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Greetings:

Hello everyone. Thank you to those of you that attended the talk by Ben Van Alstyne from UNLV. He gave a fascinating talk about the use of digital technologies in archaeology in an effort to better understand the material past and to promote education in the field. Also, thank you to those that voted in the annual elections. I am thrilled to be the new President of the Society, and I am sure David, Beth and Nancy are excited to continue their roles as Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, respectively.

Note: This newsletter serves the months of November and December, so Happy Holidays and New Year! I hope everyone can attend the exciting talks and events scheduled for the remainder of the year. I have scheduled a fieldtrip for 11/11 at the Lost City Museum with this month's speaker. Please RSVP as soon as possible.

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Look no further! Click on the trowel below or go to the Society website. Mail it to the address at the bottom of the page along with a check or money order and you will be an official member of A-NS! Save a tree, receive your newsletter via e-mail only!

Remember to invite your friends & frenemies!



November Event:

Date: Thursday, November 9, 2017 @ 6:30 pm

Place: Room K-227 West Charleston Campus

Who? Mary Beth Timm, Curator II/Archaeologist Lost City Museum

Prehistoric Cultures of Moapa Valley and Southern Nevada

Southern Nevada was home to a series of prehistoric cultures that began their occupation in the Pleistocene, around 13,100 (BP) years ago, which is called the Paleo-Indian and Archaic Periods. Very few sites have been found and none that are associated directly with hunting large game. The Puebloan Period started at AD 200 and continued through 1300. This is demonstrated through the construction of permanent housing structures, evidence of horticulture, and ceramic technologies. Ancestral Puebloans abandoned their houses around AD 1300 due to a change in climate, an epidemic, change in ideology or a combination of these factors. The Post Puebloan Period demonstrated a return to transient hunter gatherer cultures with ceramics, baskets, and wikipups. These cultural groups have remained in Moapa Valley. Mormon settlers arrived in St. Thomas in 1865 and Overton in 1869.

A-NS Upcoming Events:

- 1) Denny's 5pm & Talk 6:30 (11/9)
- 2) Field Trip @ Lost City Museum with Mary Beth Timm on Saturday 11/11.
- 3) December: No Talk; Adopt Highway Cleanup (Date TBA)

CSN Anthropology Club:

Food Aging and Fermentation in Human Evolution: Insights from the "Stinky" Foods of Arctic Hunter-Gatherers by Dr. Celeste Giordana, November 10th, 1-2:30 pm, WC Campus, K-248



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Don't
miss this!!



Tour of the Lost
City Museum with
Mary Beth Timm
on Saturday,
November 11th from
12-2 pm.



A little about this month's speaker:

Mary Beth Timm earned her BA at Beloit College in 2004 specializing in Anthropology and Spanish. She earned her MA in 2009 from Western Michigan University. Her thesis discussed a skeletal anomaly within prehistoric inhabitants of Point Hope, Alaska. In 2009, she moved to Las Vegas and attended PhD courses in bioarcheology and worked at Lake Mead National Recreation Area as an Archeologist/Museum Technician. In 2013, she moved to Barrow, Alaska to work at the Inupiaq Heritage Center as a Museums Collections Technician. There she conceptualized exhibits, gained cultural experience, and wrote successful grant applications. She returned to southern Nevada in 2016 to accept a Curator/Archeologist position at Lost City Museum. She has participated in archeological excavations in Peru, Arizona, Nevada and Alaska.

Not-So-Funny Joke of the Month:



Early Facebook

Stay tuned for more information on:
Nevada Archaeological Association
47th Annual Meeting,
MARCH 23-25, 2018



Bad cartoon? Have a better one?
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