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“Over the County Line: San Diego and the Archaeology of the Western United States”
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Second Annual Archaeology Weekend
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“Archaeology of Nate Harrson’s Cabin Located on Palomar Mountain”
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SDCAS Outing
Watch your mail for further information

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Editor’s Message

By Marla Mealey

Happy New Year! Hope everyone enjoyed their holidays. A big welcome to our newest board members: Judy Berryman—President-Elect, Sue Wade—Second Vice President in charge of field trips and outings, and Margaret Hangan—Secretary.

For your New Year’s Resolution this year, how about resolving to attend more SDCAS functions! There are a lot of exciting things planned for 2005 so be sure to keep an eye on the Newsletter to learn about events, field trips, and our monthly lectures. Upcoming lecturers include Timothy Gross, Richard Carrico, Jack Williams, Rose Tyson, and many others. We have also selected a date for “Arch in the Park”, our big Archaeology Month event. It will be on May 7 at the Los Peñasquitos Ranch House, mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

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The SDCAS Office is located at Los Peñasquitos Ranch House. During the Fall, Winter, and Spring, General Meetings are typically on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Ranch House (see pg. 5 for details of upcoming meetings).

Directions: From I-15 take Mercy Rd. west, turn right (north) onto Black Mountain Rd. and then take the first left into Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve. Follow the road all the way to the back (past Canyonside Community Park ball fields), and park either in the small parking area by the barn or along the edge of the dirt road.

Board Meetings take place on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. They are held at the California State Parks, Southern Service Center offices located in Mission Valley at 8885 Rio San Diego Drive, Suite 201.

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Another good resolution would be to submit something to the newsletter! You know I am always in search of articles, news items, events, and photos (see “submissions” below for more info). You don’t have to be a professional archaeologist to write about archaeology. I encourage poems, jokes, stories, and cartoons too! The more input I get from our members (that includes you!) makes this a better and more inclusive newsletter.

**CORRECTIONS:** My apologies to those of you who may have been confused by the incorrect months on the inner pages of the last issue of the newsletter. I used the previous issue as a template and forgot to change the headings. Also, I apologize for putting information about the Agua Caliente Living Traditions and Spirit Keepers programs in the newsletter, but neglecting to put in contact information such as a phone number for those of you who may have been interested in getting more information or making reservations to attend. Similarly, I have never noticed that I did not have times listed for the docent tours at Los Peñasquitos Ranch House, so those have been added. Finally, it was pointed out to me that I had incorrectly left Maisie Morris’ name as Treasurer on page 2. Howard Schwikits should have been listed as such.

**SUBMISSIONS:** News articles or other archaeology-, anthropology-, or history-related items should be sent to me at the address below (email works best). Digital documents in MS Word are preferred, but others will be considered for inclusion. Photos of your archaeological experiences (fieldwork, vacations, etc.), a cartoon from the newspaper, etc. should be sent as-is (slides, prints, or clippings); or if you have scanning capability or a digital camera, please email them in TIFF, JPEG, or GIF format. Any hard-copy item you wish returned (such as photos or slides) should be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

The submission deadline for the next issue is **February 25**. Please send all items to:

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**Members’ News Corner**

**San Diego Archaeology Center (SDAC) Second Saturday Series**

All programs are from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the SDAC, which is located at 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road, Escondido, CA 92027-7001. For more information on these programs, please call: 760-291-0370.

- January 8—Open House- Free admission.
- February 12—Otay Mesa Exhibit Opening, “Otay Mesa: A Cultural Landscape” (funding for this exhibit by CALP[INE]), Free admission.
- February 19—(3rd Saturday) Dr. Seth Mallios, professor, San Diego State University- presentation on “Archaeology of Nate Harrison’s Cabin-Located on Palomar Mountain” $5 suggested donation-members free.
- March 12—Dr. Phil Debarros, professor, Palomar College--presentation of “Iron Age Archaeology of East Africa.” $5 suggested donation, members free.
- April 9—(in association with San Dieguito River Park), “Artifact Interact, A-Z in Archaeology.” This hands-on workshop is to provide education to adults who work with children, in parks, historic sites, classrooms, scouts, etc. Fee: $18 includes lunch, reservations required.

**Anza-Borrego Foundation’s Second Annual Archaeology Weekend**

February 19-21, 2005 Field Trips, Lectures, & Demonstrations. Sponsored by the Colorado Desert Archaeology Society. All lectures are free of charge and will be held at the ABDSP® Visitor Center unless otherwise indicated. Fees for field classes benefit the proposed new archeology center for the Colorado Desert District of California State Parks. For more info please visit: <http://www.theabf.org/events.php>.

**Saturday, February 19**

**9:00 a.m. - Noon**  
Field Trip: Clark Valley’s Petroglyphs  
Instructors: Chuck and Mary Bennett  
Fee: ABF & CDAS Members: $20; Non-members: $25

**9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**  
Lecture: “History and Prehistory of Warner’s Ranch and Agua Caliente (Cupa) and the Surrounding Area.” Speaker: Diana Lindsay

**11:00 a.m. – Noon**  
Lecture: “The Circle Sites: What are They?”  
Speakers: Tim Gross, Ph.D. and Joan S. Schneider PhD

**1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**  
Lecture: “Kumeyaay/Kwaaymii Innovation and the Historic Era: Recent Archaeological Research at a Kumeyaay Rock Shelter Site”  
Instructor: Steve Jacques

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Meet the New Board Members:
President Elect: Judy Berryman

I have 30 years of experience in cultural resource management with projects ranging from small field surveys and excavations to large complex surveys, excavations, and development of preservation plans for both historic and prehistoric sites. Project work has included sites in California, Nevada, Washington, Kansas and the Great Basin Area. My grandparents were some of the original settlers in Ramona, so local history has been a part of my background. I graduated from San Diego State sometime in the 1980s with a MA in Anthropology/Archaeology. My thesis was in tin can typology—so the next time you have a question on how old a can is, I’ll do my best. I later attended UC Riverside and received my PhD sometime in the 1990s. My dissertation work and primary interest is 1800s Chinese sites, particularly fishing and mining camps. My specialized skills include archaeological/historical resource identification, historic building identification, ethnic studies and specialized laboratory techniques, which of course includes identification of the lovely tin can. I got interested in archaeology probably before many of you were born; like many I wanted to be outside, play in the dirt and figure out “why” and “how come”. Even with all the reports we have to write in cultural resource management, I still have the passion to learn how and why. My goals in working with public have been straightforward and simple: give the public and particularly school children the tools, opportunity and exposure needed to further their understanding and appreciation of archaeology in their area. SDCAS has a unique opportunity to strengthen its interaction with the public and other archaeology groups and continue to broaden public awareness. I look forward to working with the members of SDCAS.

Secretary: Margaret Hangan

Born January 5, 1962 in San Bernardino, California, I was raised in the Montclair/Claremont area of the Pomona Valley. I earned a BA in Anthropology from Pitzer College, also located in Claremont, in 1989 and a MA in Anthropology from California State University, Bakersfield in 2003. I worked for about 6 years throughout the western US as a seasonal archaeologist in private industry before entering graduate school in 1996. While in graduate school, I worked for about 3 years at Edwards Air Force Base, before being hired by the Bureau of Land Management in Ridgecrest, California as part of their Student Career Program. I moved to the El Centro BLM Office in 1999 and became a permanent federal employee when I completed my MA. In June, 2004 I became the Heritage Program Manager and Tribal Liaison for the Cleveland National Forest.

Along with my duties as Secretary for the SDCAS, I am also currently the Vice President for the Imperial Valley College Desert Museum Society. I hope to use my new position on the SDCAS Board as an opportunity to benefit the cultural resources of San Diego and also as a bridge between the archaeological interests of both San Diego and Imperial County.

Upcoming Speakers
January 25 (4th Tuesday), 7:30 p.m.
Los Peñasquitos

Presenter: Dr. Timothy Gross

Title: Over the County Line: San Diego and the Archaeology of the Western United States

As archaeologists, we tend to become focused on the particular areas in which we work to the exclusion of the surrounding areas and their relevance for understanding the past in our study areas. Dr. Timothy Gross has recently been involved in a project for which he reviewed the archaeology of the entire western United States and Canada, as well as the entire North American Arctic. That review has provided him with some insights that relate back to his research in the San Diego area. In this talk he will discuss the San Dieguito complex and the wide-spread occurrence of similar materials from the eastern Southwest up into the Northwest Coast and Plateau. Just how similar are these materials? Do they have a bearing on the “San Dieguito/La Jolla Controversy?” He will also comment on...
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just how influential Malcolm Rogers’ ideas have been in the archeology of the west and how important the Harris site is in the prehistory of the continent.

February 22 (4th Tuesday), 7:30 p.m.
Los Peñasquitos
Presenter: Richard Carrico

Working for the Centre City Development Corporation, Mooney & Associates documented the history of African-American community that once thrived in downtown San Diego circa 1880-1950 in order to establish an African-American Thematic Historic District within the East Village Redevelopment District, the Gaslamp Quarter, the Marina Area, and the southern Core Redevelopment District. Mr. Carrico will speak on the results of the extensive research into the important history of this area.

Monthly Meeting Synopses
By Michael Sampson

November Meeting Speaker—Margaret Hangan,
Cleveland National Forest Archaeologist
“Snapshot in Time: Life at the Dove Springs Aqueduct Construction Camp”

From the 1880s through the early 1900s, southern California suffered many years of drought conditions. The city of Los Angeles grew significantly during this same time period. This growth in population produced a great need for additional reliable sources of municipal water in Los Angeles and the southland in general. The city of Los Angeles began looking to the area around Bishop in the Owens Valley for sources of water, led by the efforts of Mulholland and other city engineers. A plan was devised to convey water from Owens Valley to Los Angeles by way of a lengthy aqueduct. Los Angeles then issued bonds to pay for this aqueduct.

The infrastructure for construction of the Owens Valley to Los Angeles Aqueduct began in 1906. For example, the alignment of the aqueduct and support facilities had to be surveyed; Margaret discussed some of the camps associated with the survey work. The actual construction of the Owens Valley to Los Angeles Aqueduct began in 1908.

The subject of Margaret Hangan’s research was Dove Springs Camp which operated from 1908 to 1912. The site of Dove Springs Camp is located west of present-day Highway 14 and adjacent to Red Rock Canyon State Park on BLM land. This site was first discovered by Mark Faull in the early 1990s; Mark was then a State Park Ranger assigned to Red Rock Canyon State Park. Mark assisted Margaret with the fieldwork at the site. According to Margaret, Dove Springs Camp had two principal functions for the work on the Aqueduct: (1) serve as a distribution point for construction supplies to crews working to the north, and (2) serve as a camp for aqueduct construction workers. Margaret’s study of Dove Springs Camp investigated research questions related to camp layout, demography, ethnicity, subsistence patterns, daily life, and social status among the camp residents. These research issues were inspired by earlier research at the Alabama Gates Aqueduct construction camp, which had operated from 1911 to 1913. In fact, Margaret compared her findings from Dove Springs Camp with results of investigations at Alabama Gates Camp.

Margaret discussed the many structural features and artifact distributions found at the Dove Springs Camp site. Photographs from the period of camp use, obtained at LA Department of Water & Power archives, were used to compare with the archaeological remains documented during the fieldwork. The features investigated by Margaret for this study included the residential areas for construction workers, the railroad that brought supplies to the camp, a blacksmith shop, a camp commissary, a warehouse, and others. Workers’ residences were segregated by their job on the construction crew and their marital status. The archaeological remains from the residences reflected these differences. Margaret pointed out that Dove Springs Camp and Alabama Gates Camp showed significant differences in artifacts and structures. An important reason for this difference was the later-period use of the camp at Alabama Gates.

Margaret’s presentation was informative and lively, and several questions were asked by the audience. Thank you, Margaret! Margaret’s research at Dove Springs Camp is the subject of a master’s thesis at Cal State University, Bakersfield.

There was no monthly meeting in December.

Membership News
By Carol Serr

Welcome new members: Raymond Medved, Margaret Hangan, and Judy Berryman. Thank you for joining SDCAS and we look forward to meeting you at an upcoming meeting. Since Margaret and Judy have graciously agreed to serve as Secretary and President Elect, respectively, we’ll probably be seeing them regularly at meetings this year.

The SDCAS membership year is from October to October, yet unfortunately 63 of you have not renewed for 2005. We don’t want to lose you, so please renew today so you will continue getting our wonderful newsletter.

Thanks to those who have renewed, and to new members, for your support in preservation of our historic past. Please consider helping with planning our annual Arch in the Park event in May. We NEED your participation to help SDCAS to continue to make a difference in our County’s heritage.

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Anza-Borrego Foundation’s Second Annual Archaeology Weekend
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1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Field Trip: Lower Borrego Valley Rock Circles
Instructor: Tim Gross and Joan Schneider
Fee: ABF & CDAS Members: $20, Non-members: $25
Visit an area in the Lower Borrego Valley that contains many of the enigmatic circles that have presented a problem for archaeologists since the early days of the park. Understand the environmental, topographical, and dating issues involved in attempts to solve the problem of what each type of feature represents. Learn why the preservation of these features is an ongoing concern of California State Parks. Physical Difficulty: Easy. Meet at the Visitor Center. Make Reservations Online: <http://www.theabf.org/reservations.php>

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Field Trip: Tour of the Warner- Carrillo Ranch
Instructor: Stephen R. Van Wormer
Fee: ABF & CDAS Members; $20, Non-members: $25
The Warner-Carrillo Ranch has been called a “National Treasure” and a landmark in the settlement of the American west, serving as a critical stage stop, trading post and crossroads into California. The house is both a registered National and State historical landmark. According to the Save our Heritage Organization in San Diego, the ranch site is “the most important historical site in San Diego County”. Steve will give a walking tour of the structures and nearby features providing insight into the history of the complex. Don’t pass up on the unique opportunity to see a historic restoration project in progress. Physical Difficulty: Easy. Meet: Warner Carrillo Ranch (¼ mile south from intersection of Hwy 79 and S-2). Make Reservations Online: <http://www.theabf.org/reservations.php>

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Speaker: Dr. Lynne E. Christenson

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Speaker: Joan S. Schneider, Ph.D.

- Monday, February 21

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Field Trip: Indian Hill Rockshelter and its Surroundings
Instructors: Joan Schneider, Bonnie Bruce, Judy Alvarez
Fee: ABF & CDAS Members: $35, Non-members: $45
Visit one of the most important archaeological sites in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park with two archaeologists and the Site Steward for Indian Hill Rockshelter area. During this day-long desert excursion, you will learn about the history of archaeology at the site, why the site is so important to an understanding of the region, and why and how Site Stewards work to protect and preserve this precious resource. We will visit the main rockshelter and other nearby sites, see rock art, and learn about how the indigenous people who stopped at the rockshelter used plant and animal resources of the area. Four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended for the drive to the parking area where we will leave our vehicles. From there, it is a mile and a half hike to Indian Hill one-way. Please bring a lunch and snacks to eat in the field, sufficient water for the day, good hiking shoes, cameras, hats, sunscreen, and other desert gear you may want. Physical Difficulty: Moderate. Meet at the Entrance to Mortero Wash on Route 2 in the southern end of ABDSP (Mortero Wash is about halfway between Ocotillo and Mt. Palm Springs). Make Reservations Online at <http://www.theabf.org/reservations.php>

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Anza-Borrego Institute Fall Classes

The Anza-Borrego Institute is offering more classes and outings this year. See descriptions below or visit http://www.theabf.org/field.php for full list of offerings. Online reservation or printable reservation forms available on the website. For more information call Deborah Knapp, Educational Coordinator: 760-767-4063.

A Boat Tour of the Historic Lower Colorado River
Date: Sunday, February 13, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Instructors: Smokey Knowlton & Robin Greene
Location: Picacho State Recreation Area
Fee: Members $60; Non-members $75

Join Captain Smokey Knowlton and Supervising Ranger Robin Greene for a four- to five-hour narrated jet boat tour of the best historic spots on the Lower Colorado River. We will focus our tour on the rich human history and gold discovery period of the river, but other highlights will include a prehistoric petroglyph site, wildlife viewing, riparian forests and restoration efforts, and recent fire activity and its impact on surrounding resources. A boxed sandwich lunch and refreshments will be provided. Physical difficulty: Level 1 (some walking on uneven dirt surfaces, steps getting into and out of the tour boat). Meet: Fisher’s Landing, Arizona.

DIRECTIONS: From San Diego: I-8 East, cross the California/Arizona state line on I-8 to Fisher’s Landing. (Follow the signs for Fisher’s Landing once you get close to the “T” intersection with Hwy 95. Turn right (east). Go about 15 miles on Hwy 95, take the Martinez Lake turn off (left). From here, travel 13 miles to the lake, (follow the signs for Fisher’s Landing once you get close to the lake.) Allow 45 minutes from the California/Arizona state line on I-8 to Fisher’s Landing.

Indian Hill Rockshelter and its Surroundings
Date: March 12, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Instructors: Joan Schneider, Bonnie Bruce, Judy Alvarez
Location: Anza-Borrego Desert State Park®
Fee: Members $35; Non-members $45

Visit one of the most important archaeological sites in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park® with two archaeologists and the Site Steward for Indian Hill Rockshelter area. During this day-long desert excursion, you will learn about the history of archaeology at the site, why the site is so important to an understanding of the region, and why and how Site Stewards work to protect and preserve this precious resource. We will visit the main rockshelter and other nearby sites, see rock art, and learn about how the indigenous people who stopped at the rockshelter used plant and animal resources of the area. Four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended for the drive to the parking area where we will leave our vehicles. From there, it is a mile and a half hike to Indian Hill one-way. Please bring a lunch and snacks to eat in the field. Physical difficulty: Level 3. Meet: Entrance to Mortero Wash on Route 2 in the southern end of ABDSP® (Mortero Wash is about halfway between Ocotillo and Mountain Palm Springs).

Museum of Man’s 12 O’Clock Scholar Program

12 O’Clock Scholar events are held at noon on Mondays (some of the programs this quarter are scattered throughout the week to accommodate the schedules of our speakers) and are included with admission to the Museum.

• Monday, January 10 — The Panama-California Exposition that opened in January 1915 introduced the world to the architecture and collections that would become the San Diego Museum of Man. Join Curator Rose Tyson for a historical glimpse into our history during “The First Ninety Years at the Museum of Man” (Gill Auditorium).

• Monday, January 24 — Join UCSD Associate Professor Geoff Braswell, Ph.D., to learn about “Pusilha, Belize: A Forgotten Jewel of the Ancient Maya” (Gill Auditorium).

• Monday, February 7 — Dr. Arion Mayes, Associate Professor at SDSU and Research Associate of the Museum of Man, discusses the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) in “Shades of Gray — Bridging the Gap in the Repatriation Controversy” (Gill Auditorium).

• Thursday, February 10 — We continue exploring the ancient Maya with UCSD Ph.D. candidate Sonja Schwake as we learn the intriguing details of her graduate archaeology work in “Ancient Maya Mortuary and Ritual Practices in West Central Belize” (Gill Auditorium).


• Monday, March 7 — Learn what life was like for early humans as Curator of Physical Anthropology Tori Heflin leads a tour through “Frozen in Time: Life in the Pleistocene Ice Age,” the new main floor exhibit.

John Lloyd Stephens Discovers the Maya Lost Cities: Celebrating his 200th Birthday

Thursday, January 27, 7:00 p.m. Museum of Man’s Gill Auditorium. Admission: $7 General Public, $5 Museum of Man members and students with ID.

John Lloyd Stephens (1805-1852) was one of America’s greatest explorers and authors. After traveling by ship, horse, and cart throughout Europe in the early 1830s, he sailed a small boat more than 250 miles up the Nile, exploring the great Egyptian ruins before disguising himself as a Cairo merchant to become the first American to enter Petra, the “Rose Red City Half as Old as Time,” located in present-day Jordan.

Stephens’s greatest contributions in history were to spend four years leading two scientific expeditions through Central America, Chiapas, and the Yucatán to discover and explore more than 40 abandoned cities. His volumes, illustrated by Frederick Catherwood, described his discoveries and introduced the ancient Maya to the world. Four decades ago, San Diego historian Payne Johnson embarked on the first of many journeys to retrace Stephens’s life and discoveries.
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John Lloyd Stephens…

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Johnson wrote of his own quest in a 1998 issue of San Diego Magazine: “I carried a paperback copy of Incidents of Travel in Yucatán, written a century earlier by explorer John Lloyd Stephens and illustrated by his artist companion, Frederick Catherwood. From 1839 to 1842, the pair endured two epic expeditions through the tropical forests of Guatemala, Honduras, and Mexico… Stephens’ journals, filled with Catherwood’s sketches, told an astonished world of an unknown civilization—the Maya… One morning among the ruins, I found myself standing exactly where Catherwood had set up his easel a century earlier. I duplicated his 1841 sketch with my camera and vowed to someday retrace the path of that expedition.”

Johnson’s explorations led him to the places visited by Stephens and have resulted in many lectures, guided visits to the ancient cities, and exhibits, including the 1998 exhibition Path to the Lost Cities: In the Footsteps of the bicentennial of Stephens’s birth, we invite you to join us exhibition Path to the Lost Cities: In the Footsteps of the ancient cities, and exhibits, including the 1998 exhibition Path to the Lost Cities: In the Footsteps of the

Museum of Man’s Tower After Hours
Thai Celebration!

Thursday, January 27, 2005

Experience the Tower After Hours, the Museum of Man’s ongoing series of events celebrating San Diego’s unique and vibrant ethnic mix.

On Thursday, January 27, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., the Museum of Man 2005 Tower After Hours series begins with Thai Celebration! featuring the creative and culinary arts of Thailand. Join us for regional food and drinks as well as performing arts as the evening comes alive!

Stop by after work, or drop in on your way to dinner or a show. Each month the Tower After Hours presents a unique opportunity to make new friends and catch up with old ones, with the vibrant mix of music, dance, food, and drink taking participants on exciting journeys to far corners of the world. Proceeds from each Tower After Hours evening will benefit Museum programs. The cost of the Tower After Hours is $20 for general admission, $15 for members and students. Admission is for adults 21 years old and over only, and includes food, drink, and entertainment. Tickets may be obtained in advance by calling the Museum at 619-239-2001.

In addition to immersing themselves in the music, dance, and cuisine of these cultures, those attending will be able to explore the Museum’s exceptional exhibits at no additional cost. This year truly promises to be one of surprises and excitement at the Museum of Man. Mark your calendars now for the next program in the Tower After Hours series, February 24th: Irish Celebration.

IVC Archaeology Field Class

The Imperial Valley College (IVC) will start their spring archaeology field class on Saturday, January 15, 2005. The class teaches basic field methods and visits sites throughout Imperial County. This semester the class will finish micromapping Rogers C-1 site at Indian Pass. On line registration is Jan 10-14. Late registration is Jan 18-28. Registration is on line. For registration information contact IVC at www.imperial.edu or 760 352-8320. Hurry the class is limited to twenty. High school students may take the class with permission from their school. Your will need your own transportation.

IVC Desert Museum Showcase

The Imperial Valley College Desert Museum is hosting their annual Showcase and Colorado Managers Gathering at Imperial Valley College Feb. 12th. For more information call: 760-358-7016 or 858-674-2973.

Project Name: A Hike into the Past: The Laguna Mountain Project II

Project Dates: May 2-6, 9-13
Time Commitment: Must commit to 1 full session; may participate in both.
Description: The Laguna Mountains area of Cleveland NF has the greatest concentration of known archaeological sites on the forest. Most of the sites were located in the early to mid-1980s and were mapped using basic compass-and-map methods. Many people visit the Laguna Mountains every year, and as a result the sites can be damaged inadvertently or simply loved to death. PIT volunteers and FS archaeologists will survey the areas around Laguna Meadow; relocate, photograph, and map the sites using global positioning system (GPS) units; document the sites’ current conditions; and update site records. The resulting documentation will allow the FS to more accurately track the effect of continued use of this area on fragile archaeological resources. The project will be based at various locations throughout the Laguna Mountain Recreation Area.
Number of openings: 12 per session
Special skills: Must be in good physical condition and willing to work in a wildland area under a variety of weather conditions; archaeological experience helpful but not required
Minimum age: 18 years old
Facilities: FS barracks with kitchen and bathrooms with toilets, sinks, and showers
Nearest town: Alpine, 30 minutes
Project Leader: Susan Roder
Please contact Susan Roder (858-674-2910) for more information or to sign up.

Congress of History 40th Annual 2-Day History Conference

March 4 and 5, 2005

“From Mission to Metropolis: The History of the Metropolitan San Diego Region”, at the Museum of San Diego History in Balboa Park. For more information, contact Helen Halmay: 619-469-7283
hghalmay@aol.com

PCAS General Meetings

Pacific Coast Archaeological Society monthly lecture meetings are held at the Irvine Ranch Water District, 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue (between the I-5 and I-405, 20 minutes from Irvine) on the third Thursday of the month, at 7:30 p.m.
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next to the Post Office) in Irvine, at 7:30 pm. They are open to the public. On January 13, 2005, Leslie Mouriquand will give a presentation entitled: *Agave Roasting Among the Cahuilla*. Leslie Mouriquand will discuss the traditional collecting, processing and roasting of agave by the Cahuilla. The current use of the plant will be described in the context of a resurgence in the use of traditional and native plants for nutrition and health. Her lecture will be accompanied by slides of the desert plants and their preparation.

Preserving the Spirit: Agua Caliente Living Traditions

This unique program offers Native crafts classes such as pottery, basketry, cooking, and tool making. Participants should dress appropriately for activity and weather. Participants may bring a lunch, or purchase one from one of the nearby eateries. Pre-enrollment is required to attend classes. Please call O’Jay Vanegas, Education Director, at 760-778-1079, ext. 105, or e-mail at ovanegas@accmuseum.org for more information.

Willow Bow Making & Hunting Techniques

Hunting and gathering food was always a top priority in traditional Cahuilla life. Paul Campbell, author of the book *Survival Skills*, will instruct us on how to build a classic southern California-style willow bow. Afterwards, we will go into the brush and Paul will teach us proper shooting techniques and hunting tips. This is a two-day workshop. When: Sat., January 22, 2005, 10:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sun., January 23, 2005, 11:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fee: $35.00 Ages: 18 and above

Indian Dolls

Traditionally, Indian dolls were made either out of clay, tule, or corn. Eva Salazar (Kumeyaay) returns to our schedule to teach the art of doll making. This is a great craft class if you enjoy spending a pleasant afternoon sewing. When: Saturday, February 12, 2005 Time: 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Fee: $20.00 Ages: 16 and above

Gourd Art & Jewelry

Gourds are a significant material and can be used for multiple purposes. Amil Pedro (Cahuilla/Quechan) returns to our schedule to share his knowledge in producing art and jewelry out of gourd materials. Class will entail cutting, cleaning, and painting of gourds. Please dress appropriately. When: Sat., March 19, 2005, 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sun., March 20, 2005, 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Fee: $20.00 Ages: 16 and above

Agua Caliente Spirit Keepers Programs

A series of four yearly programs is offered for the exploration of Native American history, culture, and arts. The series focuses on local tribes and the Western United States. Spirit Keepers programs are free to the public and begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Spa Resort Hotel in downtown Palm Springs.

Native American Artist and Author: Michael Lacapa

When: Wednesday, February 9, 2005
Presented by: Michael Lacapa (Apache/Hopi/Tewa)
Location: Cahuilla Room

Southern Valley Rock & Mineral Club Knap-In

First Sunday of each month, located at the East end of Hart Park in Bakersfield. For more information please call Gary: 661-324-2442.

Joshua Tree National Park Desert Institute Classes

Spring classes include Native American Basket Weaving, Indians of the California Desert, Map & Compass Skills, and many others. For more info: 760-367-5525 or http://www.joshuatree.org/dihome.html.

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IVC Archaeology Class Volunteers with the US Forest Service

By Margaret Hangan

The Cleveland National Forest invited the Imperial Valley College (IVC) Archaeology class to take part in a small test excavation the weekend of October 2, 2004. The site, located within the Laguna Mountain Recreation Area, was discovered during a routine project. Because the majority of the site was buried a test excavation was conducted to better characterize the content and size of the site.

The class assembled early Saturday morning at the Red Tailed Roost—a two room school house converted in the headquarters of the Laguna Mountain Volunteer Society. It was the middle of fall, so the sky was clear, the leaves on the trees were changing to a golden yellow and the air temperature was cool but very comfortable.

From the Roost we carpooled to the sites to begin the work. Carmen Lucas and Dr. Jerry Schaefer joined the project. Carmen is a member of the Kwaaymii Band of Mission Indians and the site we were working on is located within her family’s traditional area. Carmen offered many observations about the site and the surrounding environment that were extremely helpful, particularly when it came to interpreting the site.

Jerry is an archaeologist with a Cultural Resources Management Company called ASM and an expert in prehistoric ceramic identification. His brief but very informative talks about prehistoric ceramics were pure gems and we were lucky to have someone of that level of expertise helping us with our project.

The majority of the work was completed by the end of the day, so we stowed our equipment at the site then returned to the Roost. Those who opted to stay the night were treated to a dinner cooked by Chuck Butcher and ice cream at Jerry’s Cabin located just around the corner from the site. Sunday morning we finished the work at the site, than spent the rest of the day touring some very important sites. Tina J. Terrell, the Cleveland’s new Forest Supervisor, joined in the tour, as did archaeologist Andrew Pigniolo. This was an opportunity for Tina to get familiar with the archaeology of the forest and to meet local archaeologists.
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and a member of the local tribe. Andrew, who has a lot of knowledge about the local plants, was able to point out and explain the important food and medicinal plants located within the sites on the tour.

The weather was perfect and a lot of work was accomplished on that weekend. But the best part was the opportunity for the IVC students to get experience in excavation techniques and to work with and learn from experts such as Carmen, Jerry and Andrew.

[Ed. Note: see info on upcoming IVC Field Class under Members’ News Corner on page 8]

Obituary

Dr. Robson Bonnichsen

By David L. Carlson, Associate Professor of Anthropology/Department Head, Texas A&M University
Submitted by Michael Sampson

Dr. Robson Bonnichsen, Professor of Anthropology [at Texas A&M University] and Holder of the Center for the Study of the First Americans Chair in Liberal Arts, died in his sleep on December 25. Dr. Bonnichsen served as the Director of the Center for the Study of the First Americans (CSFA) at Texas A&M University. Rob was one of the leading scholars investigating the earliest sites in the Americas. Rob conducted archaeological investigations at early sites, developed innovative approaches to the stuffy of the archaeological record, and organized international conferences to bring the top scholars from around the world together. Results of those conferences have been published in a highly regarded series of volumes under Rob’s editorship.

Rob received his Ph.D. in Anthropology at the University of Alberta in 1974. Over the last 45 years, he conducted archaeological investigations in the United States, Canada, South America, Russia, and China. He is the author or co-author of 120 articles and book chapters, five books, and five edited books. He funded his research over the years by obtaining over 70 grants and gifts for the Center.

Rob established the Center for the Study of the First Americans at the University of Maine in 1981. The goal of the new center was to advance the study of the earliest sites in the New World. Rob pursued those goals by excavating sites containing evidence of early occupations, by developing new analytic techniques to advance the debate about the earliest sites, by hosting international conferences to bring experts from all points of view together, and by communicating the latest findings to professionals through Current Research in the Pleistocene and to the public through Mammoth Trumpet. The Center moved to Texas A&M University in 2002 where Rob began working with a number of graduate students on ways of using use-wear analysis to distinguish artifacts from naturally modified rocks.
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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.

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