Center for Desert Archaeology
Dear Friends,

The past matters. Our past matters. At the Center for Desert Archaeology, we envision a society in which the places of the past are valued as the foundations for a vibrant future. As such, it is our mission to preserve the places of our shared past. For 25 years now, we have pursued this mission on behalf of all who find meaning in such places—with your help and through our many partnerships. We understand that these “places” are not just archaeological sites, historic buildings, or cultural landscapes, but also archival information about them and artifacts recovered from them.

All of us who care about the past are responsible for its preservation, whether this takes the form of financial assistance, volunteerism, activism, research, learning, or simply speaking up when the moment calls for it. With your support, the Center preserves the past by developing easements; working directly with property owners and community members; conducting and broadly communicating “big picture” research; pioneering research methods that do not require large-scale excavation; promoting the study of existing archaeological collections; and pursuing funding for the upgraded care and management of such collections. At the Center, we’re committed to understanding “big picture” questions about the past and sharing the insights we gain because we believe that this is the best way to foster widespread appreciation and responsibility for the places of our shared past. We are dedicated to creatively engaging meaningful dialogue about the past and its preservation.

In November 2007 and January 2008, our staff participated in a two-part strategic planning workshop in which we examined what we have become over the past 25 years and created a road map for the future. This process helped us to refine both how we understand our mission and the means we use to achieve it. Over the next few years, you’ll witness our renewed commitment to connecting people of today with the past through our research, education, and preservation efforts—in fact, you won’t only witness these developments, you’ll be making them possible!

Thank you for your commitment to supporting the Center for Desert Archaeology’s efforts to preserve the places of our shared past. As friends, members, donors, volunteers, and partners, I hope you’ll share our pride in celebrating some key accomplishments of 2007 highlighted in this annual report.

With gratitude,

William H. Doelle
President & CEO
Key Accomplishments in 2007

Researching questions of broad interest

Jeff Clark continues to investigate population movement and change in the Classic period (A.D. 1250–1450) in the southern Southwest. Our NSF-funded research on this subject was chosen as a 2007 Highlight by the National Science Foundation.

In September, Deborah Huntley joined our staff as our newest Preservation Archaeologist. She is helping to broaden our research into the Upper Gila River valley of Arizona and New Mexico.

Fred Nials and David Gregory continue to track the spread of early agriculture across the Southwest.

Paul Reed focused his research efforts on the emergence of Aztec, Salmon, and other great house communities in the Middle San Juan region of northwest New Mexico.

Volunteers Bill Robinson and Gloria Fenner, along with Research Associate Patrick Lyons, are reanalyzing ceramics from the Davis Ranch site in order to publish an update of Rex Gerald’s 1958 report on that important migrant site in the San Pedro valley.

Preservation Fellow Aaron Wright is studying the rock art of South Mountain (Phoenix) as his Ph.D. dissertation subject.

Volunteers Peter Boyle and Georgie Boyer completed their analysis of plainware ceramics from the Ross Bryce collection, with guidance from former Preservation Fellow Anna Neuzil.

The Center’s Paleo Research Fund provided critical support to University of Arizona Ph.D. student Jesse Ballenger’s field work as he tested Pleistocene faunal sites in the Middle San Pedro valley for the presence of human artifacts.

Center member Donna Tang volunteering for Paul Reed at the Flora Vista site.
Preserving our cultural heritage

The Center brought attention to the plight of Camp Naco in an issue of *Archaeology Southwest*, and secured a $17,500 grant from the Southwestern Foundation for Education and Historical Preservation to support efforts to preserve this piece of our past.

Linda Marie Golier continues to lead the effort to create a feasibility study for a proposed Little Colorado National Heritage Area.

The Center provided technical expertise to San Pedro landowners in their efforts to place a Bureau of Land Management easement on their property, protecting an important protohistoric Sobaipuri site.

In October, we celebrated the U.S. House of Representatives' approval of the proposed Santa Cruz National Heritage Area designation.

At the Palace of the Governors in Santa Fe, Linda Pierce and Arizona State Museum Photographer Jannelle Weakly scanned over 200 aerial photographs of archaeological sites taken by Charles Lindbergh in 1929, preserving these delicate records of the past for future research.

Jacquie Dale is representing the Center in the Cascabel Working Group's ongoing efforts to fight any suggestion of an interstate bypass through the San Pedro River valley.
Helping people to learn about the Southwest’s past

From Above, the Center’s exhibit of Adriel Heisey’s archaeological landscape aerial photography, was on exhibition in Salt Lake City, Utah, and Evansville, Indiana. Over 125,000 people have now experienced this traveling exhibit since its opening at the Albuquerque Museum in 2004.

Membership Coordinator Kate Sarther joined the Center’s team in September, and published the first edition of Preservation Archaeology News (pictured far left), the Center’s new newsletter, in November.

Doug Gann created a podcast tour of Homolovi Ruins State Park, using modern communications technology to give visitors a fuller understanding of the prehistoric inhabitants of those sites.

Doug also put his 3D digital rendering skills to good use creating interpretive exhibits for Casa Malpais Museum in Springerville, Arizona, and for the Arizona State Museum’s planned “virtual vault” of prehistoric pottery.

Our volunteers assisted on the South Mountain Rock Art project, the Southern Tucson Basin survey, and the Middle San Juan project, as well as working on special projects such as the Davis Ranch analysis, the Ross Bryce collection, Coronado outreach, library maintenance, computer modeling, and general outreach and assistance. Our sincere appreciation goes to everyone listed here.

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Special Thanks to all our 2007 Volunteers

Casa Malpais Museum

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Special Ways to Give

to preserve the places of our shared past

Heritage Circle
The Heritage Circle recognizes donors who have made a commitment to support the Center with an unrestricted gift of $1,000 or more each year for five years. Our special thanks to these donors who recognize the Center’s need for reliable operating support.

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Legacy Circle
The Center’s Legacy Circle recognizes those special donors who have made a decision to support the Center past their own lifetimes through a planned gift. We appreciate this show of confidence in the long-term success of the Center for Desert Archaeology.

Jean Clark
Jeff Clark
William H. Doelle
Bruce Hilpert
Lely–Taylor Living Trust
Doug Lindsay
Dwight Riggs
Arthur H. Wolf

For information on Heritage Circle benefits, or on ways to join the Legacy Circle and make a lasting gift to the Center through your will or other estate plans, please contact Linda Pierce at 520-882-6946 or lpierce@cdarc.org.

Endowments & Restricted Funds at the Center for Desert Archaeology

General Endowment Fund
Established in October 2005, earnings from this true endowment fund support archaeological research, preservation, and public outreach activities at the Center.

The June H. Doelle Fund
Established by William H. Doelle in memory of his mother, this fund supports the publication of Archaeology Southwest magazine and other public outreach programs.

Fund for Community-based Archaeology
Established in 1997, this fund supports Center for Desert Archaeology research, preservation, and public outreach activities throughout the Greater Southwest.

Site Protection Fund
Donations to this fund support various site preservation activities, including the purchase of threatened sites and the negotiation, monitoring, and enforcement of archaeological conservation easements.

Preservation Fellowship
Established in 2001, this fund provides support to a promising Ph.D. student to pursue a preservation archaeology research project at the Center for Desert Archaeology.

Research Fund
This fund supports archaeological research at the Center. Preservation archaeology research methods include large-scale surveys, limited excavations, detailed site and regional mapping, and the further study of existing collections.

Paleo Research Fund
Donations to the Paleo Fund are used to support research specifically focused on the Paleoindian period in the Southwest.

Publication Fund
Donations to this fund support the ongoing publication of the Center’s quarterly magazine, Archaeology Southwest, as well as other publications. Proceeds from sales are reinvested in this fund to support new publications.

Endowment Naming Opportunities
Establishing a named fund at the Center for Desert Archaeology is an effective way to leave your legacy by supporting the type of archaeological endeavors of most interest to you. A fund can be established in your name or in the name of a friend or family member you wish to honor or memorialize. For more information, please contact Linda Pierce at 520-882-6946 or lpierce@cdarc.org.

In 2002, the Center purchased and fenced 9.6 acres of the Double Adobe Site in southeastern Arizona.
2007 Financial Statements

Statement of Financial Position
as of 12/31/07

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