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An elaborate dugout at the Sue Savage Homestead in Cebolla Creek, El Malpais National Conservation Area

Next General Meeting: January 17, 2011
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I want to congratulate the members of the Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society who have contributed to our solicitation for gifts to the Scholarship and Research Fund.

As of December 14, we had received \$4,700, \$300 more than last year's contributions, and I expect additional donations by the time you receive this edition of *Glyphs*. This is very rewarding at a time when university budgets are being cut, tuition

is rising, and part-time jobs are scarce. There is still time for those of you who haven't contributed to do so.

For those of you who attended the AAHS Holiday Party and who participated in the silent auction, thank you!

As always, I welcome your comments on how we can make AAHS better serve our members in the coming year. I wish all of you a joyous, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

—Don Burgess, President

AAHS LECTURE SERIES

All meetings are held at the University Medical Center, Duval Auditorium
Third Monday of the month, 7:30–9:00 p.m.

- Jan. 17, 2011: Ronald Towner, *Tree-Rings, Documents, and Oral Histories in Cibolla Creek, New Mexico*
- Feb. 21, 2011: Catherine Cameron, *The Bluff Great House and the Chaco Phenomenon*
- Mar. 21, 2011: Patricia Crown, *Cacao Exchange and Use in the Prehispanic American Southwest*
- Apr. 18, 2011: To be announced
- May 16, 2011: Margaret Nelson, *Then and Now: How Archaeological Knowledge Can Inform the Present*

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS FOR GLYPHS: If you have research or a field project that would be interesting to *Glyphs* readers, please consider contributing an article. Requirements are a maximum of 1,000 words, or 750 words and one illustration, or 500 words and two illustrations. Please send electronic submissions to jadams@desert.com, or by mail to Jenny Adams, Desert Archaeology, Inc., 3975 N. Tucson Blvd., Tucson, Arizona 85716.

UPCOMING AAHS FIELD TRIPS

AAHS membership is required to participate in field trips. Prospective members may attend one AAHS field trip prior to joining.

Romero Ruins: Beyond the Path

January 22, 2011

This Field Trip is Full: To be placed on the waiting list, contact Katherine Cerino at kcerino@gmail.com

Romero Ruins, in Catalina State Park, is one of the largest and most significant archaeological sites within the northern Tucson Basin. The ruins are the remains of a Hohokam village that was occupied between A.D. 500 and 1450. Also visible at the site are the remnants of more recent structures built by rancher Francisco Romero and extensive prehistoric agricultural fields. Bill Gillespie, archaeologist with the Coronado National Forest, will lead a tour of the site and its surroundings. Meet at Catalina State Park at 9:00 a.m. The tour will last until about noon, so you should bring a snack and water, and wear hiking shoes. We will cover a couple of miles of not too strenuous walking. There is an entrance fee for the park.

University Indian Ruins

March 4, 2011; 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Drs. Paul and Suzanne Fish will lead a tour of University Indian ruins, the site of the current University of Arizona Field School. This 13-acre property, located in Indian Ridge Estates, was a gift to the School of Anthropology in the 1930s, and it includes one of the last remaining Hohokam Classic period platform mound sites in the Tucson Basin (circa A.D. 1325–1450). To sign up, contact Katherine Cerino at kcerino@gmail.com.

Stay tuned for more information! We are working on a field trip to Cerro Prieto in the spring.

A VIEW OF EARLY TUCSON

Dorothy Yanez of the Tucson Presidio Trust has compiled a book describing the history, archaeology, and recreation of the northeast corner of the historic Spanish fortress in downtown Tucson. *Presidio San Agustin del Tucson: A View of Early Tucson* is available for sale at the Presidio Park gift shop, 133 W. Washington Street, for \$16.00. Funding for the book was provided by the Tucson/Pima County Historical Commission and the Tucson Presidio Trust for Historic Preservation.

AAHS HAPPENINGS

TOPIC OF THE JANUARY 17 GENERAL MEETING

*Tree-Rings, Documents, and Oral Histories in
Cebolla Creek, New Mexico*

by Ronald Towner

The Cebolla Creek area of west-central New Mexico is an isolated area of lava flows, pinyon-juniper forests, and flat valley bottoms that is part of the El Malpais National Conservation Area. Completely depopulated today, in the early twentieth century, the area was home to Navajo, Hispanic, and Anglo populations who hunted, gathered, and farmed the canyon's resources. Recent research has illuminated aspects of interaction and land-use by these groups during a critical time in New Mexico's history.

In particular, this presentation discusses heretofore unknown early

twentieth century Navajo sites and the Sue Savage Homestead, LA 74544, a complex of more than 25 structures and features occupied by a widow and her children during the Great Depression.

Tree-ring data, historical documents, and oral histories are all used during this presentation to illuminate the hardscrabble life of the area's occupants and to place the occupants in their proper environmental and social contexts. This research has lessons for archaeologists estimating the length of occupations and for comparing different data types.

Speaker Ronald H. Towner is an expert in dendroarchaeology and Early Navajo archaeology. He has more than 30 years of experience in the archaeology of the western United States in contract, academic, and volunteer settings, including most of the past 25 years in the Southwest and Diné'tah areas. He is currently an Associate Research Professor of Dendrochronology at the Laboratory of Tree-Ring Research at the University of Arizona. He received his B.A. (History) from Lewis & Clark College, his M.A. (Anthropology) from Washington State University, and his Ph.D. (Anthropology) from the University of Arizona. Dr. Towner has authored more than 25 peer-reviewed articles, book chapters, and monographs, as well as more than 100 technical reports. He has long been active in public archaeology and is past president and vice-president of the Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society, past board member of Old Pueblo Archaeology, and past Kiva editor.

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CENTER FOR DESERT ARCHAEOLOGY'S
ARCHAEOLOGY CAFÉ

The Center for Desert Archaeology and Casa Vincente invite you to the Archaeology Café, a casual discussion forum dedicated to promoting community engagement with cultural and scientific research. Meetings are the first Tuesday of each month from September to May, at 6:00 p.m.; presentations begin at 6:15 p.m. Casa Vincente is located at 375 S. Stone Avenue. The café is free and open to the community.

The remainder of the 2010–2011 season includes the following presentations:

- Jan. 4: Todd Surovell, *What Happened to the Mammoths? Pleistocene Extinctions in North America*
- Feb. 1: Panel led by Dale Brenneman, *Telling the O'Odham Side of History in the Pimería Alta*
- Mar. 1: M. Steven Shackley, *What Obsidian Studies Hath Wrought in the Southwest*
- April 5: Douglas Gann, *Paso por Aquí with Lasers: Lidar Documentation of Inscriptions at El Morro*

FORT LOWELL NEIGHBORHOOD HAPPENINGS

History Lectures

January 23 & January 30, 2011; 3:00 p.m.

The Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood Association presents two history lectures at the San Pedro Chapel, 5230 E. Fort Lowell Rd.

January 23: *The Chiricahua Apache in Myth and History*, Rebecca Orozco

January 30: *Fort Lowell: A Look at the History of Arizona*, Ken Scoville

The Annual Fort Lowell Day Celebration

February 12, 2011; 12:00–4:00 p.m.

This will be the 30th anniversary of the neighborhood's historic sites walking tour, which travels from Fort Lowell Park westward along Fort Lowell Road to the San Pedro Chapel, through the historic neighborhood known as *El Fuerte* (The Fort).

As a special event for the 30th anniversary, a home built by *Fuerteño* Isidro Ochoa in 1939 will be open for public viewing.

THE CORNERSTONE

Norton Allen: The Legacy of a Southwestern Artist and Avocational Archaeologist

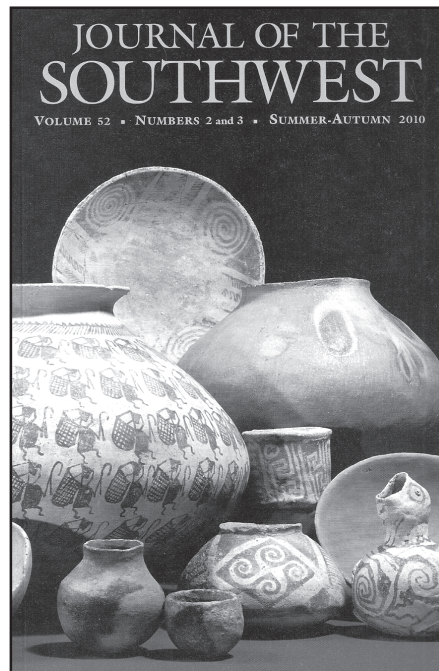
by Alan Ferg

The Summer / Autumn 2010 issue of *Journal of the Southwest*, published by the Southwest Center at the University of Arizona, is a special, all-color, double-issue, more than 300 pages in length, devoted to avocational archaeologist and artist Norton Allen (1909–1997).

For decades, Norton was best known as the inspired, but largely anonymous, draftsman for the wonderful maps to be found in virtually every issue of *Desert Magazine* for nearly half a century. But to a small group of Arizona archaeologists, he was known to be the expert on archaeology in the Gila Bend area. For more than 40 winter seasons, Norton, his father Ernest, and his wife Ethel, salvaged archaeological materials that were in danger of being destroyed by expanding agricultural projects.

Norton met Emil Haury at the University of Arizona Department of Anthropology in 1939, beginning a life-long friendship. It was Norton's work and discoveries, particularly at the Gatlin site, that was the impetus for the excavations in the Painted Rocks Reservoir conducted by Arizona State (ASM) archaeologists William Wasley and Alfred Johnson from 1950 to 1964.

This *Journal of the Southwest* issue, edited by Alan Ferg and Richard A. Schwartzlose, expands on their 2006 essay about the Allens that appeared in the book, *Fragile Patterns*, including a full biographic sketch of Norton and his family. Featured are articles about Norton's archaeological and ethnographic collections, written by a host of experts, including several ASM staff and alumni, including Jane Sliva, Mike Jacobs, David Doyel, Owel Lindauer, Devin Alan White, Patrick Lyons, Diane Dittimore, Andrew Higgins, Reuben Naranjo, Suzanne Griset, Bryn Potter, and Brenda Focht. Subjects include Hohokam



projectile points, pottery, and palettes, Norton's excavations in the San Pedro Valley, Tohono O'odham and Paipai pottery, and basketry from Arizona, California, and the Great Basin. Most of the articles are illustrated with immaculate new photography by ASM photographer Janelle Weakly.

In December 1996, the Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society gave Norton and Ethel the Victor R. Stoner Award. This was in well-deserved recognition of their lifelong contributions to archaeological preservation and helping to bring knowledge of the Hohokam in the Gila Bend area to the public's attention.

The Allen's archaeological and ethnographic collections from southwestern Arizona, donated to ASM, with provisions for use by the Tohono O'odham, will continue to be a rich source for research, learning, exhibits, and cultural pride into the future.

Likewise, Norton and Ethel's establishment of University of Arizona scholarship and internship funds will perennially assist Native American students interested in anthropology and museum studies.

Copies of the Norton Allen issue (vol. 52, nos. 2-3) are available for \$20 each (this includes postage for domestic orders). Checks should be payable to "Journal of the Southwest," and mailed to Lupita Cruz, Southwest Center, 1052 N. Highland Ave., University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721. Ms. Cruz can be reached by phone at 520.621.2484.

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SAVE THE DATE!

The 2001 Pecos Conference of Southwestern Archaeology will be held in the Kaibab National Forest on the "Arizona Strip," north and west of the Colorado River, August 11–14. The site is an open park at Mile-and-a-Half Lake, 8 miles south of Jacob Lake, and 2.5 miles west of State Route 67 (SR 67). Jacob Lake is located at the intersection of U.S. 89A and SR 67, between Lee's Ferry and Fredonia. Individuals and organizations interested in assisting in the organization as partners, sponsors, or vendors may contact David Purcell at davidepurcell@gmail.com.

Prepare for a celebration of the archaeology and history of the Arizona Strip, southwestern Utah, and southern Nevada in the 99th year of Arizona Statehood!

UPCOMING ARIZONA STATE MUSEUM EVENTS

Arnold and Doris Roland Distinguished Speaker Series

January 21, 2011; 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Enjoy a talk on Apache culture by Cécile Ganteaume from the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian. This presentation will be augmented by pieces from ASM's Apache collections. Reception starts at 6:30 p.m., with the lecture to follow at 7:00 p.m. [Free]

18th Annual Southwest Indian Art Fair

February 2, 2011; 3:00–3:45 p.m.

Dr. Barnet Pavao-Zuckerman, curator of zooarchaeology, will talk about animal bones and archaeology, and will share some of her favorite specimens from the Stanley J. Olsen Laboratory of Zooarchaeology.

18th Annual Southwest Indian Art Fair

February 19–20, 2011

Mark your calendars now! Arizona State Museum's signature event returns home in 2011, back on the museum's front lawn.

OLD PUEBLO ARCHAEOLOGY

TUSD Ajo Service Center, 2201 W. 44th Street, Tucson, AZ
520.798.1201, info@oldpueblo.org

Casa Grande Ruins and Middle Gila Valley Archaeology and History

January 22; 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Departs from Pima Community College, 401 N. Bonita Avenue

Tour with archaeologist Allen Dart to the Coolidge-Florence area. Includes visits to archaeological features in the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument plus visits to the Grewe site, Poston Butte Ruin, Adamsville Cemetery, and Pinal County Historical Society Museum. Registrants provide their own transportation; carpools encouraged. Bring your own lunch and water. Reservations required: 520.798.1202 or info@oldpueblo.org. [\$40 fee; \$32 for Old Pueblo Archaeology Center & Pueblo Grande Museum Auxiliary members]

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