publication

Herb Dallas (past SDCAS President) has offered his services to the Society as Chief Editor of the forthcoming SDCAS publication series. [Please see Herb’s announcement under the Members’ News Corner on Page 3. –Ed.] We have discussed several possible themes and would appreciate any input the membership would care to offer. We are attempting to balance the series with articles of interest to avocational, academic, and professional audiences (no easy task). Subjects under discussion include republication of several seminal articles of San Diego County archaeology, thematic issues regarding topics such as chronology, technology, and subsistence, as well as the elaboration of aspects of resource management reports that often never see the light of day. This is a great opportunity to elevate the Society to a higher level. If you have a possible contribution or subject that you would like addressed, I would suggest contacting myself (BKPacWest@aol.com) or Herb (hdallas@parks.ca.gov) to discuss the matter.

Future of the SDCAS

Accomplishments of the last few years have provided a firm foundation for the regeneration of the Society. We have suffered from a degree of apathy, in part due to the lack of input and participation by the professional and avocational communities over the last few years. As a professional in the field of cultural resource management and a long-time member of the SDCAS, I am perhaps more aware of the Society’s contributions to the community. The SDCAS has a long history of community interaction and has played pivotal role in the protection and preservation of the County’s cultural resources through our Environmental Review Board headed by Jim Royle. The Society has been the parent organization for the Fort Guijarros Museum Foundation and the San Diego Archaeology Center.

It is with these past accomplishments in mind that I call out to both new and old members to put forth the effort to improve the Society, to make it the foremost organization for the preservation, protection, and education of this County’s archaeological and historical resources. It has been my pleasure to serve as your President and I look forward to continuing my interactions with the Society in years to come.

Thanks for your support!

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SCA Data Sharing Meeting
By Marla Mealey

This year the Society for California Archaeology (SCA) Southern California Data Sharing Meeting on October 23, focused on community involvement. Although the turnout was somewhat small, those of us who did attend were treated to some informative and thought-provoking speakers.

Ron May gave a synopsis of the work of the Fort Guijarros Foundation, Susan Hector explained the relationship between the Multiple Species Conservation Plan (MSCP) and cultural resources, and Cindy Stankowski spoke about the San Diego Archaeological Center.

After lunch, Beth Padon told us about the California Site Stewardship Program, which is trying to set up volunteers to watch over and monitor certain archaeological sites, Mick Calarco explained his ongoing work at the Presidio and his hopes for an interpretation program there, Jay Von Werlhof showed slides of some of the endangered geoglyphs of the Southern California Deserts, Richard Carrico told about the Baron Cultural Museum, and Myra Herrmann gave a report from the SCA “Super Committee” on advocational groups, public outreach, and education.

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#### California State Parks to Announce Associate Archaeologist Exam

The California Department of Parks and Recreation plans to hire 20 State Archaeologists (and several State Historians and Museum Curators) this fiscal year. The positions will be located throughout the state and will handle survey and planning projects, environmental review, site stabilization and project monitoring, as well as a variety of other work. Appointments will be made from a Civil Service list, created by competitive exams given within the next few months. The first exam will probably be in January, with a final filing date sometime in December. To ensure that you are notified of the exam, please contact Betsy Leber at the California Department of Parks and Recreation Archaeology Lab, 2502 Port Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

#### IVC Desert Museum Society Archaeology Tours

The IVC Desert Museum Society will once again be offering tours of archaeological sites throughout Imperial County. Tours will be conducted by Jay von Werlhof, IVCDM Director, and Karen and Ed Collins, instructors of Anthropology at IVC. For more information please call 760-358-7016.

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#### Fifth Annual Indian Fair

Saturday, November 20, 1999

The Imperial Valley College (IVC) Desert Museum Society invites you and your family to join us for a day of fun and education at the future site of the IVC Desert Museum and Information Center located in Ocotillo, CA. Visit the new nature trail, dance with Native Americans, listen to Cahuilla Bird Singers and Quechan Lightning Singers, enjoy fry bread, and tour the many booths and displays. For more details please call 760-358-7016.

#### SCA YR2000 Annual Meeting

Submitted by Mike Sampson
From the SCA Newsletter

The annual meeting of the Society for California Archaeology will be held in Riverside, April 19 through the 22, 2000. The meeting will be held at the newly renovated Riverside Convention Center, just across the downtown pedestrian plaza from the (also) newly renovated Holiday Inn, which will host the conference delegates at special rates. The nearby famous and fabulous Mission Inn will also provide a number of guest rooms at reduced rates.
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1. The collecting in any manner of archaeological material or data shall be done using contemporary scientific techniques, and shall have as its express purpose the finding and dissemination of information relative to the history and prehistory of California.

2. Provisions shall be made for the housing of archaeological materials and data in accordance with accepted professional practices, and such materials and data shall be made available to qualified individuals through accumulated field notes and records or to the general profession through the publication of findings.

3. The gathering of archaeological specimens or the destruction of archaeological sites for purposes of selling artifacts or personal acquisition shall in all cases be forbidden and shall subject member to expulsion proceedings.

All members will adhere to this Society’s Code of Ethics, and to State, Federal, and International Antiquities Laws.

I have read and agree to abide by the above Code of Ethics.
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