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ASNM News

Renewal Reminder: Those of you who still haven't sent in your membership renewal for this year are reminded to do so. As of the board meeting in February, 112 people had renewed and we had 11 new members.

ASNM Annual Meeting:

The ASNM 2008 Annual Meeting will be held in Farmington at the Best Western Inn & Suites. The proposed schedule is as follows:

Friday, April 25, 2008		
1:00 – 3:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	[Riverwalk room 2]
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Certification Council Meeting	[Riverwalk room 2]
4:00 – 8:00 pm	Registration, mixer/no-host bar	[Banquet Foyer]
Saturday, April 26, 2008		
7:00 – 8:00 am	Registration and vender/poster sessions set up	
8:00 – 8:15 am		
8:00 – 11:30 am	Presentation of Papers	
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break	[Board meeting – Riverwalk room 2]
1:00 – 1:30 pm	Business Meeting	
1:30 – 4:30 pm	Presentation of Papers	
4:30 – 8:00 pm	Mixer/no-host bar [venders & poster sessions need to be down by 7pm?]	
7:00 – 8:00 pm	Banquet	
8:00 – 9:00 pm	Bandelier Speaker	
Sunday, April 27, 2008: Field Trips		
Half Day (am)	Aztec Ruins National Monument	Gary Brown
Half Day (am)	Salmon Ruins	Nancy Espinosa
Full Day	Flora Vista Greathouse / Holms Group	Paul Reed
Half Day (to 2pm)	Bolack Ranch sites	Linda Wheelbarger
Full Day	Chaco Culture NHP: Shabik'eshchee	Roger Moore
Full Day	Pueblitos in Largo Canyon area:	Larry Baker

The motel is at 700 Scott Ave in Farmington. The costs for rooms are \$79.00 for single or double, \$89.00 for triple, and \$99.00 for a quad. Two of these rooms are handicapped accessible, and more are available if needed. Call 505-327-5221 for reservations. All information on the annual meeting can be found on the ASNM website at <http://newmexico-archaeology.org/text/calendar.htm>.

Because of the very positive response we have had to the Call for Papers for the 2008 annual meeting of the Archaeological Society of New Mexico, the Saturday program is full. We have two morning sessions that present new research on archaeology in the San Juan region. In the afternoon, topics include archaeoastronomy and rock art, Navajo studies, prehistoric roads, potter's materials at Pottery Mound, a newly discovered bear effigy, and the turquoise connection between Chaco and Zuni. We thank all those who are participating for providing such an excellent program.

ASNM Funds Carbon 14 Dating (by Bradley

Bowman): Hunters discovered pre-contact human remains on the Willow Springs Ranch near Winston, New Mexico, in the fall of 2005. Dr. Glenna Dean, the New Mexico State Archaeologist, determined that the unprotected human skull would probably become a target for looters, and since the vertical arroyo wall could not be stabilized, excavation was deemed to be the only practical option available to protect the remains. Funding was not available to remove or analyze the remains, so Dr. Dean requested volunteers to do the work. Bradley and Deborah Bowman of the Museum of Archaeology and Material Culture in Cedar Crest agreed to excavate the remains with a volunteer work force consisting of BLM archaeologists Brenda Wilkinson, Andi Sullivan, and OMI representative Joleene Starr and her husband, Mike.

The remains represent an adult male of Native American descent between 35–39 years of age at death with an estimated stature of 161.75 cm. The cadaver was consigned to a clay-lined pit, interred on its back rotated slightly to the right in a tightly flexed position. The legs were folded back towards the chest leaning on the south wall, as are the elements of the right arm. Elements of the right hand were recovered in the area of the sternum suggesting the arms were originally folded over the chest and that these appendages were forced toward the south wall of the pit as the burial fill slumped in response to the decomposition of the body.

A concentration of 12 small, incised artifacts were recovered at a location left and lateral to the vertebral column near the point of articulation of the 4th and 5th lumbar vertebral bodies. These artifacts, discovered in a tight concentration, suggest that their number is what was originally interred, and that this number in all probability represents a complete “set” of objects (Figure 1). The artifacts appear to have been enclosed in a pouch or other biodegradable container with a marine shell button closure.

The Willow Springs Ranch burial and the associated occupational surface was void of diagnostic artifacts capable of indicating a temporal position for the remains. The author submitted a proposal for the cost of the work to ASNM, who agreed to pay for the necessary radiocarbon test. A human bone sample was submitted to the University of Arizona, Accelerator Mass Spectrometry Laboratory, for a ¹⁴C assessment on May 30, 2007. Upon completion the University of Arizona determined that the remains and the associated unusual artifacts date to A.D. 633 ± 45 years, or to the Late Basketmaker Period, BM3. A cursory review of the literature suggests that these artifacts may represent the earliest complete set of bone dice from the American Southwest.



Figure 1. Recovered Bone “Dice”.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW MEXICO
PROPOSED BUDGET

CALENDAR YEAR, Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2008

ITEM	CARRY-OVER	2008 INCOME	TRANS-FER	2007 INCOME	ITEM	2008 EXPENSE	TRANS-FER	CARRY FORWARD	2007 EXPENSE
200 OPERATING	0.00								
210 INCOME					250 EXPENSE				
211 DUES		8,242.00		8,192.43	251 OPERATIONS	1,325.00			1,802.03
212 OTHER		700.00		711.00	252 NEWSLETTER	1,232.00			1,076.02
					254 DUES (297x1.95)		5,791.50		
					253 OTHER	593.50			
SUBTOTAL		8,942.00	0.00	8,903.43	SUBTOTAL	3,150.50	5,791.50	0.00	2,878.05
300 ANNUAL VOLUME	7,942.35								
310 INCOME					350 EXPENSE				
311 DUES			5,791.50		351 ANNUAL VOL	7,856.00			7,856.07
312 INTEREST		340.00		402.19	352 OTHER				
313 SALES/GRANT		369.00		388.82					
314 TRANSFER		593.50		233.88					
SUBTOTAL		1,322.50	5,791.50	1,024.89	SUBTOTAL	7,856.00	0.00	7,200.35	7,856.07
400 CERTIFICATION	754.32								
410 INCOME				0.00	450 EXPENSE				0.00
411 REGISTRATION					451 GENERAL				
412 OTHER					452 OTHER				
SUBTOTAL		0.00	0.00	0.00	SUBTOTAL	0.00	0.00	754.32	0.00
500 ENDOWMENT	17,707.66								
510 INCOME					550 EXPENSE		0.00		0.00
511 PRINCIPAL	16,385.00	1,170.00		1,170.00	551 GENERAL				
512 OPERATING	1,322.66				552 OTHER				
513 INTEREST		240.00		282.94					
SUBTOTAL	17,707.66	1,410.00	0.00	1,452.94	SUBTOTAL	0.00	0.00	19,117.66	0.00
600 SCHOLARSHIP	16,458.43								
610 INCOME					650 EXPENSE				
611 PRINCIPAL	13,426.68				651 GENERAL				
612 OPERATING	3,031.75	1,042.00		1,266.95	652 SCHOLARSHIPS	1,000.00			1,000.00
613 INTEREST		700.00	0.00	825.27					
614 TRF FR 253									
SUBTOTAL	16,458.43	1,742.00	0.00	2,092.22	SUBTOTAL	1,000.00	0.00	17,200.43	1,000.00
700 VIDAL FIELD SCH.	12,170.22								
710 INCOME					750 EXPENSE				0.00
711 INTEREST		380.00		450.40	751 GENERAL				
712 OTHER					752 CONTRACTS				
					753 PUBLICATION				
SUBTOTAL	12,170.22	380.00	0.00	450.40	SUBTOTAL	0.00	0.00	12,550.22	0.00
800 SPECIAL PUBS.	7,428.38								
810 INCOME					850 EXPENSE				
811 SALES/INT.		728.00		806.22	851 GENERAL	10.00			8.13
812 OTHER					852 PUBLICATION				
SUBTOTAL		728.00	0.00	806.22	SUBTOTAL	10.00	0.00	8,146.38	8.13
Site Watch	988.53	1,610.00		1,610.00		675.00		1,923.53	675.00
TOTAL	63,449.89	16,134.50	5,791.50	16,340.10		12,691.50	5,791.50	66,892.89	12,651.13

ASNM Board Elections: Six candidates are running for the ASNM Board of Trustees.

Bradley Bowman

Bradley F. Bowman is currently the Director of the Museum of Archaeology and Material Culture in Cedar Crest. He has served two years on the ASNM board and is the current chair of the Awards Committee. Bradley has conducted archaeological research in Texas and New Mexico, with over 25 years experience in many areas of archaeology including survey, excavation, and the analysis of bioarchaeological and lithic materials. This work has produced numerous contract reports and journal articles. Museum projects under his direction include the presentation and development of educational programs resulting in a contribution to a recently published college level textbook, the acquisition and preservation of endangered archaeological sites, and a long-term research project in western New Mexico.

Gary Hein

In 2005 I ran for the Board of Trustees and joined the board when a vacancy occurred. I have been responsible for the developing the ASNM website and setting up the two ASNM Listservs. I am leading the rock art recording teams in the Santa Fe area and actively working with Dave Kirkpatrick and others to establish the rock art recording projects council.

Tina Joslin

Tina Joslin, Long time New Mexico resident. Past president of Grant County Archaeological Society, main interests in Humanities Studies focusing on archaeology, history, genealogy. Current member of ASNM Board, GCAS, Trail of the Mountain Spirits Federal Scenic Byway, Bayard Historic Mining and Tourism committee, Ft. Bayard Steering Committee. Live in Grant County New Mexico. Author of Fort Bayard: A Post on the Apache Frontier; numerous travel articles on southwestern New Mexico.

Meade Kemrer

Meade has 34 years of Southwestern archaeological experience, with 28 of those years spent in New Mexico. He holds the Ph.D. from the University of Arizona and a M.A. from Temple University. As a consultant, he has worked throughout New Mexico and surrounding states performing cultural resource plans, inventories and excavations. Now retired, he is currently studying A.D. 900-1400 occupation in the San Andres Mountains near his home in Las Cruces. He also maintains research interests in noninvasive geophysical applications to archaeology.

Arlette Miller

Arlette is a 25-year member of the Albuquerque Archaeological Society, for which she has served over the years as secretary, treasurer and president, and she has also served on the board of ASNM as secretary. She has attended several field schools, including the one in Heaton Canyon in Gallup, and has assisted in various rock art recording projects around New Mexico.

Ann Owen

I have been a southwest archaeologist for the past eighteen years. I received my bachelors' degree in anthropology from the University of Texas Permian, my master's degree in anthropology/geology from New Mexico State. I am currently working on my PhD through the distance-learning program at the University of Leicester, UK. Professionally, I have worked for Moore Anthropological Research in Aztec, the Bureau of Land Management in Las Cruces, the National Park Service at Bandelier National Monument and the Gila Cliff Dwellings and the U. S. Forest Service on the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest.

I have been a member of ASNM for the past 10 years. I am currently a member of both the El Paso Archaeology Society and the Grant County Archaeology Society. I am a past member of the San Juan Archaeological Society, the Doña Ana County Archaeological Society and the Midland Archaeological Society. With education being my primary interest, I have served on the scholarship committee for the Midland Archaeological Society, the San Juan Archaeological Society and the El Paso Archaeological Society. I am currently involved in archaeoastronomy research in the Mogollon area and I also working with the Aztec Public Library, Aztec National Monument, and Salmon Ruins to present a conference on archaeoastronomy research.

Please select four people on the ballot. Family memberships are entitled to submit two ballots. Please send your completed ballot(s) to ASNM at PO Box 3485, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3485 by April 11th, or submit them at the meeting in Farmington April 25th.

Ballot Vote for four		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bradley Bowman	<input type="checkbox"/> Gary Hein	<input type="checkbox"/> Tina Joslin
<input type="checkbox"/> Meade Kemrer	<input type="checkbox"/> Arlette Miller	<input type="checkbox"/> Ann Owen

Ballot Vote for four		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bradley Bowman	<input type="checkbox"/> Gary Hein	<input type="checkbox"/> Tina Joslin
<input type="checkbox"/> Meade Kemrer	<input type="checkbox"/> Arlette Miller	<input type="checkbox"/> Ann Owen

Other Society News: The annual volume in honor of Joan Mathien is at the printer and will be ready for distribution at the annual meeting. Paul Williams will be the honoree for the 2009 annual volume. The rock art council on bylaws that specify the council's function and goals. The certification council is working on changes to its bylaws and revising the content of its seminars and literature lists. No applications had been received for the ASNM student scholarship at the time of the February board meeting, and the deadline was extended. The Friends of Tijeras Pueblo successfully petitioned for affiliate status with ASNM.

Other News

Support Funding for the Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Protection Act: The Galisteo Basin Archaeological Coordination Group has recently submitted a Vision and Action Plan,

and a Budget to the New Mexico Congressional delegation. The plan and budget, if funded, will finally allow implementation of the Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Protection Act, passed by Congress in 2004. The prospect of future oil and gas drilling in the Basin makes it ever more important to obtain funding that will allow preservation and protection of some of the most important Puebloan and Spanish Colonial sites in the Southwest. Senators Bingaman and Domenici, and Representative Udall have been supportive of the Act, but because of the many competing demands for federal dollars, they need to hear from us.

So, please take a few minutes and send a letter or email voicing your support for funding of the Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Protection Act. The links below are letters to both Senators and to Congressman Udall that you are welcome to use as is, or change to suit your taste. Senators Bingaman and Domenici, as well as Congressman Udall, also have contact pages on their websites, where you can enter your message and send it electronically.

Sample support letters:

<http://www.cdarc.org/sat/udall-fs.doc>
<http://www.cdarc.org/sat/Domenici-fs.doc>
<http://www.cdarc.org/sat/bingaman-fs.doc>

Links to legislators:

<http://tomudall.house.gov>
<http://bingaman.senate.gov/contact/types/email-issue.cfm>
<http://domenici.senate.gov/contact/contactform.cfm>

Thank you for your help and support,
Bob Powers, Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Coordination Committee.

Job Opportunity: The El Paso Museum of Archaeology is currently advertising for the position of Archaeology Museum Education Curator. The job description can be viewed at <http://www.elpasotexas.gov/personnel/JobDescriptions/15233%20Archaeology%20Museum%20Education%20Curator.pdf>, and application instructions can be found at <http://www.elpasotexas.gov/personnel/employment.asp>. Contact Jason Jurgena at 915-755-4332 or jurgenaja@elpasotexas.gov.

North American Environmental Atlas Online: Canada's Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC) has worked with other North American agencies to create a website containing base maps with interactive thematic layers for a variety of environmental topics, including terrestrial ecological regions. Land cover and other topical layers will be added soon. The atlas is at <http://www.cec.org.naatlas>.

Note from the Editor: Submissions for the June issue of La Jornada are due April 30. Email emily@aspencrmsolutions.com, call 505-466-3162, or send snail mail to 6 Herrada Way, Santa Fe, NM, 87508-8205.

Upcoming Events

ARARA Annual Conference: The ARARA Annual Conference will be held in Farmington May 23-26. Conference information is available at http://arara.org/Farmington_2008_announcement.html. There will be field trips to rock art sites the Friday before and the Monday after the conference.

Southwest Seminars Lecture Series: Ancient Sites, Ancient Stories II continues Monday nights at 6:00 at the Hotel Santa Fe. This series benefits the Archaeological Conservancy.

In Passing

Dick Bice

With great sorrow we announce the passing of one of our founding members Richard Bice.

Saturday evening, March 8, 2008, the State of New Mexico lost a quiet giant in its preservation, investigation, and education activities on behalf of archaeology, natural history, and science. I say "quiet" because of the fact that Richard A. "Dick" Bice was a major force in developing New Mexico's archaeological research and public outreach through his quiet but effective leadership. He was instrumental in founding the Archaeological Society of New Mexico (ASNM), the Albuquerque Archaeological Society, the Albuquerque Museum, and the New Mexico State Museum of Natural History.

A native of Longmont, Colorado, an engineer by profession, and a vice president for 19 years at Sandia National Laboratories, Dick also served 8 years on the Albuquerque City Council. He was honored with an annual volume by the ASNM in 1987, and in 2002 he received the Society for American Archaeology's prestigious Crabtree Award. Just recently, the Archaeological Society of New Mexico renamed its achievement award the Richard A. Bice Archeological Achievement Award.

Dick is survived by his wife Margaret living in Albuquerque, grand and great-grand children. Those desiring more information about Dick can find it as of 1987 in "Secrets of a City: Papers on Albuquerque Area Archaeology in Honor of Richard A. Bice," Papers of the Archaeological Society of New Mexico: 13, Albuquerque, 1987.

Regge Wiseman

Bob Weber

Dr. Robert (Bob) H. Weber, 89, a long-time resident of Socorro, New Mexico, passed away February 19, 2008. Bob was born February 8, 1919, in Wauseon Ohio. Bob is survived by his wife, Margaret; daughter, Lynn Alexander and husband, Rick, of Albuquerque, NM; granddaughter, Heather Alexander of Albuquerque, NM; granddaughter, Kirsten Stephen and husband, Danny of Spring, Texas; grandson, Derrick Smith and wife, Dawna of Kansas City, Mo. Bob was preceded in death by his daughter, Laura Partridge. Bob received his undergraduate degree in geology from Ohio State University, and his Ph.D. from the University of Arizona with a major in Geology and Metallurgical Engineering. Bob became interested in the geological aspects of archaeology while working at the New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources in Socorro, N.M. and spent many years researching archaeological sites throughout New Mexico. He received certification in Archaeological Geology from the Archaeological Society of New Mexico and was recognized by the Archaeological Society of N.M. in 1997 with the publication of "Layers in Time" in his honor. Bob retired from the New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources in 1985, as Senior Geologist Emeritus, after 35 years of service. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on March 22, 2008 at the Macey Center on the NMIMT campus in Socorro, N.M. Gifts, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the American Cancer Society and the Archaeological Society of New Mexico.

Archaeological Society of New Mexico
2008 Annual Meeting, Farmington, NM
ASNM's 108th Year
April 25-27, 2008

Host: Archaeological Society of New Mexico

Location: Best Western Inn & Suites

700 Scott Ave

Farmington, NM 87401

Phone: 505-327-5221

Cost: \$79.00 single or double, \$89.00 triple, \$99.00 quad. Rates good April 24-27, 2008
 A block of rooms has been reserved. Cut off date for the reserved block is April 10, 2008.

REGISTRATION: \$25.00 before April 11, \$30.00 after April 11, 2008

Name (s) _____ **(PLEASE, Print!)**

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **Email:** _____

Event	Number	Cost per person	Amount
Registration		\$25.00	
Registration after April 11th		\$30.00	
Student registration*		\$15.00	
Banquet		\$28.00	
Banquet (vegetarian)		\$28.00	
Bandelier Lecture Only (no dinner)		\$5.00	
TOTAL			

* Photo student ID required. Includes meeting registration and Bandelier lecture (not dinner)

Deadline for Banquet reservation is April 16, 2008. We need to receive them by this date**

Make checks payable to: Archaeological Society of New Mexico

Send registration to:

Helen Crotty

1366 State Road 344

Sandia Park, NM 87047

Jhcrotty947@gmail.com

** If you have mailed your registration but think it might not be received by April 16th, contact Roger at 505-786-7014 ex 236 or maraztec@sisna.com by noon April 16, 2008.

Affiliate Societies

For your information, the ASNM Newsletter carries this list of Archaeological Societies that are affiliates of the Archaeological Society of New Mexico. Corrections, updates, and e-mail contact addresses are appreciated along with news of local activities.

Members of local societies are encouraged to join ASNM.

Albuquerque Archaeological Society
PO Box 4029
Albuquerque, NM 87196
President: Gretchen Obenauf
info@abqarchaeology.org
www.abqarchaeology.org

Doña Ana Archaeological Society
PO Box 15132
Las Cruces, NM 88004
President: Dick Magee
rmagee@lascruces.com

El Paso Archaeological Society
PO Box 4345
El Paso, TX 79914-4345
President: Bill Luther
www.epas.com
kayyote@aol.com

Friends of Tijeras Pueblo
PO Box 1916
Tijeras, NM 87509
www.friendsoftijeraspueblo.org

Grant County Archaeological Society
PO Box 1713
Silver City, NM 88062

Midland Archaeological Society
PO Box 4224
Midland, TX 79704
President: Teddy Stickney
www.midarcsoc.org

Plateau Sciences Society
PO Box 2433
Gallup, NM 87305
President: Larry Larason
link87301@yahoo.com

San Juan Archaeological Society
PO Box 118
Flora Vista, NM 87415
Temporary Contact: Roger Moore

Santa Fe Archaeological Society
PO Box 31603
Santa Fe, NM 87594
President: Sidney Barteau
hs.barteau@att.net

Taos Archaeological Society
PO Box 143
Taos, NM 87571
President: Carolyn Johnson
cjj721@earthlink.net
www.taosarch.org

Torrance County Archaeological Society
9360-A Old Highway 14
Estancia, NM 87016
President: Sharon Hanna
www.tcasnm.org
hungryhorse@plateautel.net

We rely on members of affiliate societies to keep us up to date on officer and contact information. Please send updates to emily@aspenrmsolutions.com.

Archaeological Society of New Mexico

As a New Mexico non-profit corporation, ASNMM is one of the oldest of its kind in the United States. The Society has a number of affiliated local societies listed above. ASNMM encourages and assists others to unite to preserve, study, protect, and promote appreciation of the prehistoric and historic cultural resources of New Mexico.

Officers and Elected Trustees

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John Hayden
Meade Kemmer
John Roney
Greg Sagemiller
Nancy Woodworth
Bradley Bowman
Arlette Miller

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

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