

# Newsletter for October 2017

## What you need to know this month

- Voting on Bylaws revisions
- Speaker at Oct. 9th meeting is Sally Crum, retired USFS archaeologist talking about Native plants
- Field trips updates
- Volunteer Opportunities

And now, the rest of the story . . .

*See you at 6:30 October 9th* for the regular monthly meeting if you are interested in social, gab and maybe finger food time before the 7 PM official meeting start time.

**We could PLEASE use a few volunteers** to help set up before and put away after the meeting - any extra tables and chairs, etc and kitchen cleanup if we have any food or beverages.

**If you would like to bring any snacks or finger food**, that would be happily shared and well appreciated.



**As for volunteers to sit at tables - how about:**

- Field trips
- Membership
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Learn to use our webpage
- Show & Tell

**You need not be any sort of expert to volunteer -- just to serve as someone to spark discussion.**



As we do each month we will ask you for a small donation (\$2-10/each) to help make a \$\$ contribution to the church and to help cover program &/or speaker related expenses.



For a few minutes before the speaker **we need to take a membership vote on a few changes to the Bylaws.** This was brought up last month and decided to postpone the vote until October. If you are interested, please look at the old and new versions. **You need to be logged into the webpage and go into Members Only - Documents** to see the Bylaws [www.casgjchapter.wildapricot.org/documents.&nbsp;nbsp;](http://www.casgjchapter.wildapricot.org/documents.&nbsp;nbsp;)

Our October 9th speaker is Sally Crum



**Annual Election of Officers** will take place at the **November 13th meeting**. Please remember, if you would like to nominate yourself for one of the 5 elected positions or nominate someone else (with their consent) you need to get those nominations to our Secretary, [Geoff Peterson](#) a week or two before the November 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. If you want to be nominated and run, it would be greatly appreciated if you would come to the November Board meeting (date yet to be determined) so you can be a little bit familiar with the workings of our elected offices. The elected positions and current nominees are as follows:

- President- Doug Van Etten
- Vice President – Geoff Peterson
- Secretary – Gayle Smith
- Treasurer – Janice Shepherd
- CAS Representative – Erin Johnson Schmitz

The **job descriptions of each of these positions** is on our website at [www.casgjchapter.wildapricot.org/officer-guidelines](http://www.casgjchapter.wildapricot.org/officer-guidelines). Again, you have to be logged into the website and go to the Members Only tab to reach this link.

## Field Trips

**We've had a few trips recently**, very notably to [Nine Mile Canyon](#) the weekend of Sept. 23 & 24. Thanks to **CAS-GJ Members Tim Sweeny and Darlene Koerner and Jim Liewer** a dozen of us had a wonderful time exploring some of the lesser visited areas of the canyon complex. We want to thank Tim and Darlene for sharing their local expertise and for the **fabulous Dutch oven dinner Saturday night**. At Darlene's suggestion we contacted 9 Mile Canyon guru Jerry Spangler to say thanks for arranging access to some private land sites. As a result of those emails, **Spangler has agreed to be our speaker for the March 12<sup>th</sup> CAS-GJ meeting**.

**Coming up Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> Mark Connolly** is organizing a trip to see the famous rock art at [Sego Canyon](#) and a number of other less well known sites within reasonable driving distance of Segoe, less than 90 minutes west on I-70 from Grand Junction. [www.meetup.com/CAS-GJ/events/243286184/](http://www.meetup.com/CAS-GJ/events/243286184/)

Keep an eye on our [calendar](#) for other field trips being posted.

PLEASE consider organizing/ leading a field trip yourself. **There is not all that much too it and with over 150 members in our chapter we can never have too many field trips on the calendar. Keep in mind, if there is someplace you want to explore, have been to and enjoyed, or go back to time after time. . . . there will be others in our**

chapter who would appreciate the opportunity to join you there. [www.cas-gjEvents.org](http://www.cas-gjEvents.org)

## Volunteer Opportunities

The opportunities are too many to list here. We attempt to keep updating the calendar with new opportunities but they are many and diverse so may not all be here. If you know of opps to have posted on the webpage, let Doug know. BEST YET, please volunteer your time and services to volunteer. [www.casgjchapter.wildapricot.org/volunteer](http://www.casgjchapter.wildapricot.org/volunteer)

## Conferences

The statewide CAS Annual Conference is coming up [October 28-29<sup>th</sup> in Denver](#).



It is hard to believe it has already been nearly a year since we hosted last year's annual conference here in GJ. To register for the CAS event visit this website [www.cas-denver.org/annual-meeting](http://www.cas-denver.org/annual-meeting)

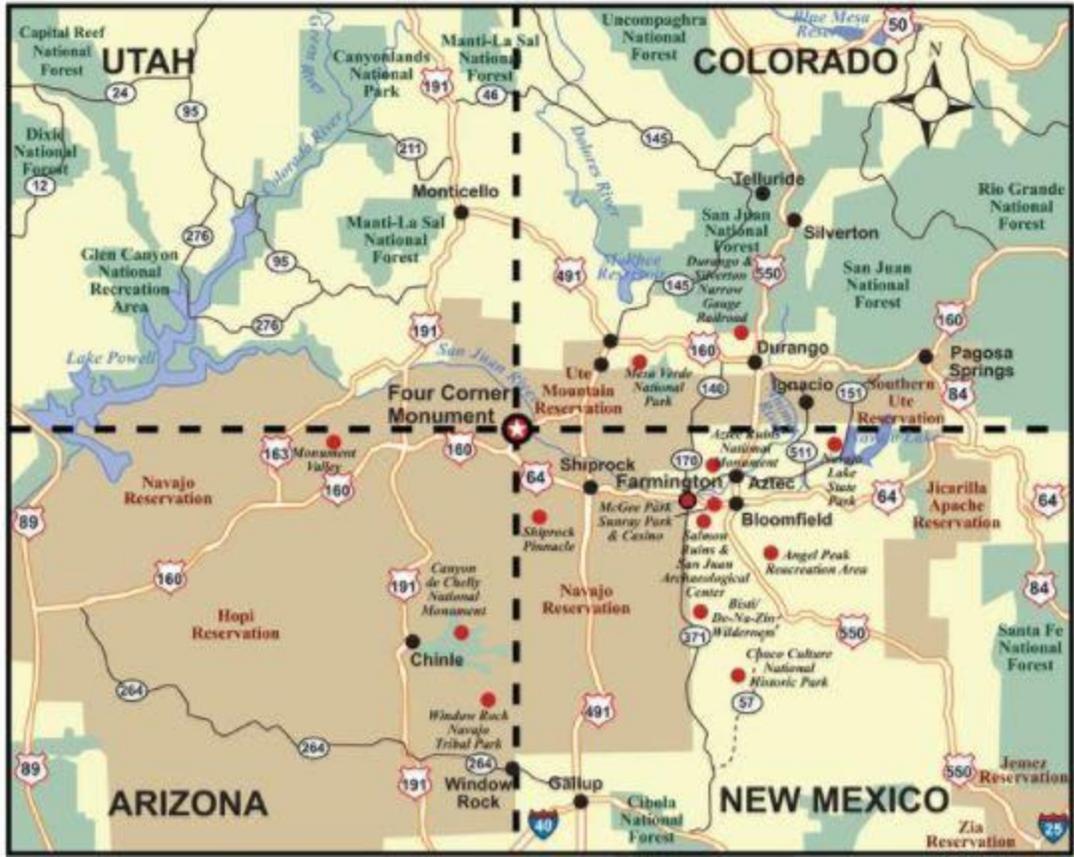
American Rock Art Research Association (ARARA) will be holding its June 1-4, 2018 annual conference in Grand Junction. There will be more details in future months about the conference and opportunities to volunteer to help put that on in our town. [www.arara.org](http://www.arara.org)

## Area Quiz

Match the name of the National Monument to its number of acres:

Dinosaur (northwestern CO)	1.35 million
Bears Ears (before any changes; near Blanding, UT)	176,056
Colorado (near Grand Junction)	4,726
Chimney Rock (near Pagosa Springs)	210,844
Canyon of the Ancients (near Cortez)	20,533

*Answers are below the map.*



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