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FROM STATE COORDINATOR:
JACK BASHAW

Penny Pinching Coordinator

With out-of-state moves, deaths, resignations, etc., the active Site Steward list has remained at about 270 since the last *Arizona Watch* was published. That adds up to over \$135 in postage to send out the Site Steward Service Reports each quarter (0.25 cents prepaid on the form and 0.25 cents to mail it). Though the return rate showed a significant improvement, from 26% in April to 36% for the one due in June, we cannot acclaim it as a very cost effective procedure. With 170+ Service Reports for the second quarter of the year still outstanding and another mailing due next month for the fourth quarter, I've got to find a better way of doing things.

The most expedient/immediate fix I can think of: As the reports due on June 1 were received their replacements went out with a suspension date of September 1. I have not made replacements for those not received. To save the \$90 postage and 20 hours processing time needed to replace those with the June due date I'm asking those of you that still have them to change the date to September 1 and send it in after that date. The prepaid postage is good as long as there is no date

and point of origin stamped in the cancellation circle. Some of you may have misplaced the old reports and I will cover this by printing and mailing a new Service Report for all Site Stewards active as of September 1. The new Service Reports will not have a printed due date. A Service Report is expected from each Steward every quarter, but you will be prompted by the quarterly newsletter not by a date printed on the report. The standing rule will be: When you receive your *Arizona Watch* send in your Service Report unless you fill it up or have another reason to send it in earlier. In the future, a replacement Service Report will not be printed until one is received or requested.

Getting to Know One Another

What better time to mention this than when the cost of postage is still on our minds?

Every three months I print a list of all active Site Stewards, their addresses and phone numbers for the Arizona Capitol Communications Center and the Game and Fish Department Dispatcher (1-800-VANDALS). This is a six page list. It's not only long but is labeled, and is considered, confidential. I'm not about to print it up for general distribution. However,

networking and getting to know one another is a good thing, so if you are about to take a trip somewhere in the State and would like to do some networking with other Stewards I can mail you a list of those in the area of interest on request.

Letting the Sheriff Know You

In the last *Arizona Watch* I asked for you to include the make, year, model, color and license number of the automobile you will most likely use when performing Site Steward activities on your Service Report. About 15 of you had sent in your reports before receiving the newsletter. That number subtracted from 36% that I did receive leaves me with some pretty skimpy information for the local sheriff. Let's support that guy by letting him know who we are. Please include the above information on your Service Report due in September.

Area Coordinators Meeting

The next Area Coordinators meeting for Southern Arizona will be from 10 AM to 2:30 PM on September 29 at the Arizona State Museum in Tucson.

The next Area Coordinators meeting for Northern Arizona will be from 10 AM to 2:30 PM on October 6 in the conference room of the Coconino National

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Forest Supervisor's office in Flagstaff.

The agenda and other details of the meetings will be mailed to Coordinators on September 19. If you, as a Steward, would like some particular issue addressed at these meetings pass the information to your Coordinator so it can be placed on the agenda before the mailing date.

Logo Contest

Logo #5 beat out #7 & #8 by one vote each to be the number one choice. So, where's the celebration? All three have been reviewed by two illustrators. Both shook their heads and allowed as how we might be cracker-jack site watchers and maybe even pretty good artists, but logo designers and choosers, in their opinion, we ain't. It has to do with production problems.

Talk about it. It's already an agenda item for the Area Coordinator's meeting.

On Plates and Signs

Getting special Site Steward front license plates is a viable possibility. However, I have heard enough adverse comments about uses, choices, etc., since the last edition of this newsletter to defer any further exploration of the possibility until it is explored at the next Coordinators meeting.

Also in the last *Arizona Watch* was the suggestion for placing signs stating in effect, "Area Patrolled by Arizona Site Stewards" on highway rights-of-way. Site Steward Heinz Zuschlag from Prescott approached ADOT about the possibility and was told it will require both regulation and policy changes. Perhaps time will increase our chances of it happening.

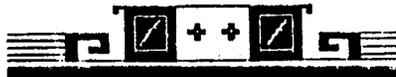
WELCOME PAT FLORENCE!!

In answer to State Coordinator Jack Bashaw's call for volunteers to assist with the administration end of the Site Steward Program, **Pat Florence**, from Sun Lakes, is now trekking to Phoenix to the SHPO once a week to help with the enrollment process. Her assistance is greatly appreciated.

Pat also serves as the 1989/90 Recording Secretary for the Phoenix Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society and can be seen every Wednesday evening working in the lab at the Mesa Southwest Museum. Her volunteering spirit takes her from the annual Indian Market at Pueblo Grande to the Mesa Museum's yearly activities with "Archaeology Week".

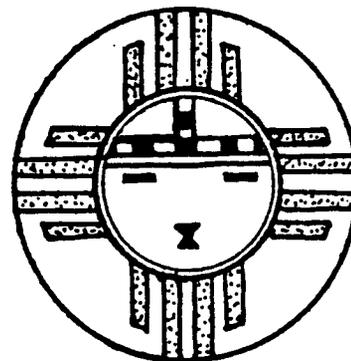
your support and look forward to ensuring the bill works as it was intended. If you would like a copy of the bill or have any questions, please give me a call at 542-4009.

Another piece of good news is that the Legislature also recognized the Site Steward program and its contributions to the protection of archaeological sites by funding a full-time position to coordinate the program. We anticipate filling the position by mid-September (if we're lucky) or soon thereafter. Jack has (thankfully) agreed to stay on and help train the new person. I don't know what we'll do without Jack running the program, but let's hope somewhere out there we find an individual who can fill his shoes. We'll keep you posted on our progress. If anyone is interested in knowing more about the position, please contact me.



FROM THE STATE HISTORIC
PRESERVATION OFFICER:
SHEREEN LERNER

THANK YOU!!! Because of your efforts and those of many others across the State, Arizona now has a law that protects burial sites and funerary objects from being looted on private lands. As many of you know, Senate Bill 1412 passed during the waning hours of the legislative session. The bill was revived as a result of the actions by a group of citizens from Cornville who, like your-selves, believe that our heritage is worth saving. Through their efforts, the Legislature took a second look at some bills that were proposed in January and decided that they too believe the time has come to stop the looting. I appreciate all of



REGIONAL NEWS

Region 1: Tony Flores, Coordinator for the Yuma area, tells us "Most Yuman Site Stewards are still up north where it's cool, but pothunters should be warned they may still run into BLM survey crews armed with a few Site Steward volunteers not intimidated by the heat". (see Boma Johnson's article on page 3).

While Ed Riggs was featured in an article on the Site Steward Program in the Arizona Republic on Sunday, May 20, 1990, he wants to share the success of the program with every Site Steward by having the **Watch** run a couple of responses he received from folks he knew who had seen the article.

Beware: Stewards on duty

Volunteers help protect Indian ruins

By Paul Brinkley-Rogers
The Arizona Republic

RYE — Ed Riggs, title officer, maneuvered his Ford Bronco into a mesquite thicket near this central Arizona hamlet last week and studied the tawny soil in front of him.

"No tracks," he murmured, like a police officer approaching a crime scene.

"No footprints. No recent sign of digging."

Riggs parked, took a walk and

said Scott Wood, Tonto forest archaeologist. "Part of the problem we have is trying to manage resources of all kinds, and any time we can get people out on the ground to be our eyes and ears, it helps a lot."

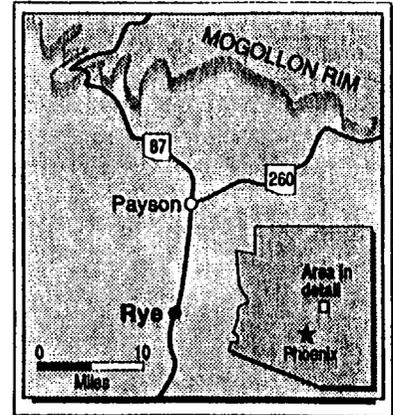
Some sites bulldozed

He said more than 6,000 archaeological sites have been identified in studies of only 4 percent of the forest's 2.9 million acres.

"Almost every one of them has been vandalized," Wood said.

At some sites, people dug small holes seeking individual pots, he said. Other sites were bulldozed.

Reports from the site workers



The Arizona Republic

— began affecting important sites.

Program showing results

Tens of thousands of pots were stolen from state and federal lands and sold for as much as \$15,000 each as vandals, often using trucks, backhoes, bulldozers, smashed walls, and human

May 21, 1990

Mr. Ed Riggs
Pioneer Title
P.O. Box 332
Payson, Arizona 85547

Dear Ed:

I found this in Sunday's paper and wanted to send you the copy say good for you!

I love the out of doors and in my travels around the out of way places of this state I have encountered a number of what call indian ruins. They never fail to amaze me.

I'm glad to know there are people like you who are interested and working toward preserving these artifacts for our future generations.

Please keep up the great work you are doing.

Sincerely,

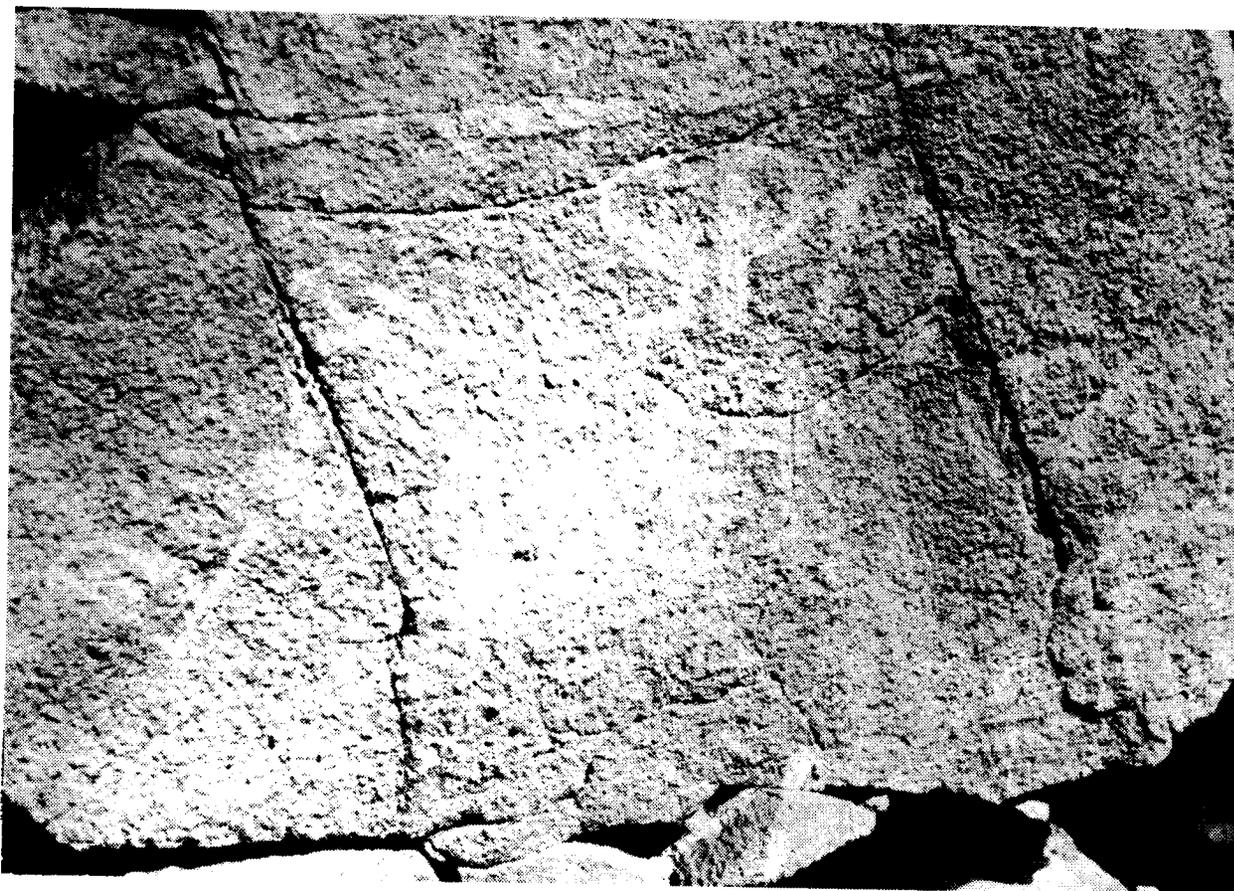
Brad Mercer
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From
Vic Hooper

Ed:
I'm certainly impressed!
You're providing a real
service for humanity and
I, for one, appreciate it

Scott Riggs
Vic

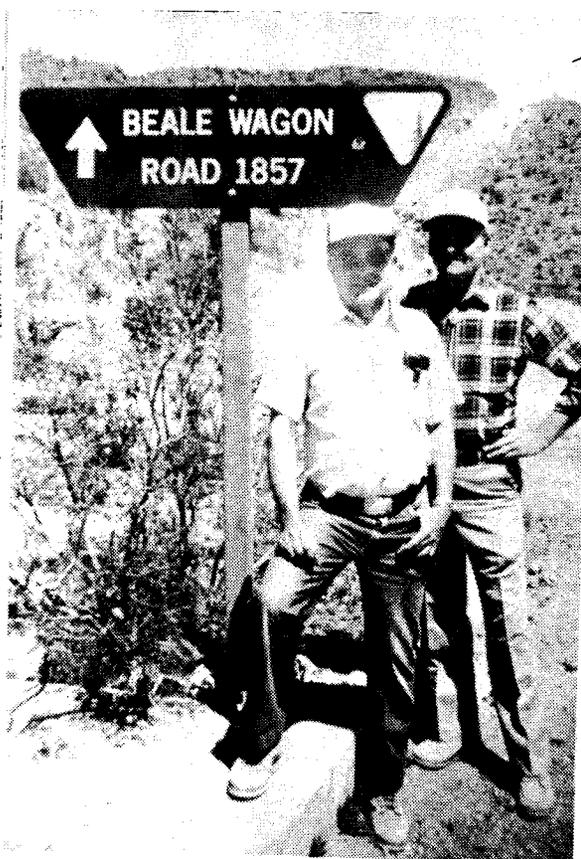


Region 17: Loren Wilson, Regional Coordinator for the Kingman area, and Site Stewards Ed Edwards and Marcia Simonis have been assisting Jack "Beale" Smith and Don Simonis, the local BLM Archaeologist, in surveying the Beale Road. This road was laid out by Lt. Edward F. Beale, when he was ordered to find a route to the west coast along the 35th parallel in 1857 through 1959.

The number of historical artifacts have been found along the road between Seligman and Sitgreaves Pass, which is near Oatman. Some of the artifacts may be from the early immigrant wagons.

The major discovery is a signature rock that has a number of initials and names several dozen feet up the side of a cliff. We believe that these are names of some of the men who travelled with Lt. Beale and his camel caravan in 1859 as that is the date carved into the rock surface in Roman script.

Funds received by BLM for the survey will also allow Jack to place bronze markers along the parts of the road that cross BLM lands, before all traces of the road are forever erased.



Region 15: Coordinator Gene Ivie reports that summer finally came to the White Mountains and trails are more accessible. Earlier, a couple of sites were reported vandalized. Digging had occurred in a room block on one site, and at another, evidence indicated that surface artifacts had been removed. The monsoons are in progress now, slowing down some of the off-road traffic and things have quieted down.

Region 19: Darlene Brinkerhoff from the Holbrook/Winslow area reports that Site Stewards and "rock art" class members have climbed in and out of some of the most beautiful canyons in the region.

The Site Stewards in Region 19 cover an area of up to a 50 mile radius of Holbrook. They have witnessed and reported a lot of destruction and grave disturbances on private land before the burial bill passed, and fear they will no longer be allowed on some of these sites again.

One of their projects, under the direction of Doug Johnson, Homolovi State Park Ranger, has been to assist in locating "Kokopellis" (the hump-backed flute player), mapping, taking pictures and drawings, and most important, reporting petroglyph vandalism. They have documented approximately 30 Kokopelli's to date--all different, all unique.

Recently, a pictograph site has been located under a cliff with a partial storage structure adjacent to it in the Woodruff region. The pictographs, painted with some type of reddish-orange paint, are of a sun, paws of an

animal, and a couple of human figures with one holding a spear-like object.

Along with the many hours the Site Stewards have had with monitoring, learning and fun, they have had a few new experiences such as an encounter with a rattlesnake and tubing in the Clear Creek reservoir area to document some petroglyphs.

Brian W. Kenny, Environmental Resources Manager with the Arizona State Land Department, announces the availability free of charge of his new publication which would be of interest to Site Stewards and others working with rock features. The publication,

An Annotated Bibliography of Southwestern and Native American Religious Shrines, Trail Shrines, Rock Cairns, Stacked Rock Features and Rock Markers,

is available through December 31, 1990. Anyone interested, contact him at (602) 542-3666. (To receive an electronic copy of this report, send a 5 1/4 or 3 1/2 inch unformatted, blank diskette and a self-addressed stamped diskette mailer to Brian. An ASCII file containing the bibliography will be duplicated and returned to you.

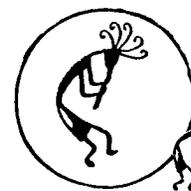
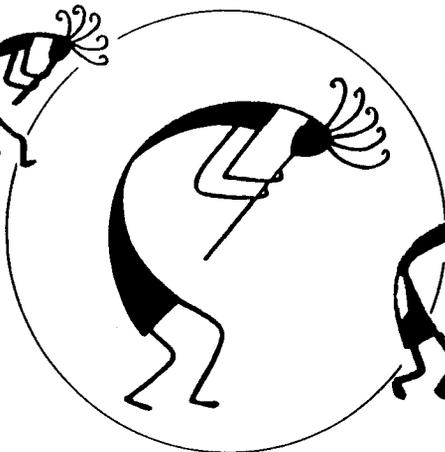
SKI CANADA IN JANUARY?

Plan a winter trip to Waterloo, Canada, over the weekend of January 18-20 and attend the "Volunteers in Archaeology" conference sponsored by the Toronto Office of the Ministry of Culture and Communications. A reception is planned for Friday night, January 18 at the University of Waterloo. On Saturday, January 19, an all day session will focus on the Site Steward Program and Sunday the agenda is yours. Anyone interested in making plans before the November *Watch* update on the conference, call Mike Lipowski in Toronto at 416-965-4490.

**SCOREBOARD
AS OF 8/10/90**

270 Site Stewards
279 Enrolled sites, areas or groups
36% of Stewards reporting
They report:
117 sites under active surveillance since January 1 with
1,571 hours expended making
391 site visits by one or more Stewards.

Please submit articles to the Arizona *Watch*, c/o Mary Briggs, Arizona State Parks, 800 West Washington, #415, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Deadline for submitting items for the next issue will be November 1, 1990.





Anglo woman teaching children to identify and collect marketable artifacts at Kinishba .

One of the best places for Site Steward training is Kinishba, an Anasazi ruin near Canyon Day, on the Fort Apache Reservation in the White Mountains in Arizona.

Most People think of the Anasazi as cliff dwellers, but Kinishba sprawls across an open plain. Apaches aptly called this ruin KIH-DAHT-BAA ("Dull House Out in the Middle of Nowhere") until Gordon C. Baldwin listed it in his survey as Kinishba ("brown house").

Baldwin reckoned Kinishba had been occupied for about 500 years (A.D. 900-1400) (Cummings extended the date from 900-1540), with a population peak of about 2,000. This ruin escaped

There is so much stuff here--500 years of trash--nobody's going to miss the little we take; besides, if Kinishba was really important, there would be guides, rangers, and concessions here instead of just cows and horses.

Coronado's attention, and was ignored by resident Apaches because the Apaches believed touching something belonging to a dead person could recall the owner's spirit to haunt and torment him, so Kinishba was neglected until the U. S. Cavalry arrived in 1869.

By the time Byron Cummings began excavations in 1931, the cavalry and civil servants assigned to Fort Apache had looted much of Kinishba and surrounding sites.

Today potholers and tourists continue to arrive by the car-load, and leave with a truck-load because Kinishba is so easily accessible, and is entirely unprotected.

By any standard, Kinishba was a major trade center, so potsherds are easily spotted from almost every pottery-producing culture of that period.

Everytime it rains or snows, erosion unveils a sparkling new array of artifacts. Those which are not immediately trampled by free-range cattle and horses are soon pocketed by tourists and looters, disappearing into collections, or reappearing at swap meets at Wagon Wheel, Phoenix, or Tucson.

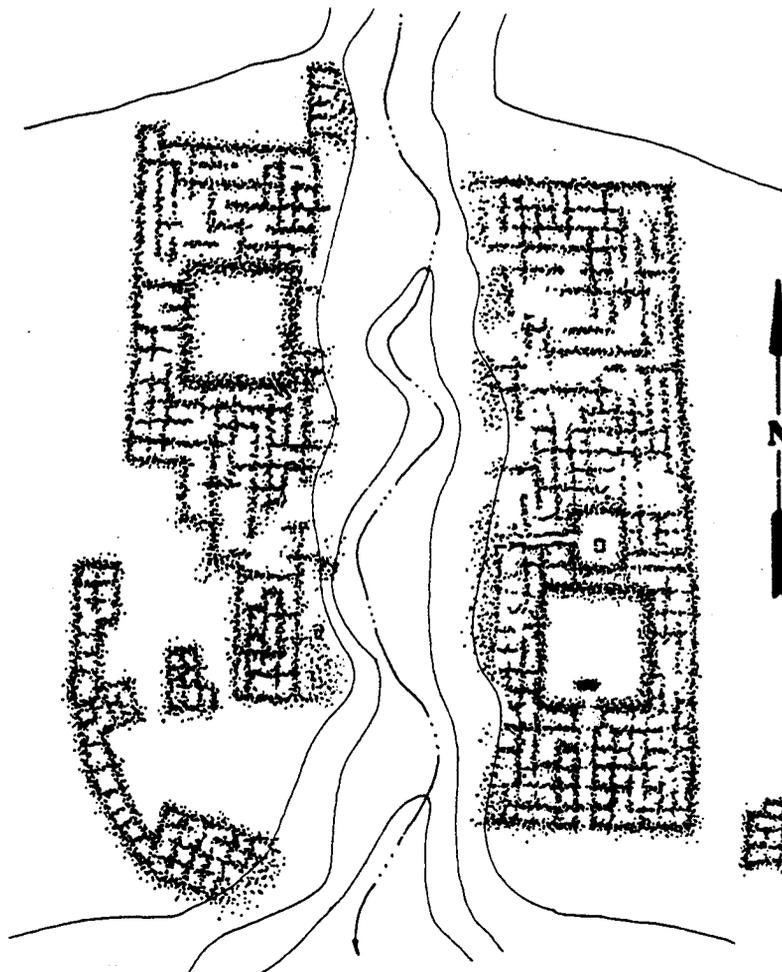
"So what's wrong with that? Kinishba looks like an Anasazi dump; what harm is there in letting my boy find and keep a perfect arrowhead, and my little girl find enough potsherds to string a necklace? My wife thinks those fetishes would make stunning earrings, and wouldn't that mano and metate look great in my garden? There is so much stuff here--500 years of trash--nobody's going to miss the little we take; besides, if Kinishba was really important, there would be rangers, guides, and concessions here instead of just cows and horses."

Kinishba may not be important to the powers that be, but it is important to me. I've spent almost ten years and thousands of dollars researching the possibility that the Anasazi didn't "disappear," but in historical Apache fashion, Anasazi men were killed, and their women and small children became Apaches, compromising their beliefs, traditions, and culture.

To me, Kinishba is the library of Anasazi and Apache culture, and people keep tearing pages out of the books before I get the chance to read them.

That, basically, is what the Site Steward Program is all about: trying to contain all the pieces of the puzzle in one place until someone comes along to fit all the pieces into one big picture which everyone can understand and appreciate.

Unfortunately, this puzzle has more pieces than volunteers to look after them, so who do you know that really needs fresh air, and exercise, values our pre-historic resources, and a good reason to combine the three?



KINISHBA

A 14th Century Mogollon Trading Center

SUMMARY OF BURIAL BILL SB 1412**Signed by the Governor on July 5, 1990 as Chapter 400**

Prohibits the intentional disturbance of human remains or funerary objects on private lands. It provides a notification process whereby the landowner, lessee or their agents inform the Director of the Arizona State Museum of the discovery of remains and objects. Protects the constitutional rights of property owners. Provides for consultation with Native Americans in the disposition of affinally related human remains. It specifically provides the following:

1. Requires that the total time period from notification to removal is 10 working days.
2. Requires respectful treatment of human remains and objects.
3. Establishes an Acquisition and Preservation Fund consisting of monies received from criminal fines and penalties assessed, and from grants and private donations. The fund, where possible, will bear the cost of removal of remains.
4. Provides for the following penalties:
 - a) intentional possession, sale or transfer of any remains or objects, Class 5 felony;
 - b) otherwise intentionally disturbing remains or objects, Class 1 misdemeanor.
5. Establishes a joint study committee to study means for preserving archaeological sites, review funding and cost issues related to the preservation of archaeological and burial sites.

CURRENT REGIONAL COORDINATORS

AUGUST 1990

1. Yuma	Tony Flores	344-8549
2. Sonoita/Patagonia	Jim Notestine	455-5324
3. Sierra Vista	Ron Stewart	458-4824
6. Tucson	Jon Stewart	889-8195
7. Safford	Rudi Benskin	428-6998
8. Congress	Larry Bernhardt	
	P.O. Box 487, Congress AZ	85332
9. Apache Junction	Sharon Speck	468-4555
		898-6812
9. Scottsdale	Cathy Johnson	947-3659
11. Arivaca	Kathleen Sheldon	398-2839
12. Bouse/Parker	Con & Dawn Bergland	
	P.O. Box 173, Bouse, AZ	85325
14. Payson	Ed Riggs	474-6391
15. Show Low	Gene Ivie	537-8811
16. St. Johns	Michele Weber	337-4282
17. Kingman	Loren Wilson	753-3195
18. Flagstaff	Bob Coody	779-0501
19. Holbrook	Darlene Brinkerhoff	524-6569
20. Arizona Strip	Aline LaForge	801-628-4491
21. Hopi	Leigh Jenkins	734-2441
22. Prescott	Charles Steger	445-6520

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