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### **2009 Annual Meeting April 30 to May 2 in Santa Fe**

Phil Essig, Annual Meeting Chair for the Santa Fe Archaeological Society, announces that the ASNM 2010 Annual Meeting will be held in Santa Fe next April 30 to May 2. The host hotel is the Courtyard Marriott, 3347 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe. A special room rate for the meeting is \$89.00, plus taxes, provided the Archaeological Society of New Mexico is mentioned when making reservations at (505) 473-2800. A full weekend of activities is planned, including a Friday night reception, paper presentations and posters, the Bandelier Lecture and Awards banquet, and field trips on Sunday to petroglyph sites and pueblo and historic ruins and in the Santa Fe area.

A registration form for the Annual Meeting is on page 6. The form is also available online at the ASNM website <[newmexico-archaeology.org](http://newmexico-archaeology.org)>.

### **Call for Papers for Santa Fe Annual Meeting**

Matthew Barbour, Program Chair for the 2010 meeting, in consultation with, this year's Honoree, Glenna Dean, Associate Director of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc., and our former State Archaeologist, has chosen the dual themes of tradition and continuity as the focus of the morning program of invited and volunteered papers. The subject matter of these papers can embrace any of a wide array of multicultural themes, ranging from indigenous agricultural practices to Hispanic shepherding and beyond. Papers of general interest will be scheduled in the open session in the afternoon. The deadline for abstracts is March 1. To submit an abstract, please use the form on page 7.

### **Annual Meeting Field Trips**

Gary Hein, Field Trip Chair has tentatively scheduled a number of field trips to sites in the Santa Fe area that we hope prove to be interesting. These include the Ortiz mountains Educational Preserve, an area that still preserves many features from the Mexican-era and territorial-era gold mining; La Cieneguilla, Pueblo/rock art; Pueblo Blanco/rock art; Los Aguajes; and an obscure series of rock art and historical sites in the Galisteo Basin (a 5 to 6 mile round trip hike, but fairly easy with some scrambling down and out of washes). For those who prefer indoor field experiences, Sunday is free admission day for New Mexico residents to the many museums of Santa Fe, including the new History Museum.

### **Membership Renewals**

Everyone except life members needs to renew at the beginning of each calendar year. Annual membership is from January 1 to December 31, and memberships received after November 1 start January 1. Please fill in the membership renewal form on page 5 and return with your check. Contact Dolores Sundt at P.O. Box 3485, Albuquerque NM 87190 or [dfsundt@msn.com](mailto:dfsundt@msn.com) with questions about your membership status.

### **January 30 Deadline for Nominees for the Bice Achievement Award**

The Richard A. Bice Award for Archaeological Achievement recognizes individuals from our affiliated societies who have contributed in some manner to promote archaeology in general. They need not be archaeologists. Individual members of affiliate societies may, with the approval of their president, nominate members they believe to be deserving of this distinguished award. All award nominations must be received by January 30, 2010 by mail or by email. For last-minute nominations, contact Bradley Bowman, Award Committee Chair, P.O. Box 582, Cedar Crest, NM 87008 or [bradleybowman@earthlink.net](mailto:bradleybowman@earthlink.net).

## **ASNM Trustees Meeting February 6 in Tijeras**

The Trustees will meet in the new Friends of Tijeras Pueblo Visitor and Education Center north of the Sandia Ranger Station office in Tijeras at noon, starting with lunch. The meeting is open to any interested parties, and sandwich fixings will be available at nominal cost. Contact Nancy Woodworth at 505-281-7820 or njwood@spinn.net to request lunch. Park in any of three parking lots and walk north from the office building to the new adobe building using either the interpretive trail or the paved road. As the road is gated for security purposes, contact John Hayden (505-249-3232) or Nancy Woodworth if you need to get a vehicle to the FTP Visitor Center building.

## **SiteWatch Stewards Annual Meeting February 21**

The 2010 SiteWatch Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with the Site Steward Foundation, Inc. Annual Meeting from 10:15 am - 4:30 pm Sunday February 21, 2010 in the Meem Room at the recently opened New Mexico History Museum on Lincoln Avenue behind the Palace of the Governors on the plaza in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Arrangements are being made for a group luncheon within walking distance of the museum. For further information and upcoming meeting agenda, please visit [www.sitestewardfoundation.org](http://www.sitestewardfoundation.org). To insure adequate seating is available, please confirm attendance by emailing Site Steward President Gary Newgent at [gnewgent@sitestewardfoundation.org](mailto:gnewgent@sitestewardfoundation.org).

## **Southwestern Federation of Archaeological Societies Symposium April 9-11**

Hosted by the Southeastern New Mexico Archaeological Society and the Western Heritage Museum Complex, the annual symposium of SFAS will be held at the New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, NM April 9-11. The deadline for abstracts (500 word maximum) and a short biography of the presenter is March 12, 2010. Topics can be on any subject matter in the social or natural sciences but the presentations should focus on the region encompassed by the Federation members thus southeastern New Mexico and western Texas. Please send abstracts and biographies to: Calvin Smith, Western Heritage Museum Complex, 5317 Lovington Highway, Hobbs, NM 88240 or to [csmith@nmjc.edu](mailto:csmith@nmjc.edu).

## **Note from your Editor**

Submissions for the March 2010 issue of *La Jornada* should be sent to Helen Crotty by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Email is [jhcrotty947@gmail.com](mailto:jhcrotty947@gmail.com), snail mail is 1366 State Road 344, Sandia Park, NM 87047. Please check the listing for your own affiliate society and contact Helen crotty at either of the addresses above if the contact information is incorrect or out of date.

## **NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE**

### **Arizona State University's First Native American Archaeologist Honored at Commencement Ceremony**

In the United States, most of the archaeology is about Native American cultures. Yet nationwide, there are only about 15 Native American doctorate-level archaeologists involved in the interpretation of their archaeological past. Today, William "Rex" Weeks joins their ranks as the first Native American to receive a doctoral degree with a specialization in archaeology from Arizona State University's highly competitive anthropology program. His inspiring success story was shared during the commencement ceremony. [http://asunews.asu.edu/20091217\\_rexweeks](http://asunews.asu.edu/20091217_rexweeks) [From Archaeology Today, a service of the Center for Desert Archaeology]

## **Archaeology Magazine Lists Excavations at Las Capas, Arizona among Top Ten Discoveries of 2009**

For years, archaeologists in the American Southwest have wrestled with a frustrating puzzle: How did ancient farmers grow corn in the cactus-studded Sonoran Desert as early as 2000 B.C.? Some form of irrigation was clearly necessary, but until 2009 no one had ever seen evidence for one of these primeval watering systems. Now at the site of Las Capas outside Tucson, archaeologist James Vint of Desert Archaeology Inc. and his colleagues have excavated an enormous network of canals and fields stretching over as many as 100 acres and dating to 1200 B.C. It is the oldest documented irrigation system in North America. [www.archaeology.org/1001/topten/arizona.html](http://www.archaeology.org/1001/topten/arizona.html). [From Archaeology Today]

## **Black Mesa Residents Win Appeal Against Peabody Coal**

Peabody Western Coal Company's Black Mesa Coal Complex has suffered a major setback as an administrative law judge for the U.S. Department of the Interior vacated a permit for the massive coal-mining complex. The judge vacated the permit in response to one of several appeals filed by Navajo and Hopi residents as well as a diverse coalition of tribal and environmental groups. The permit, issued by Interior's Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, allowed Peabody to operate and expand the Black Mesa mine and the Kayenta mine under a single permit. <http://tinyurl.com/yeo7hng> - Center for Biological Diversity. [From Archaeology Today]

## **US Army Continues to Threaten Sacred Native Site**

The Comanche Nation and the U.S. Army have been battling over a proposed training/service center for the Fort Sill complex that was to be built on Medicine Bluff, a sacred site of not just the Comanche, but also the Kiowas, the Wichitas and the Apaches. Last year, the Army changed locations after a federal Judge blocked construction and ruled that all four bluffs had to be visible for the spiritual well-being of the Comanche people. The Army can still appeal the ruling, and the Comanche administration believes they will appeal in an attempt to drag out the litigation until the tribe runs out of money. See <http://www.indiancountrytoday.com/national/79064507.html>. [From Archaeology Today]

## **North American Megafauna May Have Survived Longer than Currently Believed**

Extinct woolly mammoths and ancient American horses may have been grazing the North American steppe for several thousand years longer than previously thought. After plucking ancient DNA from frozen soil in central Alaska, a team of researchers used cutting-edge techniques to uncover "genetic fossils" of both species locked in permafrost samples dated to between 7,600 and 10,500 calendar years. <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/12/091214151946.html> [From Archaeology Today]

## **Calendar Check: Conferences and Annual Meetings in 2010**

**New Mexico SiteWatch Stewards Conference:** February 21 New Mexico History Museum, Santa Fe.

**Conference on Archaeoastronomy of the American Southwest Technical Workshop:** March 11-12, Pueblo Grande, Phoenix, AZ. See [caasw.org](http://caasw.org)

**American Rock Art Research Association Annual Conference:** March 26-29, Del Rio, TX. See [arara.org](http://arara.org).

**Southwestern Federation of Archaeological Societies Symposium:** April 9-11, Hobbs, NM.

**Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting:** April 14-18, St. Louis, MO. See [saa.org](http://saa.org).

**Archaeological Society of New Mexico Annual Meeting:** April 30- May 2, Santa Fe.

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW MEXICO**  
**2010 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL**

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**If your email address changes, please contact list manager Gary Hein at [garyh@newmexico-archaeology.org](mailto:garyh@newmexico-archaeology.org).**

# ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW MEXICO

## 2010 ANNUAL MEETING

April 30 – May 2, 2010, Santa Fe, NM

Hosted by the Santa Fe Archaeological Society

### 1) Choose registration type and, number of attendees:

Type	Cost per Person	x	No. of people	=	Total
Student	\$ 10.00				
Early Registration (before April 23)	\$ 22.00	X		=	
Late Registration (after April 23)	\$ 40.00	X		=	
Saturday BBQ Buffet and Bandelier Lecture	\$ 28.00	X		=	
Bandelier Lecture Only	\$ 10.00	X		=	
<b>Total</b>					\$

### 2) Enter registration information and dinner choices:

	Person 1	Person 2
<b>Name:</b>		
<b>ASNM Affilaite or Other Affiliation</b>		
<b>Mailing Address:</b>		
<b>Regular or Vegetarian Dinner?</b>		
<b>Telephone:</b>		
<b>Email Address:</b>		

### 3) Mail completed form and check to:

Santa Fe Archaeological Society  
P.O. Box 31603  
Santa Fe, NM 87571

### 4) Please make lodging reservations directly:

Courtyard by Marriott      Cost: Guestroom \$89 + tax per night  
3347 Cerrillos Road          Suite \$119.00 + tax per night  
Santa Fe, NM 87507  
Telephone 505-473-2800

**CALL FOR PAPERS**  
**ASNM Annual Meeting April 30 to May 2, Santa Fe, New Mexico**  
**Tradition and Continuity**

Honoring Glenna Dean, Ph.D.,  
Associate Director of the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, Inc  
and former State Archaeologist (1997-2008)

New Mexico is a land steeped in ancient customs, many of which survive until the present day. Throughout Glenna Dean's career, she has championed efforts to protect and preserve our state's unique culture. In keeping with these goals, ASNM 2010 is seeking papers highlighting the dual themes of tradition and continuity. The subject matter of these papers can embrace any of a wide array of multicultural themes, ranging from indigenous agricultural practices to Hispanic sheepherding and beyond, for it is the persistence of these traditions that keep New Mexico's rich heritage alive.

For the 2010 ASNM Annual Meeting in Santa Fe, we encourage proposals for papers and posters from avocational and professional archaeologists throughout New Mexico. Paper presentations will be limited to 20 minutes.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Contributed Paper: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Poster Exhibit: \_\_\_\_\_

Presentation Abstract Here:

To ensure timely publication of the program and notices, please note the following schedule of deadlines:

Abstracts due: March 1<sup>st</sup>

Notification of acceptance: March 7<sup>th</sup>

Please send all materials to: Matthew Barbour, 1045 Bernalito Court, Bernalillo, NM 87004

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