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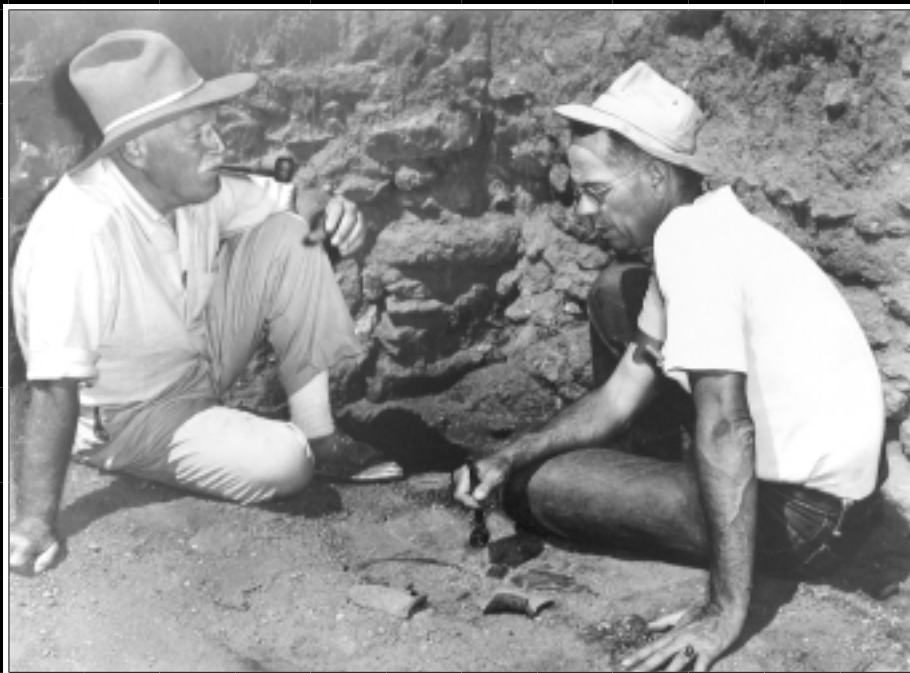
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Alfred V. Kidder and Emil W. Haury confer at Point of Pines, 1948
Courtesy of the Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona, Ted Sayles, photographer

Next AAHS Meeting: 7:30 p.m., March 19, 2001
Duval Auditorium, University Medical Center



From the Editor...

This is the month that archaeologists, historians and avocationalists alike (not to mention those with everyday, good old-fashioned curiosity) all look forward to in our beautiful state of Arizona. Yes, it's that time of the year again — it's Arizona Archaeology Awareness Month! So if you are in the area, or if you're wondering what to do this month, just pack your bags, vehicle, motorcycle, pony, mule and scooter (and your family) and travel to where the action is!

Fortunately for all of us, there will be plenty to see and things to do all around the state. Starting with the Archaeology Expo in Globe, March 17-18, it promises to be as informative on the latest news and "goings on" in the area and as exciting as always. While you are there, don't miss AAHS's booth. Stop by just to say hello, or to join our Society, renew your membership, subscribe for a friend, and maybe even pick up a few souvenirs — like an AAHS T-shirt, Cap or Mug. They make great gifts, too!

In Tucson, there will be Arizona State Museum's Open House 2001. They invite you behind-the-scenes and into their store-rooms, vaults, galleries and labs, and you surely don't want to miss their nationally-recognized pottery collection. You can meet and talk with the curators and scholars, and learn all about their research and check out their exhibits, too. (For their upcoming activities, including the Spring Benefit Book Sale this month, see p. 4 this issue.)

Also, in celebration of the month, you don't want to forget about AAHS's Library Talks by prominent speakers in the area. (See p. 3 this issue). Our March lecture by Dr. Raymond H. Thompson will offer you "stories about archaeologists and other characters that he has known over the years." (See p. 6 this issue.)

So, join us and take part in our celebration this month. It's always a rewarding experience and a chance to get out to breathe that wonderful fresh air and also learn all about Arizona's rich cultural history!

Enjoy!

**HELP AAHS AT THE 2001
Archaeology Expo in Globe**

It's not too late to volunteer this year for the Archaeological Expo on Sat., March 17th and Sun., March 18th, in Globe, Arizona; and, as usual, AAHS will have an information booth. We need people to help tell all what a great organization we have. Not only can you visit the other organizations and institutions there to find out what they are working on, you can also visit the attractions near Globe, including the *Renaissance Festival* between Florence Junction and Apache Junction off of US-60. Give Don Kucera a call at 520/792-0554 and tell him you would like to help and be part of this fantastic event!

AAHS's WEB SITES

Glyphs can be found at The Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society website in PDF format on the Internet at <<http://www.statemuseum.arizona.edu/about/index.html>>. Look for the special *Glyphs* section.

You can also find *Glyphs* on the SWA website at: <<http://www.swanet.org/aahs/index.html>>.

GLYPHS DEADLINE DATE!

The deadline for the receipt of information and articles to be included in *Glyphs* is the **15th** of each month for the next month's issue. New material is urged, needed, and always appreciated.

Write to AAHS, ASM, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona 85721-0026; phone: 262/338-6938; or you can e-mail me any time at: <LTATucson@aol.com>.

ARCHAEOLOGY AWARENESS MONTH LECTURE SERIES

March 2001

Mark your calendars now so you don't miss these wonderful presentations!

March 6, (Tues.) 7 p.m.

“A Gift of Angels: The Art of Mission San Xavier del Bac”

by former University of Arizona Field Historian **Bernard Fontana**

at Valencia Branch Public Library, 202 West Valencia Road

(about ½ mile east of I-19 between 12th and 6th Avenues, Tucson.

March 7, (Wed.) 7 p.m.

“Rio-Nuevo: The History and Archaeology of the San Agustin Mission”

by **Homer Thiel**, Research Archaeologist, Desert Archaeology, Inc.

at El Rio Neighborhood Center and Library, 1390 West Speedway (between Grande and Silverbell) Tucson.

March 13, (Tuesday) 7 p.m.

“The Archaeology of the Julian Wash Site.”

by **Henry Wallace**, Senior Research Archaeologist, Desert Archaeology Inc.,

at Dusenberry-River Center, 5605 E River Rd, Tucson.

March 14, (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

“The Past and Present Archaeology Along The San Pedro River”

by **Jeffrey Clark**, Research Archaeologist, Center for Desert Archaeology

at Wilmot Branch Public Library, 530 North Wilmot Road (between Broadway and 5th St.) Tucson.

March 15, (Thursday) 5 p.m.

“From the Desert to the Sea: Current Research in the Western Papageria”

by **Adrienne Rankin**, Archaeologist, Luke Air Force Base

at Salazar-Ajo Branch Public Library 33 Plaza St. Ajo 85321

March 27, (Tuesday) 7 p.m.

“Emil W. Haury: Father of Arizona Archaeology”

by **J. Jefferson Reid**, Archaeologist, Dept. of Anthropology University of Arizona

at Woods Memorial Branch 3455 N. 1st Ave. Tucson

March 28, (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

“The Pottery Collection of the Arizona State Museum

by **Suzanne Grisette**, Head of Collections, Arizona State Museum

at Nanini Branch Public Library, 7300 North Shannon Road (north of Ina Road. Turn in at entrance to Motor Vehicle Department) , Tucson

THE CORNERSTONE

ARCHAEOLOGY AWARENESS MONTH AT ASM

AN INVITATION BEHIND THE SCENES AT OPEN HOUSE 2001

Arizona State Museum invites you behind-the-scenes and into storerooms, vaults, galleries & labs. See the museum's nationally recognized pottery collection up-close and personal! View many other amazing aspects of the museum's collections at this annual event. Talk with ASM curators and scholars who will share their knowledge and expertise with you. Learn more about the museum's leading research and enjoy a showing of recent acquisitions – including one of the largest Navajo tapestries ever woven. There will be activities for the whole family. This year **OPEN HOUSE** will be augmented by our spring book sale. Hundreds of titles will be available at significant discounts! Entertainment, refreshments and demonstrations will make this an unforgettable day for the whole family. Admission is free. **March 24, 2001, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

FISHES BEGIN MAJOR EXCAVATIONS NEAR MARANA

ASM archaeologists Paul and Suzy Fish recently began excavations of one of the largest Hohokam villages in the area, located just east of the present day town of Marana. The multi-year investigation will focus on a cluster of related settlements that spans 56 square miles between the Tortolita and Tucson Mountains, dating from between A.D.1150 and 1300. These investigations will enhance our understanding of the social relationships, the settlements, and land use of this early and

dynamic population of desert farmers. The project attracted major funding from the National Science Foundation.

Featuring a large platform mound, the Marana Mound site is believed to have been a main center for the Hohokam community events that took place in the area. The village also contains approximately 25 adobe "apartment" complexes - clusters of rectangular adobe houses enclosed by a common wall. It is likely that families living inside the compound walls joined together to accomplish shared tasks and responsibilities, such as cooperative child care, farming, hunting, sponsoring community-wide gatherings and ceremonies, and producing crafts like pottery, shell jewelry, and textiles.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ASM

March 22 - 24 SPRING BENEFIT BOOK SALE

Hundreds of titles 40-70% off. A portion of the proceeds benefit ASM, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. ASM members-only preview sale 8-10 a.m. on March 22.

March 24 OPEN HOUSE

**April 4, 11, 18, 25
RARE GLIMPSES** — Behind-the-scenes workshop with ASM scholars and curators. Each class is 7-9 p.m. at ASM north. Fees and registration required. Limited space.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS AT ASM

Volunteer opportunities are available at

ASM's museum store and for Open or you can e-mail her directly at House. Call 520/626-5587 for more information. <darlene@al.arizona.edu>.

For ASM activities, contact Darlene Lizarraga at Arizona State Museum's marketing office by calling 520/626-8381,

PREVIEW OF AAHS's APRIL, MAY AND JUNE MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

APRIL 16

General Meeting Lecture: "Chacoan Outliers: Form and Function," by R. Gwinn Vivian

APRIL 27-30:

Field Trip to "Chacoan Outliers," lead by R. Gwinn Vivian

MAY 21: Lecture and Field Trip TBA

JUNE 18:

General Meeting Lecture, "Western Apaches and the Rim"

JUNE 23-24:

Field Trip to White Mountain Apaches Indian Reservation and the Mogollon Rim

WINNER OF THE THIRD ANNUAL JULIAN HAYDEN STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

The Arizona Archaeological and Historical Society is pleased to announce that Guadalupe Sanchez de Carpenter, enrolled in the Anthropology graduate program at the University of Arizona, is the winner of the third annual Julian Hayden Student Paper Competition. Her paper on Paleoindian archaeology in Mexico will appear in the next volume of *Kiva*. The peopling of the Americas is a fascinating theme in American prehistory and Lupita's paper presents much information that is new to U.S. readers on the Clovis occupation of Mexico.

**BAJA CAVE PAINTING TRIP
MARCH 14 - 24, 2001**

Sharon Urban is leading a great trip to the Baja Rock Art Sites this year. If you missed her other treks, or had so much fun you want to do it again, you can join her for another fantastic experience. She will visit the caves of Batequi and Natividad, as well as some seldom visited sites of the Mulege area. But be prepared for some exciting and challenging hiking, or you can enjoy the trip on the back of a mule.

Call Shurban at 520/621-4011 or email her at <surban@email.arizona.edu> for more information on cost, accommodations, and a detailed itinerary. Or call Fiesta Tours International at 520/398-9705, email <fiesta@azstarnet.com>.

(For those signing up through AAHS, a percentage of the trip fee will be donated back to the Society.)



AAHS HAPPENINGS



March 19, 2001

Behind the Scenes in Southwestern Archaeology

by Dr. Raymond H. Thompson

Archaeologists, of course, become archaeologists for the thrill of excavating unknown worlds. Many of us quickly find, however, that one of the most interesting aspects of our work is not what we excavate but the people with whom we excavate. Dr. Raymond H. Thompson, Director Emeritus of the Arizona State Museum, has spent more than 50 years in Southwestern archaeology. His talk on March 19th will focus on stories of archaeologists and other characters he has known over the years. Come hear stories that you can't read in books about Alfred V. Kidder, Emil W. Haury, Carl Guthe and others.

Speaker Raymond H. Thompson was born and raised in Portland, Maine. He attended Tufts University, majoring in Geology. In 1947, he participated in Dr. Haury's Point of Pines Field School

where his Seabee skills, gained during World War II, were invaluable in helping to build the still new school. He completed a Ph.D. in Anthropology at Harvard University in 1955. After four years teaching at the University of Kentucky,

Raymond H. Thompson and corrugated jar at Point of Pines, 1947. Photo courtesy of the Arizona State Museum, Ted Sayles, photographer.