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**COMING AND GOING: 13,000 YEARS OF MIGRATION ON THE
SOUTHERN COLORADO PLATEAU
(MIDDLE LITTLE COLORADO RIVER)**

E. Charles Adams

7:30 pm Tuesday, January 18, 2022

At Your Computer, Tablet, or Smart Phone

More than 30 years of research by archaeologists from the Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona in the vicinity of the Little Colorado River near modern Winslow, Arizona has uncovered evidence of use from the time of the Clovis culture, more than 13,000 years ago, to the time of Spanish missionization of the Hopi in the 1600s. However, the human occupation was never permanent: it represents repeated short-term use of a region with limited resources for hunting/gathering or farming. This talk presents the evidence, source, and location of past use within the Hopi perspective of “leaving footprints,” that is, intentional deposition of material culture on the landscape.

E. Charles Adams is curator emeritus, Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona where he directed the Homol’ovi Research Program from 1985 to 2020. Homol’ovi is the Hopi name for the area in the vicinity of Winslow, AZ. Prior to his employment at ASM, Adams was Research Director at Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, Cortez, Colorado, and senior archaeologist, Museum of Northern Arizona, Flagstaff. Adams received his PhD in 1975 from the University of Colorado, Boulder. Adams has published more than 100 journal articles and book chapters and a dozen books and monographs including most recently the coedited book with Dr. Barbara J. Roth, University of Nevada Las Vegas, entitled: *Agent of Change: The Deposition and Manipulation of Ash in the Past*, Berghahn Books, NY (2021). A monograph on his research at Rock Art Ranch near Winslow is forthcoming in 2022.

A day or so prior to the meeting, an email message will be sent to members with the link for the Zoom meeting, which will open around 7 to allow for greetings among friends. Please keep your microphone muted during the presentation until the question-and-answer session.

AAS DUES FOR 2022 ARE NOW PAYABLE

If you have not already done so, please fill out the attached membership renewal form and mail it with your check to Treasurer, Albuquerque Archaeological Society, PO Box 4029, Albuquerque NM 87196. Don’t be shy about showing interest in working with a committee or serving on the Board. In 2022, the current president, a vice president, and a director at large will be term-limited. It’s time for new people to step up to keep AAS the great organization it has become!

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14 VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE ALBUQUERQUE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The meeting was called to order at 7.33 by Vice President Gretchen Obenauf since President Evan Kay was taking a final exam and unable to attend.

MINUTES: As there were no corrections or additions to the November minutes, they stand approved as published in the Newsletter.

VICE PRESIDENTS' REPORTS

Ann Braswell reported that the January speaker will be E. Charles Adams speaking on "Coming and Going: 13,000 Years of Migration on the Southern Colorado Plateau (Middle Little Colorado River)." **Gretchen Obenauf** reported that we've been waiting to see if we'll be back in the Museum in the new year to recruit further out. If we're still on Zoom, we'll get out-of-town speakers, if we're back in the museum we'll recruit locally.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tom Obenauf reported that income for the past month was \$675 from membership renewals and \$240 from the Ojito Wilderness and Jaral Pueblo field trips. Expenses for the month were \$28.48 for newsletter printing, \$25.52 for postage, and the monthly Zoom fee of \$16.17. The checking account balance is \$6,223.01.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership – Mary Raje reminded members to send in their annual dues.

Newsletter: Gretchen thanked Helen Crotty for her service on the Newsletter, Ann Braswell for copying and mailing it, and Evan Kay for posting it.

Lab/Archives - Karen Armstrong: Lab work at the Hibben Center will be starting up again in January. Only six people will be allowed to work so that social distance can be maintained, and they must be fully vaccinated.

Field Trips – Pat Harris is working on organizing a field trip for February.

Gretchen thanked Pat Harris for organizing the field trips to the Ojito area and Jaral Pueblo in the Sandia foothills. She also thanked Earlene Shroyer for leading the field trip to Ojito and Hayward Franklin for leading the field trip to Jaral Pueblo.

Rock Art – Carol Chamberland: Rock Art field recording has continued this past month on non-BLM land.

Pottery Southwest – Hayward Franklin: The Fall/Winter issue is in progress.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Secretary Susan King reported that The Archaeological Conservancy was hosting a presentation with Crow Canyon about the Haynie Site in the following week. Gretchen asked that Susan provide information regarding the event to her following the meeting so that an announcement could be emailed to the membership.

Gretchen announced that former AAS president Marc Thompson has just published a children's/young adult book, "The Mimbres Twins and the Rabbit in the Moon," available on Amazon at a discount until Christmas, and at regular price later.

SPEAKER

Vice-President Ann Braswell introduced the evening's speaker, Michelle I. Turner, formerly of Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, and now at Mystic Seaport Museum. Dr. Turner spoke on "The Archaeology of the Aztec North Great House. Her talk was followed by questions and answers. [Ed. Note: No synopsis was available at press time.]

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54.

Respectfully submitted by Susan King, Secretary

REPEAT SANDIA FOOTHILLS TOUR FEBRUARY 19

Field Trip Coordinator Pat Harris invites AAS members who were unable to participate in the November trip to join in a morning walk in the Sandia Foothills led by Hayward Franklin from 9 to 12 on Saturday, February 19, visiting two sites: Jaral Pueblo, a small prehistoric pueblo, and the Jaral Ranger Station, a Forest Service ranger station from the 1930s, now abandoned. Hayward describes this as an easy walk for about 2 miles round trip. The foothill area is not steep like hiking up the mountain, but requires walking a trail over uneven ground.

Proof of Covid immunizations (original two, plus booster) is requested at the meeting place, along with the usual AAS \$10 fee per person to be collected there. Details of the meet place and time will be sent to AAS members who sign up. To sign up, email Pat Harris at patparhar@comcast.net.

NOTE FROM ROCK ART RECORDING TEAM LEADER CAROL CHAMBERLAND

Two major rock art reports were delivered to the State Historic Preservation Office in December. These two reports represent seven years of field work and 11 individual rock art sites. After being reviewed by SHPO, the reports will be forwarded to the Lab of Anthropology for permanent archiving.

In addition, we are nearing completion of a large site that we started recording nearly five years ago. Despite various interruptions caused by the pandemic, we have made tremendous progress. The crew is to be applauded for their tenacity and diligence.

MEETING OF AAS BOARD OF DIRECTORS JANUARY 12, 2021

The meeting, held via Zoom, was called to order by President Evan Kay at 5:48 pm.

Present were Gretchen and Tom Obenauf, Ann Braswell, Susan King, Jo Lynne Fenger, John Guth, Pat and Dick Harris, Mary Raje, and Helen Crotty.

Welcome to new Board member: Jo Lynne Fenger, newly elected Director-at-Large, was welcomed to the Board.

Surcharge for Print Newsletter: It was moved and seconded that the Board will make a final decision in September 2022 as to whether to raise the surcharge for print copies of the monthly newsletter. The motion passed unanimously.

Continuation of Zoom meetings: It was moved and seconded that AAS continue to hold monthly meetings via Zoom through June 2022. In May 2022 the Board will revisit the issue of when to return to the Albuquerque Museum and make a decision on future meetings then.

Upcoming Speakers: Speakers have been lined up for the March and April meetings, and February and May are in process.

AAS Donations for 2022: It was moved and seconded that \$500 be donated to the Albuquerque Museum, due to its loss of revenue from COVID closures. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the two \$500 donations from member Diane Roussel-Dupre for use where “it is needed most” be donated as follows: one to the Archaeological Society of New Mexico Scholarship Fund and the other to the Imogen F Wilson Education Foundation, owner of the Mattocks Site/Mimbres Culture Heritage Site and partner with the Grant County Archaeological Society in renovating the historic Wood House on the property to serve as a Mimbres Archaeological Research and Education Center. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that if Mike Waters of the Center for First Americans presents at a monthly meeting, AAS will donate \$500 to the Center. The motion passed unanimously.

Field Trips: Pat Harris announced that there will be a second field trip, led by Hayward Franklin, to the Jaral sites on February 19. All COVID precautions will be observed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Susan King, Secretary

GRANT COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY AND THE MATTOCKS SITE/ MIMBRES CULTURE HERITAGE SITE

The Grant County Archaeological Society (GCAS) began seeking donations for a priority project at the Mattocks Site/Mimbres Culture Heritage Site in November of 2020, when the Imogen F. Wilson Education Foundation (IFWEF), which owns and maintains the historic buildings at the site, invited GCAS to relocate its library, archives, and collections of potsherds and artifacts from their current quarters in the site's main ranch house (the Gooch House) to a larger space in the adjacent historic Wood House built in 1882. GCAS was to develop two ground floor rooms of the Wood House into a research station and lab, to better accommodate the archaeologists and field schools they and IFWEF typically host at the Mimbres Culture Heritage Site.

GCAS raised the funds (AAS made a \$500 contribution), and GCAS volunteers completed their part of the project (specialized lighting, security and safety measures, Wi-Fi installation, and the repair, construction, and/or purchase of bookcases and other furnishings, etc.) by December 2021. IFWEF installed a new roof and has been funding the remaining general rehabilitation of the house, but more funds are needed to complete the project. GCAS is asking for additional contributions, in particular for a much-needed functioning bathroom. AAS will make an additional \$500 contribution.

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