

July 20, 2008

Please redistribute this message to colleagues, student, friends, listserves, avocational societies, anyone interested in Southwestern archaeology, historic preservation, and the Native Southwest (natural & cultural).

We have room for more campers & attendees, and for more speakers, so please come to the conference. It's not yet too late. If you want to speak at our Speaker's Corner, or deliver a field report or poster presentation, please contact Dr. David Wilcox ASAP at < dwilcox@mna.mus.az.us >.

2008 Pecos Conference Update (snipurl.com/1t5aa)

The Pecos Conference roams the Southwest every August and this year the conference is put together -- on a shoestring budget -- by volunteers working out of the Museum of Northern Arizona, Northern Arizona University, NPS Flagstaff Area National Monuments, Coconino National Forest, and Southwestern Archaeology, Inc. The Pecos Conference is the "Real Deal" -- the place to meet hundreds of professional archaeologists in an informal setting and the place to get more directly involved in the "deep play" that is southwestern archaeology.

We are ready to go August 7-10, 2008. We have scheduled: campground facilities; an opening reception, advanced seminars, four plenary sessions (Cooperation & Collaboration, Databases, Early Farming, End of Clovis Meteorites & Megafauna Extinction); six workshops; eight site tours; a film festival; a Saturday night dinner; a beer bash and evening musical entertainment & dancing; a conference business meeting; and well-over sixty presentations from around the "greater southwest" (field reports; posters; speaker's corner).

Introducing Digital Methods -- Customize & Enhance The Authentic Pecos Conference

This is a direct appeal and an invitation -- Please come blog & film the 2008 Pecos Conference -- Bring your laptop. Bring your cellphone txt messaging. Bring your cellphone camera. Bring your video camera. Bring your digital camera. Take photos. Text message & blog to your friends, colleagues & students about the presentations. The annual and ever-changing content of the Pecos Conference has always faded away much too quickly, but with digital methods, your research content and opinions can be more widely shared and appreciated.

We had incidental network connectivity at the Pecos Conference at Navajo Lake a couple of years ago where we found ourselves proximate to an open wireless signal. Only a few people knew about it. This year, you can follow 2008 Pecos Conference "tweets" with Twitter (twitter.com/faq). Point your web browser at twitter.com/dogyears to view text messages (tweets) and updates as archaeologists unveil the details of their latest research during the 2008 Pecos Conference Aug 7-10 in Flagstaff AZ.

Additive to the Pecos Conference this year, Sprint in Flagstaff will provide USB stick & PCMCIA card and connectivity to their signal for the Pecos Conference weekend. We will install a portable wireless router (an access point) to share the signal. This marks the first time that the Pecos Conference has purposefully tried to bring network connectivity to the out-of-doors conference for use by journalists, reporters, writers, bloggers, and conference attendees. Since we'll be connected to networked digital infrastructure, we want participants to select the best and most useful content to be shared, and to help us get it on the Internet in near-real time.

Establish your tools in advance of the conference, and please share your digital methods. Let us link your blogs, twitters & digital photos on the 2008 Pecos page (snipurl.com/1t5aa). Whether you are an undergraduate or graduate student, professional or avocational archaeologist, or visual anthropologist, your work can become part of a digital portfolio easily customized and shared via social network services & personal and organizational webpages. Well-designed

digital methods will favorably update your CV or resume, whether you are a dedicated historic preservation activist, an avocational enthusiast, or more selfinterested in seeking paid or volunteer work in archaeology.

There are many technologies available, and here are some of the things you can try:

Set up a free text message twitter account at twitter.com

Set up a free blog account at <https://www.blogger.com/start?hl=en&pli=1>

Set up an archaeology blog " talk radio" service (social radio network) via <http://www.blogtalkradio.com/schedule.aspx>

Set up a Picasa account for photosharing at http://picasa.google.com/#utm_source=en-all-more&utm_campaign=en-pic&utm_medium=et

Use <http://animoto.com/> to make a movie using your still photos (then upload your movie to youtube)

Shoot some Pecos Conference "indie" footage -- for posting at youtube.com, at snagfilms.com, or at archaeologychannel.org

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THE ARCHAEOLOGY CHANNEL INTERNATIONAL FILM AND VIDEO FESTIVAL (May 2009)

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