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President's Message

by John D. Hall

Dear AAHS Members,

This month's President's Message will continue with our AAHS Board of Director Biographies! This month, I am pleased to present Bill Gillespie. Bill is a retired archaeologist with Coronado National Forest. Bill serves as the Treasurer for AAHS and has been on the Board of Directors since 2020. Here is Bill's story in his own words.

This year is something of a landmark year for me in that it means I've now experienced 50 years in archaeology. My archaeological career began in the summer of 1972, when I joined the University of Colorado's Mesa Verde Field School led by the late Dr. David Breternitz. Spending a summer surveying on the mesas and cliffs in Mesa Verde National Park and excavating at pueblo sites on the adjacent Ute Mountain Ute Reservation was enough to hook me on archaeological fieldwork. Half a century later, that lure still holds sway over me, although my appetite and capacity for strenuous activity have diminished.

After four seasons in the Mesa Verde region, I shifted south to Chaco Canyon to become a member of the National Park Service's Chaco Project. The main focus of fieldwork was the excavation of portions of Pueblo Alto, perched atop the mesa on the north side of Chaco Canyon. It was rare privilege to work within one of the remarkable Chaco great houses. In 1976, I joined my colleagues Bob Powers and Steve Lekson in an "Outlier Survey," exploring other large sites in the San Juan Basin, one of the early efforts to view Chaco in a larger regional context.

After my time at Chaco, my interests extended to more distant places, particularly the Levant and northeast Africa. Again, I feel fortunate to have excavated at the Pre-Pottery Neolithic site of Ain Ghazal in northern Jordan, to have explored the Eastern Sahara of Egypt and Sudan with Dr. Vance Haynes, and most recently, to have volunteered for an ethno-archaeology research project in northern

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Ethiopia. Experiencing different archaeological materials and spending time with people in distant places greatly expanded my view of how people make a living, both in the past and in the present.

In the mid-1980s, I moved to southern



Arizona where I remain. After several years of working in zooarchaeology and Quaternary paleoecology, I started working for the U.S. Forest Service on the Coronado National Forest. Little did I expect that I would end up spending 25 years as part of the Coronado's Heritage Program, or half of my half-century of archaeological experience.

Working for a large public land management agency brought many changes for me. The primary goal became preservation and protection of heritage sites. Much of the work for a land managing agency entails assuring proper implementation of our cultural resource laws, especially the National Historic Preservation Act. This meant that instead of participating in major excavation projects, my objective became finding ways to avoid excavation and other activities that would adversely affect sites.

Another change for me was to become more involved with historic-period sites and structures, prompting me to learn much more about historic preservation and historical archaeology. The 1.8 million acres of the Coronado National Forest includes numerous significant nineteenth and early twentieth century sites, including mining, ranching, and military sites, as well as facilities constructed by the Forest Service or the Civilian Conservation Corps. I enjoyed working with my colleagues to preserve and interpret places such as Camp Rucker in the Chiricahua Mountains and Kentucky Camp in the Santa Rita Mountains. Our historic preservation work relied on the efforts of many volunteers, with two notable groups being the

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Arizona Site Stewards and volunteers for the Forest Service's Passport in Time program.

During my time with the Forest Service, we also became more involved with members of Tribes with long-standing connections to lands now managed by the Forest Service. Probably the most important change during the past half-century has been the belated recognition of the fundamental importance of these lands to Indigenous peoples and the importance of incorporating the views of Tribal representatives in making land management decisions. I enjoyed spending time in the field with Tribal members, whether consulting about projects, doing collaborative archaeology field-training sessions, visiting significant places, or collecting plants with O' odham basketmakers.

Since retiring at the end of 2015, I've entered a phase of volunteerism. I now serve on the board of AAHS, presently in the role of Treasurer, and on the board of Tucson-based Old Pueblo Archeology Center. I've become involved with recording and mapping rock art sites with volunteers in the Tucson area, and at Chaco, I do volunteer fieldwork with colleagues from the Coronado National Forest, the Bureau of Land Management, and the National Park Service. So, on to the next half-century! I don't know how much of it I'll see, but I intend to continue volunteering for as long as I can.

Old Pueblo Archaeology Educational Programs

Old Pueblo Archaeology Center offers speakers to give presentations on various topics for educators and other adults, as well as for children, upon demand.

Examples of topics include: Archaeological Excavations on the Eastern Tohono O'odham Reservation; Teaching the Fundamentals of Archaeology; The Study of Chipped Stone Tools; The Study of Prehistoric Ceramics; The Peoples of Ancient Arizona

To schedule a speaker on these or other Southwestern archaeology, history, and culture topics your organization might like to hear about, contact Old Pueblo Archaeology Center at 520.798.1201.

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AAHS Lecture Series

Due to COVID-19, AAHS will continue to offer lectures through AAHS@Home and Zoom through at least April 2022. We are planning to return to in-person lectures with live-streaming available May 2022 or as soon after when it can be done safely.

Mar. 21, 2022: Wade Campbell, Exploring the Rise of Navajo

Pastoralism in the (Peri)Colonial U.S. Southwest

Apr. 18, 2022: Steve Plog, Exploring the Many Interpretations of Chaco

May 16, 2022: Fabiola Silva, Hechizas: A History of Looting and

Ceramic Fakes in Northwest Chihuahua

June 20, 2022: Jaye Smith and Steve Tomka, TBA

July 18, 2022: Barbara Roth, TBA

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FIELD TRIP COORDINATOR

This is a really fun position with an opportunity to meet interesting people and explore interesting places. The Field Trip Coordinator is responsible for working with a Field Trip Committee to plan 10 field trips a year. The trips are a mixture of weekend, full-day or half-day trips. They can be site based or museum based. While trips are limited to 20 people, they are an important part of AAHS's offerings and a reason many people join AAHS. Experts love sharing their information and sites with interested folks, so setting up trips is not an onerous task.

If you are interested in taking on this responsibility, please contact me for more information. I have been doing this for more than 15 years and while enjoying it, I am ready to move on. Contat me, Katherine Cerino, at kcerino@gmail.com.

March 21: Topic of the General Meeting

Exploring the Rise of Navajo Pastoralism in the (Peri) Colonial U.S. Southwest

Wade Campbell

The rise of a pastoral tradition among early Diné (Navajo) communities in the American Southwest circa AD 1700 represents an important turn in the history of the region. Recent work, including an ethnoarchaeological study of contemporary Diné herding practices and a systematic study of Gobernador phase (AD 1626–1776) Navajo sites in Dinétah, the traditional Navajo homeland in northwest New Mexico, provide new data with which to begin to evaluate early Navajo sheepherding practices. This talk will discuss how archaeological studies can help to shed light on the dynamic history of Navajo sheepherding and its continued importance to the twenty-first century Diné community.

Speaker Wade Campbell is a Diné archaeologist and Assistant Professor of Anthropology at Boston University. Wade's research examines the relationships between Diné communities and other local groups in the U.S. Southwest from the seventeenth century to the present day. Wade is engaged with a range of questions related to longer-term patterns of Navajo settlement and economic activity across the greater Four Corners



region, with a particular focus on incipient Indigenous pastoralism and related shifts in land-use, social organization, and diet/subsistence practices. Among his awards are a Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship and the AAHS 2021 Hayden Paper Prize.

Registration for this lecture is open to the public, but you must pre-register at https://bit.ly/March2022CampbellREG

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Suggested Reading:

Campbell, Wade

2021 Na'nilkad bee na'niltin – Learning from Herding: An Ethnoarchaeological Study of Historic Pastoralism on the Navajo Nation. *Kiva* 87:295–315.

Campbell, Wade, Kerry F. Thompson, and Richard M. Begay

2021 Naasgo: Moving Forward – Diné Archaeology in the Twenty-First Century. *Kiva* 87:253–267.

Thompson, Kerry, and Ronald Towner

2017 Navajo Archaeology. In Oxford Handbook of Southwestern Archaeology, edited by B. J. Mills and S. Fowles, pp. 481–494. Oxford University Press, New York

USED BOOK SALE TO SUPPORT THE ASM LIBRARY March 12 and 13, 2022

AHS will be returning to the Tucson Festival of Books for a used book sale, March 12 (10:00 am-4:00 pm) and March 13 (10:00 am-3:00 pm). We will be set up in front of the Arizona State Museum North Building with lots of archaeology and anthropology books. In addition, we have books ranging from



Fiction to Gardening. Please stop by and help support the ASM library while you enrich your own library.

We also need able-bodied volunteers to help set up and take down on Saturday morning from 7:30–10:00 am and on Sunday afternoon from 3:00–5:00 pm. Please contact Katherine Cerino at kcerino@gmail.com if you can volunteer!

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IN-PERSON FIELD TRIPS RETURN

Santa Cruz de Terrenate Saturday, April 23, 2022; 9:00 am

r. Deni Seymour will lead us on a tour of Santa Cruz de Terrenate. the best-preserved example of three presidios (forts) established in what is now southern Arizona by the Spanish colonial government. The objective of the presidios was to provide the missions, settlers, and Christianized Native Americans of New Spain military protection from Apaches and other mobile Natives by forming a line of forts along the frontier to enclose the area under Spanish control.

The Santa Cruz de Terrenate Presidio was founded on a steep bluff overlooking the San Pedro River on December 10, 1775





Dozens of footprints from a Spanish soldier found in the floor of the Lieutenant's Quarters in an area soaked by a roof leak and subsequently repaired.

and was abandoned in March of 1780. The only other settlement on the river at the time was a Sobaipuri O'odham village called Quiburi, which had moved far to the north from its Kino-period placement near where the presidio was later built. The presidio housed soldiers, civilians, Ópata scouts, O'odham laborers, and domestic servants of a variety of origins. Originally excavated by Charles Di Peso, more recently, Dr. Seymour, conducted a multi-year field research program including excavations revealing new information about the Spanish

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occupation, the earlier Sobaipuri O'odham village, and the nature of life at this remote outpost. With the addition of new data, her findings build on and revise many of the previously considered ideas about this frontier region.

The trip is limited to 20 AAHS members. Attendees will be responsible for their own transportation to the site, which is approximately 70 miles south of Tucson. The tour will be completely outdoors; masks are optional, and social distancing is encouraged. We may be able to drive directly to the site. If not, it is an easy 2-mile walk round-trip.

To register for the trip, contact Chris Sugnet sugnetc@yahoo.com.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

AAHS welcomes nominations for three annual awards. Nomination letters and curriculum vitae (if appropriate) should be emailed to Kerry F. Thompson (Kerry. Thompson@nau.edu) no later than May 1, 2022. Awardees will be selected by the Awards Committee and approved by the AAHS Board of Directors.

Awards will be presented at the Pecos Conference in August.

Byron Cummings Award: The Byron Cummings Award is given in honor of Byron Cummings, the principal professional founder of AAHS, the first head of the University of Arizona's Department of Archaeology (later Anthropology), and first Director of the Arizona State Museum. The award is given annually for outstanding research and contributions to knowledge in anthropology, history, or a related field of study or research pertaining to the southwestern United States or northwest Mexico.

Victor R. Stoner Award: The Victor R. Stoner Award is given in honor of Reverend Stoner, a strong avocational historian, supporter of AAHS, and one of the founders of *Kiva*. The award is given annually for outstanding contributions in leadership or participation in the Society, fostering historic preservation, or bringing anthropology, history, or a related discipline to the public.

Alexander J. Lindsay, Jr. Unsung Heroes Award: The Alexander J. Lindsay, Jr. Award is given in honor of Dr. Lindsay, a long-time southwestern archaeologist, AAHS member, and officer. The award is given annually as a lifetime service award to individuals whose tireless work behind the scenes is often unrecognized, but that is often critical to the success of others' research, projects, and publications. These may be field personnel, lab managers, archivists, cooks, analysts, and others.

Cornerstone

Darlene Lizarraga, Director of Marketing Arizona State Museum

TRAVEL WITH US TO MEET OAXACA IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

May 20-22, 2022







Experience Oaxacan arts and culture with Zapotec textile artist Porfirio Gutiérrez!

Outside of Mexico, California is the only other place in the world with the largest population of Oaxacaqueños (people of Oaxaca, Mexico). Over three days we will learn how Oaxacan culture is alive and thriving in the artistically rich communities of Southern California. The Native languages, the arts, and ceremonies are practiced and preserved by more than 200,000 people who are honoring where they come from while embracing urban America.

With Porfirio Gutiérrez as our guide, we will visit the collection of Oaxacan textiles in the Huntington Museum, see the incredible murals of the Los Angeles Central Library's historic rotunda, look at how migration and the socio-political environment shape identity and cultural traditions, sample the best of fresh Oaxacan menus, and we will learn about traditional weaving and natural dyes in Porfirio's Ventura, California studio. You will even return home with a scarf you have dyed yourself in cochineal!

Scan the QR code for pricing and to request the full itinerary or enter this URL into your browser: https://statemuseum.arizona.edu/events/oaxaca-california





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AAHS Membership Application

Membership is open to anyone interested in the prehistory and history of Arizona and the Southwest and who support the aims of the Society. Membership runs for a full year from the date of receipt, and covers all individuals living in the same household. If you are joining as a household, please list all members of the household. Monthly are free and open to the public Society field trips require membership

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