President’s Message
By Natalie Brodie

Greetings, members!

Writing the last time as President of SDCAS, I have nothing but positive news to report. Arch in the Park this year was one of the most successful and well-attended events in years, thanks in part to the hard work by our incoming President, Karen Lacy, and our Youth and Community Outreach chair, Shannon Foglia.

Our outings this year ranged from an exclusive ethnobotany tour with a Kumeyaay elder to a visit at a very interesting archaeoastronomy site in eastern San Diego County.

Our speakers were all top-notch, and presented some fascinating topics and prompted engaging dialogue among attendees.

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MEETING INFO: The SDCAS Office is located at Los Peñasquitos Ranch House. During the Fall, Winter, and Spring, Monthly Speaker meetings are held on the Fourth Tuesday of each month except December. During the Summer months (June, July, August) General Meetings are held on Saturday evenings, in the courtyard at the Ranch House (see pg. 5 for details of upcoming meetings).

Directions to Ranch House: 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 through the partially closed gate), and park either in the small parking area by the barn or along the edge of the dirt entrance road. The area does not have outside lighting after dark, so a flashlight is recommended.

Board Meetings take place on the third Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at the offices of California State Parks, Southern Service Center, NTC at Liberty Station, Barracks 26, 2797 Truxtun Rd., San Diego, CA 92106.

Editor’s Message
Season’s Greetings everyone!

It has been a banner year for SDCAS with the coast survey project, fun field trips, great speakers, a superb Arch in the Park and our first annual Archaeology Month Art Show! I hope you all have gotten involved with something SDCAS-related this year, or if not, it might be a good New Year’s resolution for 2016. Our society is only as strong as our membership makes it!

In honor of November being Native American Heritage Month don’t miss the article starting on page 5 about the intersection of Native American oral history, archaeology, and earthquake sciences. You can also celebrate by visiting the contemporary Native American art display at the Women’s Museum of California (see page 3) or going to the American Indian film festival at CSU San Marcos (see calendar on page 1).

SUBMISSIONS: Please send any articles, stories, poems, photos, cartoons, etc. to me at the address below. Digital documents are preferred, but others will be considered for inclusion. Any hard-copy item you wish returned (such as photos, slides, drawings, etc.) must be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

The submission deadline for the next issue is January 1. Please send all items to: Marla.Mealey@parks.ca.gov or to Marla Mealey c/o California State Parks, Southern Service Center, NTC at Liberty Station, 2797 Truxtun Rd., San Diego, CA 92106.
Members’ News Corner

Archaeological Survey Opportunity

Do you want to learn what archaeological field survey is all about? Are you concerned about the potential effects of climate change on archaeological sites? Do you need more survey experience for your resume? Are you looking for some good outdoor exercise? Or do you just want the opportunity to go off-trail and see parts of the coastline that most people miss? Then come join SDCAS for the coastal survey project! This project, organized by the Society for California Archaeology (SCA), involves archaeological survey of hundreds of acres of coastal lands in San Diego County to determine potential impacts to archaeological sites due to sea-level rise and erosion. See the article on Page 4 for an update of what has been done so far. We plan to conduct at least one weekend survey day per month, with a mandatory training class preceding the survey day for those who have not yet taken the class.

Upcoming survey dates include:

- November 21 & 22
- December 12 & 13

We meet at 9 a.m. on those days and typically are back from the field by 3 p.m.

If you are interested in participating please contact Sandra Pentney, the SDCAS Climate Change Committee Chair (Sandra.pentney@atkinsglobal.com). You do not have to be a member of SDCAS to participate, so tell your family, friends, coworkers, or others who might be curious about what archaeologists do.

Geology Workshop: Useful Geology for Local Archaeologists (send your questions and bring your rocks)

This geology workshop is to re-familiarize/introduce new and seasoned local archaeologists, or anyone interested in local geology, to the types of rocks, knapping materials, and groundstone materials frequently found at sites in Southern California, with some history of the geological processes which occurred forming the varying rocks. Held at the Barona Cultural Center & Museum on Saturday, December 12th at 1 p.m. Norrie Robbins, Ph.D. will be doing a short lecture and then discussing the specific rocks and artifacts. It is encouraged that those attending also bring their “favorite rocks” to be identified.

Dr. Eleanor (Norrie) Iberall Robbins is a bio-geologist whose research specialty was palynology of economic deposits of coal, petroleum, and mineral deposits. Her degrees are from Ohio State, Univ. Arizona, and Penn State. Retired after 34 years with the U.S. Geological Survey in the Washington, DC area, she moved to San Diego in 2001. Then she joined the Dept. Geological Sciences at SDSU as an adjunct, where she retired in 2015. As an active member of San Diego Association of Geologists, she volunteers around the County to teach and learn the local geology. As an active member of San Diego County Archaeological Society, she does her best to identify local rocks used by earlier people.

**If you are interested in attending this workshop, please email Kellie.Kandybowicz@Gmail.com to RSVP no later than Wednesday, Dec. 2nd.**

San Diego Archaeological Center - Upcoming Events

In the Footsteps of Delfina Cuero Tour Series 2016

Winter Tour

Saturday, January 23, 2015. We will tour the Ramona Grasslands Park where Kumeyaay camped for the winter in the village of Pamu.

Spring Tour

Saturday, March/April 2016. We explore the Anza-Borrego desert to learn about winter activities, such as agave roasts and resources in the desert environment.

Summer Tour

Saturday, June/July 2016. We trek to coastal rivers and valleys to learn about how maritime resources were utilized.

Admission Prices per tour: $20 for Center members. $25 for non-Center members. Tickets to these events are now available for purchase on the Center website (http://sandiegoarchaeology.org). Please contact Education Programs Director Cara Ratner at cratner@sandiegoarchaeology.org or call 760-291-0370 to make your reservations.

Copies of Delfina Cuero’s autobiography are available for purchase in the Center’s Gift Shop!

Exhibit at Women's Museum of California: Tradition by Moderns: Native American Women Artists in California

The Women’s Museum of California is located at Liberty Station: 2730 Historic Decatur Rd, #103, San Diego, CA 92106. Hours: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday – Sunday.

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Arch in the Park Synopsis 2015
By Shannon Foglia

SDCAS held its annual Arch in the Park event on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at the beautiful Rancho Peñasquitos Adobe Ranch House. Luckily, the bad weather stayed away during the event and the sun shined all day. Arch in the Park was designed to provide outreach to the public about archaeology during California Archaeology Month. It was a huge success this year! We had 225 attendees, which included 58 vendors and 167 guests. Thirty different organizations invited by President-Elect Karen Lacy were represented at Arch in the Park. Several vendors, such as Project Wildlife and the San Diego River Park Foundation, were new to Arch in the Park this year. Project Wildlife even brought a special guest along- a kestrel! SDCAS hoped to increase its audience by inviting new organizations and the additional exposure helped to meet those goals.

Highlights of the day included Running Grunion’s performance, raffles, and the Art Show awards. Many vendors had exciting activities for our junior archaeologist attendees, such as a scavenger hunt, rock art creation, pottery making, rock painting, and crossword puzzles. Food included fry bread tacos, cookies, and an outstanding stratigraphic layer cake made by an SDSU student. Thank you again to all the vendors who participated in this standout year for Arch in the Park. A special thank you to SDCAS, LSA Associates, Inc., and NWB Environmental for their generous sponsorship! Mark your calendars for Arch in the Park next year. It will be held on October 15, 2016.

Archaeology Month Art Show

The First Annual Archaeology Month Art Show was a huge success! San Diego County Archaeological Society (SDCAS) partnered with California State Park’s Southern Service Center (SSC) to host this archaeology-themed art contest and show to celebrate October as California’s Archaeology Month.

The opening reception for the art show “Celebrating the Art in Archaeology” was held on Friday, October 2 at the SSC offices in San Diego, as part of a Friday Night Liberty Open Gallery Art Walk Event. Approximately 100 people visited the SSC office to view over 50 pieces of art in four categories: Fine Arts, Photography, Archaeological Line Drawings, and Ancient/Traditional Arts; and to vote for the People’s Choice Award. In addition, Annemarie Cox, a representative from the Society for California Archaeology, read a proclamation from the San Diego County Board of Supervisors honoring California Archaeology Month.

The awards ceremony for the Art Show was held at the SDCAS’s annual “Arch in the Park” archaeology fair on October 17 at Los Peñasquitos Ranch House. First, second, and third prizes were awarded in each category, as well as a Best of Show Award and the Peoples’ Choice Award.

Prize winners include:
Best in Show: Sue Kamin, “King Palm Container”
People’s Choice Award: George Wahl, “The White House (Canyon de Chelly N.P.)”
First Prize - Archaeological Line Drawing: Michelle Blake, “Untitled”
First Prize - Fine Art: Brian Canfield, “Construct of Biblical Man”
First Prize - Photography: Melanie Parker, “V Bar V Ranch, Arizona”
First Prize - Traditional Arts: Stephen Van Wormer, “Suite of Bifaces”
Second Prize - Fine Art: Michelle Blake, “Untitled”
Second Prize - Photography: Melanie Parker, “Tolar Site, Wyoming”
Second Prize - Traditional Arts: Susan Walter, “Covered Pine Needle Basket & Twined Basket”
Third Prize - Archaeological Line Drawing: Alberto Foglia, “Historic San Diego Trolley Lines”
Third Prize - Fine Art: George Wahl, “The White House (Canyon de Chelly NP)”
Third Prize - Photography: Michelle Moore, “Pieces of Home”
Third Prize - Traditional Arts: Jill Van Wormer, “1860s Dress”

The show was on display during business hours at the SSC office for the month of October. Special thanks to the art show judges: Héctor Herrera, Jim Nelson, (Continued on page 5)
Archaeology Month Art Show
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and Cindy Stankowski, and to the other sponsors: the Society for California Archaeology, the San Diego Museum of Man, Cardamom Café and Bakery, and Frame It Yourself, as well as the many volunteers from both SDCAS and California State Parks who assisted with the art show and the opening event.

Meet Your New Board Member
Jacqueline Hall – Social Media Coordinator

Hi! My name is Jacqueline Hall and I’m excited to join the board of SDCAS. I studied anthropology at San Diego State University, and knew by my first archaeology class that I had found my passion. I volunteered at the archaeology lab at SDSU, and completed my field school at the Whaley House, in Old Town State Historic Park. I’ve been lucky enough to work in archaeology since graduating from college, and most of my experience has been in the Southern California region. My particular fields of interest include shell midden analysis, historical maps, and GIS. I’m looking forward to joining the SDCAS and hope to help expand enthusiasm for archaeology.

Upcoming Speakers

November 24 (Fourth Tuesday Lecture), 7:30 p.m.
Los Peñasquitos (see page 2 for directions)

Presenter: Susan Arter

Title: Variety, the Spice of Life: Native American Foodways at the Coastal Village Sites of Spindrift (CA-SDI-39) and Rinconada de Jamo (CA-SDI-5017)

Native American consumption of small mammals is well documented from prehistoric sites in San Diego County. However, recent analyses of zooarchaeological remains from the village sites of Spindrift and Rinconada de Jamo indicate consumption of an incredible variety of terrestrial, avian, and marine fauna, possible only with the aid of extensive modern comparative collections. The presence of over 90 different types of animals at each site, procured from a broad range of habitats, highlights the tremendous knowledge of and skill-sets possessed by indigenous native peoples.

Susan Arter is Co-Director of the Zooarchaeology Laboratory at the San Diego Natural History Museum. She holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in Anthropology from San Diego State University and The George Washington University respectively. Susan has over 30 years combined experience analyzing vertebrate faunal remains in the Near East and U.S. She has conducted zooarchaeological studies on vertebrate remains from historic and prehistoric archaeological sites in San Diego County for the past 18 years.

There is no monthly meeting in December.

Enjoy the Holidays and we look forward to seeing you in 2015!

President’s Message
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We’re looking forward to another year filled with field trips and speakers and will be introducing a more engaging social media presence, thanks to our new Social Media Coordinator, Jacqueline Hall. So for all of you using Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, be prepared to see SDCAS a bit more frequently.

We’ve got some grand plans for SDCAS in the coming year and hope to encourage all of you to check out one of our many events or lectures. I’ve enjoyed my time as President and will continue to be involved with SDCAS in the coming years. Thank you!

Membership Report

SDCAS welcomes our newest members: James Bryant, John O’Connor, Cal Richie, Linda Sanchez, Rebecca Lucas, Rick Heller, and Alec Sonnier. We hope to meet new members at our programs. Please feel free to introduce yourself -- when notices are being presented before our program begins. Our new membership year began Oct. 1st - so please renew your dues now, so you will be eligible to vote in our November elections. We appreciate your continued support.

We encourage members to get their newsletter delivered via e-mail (in PDF format), to save the society printing and postage expenses, since membership dues is basically the only means from which we take in money. You see the newsletter images in color that way also! For those paying dues by PayPal, via our website, please make sure to note if your dues are a Renewal versus a New member.

Don’t forget to send me your e-mail address (e-dress) if you haven’t been getting notices via e-mail - or if you recently changed it. Your e-dress is not shared with the membership or other groups. Also, for those without e-mail, remember to let us know your new mailing address when you move.

Carol Serr, Membership Chair
e-mail: membership@sdcas.org
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