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Next General Meeting: April 17, 2023 7:00 pm (MST) AAHS@Home (Zoom webinar) www.az-arch-and-hist.org

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#### President's Message

Rebecca Renteria resigned as President of AAHS as of March 9, 2023. Fran Maiuri, Vice-President of Activities will perform the duties of President until June 30, 2023, when a newly elected President will begin their term.

#### **UPCOMING AAHS FIELD TRIPS**

AAHS is in the process of planning additional field trips for the 2022–2023 year.

#### Verde Valley Archaeology Field Trip: Southern Sinagua Sites May 6-7, 2023

Join the Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society for a two-day, in-depth tour of Southern Sinagua sites in the Verde Valley. On May 6, Ken Zoll, Director Emeritus of the Verde Valley Archaeology Center (VVAC), will provide an all-day tour event focused on Southern Sinagua sites. On the second day, May 7, Lucas Hoedal, Montezuma Castle National Monument Archaeologist, will provide a tour of the archeology and recent research at Montezuma's Castle, Site 3, and Montezuma's Well, another site within a short driving distance.

The field trip will begin on May 6 at the VVAC for a behind-the-scenes tour. The museum holds an amazing collection of perishables, including textiles that still have pigment. Participants will then self-drive to the Crane Petroglyph site, a Southern Sinagua Beaver Creek



Community Rock Art site (previously called the V-V), where Ken will lead a tour. He will discuss research of the site and provide

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information from his recent publication about the site. Following a brown bag lunch, we will visit Atkeson Pueblo, located on property owned and managed by the Archaeological Conservancy. The site is not open to the public without an approved tour guide. Atekson Pueblo is a large pueblo with standing walls near the confluence of Oak Creek and the Verde River. Views from the mesa overlooking Oak Creek are picturesque. The site is well preserved and appears nearly the same as when the Smithsonian excavated the site in the early 1900s. If needed, we will arrange carpooling to Atekson Pueblo. An evening gathering will be arranged at a local winery.



On May 7, we will tour Montezuma Castle with Lucas Hoedal, who will share new collaborative research findings between the park and tribes traditionally associated with the Castle and Site 3. This new research changes the interpretation of archaeology at the site and the reasons why it was vacated. We will then proceed to Montezuma's

Well, a locality with Sinagua sites and a prehistoric irrigation canal still flowing today. The tour will conclude around lunch. From there, participants may wish to self-tour the site.

#### Fees:

\$40 paid directly to VVAC to the support the non-profit and for the tours.

\$5 parking fee per vehicle paid at the Crane Petroglyph Site fee kiosk (managed by the Coconino National Forest) unless a participant has an America the Beautiful, Senior, or other accepted pass. Any dinner and drink costs are the responsibility of the participant.

\$10 paid directly to Montezuma Castle for a day-use pass, per person, unless the participant has an America the Beautiful, or other accepted pass.

The trip is limited to 20 people, and you must be an AAHS member to participate. To register, email Alycia\_Hayes@nps.gov.

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## April 17: Topic of the General Meeting

#### Drinking Rituals and Politics in Chaco Canyon

Patricia L. Crown

This lecture will be offered through Zoom on April 17, 2023 only. The presenter has asked that the session NOT be recorded, and it will NOT be posted on YouTube.

Drinking rituals are common throughout the world, and they impacted exchange, crafts, the economy, and politics in the past. For the last two decades, Crown has studied the cylinder jars found primarily in Chaco Canyon. In this talk, she discusses how the cylinder jar fits into the history of drinking forms in Chaco, the possible inspiration for the vessel shape, the contents and their source, and the etiquette associated with drinking from cylinder jars. She describes the results of 2013 excavations in Pueblo Bonito that show when the form ceased to be used and how Chacoans terminated the jars and the room in which they were stored.

**Speaker Patricia L. Crown**, educated at the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Arizona, is an archaeologist who works in the American Southwest.



She recently retired from the University of New Mexico, where she is the Leslie Spier Distinguished Professor of Anthropology Emerita. She was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 2014. Professor Crown has conducted field investigations in the Ancestral Pueblo, Mogollon, and Hohokam areas of the American Southwest, and she has worked in Chaco Canyon since 2005. She is particularly interested in ritual,

This lecture is free and open to the public, but you must pre-register at: https://bit.ly/2023AprCrownREG

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women's roles in the past, and how children learned the skills they needed to function as adults. To get at these issues, Professor Crown studies ceramics. With collaborator Jeffrey Hurst, she identified the first prehispanic cacao (chocolate) north of the Mexican border in ceramics from Chaco Canyon using organic residue analysis. She directed the re-excavation of a room in Pueblo Bonito, Chaco Canyon in 2013, and the results of that study were published in 2020 by the University of New Mexico Press as an edited volume, The House of the Cylinder Jars: Room 28 at Pueblo Bonito, Chaco Canyon. She is currently completing a book on Chacoan cylinder jars.

#### Suggested Reading:

Crown, Patricia L. (editor)

2020 *The House of the Cylinder Jars: Room 28 in Pueblo Bonito, Chaco Canyon.*University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque.

#### **AAHS Lecture Series**

Apr. 17, 2023: Patricia Crown, Drinking Rituals and Politics in Chaco

Canyon

May 15, 2023: TBA

June 19, 2023: Thatcher Rogers, TBA

July 17, 2023: TBA

August 2023: No lecture; Pecos Conference, August 10-13,

Flagstaff, Arizona



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#### Cornerstone

Darlene Lizarraga, Director of Marketing Arizona State Museum

### Upcoming Programs at ASM. Join us!



#### The Critical Indigenous Exchange

Thursday, April 20, 2023 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. CESL Auditorium 103 or via Zoom. Free and open to the public.

Artist and educator Will Wilson (Navajo) will talk about his 35+ years in the photography world.

A catered reception will follow the program at the Arizona State Museum.

Full details here: https://statemuseum.arizona.edu/events/will-wilson



#### **Gender in Archaeology**

A four-part master class taught by Dr. Suzanne L. Eckert, curator of archaeology, head of collections, and professor of anthropology

Saturdays, Aug 19, 26, Sep 2, and 9, 2023 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ENR2 N595.

Limited to 20 participants. \$150 ASM members or \$180 non members. Free campus parking.

Full details here: https://statemuseum.arizona.edu/events/gender-archaeology

Contact Darlene Lizarraga at dfl@arizona.edu or 520-626-8381 for more information and/or to register.

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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 meetings are free and open to the public Society field trips require membership

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