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ASNM NEWS

2012 Annual Meeting April 20 to 22 in Moriarty Adds Friday Evening Events and Saturday Mini-Symposium

ASNM 2012 Annual Meeting Chair Bob Berglund announces that the Torrance County Archaeological Society and Friends of Tijeras Pueblo planning committee has finalized plans for the Meeting at the Moriarty Civic Center with the addition of some new events. Following the Meet and Greet Reception on Friday, April 20 will be an optional catered buffet with a choice of green chile chicken or red chile vegetarian enchiladas and a short program including a brief overview of the Estancia Basin and a preview of the field trips. The posters will be available on Friday from the beginning of registration at 4 p.m. to the end of the evening program around 8 p.m. and again on Saturday. The expanded poster presentation will provide opportunities to showcase many aspects of the rich natural and cultural resources of Estancia Basin-Salinas Province.

The Saturday program will begin with a mini-symposium reviewing the geology, paleontology, biology and early climates of the Estancia Basin and the peopling of the Salinas Province from early man through the historic period. The historic perspective will focus on use and trade of salt from the lake on the La Salina Grant. Papers on any of these aspects are especially welcome for the general session to follow. Papers on other subjects, particularly on research in process or recently completed, are invited as well for the afternoon session. See Call for Papers and Posters on page 4. The customary Awards Banquet and Bandelier Lecture will take place on Saturday evening. All Friday and Saturday events will be held in the Civic Center building, where it's guaranteed there will be no competition from a wedding in the next room! Registration form attached.

Sunday field trip options include the Salinas Basin Lakes, the Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument, and a tour of the interpretive trail and new Interpretive Center at Tijeras Pueblo.

The Civic Center is located at 202 Broadway in east Moriarty and reached from I-40 Exit 196, then south on New Mexico 41 (known locally as Howard Cavassos Boulevard). There are many hotels/motels in Moriarty. Information about costs and locations will be posted on the following websites when available:

<www.tcasnm.org>; <www.friendsoftijeraspueblo.org>; <www.newmexico-archaeology.org>

It's Time for Membership Renewals

Everyone except honorees and other 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 attached membership renewal form or download it from the ASNM website and return with your check. Contact Dolores Sundt at P.O. Box 3485, Albuquerque NM 87190 or dfsundt@msn.com with questions about your membership status.

Call for Nominees for the 1012 ASNM Board of Trustees Election

Each year four ASNM members are elected for a three-year term to serve as one of the twelve Trustees who conduct the business of the organization. Charlie Barnes, Nominating Committee Chair, encourages members to submit names for nomination as Trustee for the 2012 Annual Meeting and elections. Please submit names with a brief bio or questions to Charlie by email (elrancho5850@gmail.com), telephone (575-543-8015), or snail mail at 713 W Spruce St #141, Deming, NM 88030. Charlie says, "It is OK to submit your own name. This is a great way for members to learn more about the state society and to contribute their input." Deadline is March 5.

Affiliate Societies are asked to suggest nominees so that they can be represented on the Board by a Trustee or Alternate. Our bylaws mandate that the Nominating Committee strive to name Trustees from all the Affiliate Societies.

ASNM SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Interested students can still apply for an ASNM scholarship award for the 2012-2013 academic year. The deadline for submitting an application is February 29, 2012. The awards vary from \$100 to \$500. Consideration for special awards greater than \$500 will be given on a case-by-case basis for outstanding and exceptional situations.

Applications are restricted to full-time students attending one of the following academic institutions: Eastern New Mexico University, Highlands University, New Mexico State University, San Juan College, and University of New Mexico. Applicants are limited to junior, senior, and Master's degree students in any of the fields covered by the term "anthropology." Students demonstrating a financial need and an anthropological thesis or approved project relevant to the greater Southwest will be considered.

ASNM members who know of any students who might benefit are asked to direct them to <http://newmexico-archaeology.org/text/scholarship.htm>.

CHACO ROCK ART FUNDRAISER TOUR MAY 3-7

The Friends of Chaco Rock Art have scheduled a fundraiser tour of rock art sites in the Chaco Culture National Historic Park for May 3-7. Activities begin Thursday evening with dinner and orientation. On Friday, the Park archaeologist will lead an introductory tour of architectural structures including closed areas. Participants will also visit the related rock art sites. The following two days will be devoted to visiting rock art sites, the majority of which are normally closed to the public.

Camping will be provided in the Park with limited showers with hot water. Participants must provide their own camping gear. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided, including breakfast on Monday morning, May 7.

The tour is being offered to help fund the materials and expenses of on-going rock art documentation in the Park, because the National Park Service no longer has the funds to adequately support projects they endorse. The cost of the 3-day, 4-night tour, including all meals, is \$850, much of which is tax deductible. The tour is limited to 9 persons. For detailed information, contact Jane Kolber at (520) 432-3402, jkolber@theriver.com or Donna Yoder (520) 882-4281, donnayoder@cox.net.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM HERE AND THERE

University of Arizona's Laboratory of Tree-Ring Research Presents Evidence for Multi-Decade Drought in the Second Century A.D.

Almost nine hundred years ago, in the mid-12th century, the southwestern U.S. was in the middle of a multi-decade megadrought. It was the most recent extended period of severe drought known for this region. But it was not the first. The second century A.D. saw an extended dry period of more than 100 years characterized by a multi-decade drought lasting nearly 50 years, says a new study from scientists at the University of Arizona. U.A. geoscientists Cody Routson, Connie Woodhouse and Jonathan Overpeck conducted a study of the southern

San Juan Mountains in south central Colorado. The region serves as a primary drainage site for the Rio Grande and San Juan rivers.

To develop their chronology, the researchers looked for indications of climate in the past in the growth rings of the oldest trees in the southern San Juan region. "We drove around and looked for old trees," said Routson. Literally nothing is older than a bristlecone pine tree: The oldest and longest-living species on the planet, these pine trees normally are found clinging to bare rocky landscapes of alpine or near-alpine mountain slopes. The trees, the oldest of which are more than 4,000 years old, are capable of withstanding extreme drought conditions. "We did a lot of hiking and found a couple of sites of bristlecone pines, and one in particular that we honed in on," said Routson. [From Archaeology Today and the news release.]

http://www.eurekaalert.org/pub_releases/2011-11/uoa-usf110411.php

National Park Service Identifies Areas Suitable for New National Parks or Monuments

The cultural and natural resource treasures of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains and the San Luis Valley are getting some long-overdue love, as the Department of Interior works to identify areas and sites that could some day be made part of the National Park System or protected and highlighted in other ways.

<http://summitcountyvoice.com/2011/12/23/national-park-service-studies-cultural-and-natural-resources-in-the-sangre-de-cristo-mountains-and-the-san-luis-valley/> [From Southwest Archaeology Today.]

National Park Service Collections Now Online

This searchable online database provides access to thousands of images and records from the National Park Service (NPS) museum collections. NPS museum collections include diverse disciplines and have unique associations with park cultural and natural resources, eminent figures, and park histories. Online visitors can perform simple or advanced searches by keyword, park name, object name, people, places, and date. Visitors can also browse or search collection highlights and park summaries. [From Southwest Archaeology Today.]

<http://npscollections.blogspot.com/2011/12/were-live.html>

First Physical Evidence of Tobacco in Mayan Container

ScienceDaily (Jan. 11, 2012) — A scientist at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and an anthropologist from the University at Albany teamed up to use ultra-modern chemical analysis technology at Rensselaer to analyze ancient Mayan pottery for proof of tobacco use in the ancient culture. Dmitri Zagorevski, director of the Proteomics Core in the Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies (CBIS) at Rensselaer, and Jennifer Loughmiller-Newman, a doctoral candidate at the University at Albany, have discovered the first physical evidence of tobacco in a Mayan container. Their discovery represents new evidence on the ancient use of tobacco in the Mayan culture and a new method to understand the ancient roots of tobacco use in the Americas. [From Southwest Archaeology Today, a service of Archaeology Southwest, formerly the Center for Desert Archaeology.] <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2012/01/120111113725.htm>

Ancient Popcorn in Peru

People living along the coast of Peru were eating popcorn 1,000 years earlier than previously reported and before ceramic pottery was used there, according to a new paper in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences co-authored by Dolores Piperno, curator of New World archaeology at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History and emeritus staff scientist at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. <http://www.physorg.com/news/2012-01-ancient-popcorn-peru.html>. [From Southwest Archaeology Today.]

CALENDAR CHECK: UPCOMING CONFERENCES

ASNM 2012 Annual Meeting April 20-22, Civic Center, Moriarty, New Mexico. Call for Papers and Registration form on pages x and x and posted on the ASNM website.

Mogollon Conference October 4-6, 2012, Western New Mexico University, Silver City. Questions to Cynthia Bettison (bettisonc@wnmu.edu). Websites are currently being developed.

CALL FOR PAPERS and POSTERS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW MEXICO ANNUAL MEETING

April 20-22, 2012 in Moriarty, New Mexico

Theme: The Estancia Basin/Salinas Province—A long view of people and salt in the land between mountains and plains.

Along with highlighting the importance and use of salt through time, we seek to broaden our understanding of, and appreciation for, the unique cultural and natural resources of our area. We will interweave perspectives from other scientific disciplines such as geology and paleontology to enhance archaeological and historical aspects of the Basin. Papers and posters pertaining to some aspect of the Salinas Province/Estancia Basin are especially encouraged, but those on other subjects are not excluded. Papers and posters dealing with archaeological or anthropological research in progress or recently completed are welcome. Also encouraged are posters from related areas of study, such as Geology, Biology, Paleontology, History and Biography.

Posters:

Poster proposals, including a brief abstract, are due no later than **March 15, 2012**.

Papers:

Abstracts for individual papers are due by **March 15, 2012** and should be limited to 100 words. Papers relating to the theme will be given preference. *Note: Presentation of all general session papers will be limited to 15 minutes in length.*

E-mail poster proposals and/or paper abstracts to: Program Co-Chair Bill Simms <rwsimms@att.net> or John Hayden <johnhayden@q.com>. Submissions should include name, address, telephone number, email address, affiliation, type of presentation (paper or poster), title, and any co-authors.

Details:

Abstracts and poster proposals will be reviewed and accepted by the Program Committee. The program committee, on or before April 1, 2012, will contact those applicants whose paper and/or poster are selected.

Papers: Authors of selected papers will be asked to submit their digital media (in whatever form i.e., e-mail, flash drives, thumb drives, or memory cards/sticks) to the program chair on or before Wednesday, April 18—sooner if possible. Microsoft PowerPoint is the preferred program format.

Posters: Poster display areas will be available Friday afternoon, April 20 through Saturday April 21. Times/schedule for poster session(s) are to be announced. For display space details and questions contact: Poster Chairperson Judy Vredenburg <judyvr@aol.com>.

Note: *We may have an opportunity to produce a publication based on this year's meeting. We may seek participation from authors of specific papers. More details to follow.*

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW MEXICO 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

April 20-22, Moriarty Civic Center, 202 Broadway, Moriarty, New Mexico

HOSTED BY TORRANCE COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY and FRIENDS OF TIJERAS PUEBLO

Enter name(s) of registrant(s) with local Affiliate Society or other affiliation (for name badge).

Person 1: _____ **Affiliation** _____

Person 2: _____ **Affiliation** _____

Mailing address: _____

Email address: _____ **Phone:** () _____

Type	Cost per Person	X	No. of People	=	Total
Student (with current registration)	\$10.00	x		=	
Early Registration (if received by April 5)	\$40.00	x		=	
Late Registration (if received after April 5)	\$55.00	x		=	
Bandelier Lecture Only	\$10.00	x		=	
Friday Night Buffet Supper (Optional)	\$16.00	x		=	
Saturday Awards Banquet and Bandelier Lecture	\$30.00	x		=	
Total due with registration					\$

Check Meal Selections Below	Person 1	Person 2	Guest 1	Guest 2	Guest 3
Friday Supper green chile chicken					
Friday Supper red chile cheese enchiladas					
Enter number of Friday night suppers x \$16 each and total cost above					
Saturday Banquet beef brisket					
Saturday Banquet chicken breast					
Saturday Banquet vegetarian linguini					
Enter number of Saturday night Banquet dinners x \$30 each and total cost above					

Please check table below to indicate possible interest in attending one of the field trips offered on Sunday. Actual sign-up at the Annual Meeting. A signed liability waiver may be required.

Check Sunday Field Trip Preferences	Person 1	Person 2
Salinas Basin Lakes		
Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument		
Tijeras Pueblo: Interpretive Tour and Interpretive Center		

Send completed form with check payable to Torrance County Archaeological Society to Billye Head, TCAS Treasurer, PO Box 386, Estancia NM 87016. Contact <registertcasnm@gmail.com> with any questions.

Lodging reservations must be made directly with one of the motel/hotels in Moriarty. More information about costs and locations will be posted on the following websites when available: <www.tcasnm.org>, <www.friendsoftijeraspueblo.org>, or <www.newmexico-archaeology.org >.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

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Annual membership is from January 1 to December 31. Memberships received after November 1 will start January 1. Contact Dolores Sundt by email at dfsundt@msn.com or by mail at the P.O. Box below if you have questions about your membership status. Membership benefits include a subscription to the ASNM newsletter *La Jornada*, a copy of the Annual Honoree Volume, and support for local archaeological societies. Dues and contributions are tax deductible to the extent of the law.

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone (Opt): _____

Email Address *: _____

****If you cannot or do not wish to receive your newsletter electronically, please pay the \$ 5 printing and postage surcharge for a print copy of the newsletter via first class mail.****

For membership year 2012	Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/>	
Individual, Institution, or Family (\$25)		\$ _____
Contributor (\$35 & up)		\$ _____
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**Print Newsletter Surcharge (\$5)		\$ _____
Extra Scholarship Fund Contribution		\$ _____
	Total Enclosed	\$ _____

* Please be sure your email address is legible. If more space is needed, write it again in the space below.

Make check payable to ASNM and send payment to: The Archaeological Society of New Mexico, PO Box 3485, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3485

If your email address changes, please contact list manager Gary Hein at garyh@newmexico-archaeology.org.

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Membership: Individual, Family, Institution \$25, Contributing \$35 or more

Privileges: Enrolling in ASNM Incremental Certification Program and Seminars, ASNM newsletter, and annual volume of *Papers of the Archaeological Society of New Mexico*.

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