

SANTA FE NATIONAL FOREST SITE STEWARD PROGRAM



SITE LINES

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PAUL AND LINDA McCLENDON SITE STEWARDS FOR PECOS

By Jeanne Gozigian

Linda and Paul McClendon are the Site Steward team charged with monitoring the Hacienda, a historic site in the Pecos Area. But, they are so much more than that! They are the researchers, interviewers, conservators, PIT Project participants, and authors of, "The Hacienda", a comprehensive and fascinating history of their site.

Paul is a native of Albuquerque; Linda Elbrecht McClendon was born in Ohio and moved to Albuquerque with her family. They met and married, lived briefly in New Mexico, California, longer in Farmington, back to Albuquerque, and finally to Santa Fe, in 1986. Paul worked in finance and Linda was the "one woman office" for many businesses. She became interested in family genealogy, specifically researching Paul's Civil War connections in NM. This may have sparked their interest in NM historical sites.



Photo by Jeanne Gozigian

One year before Paul retired, he saw an article in the paper about the Site Steward Program, by our own Mike Bremer. Paul had determined that he wouldn't sit on the front porch swing when that time arrived. He volunteered himself and Linda, with the proviso that their real interest was in historical sites. Thus, they became the caretakers, and godfather/mother of the Hacienda. They signed on for

the PIT Project, led by a professor from Middlebury College. They noted that he did not have success in dealing with local peoples. It was then that they developed their strategy of developing local contacts to facilitate research.

The Hacienda was a Pecos River crossing, with sites on both sides of the river, to move supplies and animals in the time of the Mexican Republic, the New Mexico Territory, and early statehood. It is in the Anton Chico Land Grant. The McClendons talked to many of the descendants/neighbors of the Hacienda residents. Much of the land had to be sold to pay off taxes. In 1915, Gross-Kelly of Santa Fe had acquired the bulk of the property. In 1939, the forerunner of the Soil Conservation Service took over, and the Forest Service assumed overseer status in 1954.

The McClendons know when people inhabited their site, when they were absent, when they lived there again and when it was finally abandoned. They will revise their treatise on the Hacienda with new data, and continue to explore related sites close to their site. Linda is all set with her "dig kit", complete with flowered tape measure

THE PECOS/LAS VEGAS AREA

*Provided by Brent Abel, Supervisory Resource Area
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The Pecos/Las Vegas District of the SFNF is located south of Las Vegas and east of US Hwy 85. The Pecos has been inhabited periodically since 10,000 BC and contains world-class archaic rock art.

The Pecos Team is currently without an Area Team Leader since Curt Hawley retired from the position in 2004. Alan Everson is serving as Assistant Team Leader; other team members are Bill and Nancy Cella, Deborah Collins, Jon Greening, Lorayne Gutierrez, Curt Hawley, Kathy and Steve Jackson, Bob McCarthy, Linda and Paul McClendon, Jim Mercurio, John Pitts, Don Thomas and Clara Zschaler.

Cultural use of the Pecos area extends from 10,000 BC to the present. The span covers the Paleo-Indian

period, Archaic, Basket Maker, Ancestral Puebloan, Spanish, Mexican, Santa Fe Trail, US Territorial, Statehood, and WWII to the present.



One of the most noteworthy rock art panels is a horizontal sandstone outcropping estimated to have been made between 6000 to 3300 BC. The panel has archaeoastronomical connotations and is possibly one of the most significant sites in the western U.S.



A number of rock shelters on Rowe Mesa date to 700-1700 AD (Developmental/Pueblo I) times. These rock shelters have evidence of long periods of occupation with considerable cultural fill.



The Anton Chico area of the Pecos region contains historic sites dating 1870 to 1930 AD, time periods spanning from US Territorial to Statehood up to WWII.

This historic site was likely associated with ranching and agricultural activities. The stone construction is unique to the area.

The Anton Chico Hacienda Site is one of the best-known historic sites in the area. It is the only large ranching agricultural site of its type on the Forest. The Hacienda Site has been the subject of several annual Passport In Time projects focusing on stabilization of the walls. All of the Anton Chico historic sites are threatened and heavily vandalized by rock thieves. Other monitored sites in the Pecos area include the Glorieta Baldy Lookout, a number of hunting blinds, many other rock art panels and rock shelters.



*P.I.T. Volunteers working at the Hacienda Site
All Photos by Brent Abel*

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL MEETING DODY FUGATE AND "DOGS IN SOUTHWESTERN ARCHAEOLOGY"

On Wednesday, April 6, Dody Fugate will present a program on "Dogs in Southwestern Archaeology". Dody is Assistant Curator of Research Collections and is in charge of the "Mera Room" at the Lab of Anthropology in Santa Fe. Her research interests include origins of the domestic dog in the Western Hemisphere and the social and material aspects of dogs in the Pre Columbian Southwest.

The meeting will be held at Café Dominic's at 320 South Guadalupe in Santa Fe. No host dinner is from 5:30 to 7:00 pm with Ms. Fugate speaking from 7:00 to about 8:15.

Menu items at Dominic's range from \$6.00 to \$13.00 plus beverage and gratuity. The January meeting held at Dominic's was well attended with positive reviews.

An RSVP will be requested via the Web Server as the time for the presentation approaches.

SANTA FE CANYON PETROGLYPH TOUR

by Gary Hein

In early December, Terry Ballone, Site Steward from the Jemez Area, led a small group tour into the Santa Fe River Canyon. Jan Stone, Gary Hein and Lee Borduin spent the better part of a blustery but pleasant winter day viewing incredibly complex world class rock art. Part of the site overlooks Cieneguilla Pueblo. The entire site is on the southerly side of the volcanic escarpment that forms the Caja del Rio Plateau and overlooks the Santa Fe River.



Photo by Terry Ballone

Terry's description of the bosque below made it easy to imagine the area covered with willow, cottonwood, cattails and other riparian plants. With just a little more imagination one could imagine smoke from the cooking fires of the Pueblos. From the top of the escarpment, there is a clear view into the Galisteo Basin.



Photo by Terry Ballone

One of the issues one always need to keep in mind with Rock Art Sites is that many are still important to

the descendants those who created them and still visit them. In ***Voices from a Sacred Place***, Philip Lauriano says, "The petroglyphs are the nerve center of the Pueblo culture, religion and tradition. They are there to guard, to protect, to teach, to advise, to doctor, to cure".



Photo by Gary Hein



Photo by Lee Borduin

Many of the concentrations of images were found in alcoves that seemed to trap the warmth more. Is it possible that the creation of Rock Art happened while the earth slept and the stories were told?

(This is a sample of the "Photo Tour" of Cieneguilla on the web site that portrays many more photos. Stewards are invited to provide future "Photo Tours" for the web site, hopefully so the feature may be changed monthly.)

SITE STEWARD EDUCATIONAL MEETING

January 12 marked the date of the first Site Steward Educational Meeting for 2005. A new format consisted of dinner at Café Dominic's in Santa Fe followed by a presentation by Gallina Site Steward Larry Sitney.

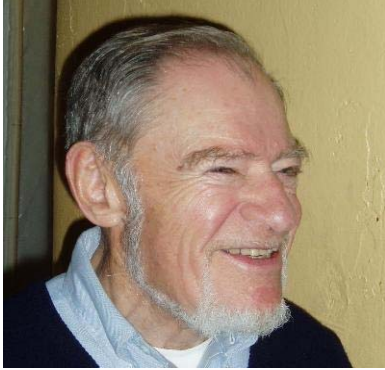


Photo by Candie Borduin

Larry's presentation was on Firing Techniques for Anasazi Pottery based on several years of research at Los Alamos National Lab.

Thirty-six people attended the evening's activities including several guests, perhaps new site steward candidates?



Photo by Gary Hein



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Jeanne and George Gozigian have retired as Area Team Leaders of the Rio Chama. George was the first Chairman of the Site Steward Council and served in that position for two years. Jeanne served as secretary of the Council this past year and continues to contribute to the Newsletter. They were presented a piece of micaceous pottery made by Beth Ann Sanchez of Velarde.

SITE STEWARD COUNCIL OFFICERS FOR 2005

Officers for 2005 were elected by the Council and announced at the January evening meeting. They are:

Council Chair: Will Dearholt – ATL
Council Vice Chair: John Morris – Jemez AATL
Secretary: Nancy Cella – Pecos SS
Treasurer: Ed Crow – Caja del Rio AATL

Out going Council Chair Lee Borduin commended the new officers and noted each is a relatively new member to the Site Steward Program and was pleased to turn the organization over to new ideas and energy.

Lee thanked the 2004 officers for their good service –
Madam Vice Chair – Jan Stone, ATL Jemez
Secretary – Jeanne Gozigian, ATL Rio Chama
Treasurer – Beth Parisi, new ATL Rio Chama

A survey conducted following the meeting drew the following conclusions:

- Format with social time at Café Dominic's very favorable; concern expressed that if many more people attended, the area would be overly crowded.
- Presentation, many expressed the work was very interesting; some felt the presentation was too technical.
- Good suggestions for future meetings were submitted.

Thanks to those who responded and thanks to Larry for donating his time!

2005 COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

By Will Dearholt

I want to take a moment to introduce myself as the new Chairman of the Santa Fe National Forest Site Steward Council. I started with the Program with the Class of 2003 as a provisional steward in the Garcia Area under the tutelage of Wayne Nelson. We visited all of our sites a number of times in the fall of 2003 and the spring and summer of 2004.

Early in the fall of 2004, Wayne asked me to consider being Area Team Leader for the Garcia. I accepted and was voted in. Later that fall, I was elected for the position of Council Chair. I hope this was the right decision for the organization!

I live in Los Alamos and work full time at Los Alamos National Laboratory. I will continue to monitor the Garcia Area north of Los Alamos in the capacity of Area Team Leader this year. In addition, I would like to make it a point to go to each of the other areas in the Forest when stewards responsible for each area are going out. This will give me a better understanding of the locations of the sites and the issues that are associated with each area of the forest.

We are planning more dinner meetings and speakers this year. We had a very nice turnout for Larry Sitney's talk at Cafe Dominic on January 12th. On April 6, Dody Fugate will give a talk on the role of domestic dogs in the southwest. Other programs are planned for later in the year.

For the upcoming year, John Morris will be serving as Vice-Chairman, Nancy Cella will be the Secretary and Ed Crow will be the Treasurer. If you have any questions about the program or suggestions you would like to make, please feel free to contact any of us.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 22 COUNCIL MEETING

AREA ASSIGNMENTS

- New Area Team Leader for the Rio Chama is Beth Parisi, long term Site Steward for that area.
- Dwight Fieselman is Assistant Area Team Leader for the Gallina. Dwight is trained as an archaeologist and has been a member of that team for two years.

AREA VACANCIES

- Area Team Leader Pecos/Las Vegas
- Assistant Area Team Leader Rio Chama

NEW MEMBER AT LARGE

- Shelley Thompson (Gallina)

SITE STEWARD ID CARDS

- Mike reported cards have been ordered and should be processed soon. Cards will be mailed to stewards.

WEBSITE

- Gary has initiated a "Photo Tour" on the website with the Cieneguilla Rock Art Tour. He invites Stewards to contribute future "Photo Tours" to use on the website.
- Gary would also like some photos of "book

quality" ruins to use in the banner of the web site. Please contact Gary Hein at glhein@comcast.net with your ideas and contributions.

SITE STEWARD LOGO

- Terry Ballone provided a photo which has been officially adopted as the Site Steward Logo. Gary Hein is adapting the photo to various uses on the website and other areas.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE SIGNS

- A Sign design has been developed for use on high visitation sites informing visitors that the site is monitored by SFNF Site Stewards. The sign includes information concerning contacting the Forest Dispatcher if vandalism is observed. The sign also displays the SFNF Site Steward Website address.
- Prototype signs will be produced by Council members and presented at the next Council meeting.

EDUCATION

- Three educational programs are planned for 2005 in addition to the Annual Meeting.
- January 12 program was well attended with positive remarks
- April 6 - Dody Fugate will present program on "Dogs in SW Archaeology"
- Summer day or weekend outing is planned

OUTREACH

- An Educational Outreach Program is being defined for pilot elementary schools. Site Stewards will define, design and implement the program under the approval of the Forest Archaeologist.

TRAINING

- GPS Training is scheduled for March 5
- Mike will be conducting Site Survey Training within some of the Site Steward areas involving members of each team.
- A small New Site Steward Training will be scheduled this summer. Stewards will manage the entire training.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mike is a coordinator with the Pecos Conference is being held at White Rock Recreational Area/Bandelier National Monument August 11-14. Site Stewards are encouraged to attend and members will be asked to assist Mike in various roles.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

- Saturday, April 23 @ MIAC, time to be announced.

OUTREACH PROGRAM

Members of the Site Steward Council are interested in initiating an Outreach Program for students in elementary and/or middle school. The proposed program would focus on education and awareness of archaeological sites on the SFNF. The development of

a preservation ethic is the hoped for outcome of the program.

Judith Isaacs (SS, Jemez) met with the Council at the January meeting and presented a proposal for piloting the program in area schools. The pilots would address students in grade 1-6 and would provide teachers with follow-up activities and resource information.

Site Stewards are being recruited in the following capacities:

- To work on a planning team of 1-2 stewards (with an elementary educator, tribal representative and SFNF archaeologist as consultants) that would create presentations for 2 age groups
- To volunteer to be trained to present the outreach program in the pilot schools.

If any site steward is interested in assisting with this program, please contact Judith at 505-829-3382 or jisaacs@sulphurcanyon.com

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

GPS TRAINING

A GPS Training Class for SFNF Site Stewards is scheduled Saturday, March 5, 2005 at MIAC in Santa Fe. The morning session is 9-12, the afternoon field session is 1-4:30. The class focuses on Site Steward requirements, providing very useful training for field navigation and site recording. Due to the number of attendees anticipated, attendance is limited to Site Stewards only. Full information on the class has been distributed via the web server or may be accessed on the web at www.sfnfsitestewards.org Please RSVP by February 25, 2005 to Bordu@att.net

NEW SITE STEWARD TRAINING

A new Site Steward Training session will be held in the summer of 2005 providing at least 10 applications are received. Several spouses and/or friends of current stewards are interested in joining the program as well as others who have made contact individually or via the web site.

If you know of someone interested in training to become a SFNF Site Steward, please refer them to the web site at www.sfnfsitestewards.org then enter "How to Become a Site Steward" for information about the program. If a person wishes to apply, the application form is in this section of the web site.

Applications are mailed to the address indicated on the web and should be received by February 28.

PASSPORT IN TIME

Again this year, several P.I.T. projects will be offered on the Santa Fe National Forest. **The Gallina Site Relocation and Documentation** is May 15-20. During the mid-70's, Dr. Herbert Dick from Adams State College located and documented many sites

associated with the Gallina period in the rugged Llaves Valley of NM. This year, volunteers and FS archaeologists will relocate those sites using current survey technology and update the records to reflect the condition of the sites today. Project led by Mike Bremer and Melissa Powell, Cuba Ranger District. Deadline for applications: February 15, 2005.

Garcia Canyon PIT Project – June 6-10, led by Anne Baldwin, Espanola Ranger District.

Hacienda Site PIT Project – October 16-21, led by Brent Abel, Pecos/Las Vegas Ranger District.

Please access web site at www.passportintime.com to learn more about the PIT Projects on the SFNF.

ROCK ART RECORDING

Two rock art recording classes are being offered this spring for volunteers who wish to learn about this educational and enjoyable activity. Leaders of both classes have expressed the expectation that if a class is taken, that the volunteer will participate on a rock art recording team in the area of training.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF N.M. ROCK ART RECORDING FIELD SCHOOL

Call for Trainee Volunteers to join a program systematically recording rock art throughout the Galisteo Basin southeast of Santa Fe. Training is February 26 at Museum of Indian Art and Culture in Santa Fe from 9:30 AM - 5 PM. Basic instruction covers field recording procedures including terminology, how to fill out basic field forms, field photography and GPS use. After then, new recorders will have several days of training in the field with experienced teams currently working on the hogback just north of the town of Galisteo.

Volunteers are expected to work two to four days each month and teams are formed on each work-day depending on personal schedules.

Class size is limited to 30 participants so please RSVP with Jerry Brody at jjbrody@unm.edu or Maynard Merkt at 771-0815, mmerkt@comcast.net. Priority will be given to those who plan to work with us in the Galisteo Basin but if room is available we will accept others.

MESA PRIETA PETROGLYPH RECORDING PROJECT

Mesa Prieta, known also as Black Mesa, lies between the Rio Grande and Rio Chama north of Espanola. Over 9000 of 20,000 estimated petroglyphs have been recorded to date by volunteers. Petroglyphs date from archaic to historic; in addition other archaeological features have been discovered on the mesa.

A training class is scheduled for new volunteers on March 12 from 9:30 to 3:00 at Katherine Well's home in Lyden. Training includes recording procedures, field form usage, field photography and GPS use. Students may join existing teams or form new teams who establish their own schedule. Participants of this

training are requested to join a Mesa Prieta team. Please contact Katherine Wells at kdienes@cybermesa.com

PECOS CONFERENCE

The Annual Pecos Conference will be held at the White Rock Recreational Area from August 11-14. Thursday August 11: Reception and packet pick-up
August 12 & 13: Field Reports and Seminars
August 14: Field Trips.

The lead agencies for the Pecos Conference are Bandelier National Monument, Los Alamos National Laboratory, the Santa Fe National Forest and the Valles Caldera National Preserve.

Further details will be announced in future [Site Lines](#).

TRACKING SITE STEWARD VOLUNTEER HOURS

All hours spent in the Site Steward Program are considered volunteer hours. Area Team Leaders ask Site Stewards for their total hours of involvement from time to time and forward the total to Mike, who reports the hours to his supervisor.

Examples of volunteer time include travel to and from sites, site visits, educational and training programs and travel to and from, any administrative or committee time spent in behalf of the program.

Please make it your habit to keep track of your volunteer hours and forward them to your Area Team Leader – this will make the job easier for everyone.

UPCOMING ARCHAEOLOGICAL EVENTS

- Watch for new **Passport In Time** projects in NM for 2005 www.passportintime.com Gallina Site Relocation May 15-20, 2005; deadline for registration February 15.
- **Culture Day at the Legislature**, Tuesday, February 22nd, Santa Fe
- **School of American Research Colloquia:**
February 16 – “**Trailer Clash, Culture Trash**” – Robert Mirabal, Taos Pueblo and Sallie R. Wagner, Indigenous American Artist/Scholar Fellow.

February 22 – “**Mesa of Sorrows**” - Archaeology, Prophecy and the Ghosts of Awat’ovi Pueblo, James Brooks, Director, School of American Research Press.

February 28 – “**The Earliest Cities and the Evolution of History**”, Norman Yoffee, Professor, Dept. of Near Eastern Studies and Professor, Dept of Anthropology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- **Rock Art Recording School/New Mexico Archaeological Society** February 26
- **Mesa Prieta Rock Art Recording School**, March 12
- **Society of American Archaeology Meetings**, Salt Lake City, March 30 – April 3, 2005

- **SFNF Site Steward Council Meeting** – April 23, 2005 @MIAC
- **American Rock Art Research Association Annual Conference**, May 25-30, 2005-Reno/Sparks, Nevada
- **Pecos Conference** August 11-15, 2005, Bandelier National Monument, New Mexico
- **Friends of Archaeology** Activities, check SFNF Site Steward Web Site for listing www.sfnfsitestewards.org
- **Laboratory of Anthropology Brown Bag Lunches**, 4th Friday of month @ 1205, Meem Auditorium, Lab of Anthropology
- **School of American Research/Indian Arts Center** tours every Friday, 2 – 3:15 pm. Call (505) 954-7203
- **School of American Research Lecture Series**, see website at <http://www.sarweb.org/members/lecturespresent.htm>
- **Southwest Seminars, Views from the Desert Southwest Lecture Series**, Monday nights, Santa Fe

INFORMATIONAL WEBSITES

- **SFNF Site Steward Program** <http://sfnfsitestewards.org/>
- **Southwestern Archaeology's Newsletter "Got Caliche"** <http://www.swanet.org/news.html>
- **Southwestern Archaeology's Archives** <http://www.swanet.org/zarchives/>
- **Southwest Seminars** <http://www.southwestseminars.org>
- **Advisory Council on Historic Preservation** <http://www.achp.gov>
- **The Archaeology Channel** <http://www.archaeologychannel.org/>
- **Society for American Archaeology** <http://www.saa.org/>
- **School of American Research/Indian Arts Center** <http://www.sarweb.org>
- **Map Tools** <http://www.maptools.com/>
- **National Atlas** <http://nationalatlas.gov/atlasftp.html>
- **Archaeological Conservancy** <http://www.americanarchaeology.com/aawelcome.html>
- **Archaeological Institute of America** <http://www.archaeological.org/>

