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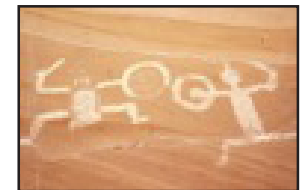
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Glen Canyon

Next General Meeting: March 19, 2012
7:30 p.m., Duval Auditorium, University Medical Center
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

 Recent news in southern Arizona has included two related items about access to public lands that remind me of how privileged I am to live where I live, but also of how tenuous some of that privilege is.

First is the news that a federal appeals court in San Francisco has decided in favor of some folks who were not happy with having to pay a fee to the Forest Service to park along the highway from Tucson to Mount Lemmon solely for the purpose of picnicking, enjoying a scenic overlook, or accessing a hiking trail. The court concluded that the federal Recreation Enhancement Act, passed in 2004, clearly prohibits charging a fee for the use of "non-developed" public lands, and the places people stop along the highway to Mount Lemmon apparently qualify as "non-developed" – even though this is surely the most traveled road in the Coronado National Forest, and it seems to include all kinds of developed facilities like picnic tables, parking areas, toilets, and signage, not to mention the highway itself.

The related news item is that Oracle State Park is open once again, after closing in October 2009, due to the state budget shortfall. Thanks to a local organization, Friends of Oracle State Park, the park will once again be open to the general public, although just one day a week and just for parts of the year (February–April

and September–November). This is a far cry from its old, pre-shortfall schedule, but anyone who has enjoyed Oracle State Park in the past is undoubtedly grateful.

It's hard to argue with the idea that people should have free access to public lands, especially when the agency managing those lands has not invested anything in recreational development, but I was never bothered by having to pay a fee to hike the Catalina Mountains. I knew the money would be put to good use by the Forest Service in one way or another. And I would not be bothered by having to pay – in higher taxes or higher admission – to keep Oracle State Park and other state parks open year-round. Considering the pleasure and edification that I inevitably experience when I visit protected public lands, whether state parks or national forests or county preserves, any fees or taxes I have paid to help maintain these lands amount to a bargain.

We are, as U.S. residents, lucky to have a national system of public lands and land management that can, when permitted, provide protection even to resources that would never survive a hasty or poorly informed judgement of what should remain and what might just as well be destroyed. Archaeological sites are, of course, among the most pertinent resources in this regard, because so many are unrecognizable as anything except to the archaeologically

informed. Considering the cost of protecting archaeological resources on public lands, or even the cost of finding out what archaeological resources might exist on public lands, the idea that certain public lands are "non-developed," and thus, have no costs associated with them – and thus, should not require fees for

people to use them – seems shortsighted, at best. And the idea that the solution to a state budget shortfall should include closing the state parks that are least able to pay for themselves – the motivation for closing Oracle State Park in 2009 – seems altogether regrettable.

—Scott O'Mack, 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.

- Mar. 19, 2012: William Lipe, *Before Lake Powell: Memories of Glen Canyon Archaeology*
- Apr. 16, 2012: Ben Nelson, *Power, Distance, and Mesoamerican-U.S. Southwestern Interaction*
- May 21, 2012: Matthew Peeples, *Identity and Social Transformation in the Prehispanic Cibola World*

NOMINATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE AAHS
CUMMINGS AND STONER AWARDS

The Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society is once again accepting nominations for the Byron S. Cummings and Victor R. Stoner awards. The Cummings Award recognizes outstanding research and contributions to knowledge in Southwestern archaeology, anthropology, ethnology, or history. The Stoner Award celebrates the promotion of historic awareness and is given to someone who brings Southwestern anthropology, archaeology, ethnology, or history to the public over an extended period of time. These awards are presented annually at the Pecos Conference in August. Please forward nominations by **April 15**, to Patrick Lyons at 520.621.6276 or plyons@email.arizona.edu.

AAHS HAPPENINGS

TOPIC OF THE MARCH 19 GENERAL MEETING

*Before Lake Powell: Memories of Glen Canyon**by William D. Lipe*

When the Glen Canyon Dam was completed in 1963, Lake Powell started to fill, eventually extending more than 180 miles up the Colorado River in Arizona and Utah. Named by John Wesley Powell in 1869, Glen Canyon lay at the heart of the most remote, rugged, and least-populated area in the American Southwest. The region's character was transformed by Lake Powell, which now attracts nearly two million visitors a year. The flooding of Glen Canyon contributed to the growth of the environmental movement and the cancellation of dams planned for Marble and Grand Canyons.

The Glen Canyon Archaeological Project (GCP) was the "mega-project" of its day, with crews in the field from 1957 through 1963. It recorded more than 2,000 sites, documenting intermittent episodes of occupation, from Archaic through historic times, in response to climatic shifts and to cultural and demographic changes in adjacent upland regions. I was a crew chief on the University of Utah portion of the GCP from 1958 to 1960, and a crew member in summer of 1961, after I had returned to graduate school. The project set me on course for a career in archaeology, as it did for many others.

The talk reviews some of the archaeological contributions of the GCP, as well as its logistical challenges and political context. It is illustrated with digitized versions of slides and film clips taken during the project. One of the episodes shows excavations at Defiance House, a well preserved but then difficult-to-access cliff dwelling that is now a Park Service visitor attraction.



Suggested Reading:

Fowler, Don D.

2011 *The Glen Canyon Country: A Personal Memoir*. University of Utah Press, Salt Lake City.

Geib, Phil R.

2006 *Glen Canyon Archaeology, Then and Now: Contributions in Hindsight*. In

Tracking Ancient Footsteps: William D. Lipe's Contributions to Southwestern Prehistory and Public Archaeology, edited by R. G. Matson and T. A. Kohler, pp. 29-43. Washington State University Press, Pullman.

Speaker Bill Lipe is Professor Emeritus at Washington State University and a Trustee of the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center in Cortez, Colorado. Except for brief forays into the archaeology of New York state and Idaho, he has worked in the Four Corners region of the Southwest since the mid-1950s. From 1995–1997, he was President of the Society for American Archaeology, and in 2010, he received the Alfred Kidder Award from the American Anthropological Association, for achievement in American archaeology. Recent publications include a chapter in the book *Leaving Mesa Verde* (edited by Tim Kohler et al.; University of Arizona Press, 2010) and junior editorship (with Lynne Sebastian) of *Archaeology and Cultural Resource Management* (School of Advanced Research Press, 2009).

UPCOMING AAHS FIELD TRIPS

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

Tumamoc Hill

March 24, 2012

Tumamoc Hill, just west of the Santa Cruz River in downtown Tucson, is a *trincheras* site, with occupations extending back to 500 B.C. There are also a large number of Hohokam petroglyphs. Our leaders will be Paul and Suzanne Fish and Gayle Hartmann. To register, email David McLean at mcleand43@gmail.com. We will carpool to the top of the hill. The tour involves a small amount of walking over fairly smooth terrain. The trip is limited to 20 people.

Early People of the Colorado Plateau

April 27–29, 2012

Join us as we journey to northern Arizona to learn more about the early populations who inhabited portions of the Colorado Plateau country. We begin our journey on Friday afternoon, April 27, 2012, meeting at the Museum of Northern Arizona (MNA) at 1:00 p.m., where we will join one of the curators for a "behind the scenes" tour of some of the special artifacts that

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are not typically exhibited. Thank you, David McLean, for arranging this for us! Participants can then spend the night in Flagstaff or journey onward to Winslow for the evening.

On Saturday, we will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Rock Art Lodge, located just southeast of Winslow and owned by Brantley Baird; it is also the location of the University of Arizona Field School for 2011–2013, which is being conducted by Rich Lange and Dr. Chuck Adams. We will go into Cheylon Canyon (depending on water level of Cheylon Creek) to look at the amazing petroglyphs left by the early populations of the area, dating from the Archaic period through the Ancestral Puebloan period. Our tour will be led by Darlene Brinkerhoff, one of the individuals who recorded the site several years ago. We will then travel around the ranch to view some of the other sites that are being investigated and recorded. This portion of the trip will take most of the day, so bring lunch, snacks, and water.

Sunday morning, we will meet at the visitor center at Homo'lovi State Park at 9:00 a.m., where we will join Rich Lange for a tour of some of the Homo'lovi pueblos. We should finish by noon for those folks who need to drive back to Tucson.

If you cannot meet us Friday for the MNA tour, you can still meet up with us Saturday morning in Winslow for the rest of the field trip. Once you have signed up for the trip, more detailed information will be furnished. Inclement weather will cancel the trip, as the road to the ranch is a dirt road. The contact for this trip is Chris Lange, clange3@msn.com or 520.792.1303.

University of Arizona's Tree-Ring Lab May 5, 2012

Established in 1937, the UA Laboratory of Tree-Ring Research is the world's premier and largest center devoted to dendrochronology – the study of environments and cultures using tree rings. Beyond the use of dendrochronology in archaeology, with which AAHS members are most familiar, the lab also pursues multidisciplinary applications of dendrochronology in climatology, ecology, geology, hydrology, and other fields, which are equally fascinating. Join us on an exploration of this work, including a tour of the sub-stadium warehouses containing material from archaeological digs throughout the Southwest.

Tour limited to 20 people. Meet at 9:00 am for a three-hour tour. Registrants will be given location and parking directions. Contact Lynn Ratener at 520.299.3317 or lynnratener@cox.net.

SOUTHWEST ARCHAEOLOGY'S ARCHAEOLOGY CAFÉ

Southwest Archaeology and Casa Vicente 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. Casa Vicente is located at 375 S. Stone Avenue. The café is free and open to the community.

The remainder of the 2011–2012 season includes the following presentations:

- Mar. 6: Lydia Otero, *La Calle: Spatial Conflicts and Urban Renewal in a Southwest City*
- Apr. 3: Jeff Reid, *Prehistory, Personality, and Place: Emil W. Haury and the Mogollon Community*
- May 1: Natalia Martínez Tagüña and Vance Holliday, *El Fin del Mundo, Sonora, Mexico: Clovis Archaeology at the End of the World*

CHACO ROCK ART TOUR

The Friends of Chaco Rock Art tour is scheduled for May 3–7, 2012. Activities begin Thursday evening with dinner and an orientation. The following day, the park archaeologist will lead an introductory tour of architectural structures. Participants will also visit the related rock art sites.

The following two days will be devoted to visiting rock art sites that are closed to the public.

The cost, \$850 per person, is partially tax deductible, because the profits are being used to help preserve the resources. The tour is limited to nine (9) people. For detailed information, contact either Jane Kolber at 520.432.3402 or jkolber@theriver.com, or Donna Yoder at 520.882.4281 or donnayoder@cox.net.



THE CORNERSTONE

Traversing the Continent in Fulbright Style, Part 1: Canada

by Michael M. Brescia, Arizona State Museum

It was a poignant moment for me as I drove my Jeep Liberty on Interstate 90 into western New York to start the Canadian portion of my North American Fulbright. The vineyards on my right were ripe with Concord grapes on the peak of harvest, while on my left, the shores of Lake Erie produced gentle breezes. You could hear the occasional sound of seagulls above the din of the numerous tractor trailers that monopolized the roadway. I had spent the first five years of my professional life teaching at a small liberal arts college in the area, so this trip was a homecoming of sorts for me and my family. We visited with old friends, drove through the campus, walked the beach, and frequented our favorite ice cream shop every day of our stay. I allowed the nostalgia to take hold just enough so it wouldn't overwhelm the senses.

Crossing the border into Canada consumed a mere 25 minutes of our time. How often does that happen at the southern border? Armed with my Fulbright letter and passport, I requested a work permit so I could teach at the University of Western Ontario, a medium-sized research university of approximately 33,000 students located in the city of London, about two hours from Niagara Falls and an hour from Port Huron, Michigan. My Fulbright project has a teaching component to it; I offered to teach a research seminar on comparative methodology to graduate and undergraduate students. Not surprisingly, North America was the unit of analysis. I expected students to think transnationally; that is, to employ his-

Last spring, Dr. Brescia was granted the Fulbright-Carlos Rico Award for North American Studies under the categories of teaching and research.

As the Fulbright-Carlos Rico Visiting Research Chair for North American Studies the University of Western Ontario, Brescia taught a research seminar on the comparative history of North America. At the same time, he conducted research there for his project, "Water Rights and Competing Legal Traditions in North America: Historical Perspectives," which examines the historical tensions between common law and civil law in adjudication of property rights, particularly water rights, on the continent.

Having completed a semester teaching in Canada, Brescia is now in Puebla Mexico, conducting even more research in the Biblioteca Palafoxiana, a rare book library founded in 1646. He returns to ASM late this summer.

torical analysis in a manner unfettered by international boundaries, nation-states, and cultural boxes. My students rose to the challenge and began to ask smart, comparative questions of the historical evidence that they uncovered in the archives and library, which also pushed them to revisit conventional wisdom and posit new hypotheses about the similarities and differences in the Canadian, Mexican, and U.S. experiences.

In addition to my teaching duties, I also met with historians, political scientists, librarians, and law faculty to discuss my research into the historical tensions between the Anglo common law and European civil law traditions in North America, tensions which continue to play out in the American Southwest when disputes arise over access to, and control of, water sources. Folks who have visited the Arizona State Museum and walked through the *Many Mexicos and Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo* exhibits know that the U.S. courts are supposed to act as surrogates for the old Spanish colonial property law. What about our neighbors north of the international border? How have Canadians navigated the differences between the French civil law in Québec and the English common law that operates in the rest of the country? Interestingly enough, the relative abundance of water sources – rather

than the scarcity that marks the dry expanse of the Southwest – mitigates the juridical tensions between the two legal traditions. Hydrology and ecology are just as important, therefore, as jurisprudence. I left Canada with a better appreciation of the myriad ways in which Mother Nature fashions the tempo of law and its application to natural resource management.

My family and I left Ontario for Tucson in mid-December; we saw just enough snow and experienced just enough cold to say, unequivocally, that we don't miss the 'Arctic' temperatures of the northeastern corridors of the continent. We do miss Tim Hortons coffee, however, not to mention the wide availability and varied uses of maple syrup, the eclectic nature of the local farmers market, and the sincere friendliness that Canadians exhibit toward newcomers. We might learn a thing or two from Canadian efforts to recognize the value of bilingualism and multiculturalism. Next stop on our Fulbright adventure: Puebla, Mexico.

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ARIZONA ARCHAEOLOGY AND HERITAGE AWARENESS MONTH ARIZONA ARCHAEOLOGY & HERITAGE EXPO

The kick-off event for Arizona Archaeology and Heritage Awareness Month is the ARIZONA ARCHAEOLOGY & HERITAGE EXPO, March 3, 2012; 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

The Expo will offer many educational attractions for archaeology and history buffs, and it will be held on the lawns in front of the Senate and House buildings at the Arizona State Capitol. The event is open to the public and is FREE.

The Expo provides a special opportunity for visitors to learn more about why it is important to preserve archaeological sites and historic places, what archaeologists, historians, and tribal members do in their jobs, and about the prehistory and history of Arizona. Archaeology- and/or history-related, hands-on activities, craft demonstrations, and other fun and educational events will be featured.

Special displays and booths by archaeological and historical organizations, museums, Native American tribes, state and federal agencies, and others will allow you to participate as an archaeologist might in their research today, or make crafts and tools that teach how prehistoric Native Americans and other early inhabitants survived in the Southwest. Demonstrations and interactive activities will help make the past come alive! In addition, information about archaeological sites, museums, and historic-period parks in and around the local area will be highlighted.

The Expo will give visitors new insights into Arizona's many prehistoric, historic, and contemporary cultures, and it will help instill a sense of stewardship for our state's fragile and nonrenewable heritage resources.

Visit azstateparks.com/find/arch_calendar for more information about Arizona Archaeology and Heritage Awareness Month, including a list of events throughout the state.

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Monthly meetings are free and open to the public. Society field trips require membership. Members may also purchase an annual JSTOR subscription to *Kiva* back issues for \$20 through the AAHS website.

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