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## MARCH PCAS SPEAKER

**Joan S. Schneider, PhD**

**What's Doin' Down South And Over the Mountains: Recent Archaeology in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and the Surrounding Region**

Dr. Joan Schneider received her MS and PhD degrees in Anthropology from the University of California, Riverside, after a career change from the health sciences (She has BS and Master of Public Health degrees from Columbia University in New York City. At present, she is Associate State Archaeologist based in the Colorado Desert District (Borrego Springs). Her archaeological research focuses on the reasons why prehistoric peoples (particularly women) chose certain stones for tools and vessels and how the stone chosen related to the tasks performed or uses of the artifacts. She uses field survey, and physical and geochemical analyses to find the sources of rocks and to determine why these rock sources were chosen. She has contributed professional articles to regional, national, and international publications.

Dr. Schneider has worked for over 20 years in the deserts of the world, including the Colorado, Mojave, Sonoran, and Negev. As a Principal Investigator, she has conducted projects in Joshua Tree and Death Valley National Parks, as well being an Archaeological Field School Director for the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She has worked closely with Native Americans, government agencies, and private corporations on many of her projects. (Continued on Pg 2)

### **DINNER WITH THE SPEAKER**

Please join this month's speaker, Dr. Joan Schneider, and PCAS members for dinner before the March 13<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. We will meet at 6 pm at Mimi's Caf , 4030 Barranca Parkway, Irvine.

## PCAS MEETINGS CALENDAR

### **GENERAL MEETING**

*Free and Open to the Public*

**March 13<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 pm**

**Speaker:** Joan S. Schneider, PhD

**Topic:** *What's Doin' Down South and Over the Mountains: Recent Archaeology in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and the Surrounding Region*

**Location:** Irvine Ranch Water District  
15600 Sand Canyon Ave., Irvine  
(between the I-5 and I-405 freeway)

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### **BOARD MEETING**

*All Members Welcome*

**March 20<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm**

**Location:** Old Orange County Courthouse  
PCAS Library, Ground Floor  
211 W. Santa Ana Blvd, Santa Ana

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## FEBRUARY SPEAKER NOTES

Dana and Ginger Lamb were both natives of Orange County. They began planning their first adventure trip in about 1931. They hand built their own canoe, the *Vagabonda*. In addition, they prepared supplies and equipment to take with them. Both Lambs were avid journalers so their diaries give a detailed and comprehensive account of their preparation and the actual trip.

The trip took place from 1933 to 1936. They traveled in their canoe down the coast of California to the tip of Baja, up and around the coast surrounding the Sea of Cortez and then down the coast of Mexico to Central America. They camped on land each night and usually stayed several days at each camp – to the point that each camp had a specific name in their journals. They also collected artifacts and traded with the locals.

While they got a lot of mileage years later on the lecture circuit about making the trip on four dollars, they actually spent time working in many of the locations they docked in. In addition, both their journals and letters reveal that their parents wired them money at points along their route.

Upon their return they settled in Corona el Mar and began writing an account of their journey. It was published in 1938 as *Enchanted Vagabonds*. This book was a bestseller with 19 printings. They were featured in *Life* magazine and invited to dinner at the White House by Roosevelt.

This success launched them into the lecture circuit for the next 20 years. They did a lot of posed shots for publicity including on an Orange County beach with canoe and gear that has picnic tables in the background. They continued to travel in Mexico and Nicaragua over about 11 years. The United States government asked them to report on what they saw in Mexico with an eye toward sources of unrest, and the Lambs produced a report in 1943. However, it was written in their familiar journaling style with whole conversations reported and was apparently deemed not useful by the spy community.

In 1951 they published their second book called *Quest for the Lost City*. This book was also a commercial success with foreign editions from ten countries in production through 1960. In 1954 a film version of the book was released but was not a success. It consisted mostly of footage shot by Dana and Ginger in their travels, not an acted script.

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**February speaker Jennifer Martinez Wormser with PCAS Program Chair Joe Hodulik**

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A firm believer in public education as a means of appreciation and protection of cultural and natural resources, she teaches classes focused on regional archaeology for the Desert Study Center at *Zzyzx*, the Joshua Tree National Park Association, and the Anza-Borrego Foundation/Institute.

Dr. Schneider joined the Colorado Desert District of California Parks in 2001 after retiring from UCR and leaving her position as Interim Executive Director of the Western Center for Archaeology and Paleontology at Diamond Valley Lake in Hemet. She has become enthralled and involved with the rich archaeological record of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park and Cuyamaca Rancho State Park and has conducted (and continues to conduct) a variety of archaeological projects. She also trains volunteer archaeologists who work as part of the cultural resources team in the parks and act as Archaeological Site Stewards.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Please check your membership year on this Newsletter's mailing label.

## PCAS SPEAKER CALENDAR

**April 10, 2008**

Richard Abele

*In the Footsteps of Scott and Shackleton - A Voyage to Antarctica's Ross Sea"*

**May 8, 2008**

Dr. Colleen Delaney-Rivera

TBA

**June 12, 2008**

Dr. Mark Sutton

*Excavations at the Kohen Lake Site, Western Mojave Desert*

## FEBRUARY PCAS BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

President **Scott Findlay** called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm at the Old Courthouse, Santa Ana, California. Board members present: **Rene Brace, Gail Cochlin, Scott Findlay, Sherri Gust, Sandy Kennedy, Henry Koerper, and Mark Roeder.** Members present: **Irene Barnett, Bob Brace, Ken Foster, Megan Galway, Beth and Chris Padon, and Kathleen Shada.**

The January 2008 minutes were approved. Approval of the minutes for May and November 2007 was deferred. The Treasurer’s report including expenditures was approved.

The return of culturally sensitive LAN-98 material is still in process with ongoing contact with the Most Likely Descendent. Quarterly Editors **Chris and Beth Padon** will review the Publication Agreement that was adopted by the Board last year. They stated that there is a need for more reviewers and submissions. Board members volunteered to assist in the review process and in compiling names of potential reviewers. **Sherri Gust** was named Board Liaison to the Quarterly Committee. The Board will assume responsibility for the publication of the Quarterly Index that is being prepared by **Daniel McCarthy.** The Index will be Volume 40, Numbers 3 & 4.

The Board agreed to donate four Baja Quarterly issues for the silent auction at the SCA Meeting in April. The Board approved payment for the PCAS Quarterly and information table in the SCA bookroom. **Bob Brace** will coordinate the SCA book table. Garfield outreach has been scheduled for May 28<sup>th</sup>, 8 am-12 noon, with 100 students participating. The Board approved registration of PCAS with Ralphs’ Community Contribution Program – PCAS will receive a donation when our members and friends use their Ralphs Card after designating PCAS as the preferred non-profit. Information will be in the next Newsletter.

**Mark Roeder** reported that the February Curation Workday was well-attended and progress is being made on rebagging and inventorying the ORA-145 collection. **Sandy Schneeberger** donated curation bags for our use. The next Curation Workday will be March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm. There will be a field trip to the Mojave Preserve, March 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. **Sandy Kennedy** reported that she has emailed scholarship materials to local colleges. **Joe Hodulik’s** activity at the February meeting brought in \$64 for the scholarship fund! The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.

## 2008 PCAS SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Information packages have recently been sent to local colleges and universities, reminding them of the availability of PCAS scholarships and grants for the 2008/2009 academic year.

The Myrtle Soderberg Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to a student entering his/her junior year in the fall. Applicants must be a California resident or attending a California university. The deadline for applications is April 30<sup>th</sup>.

PCAS Research and Presentation grants are awarded to assist in covering the cost of research supplies, testing expenses, or conference travel costs. Amounts granted will be at the discretion of the PCAS Board, and priority will be given to applicants willing to incorporate PCAS collections in their study. Grant applications are accepted throughout the year.

Our scholarship and grant program is funded by donations from our members, including funds raised by our monthly donation-award table run by **Joe Hodulik.** In 2007, thanks to the generosity of our members and the number of highly qualified applicants, PCAS awarded two undergraduate scholarships and a research grant.

Please let all qualified students know about the scholarship and research grants. Direct them to our website, [www.pcas.org](http://www.pcas.org), for application guidelines and forms. PCAS encourages all qualified students to apply. The application process is easy to complete and will take very little time. Questions may be directed to [pcas.info@gmail.com](mailto:pcas.info@gmail.com) or 714-539-6354.

## RIDESHARE FOR PCAS MEETINGS

- Need a ride?
- Give a ride!
- Save gas, use the car pool lane, talk to a friend, don’t drive alone at night.

**Scott Findlay** will connect members who need rides and members who can provide rides to our meetings. If you need a ride, let Scott know. If you can provide transportation for a member who needs a ride, contact Scott with information about which pick up areas are convenient for you. Scott can be reached at [wisscott@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wisscott@sbcglobal.net) or 714-342-2534.

## MARCH PCAS FIELD TRIP

**When:** March 15-17  
**Where:** Mojave National Preserve

Please sign up for this field trip at the March General Meeting or by contacting **Scott Findlay** at [wisscott@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wisscott@sbcglobal.net) or 714-342-2534. Please be aware that you will be required to sign a code of ethics and waiver of liability, which acknowledges that some areas we plan to visit have inherent natural dangers. If you are unable to attend a field trip for which you have signed up, please contact Scott as soon as possible. For contact the day of the field trip, call cell phone 714-342-2534.

## CURATION WORKDAYS

PCAS members continue to rebag, rebox, and inventory the ORA-145 collection. Much of the material is in the original field bags.

Members who worked on the January and February workdays: **Irene Barnett, Bob and Rene Brace, Scott Findlay, Kenn Foster, Megan Galway, Ardith Harworth, Joe Hodulik, Sandy Kennedy, Hank Koerper, and Kathleen Shada.**

### March Curation Workday

**When:** March 8, 1 pm  
**Where:** Red Car Building (call/email for directions)

Please contact **Mark Roeder** (714-241-8880 or [maroeder1731@aol.com](mailto:maroeder1731@aol.com)) or **Rene Brace** (714-544-6282 or [ibrace@pacbell.net](mailto:ibrace@pacbell.net)) for information and to let us know you will be coming.



PCAS members at the February Curation Workday

## SITE STEWARDSHIP WORKSHOPS

*Submitted by Beth Padon*

The Society for California Archaeology is pleased to announce the following initial training workshops for the California Archaeological Site Stewardship Program.

1. March 15-16, 2008, at BLM El Centro Field Office. Carrie Simmons, archaeologist with the BLM, will host the El Centro site stewardship workshop. This two-day workshop will train volunteers to help protect archaeological sites on public lands with a focus on the El Centro region.
2. April 5-6, 2008, at Malibu Creek State Park. State Parks archaeologist Barbara Tejada will host this site stewardship workshop. This two-day workshop will train volunteers to help protect archaeological sites on public lands with a focus on the Santa Susana Pass State Historic Park in Los Angeles County.
3. May 17-18, 2008, at Plumas National Forest. Julie Burcell, archaeologist with US Forest Service will host the Plumas site stewardship workshop. This two-day workshop will train volunteers to help protect archaeological sites on public lands with a focus on the Plumas National Forest.
4. June 7-8, at Redwood State Park. State Parks archaeologist Greg Collins will host this two-day training workshop for new site stewards. After receiving the training, volunteers will help protect archaeological sites on public lands and sites connected with the Oak Valley Rancheria.

If you are interested in attending one of these site stewardship workshops and becoming a site steward, please contact Beth or Chris Padon at 562-431-0300 or [bpadon@discoveryworks.com](mailto:bpadon@discoveryworks.com). The registration fee for the workshop is \$25 and can be paid at the door. Registration deadlines are the Monday before the workshop; for the first workshop, at El Centro, the registration deadline is March 10, 2008. Advanced registration is required because space is limited.

For more information about the site stewardship program, please visit the CASSP website at [cassp.org](http://cassp.org).

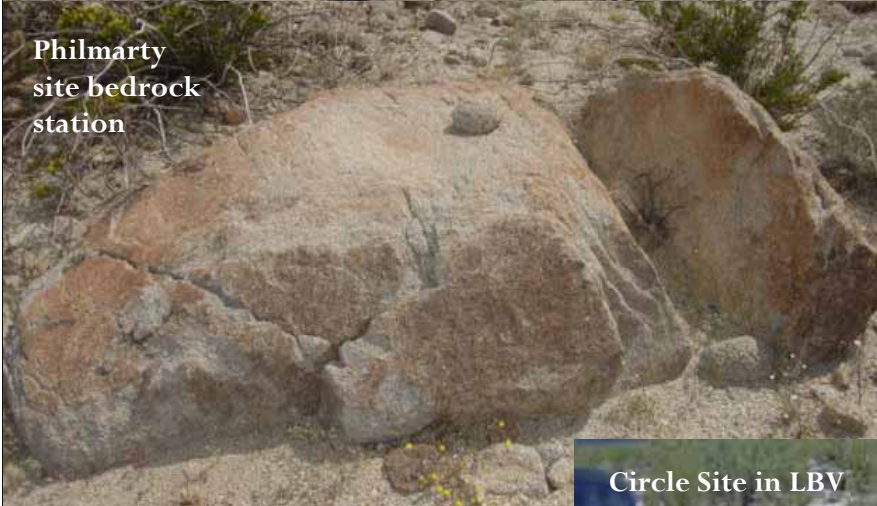
## PCAS Website

Remember to visit our website at [www.pcas.org](http://www.pcas.org) for all the latest news. We will post any changes to scheduled activities on the website immediately.

Come find out about these sites and artifacts from  
our March speaker, Joan Schneider!



Helo-carrizo  
Stage Station  
Excavation



Philmarty  
site bedrock  
station



Vail Taylor and Gabe Kitchen  
pack ollas



Projectile point



Circle Site in LBV

## DIG THIS...



### Exhibits

***A Day in Pompeii***, San Diego Natural History Museum, through June 15. Fee: \$14-\$22; members \$7-\$10. Information and timed tickets: [www.sdnhm.org](http://www.sdnhm.org) or 800-290-4616.

***Bear in Mind – The Story of the California Grizzly***, in stories, art, and artifacts. Riverside Metropolitan Museum, through June 29. Information: [www.riversideca.gov/museum](http://www.riversideca.gov/museum) or 951-826-5273.

### Lectures

***Moche Tombs at Dos Cabezas***, by Christopher Donnan (UCLA), will discuss the excavations of five Moche tombs. Lenart Auditorium, UCLA, March 2, 3-5 pm, with book signing/reception. Free; parking \$8. Information: [www.ioa.ucla.edu](http://www.ioa.ucla.edu) or 310-206-8934.

***Bones, Beaches, and Beer: Ice Age Fossils from Northwestern Mexico***, by Eric Scott (San Bernardino County Museum), sponsored by the Coachella Valley Archaeological Society. Cathedral City Senior Center, 68727 E. Palm Canyon Dr., March 7, 6 pm. Free.

***Moche Portraits of Ancient Peru***, by Christopher Donnan (UCLA), sponsored by the AIA, Orange County Chapter. DeNault Auditorium, Concordia University, March 9, 2-4 pm. Fee: \$5 (members free). Information: [www.geocities.com/aiaoc](http://www.geocities.com/aiaoc).

***A Fresh Look at Traditional Native Foods***, by Gary Paul Nabhan, Ph.D. (Center for Sustainable Environments, Northern Arizona University), a Spirit Keepers Lecture. Mizell Senior Center, 480 S. Sunrise Way (at Ramon Road), Palm Springs, March 19, 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. Information: [www.accmuseum.org](http://www.accmuseum.org).

***Neanderthals: Brothers, Cousins, or Neighbors?***, by Ofer Bar Josef (Harvard). Kerckhoff Hall, Charles E. Young Grand Salon (248), UCLA, March 20, 7-9 pm. Free; parking \$8. Information: [www.ioa.ucla.edu](http://www.ioa.ucla.edu) or 310-206-8934.

***Politics of Placement - The Development of the Theban Necropolis in the New Kingdom***, by Dr. J. J. Shirley (University of Wales). Bowers Museum, March 29, 1:30 pm. Free. Information: [www.bowers.org](http://www.bowers.org) or 714-567-3600.

### Classes, Meetings, and Events

***The Cotsen Institute of Archaeology Field Program*** has announced its summer schedule of field schools. Information: [www.archaeology.ucla.edu](http://www.archaeology.ucla.edu).

***Festival of Native Film & Culture*** will feature films by, about, and starring Native Americans and other Native People. All screenings at the Camelot Theatres, 2300 E. Baristo Rd., Palm Springs, March 5-9, 11:30 am-8:30 pm. Fee: \$8.50 adults; \$6.50 children/seniors. Screening schedule is available at [www.accmuseum.org](http://www.accmuseum.org).

***Ancient Cahuilla Tour***, led by Paul Johnson, will visit cleared circles, trails, and fish traps of the ancient Cahuilla Indians, March 8, 8 am-3:30 pm, free; ***Traditional Pottery Workshop***, with Paipai artisans, March 15-16, \$135 (members \$120); and ***Boat Tour of the Historic Lower Colorado River***, with Ron Knowlton, will visit petroglyph sites, March 30, 9 am-5 pm, \$135 (members \$110). Programs of the Anza-Borrego Institute. Information and registration: [www.theabf.org/programsfieldprograms.htm](http://www.theabf.org/programsfieldprograms.htm).

***A Taste of Native Cuisine***, by Chef Paul Woods (Spa Resort Casino), will provide a taste testing of traditional foods (acorn meal, mesquite beans, a variety of seeds and fruits). Agua Caliente Cultural Museum, March 22, 10:30 am-1 pm. Fee: \$25. Information: [www.accmuseum.org](http://www.accmuseum.org), 760-778-1079.

***The Society for American Archaeology's 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting*** will be held in Vancouver, BC, Canada, March 26-30. Information: [www.saa.org](http://www.saa.org) or 202-789-8200.

***The Society for California Archaeology's Annual Meeting*** will be held in Burbank, April 17-20, 2008. Information: [www.scahome.org](http://www.scahome.org).

***Applied Archaeology Field School***, taught by Bill Sapp and Daniel McCarthy, offered by the San Bernardino National Forest and UCLA, July 22-August 21. Fee (includes meals, camping, 12 units of credit): \$2600-\$2900. Information and enrollment: [www.fs.fed.us/r5/sanbernardino/about/fieldschool.shtml](http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sanbernardino/about/fieldschool.shtml), or [www.archaeology.ucla.edu/SanBernNatForest/overview.htm](http://www.archaeology.ucla.edu/SanBernNatForest/overview.htm).

### PCAS CODE OF ETHICS

The Pacific Coast Archaeological Society (PCAS) is a non-profit group of professional and avocational people dedicated to proper management of our cultural resources, public education, and the protection and preservation of archaeological materials and collections.

The following principles have been adopted by the PCAS:

1. Professional methods and forms will be used on all archaeological field surveys, excavations, and laboratory sessions.
2. A complete record of field and laboratory work will be filed with the PCAS Curator and stored at a facility approved by the Society's Board of Directors.
3. No archaeological materials will be removed without proper permits, landowner permission, and a field research design.
4. Unless otherwise legally stipulated before activity commences, all materials collected will be deposited for further research with the Curator at a facility approved by the Society's Board of Directors.
5. All generated reports will be the property of the Society and distributed as deemed appropriate.
6. All Society field activities will be performed only under the direction of a qualified field archaeologist (Principal Investigator) and the supervision of field or site directors.
7. The above principles will be observed on both Society approved projects and projects performed under the direction of an authorized institution or organization.
8. The Society and its members will strive to educate the public of the importance and proper management of our non-renewable cultural resources and to discourage the collection and commercial exploitation of archaeological materials.
9. PCAS members shall not benefit from the acquisition, purchase, sale, or trade of archaeological artifacts, materials, or specimens.
10. All members shall adhere to City, County, State, and Federal antiquities laws.

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Back issues of the *PCAS Newsletter* and the *PCAS Quarterly* are available, if in print. To continue receiving publications, all persons must provide notice of address changes. The membership year begins and ends on January 1st of each year.

### FEBRUARY SPEAKER NOTES

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In 1962 the Lambs were chaffing at the development in Orange County and moved to the wide open spaces of Hillsboro, New Mexico. They spent the next ten years searching for a "lost" mission in Mexico using their personal airplane. Dana also went on a few expeditions with other members of the Adventurers Club such as a trip to Micronesia in 1975.

Ginger died first and is buried at their Hillsboro home. Dana did not remarry but did have a companion for the last years of his life. He is also buried in Hillsboro. His companion eventually contacted the Sherman Library about taking their collected papers, film, photos, artifacts and other materials for curation. Some of the materials at the Sherman include diaries, correspondence, film reels, financial records, photos and negatives, address books, manuscripts, scrapbooks, and artifacts. The artifacts include a club, a Northern Peru chimu double-bridge vessel, jewelry, fishhooks, arrowheads, etc.

The Lambs often said they wanted to blaze a trail and leave science to the scientists. Their story shows that the bold and determined can do just that.

We thank Jennifer Martinez Wormser, archivist for the Sherman Library & Gardens in Corona del Mar, for an informative and enjoyable presentation.

Submitted by Sherri Gust

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