MESA PRIETA PETROGLYPH PROJECT (MPPP) PETROGLYPH RECORDER TRAINING

Saturday, March 5, 2011 9:00-5:00 @ The Wells Petroglyph Preserve Practice Field Days Sunday, March 6; two others to follow

Mesa Prieta is a 12 mile long, 1000 foot high mesa with an estimated 30,000 petroglyphs and other archaeological features.

The mesa is a rugged geological structure with few roads. Volunteers must be capable of hiking up to a mile and working in steep, rough terrain.

MPPP provides the required equipment to record petroglyphs.

Preference given to volunteers wishing to train as a team.



Mission: MPPP seeks to preserve petroglyphs on Mesa Prieta through education of the local community and recording what may be well over 30,000 rock images on the mesa.

Volunteers are trained in state of the art, scientific recording of petroglyphs and other cultural resources.

Volunteers work in teams of 3 or 4 in assigned areas. Once training is completed, teams select their own schedule to record on the mesa.

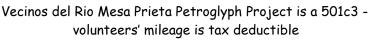
CLASS IS RESTRICTED TO 10 PARTICIPANTS Expectations:

- MPPP requests that volunteers record on the Mesa a minimum of one day a month, weather permitting. Team members may have to be flexible to match their team member's schedules.
- Volunteers are required to attend two practice days prior to being assigned to a team. A project mentor will work in the field with each volunteer at least two additional days.
- Volunteers are asked to sign a liability waiver and agree to respect private land owners' property rights.
- Volunteers may take photographs for personal use but agree not to use photographs taken on Mesa Prieta for publication, social network pages, public presentations or profit.
- Volunteers agree not to take guests or animals on the mesa nor to disclose locational information about the resources on the mesa.
- Pre-study packets will be sent to volunteers prior to the class.

PLEASE RESPOND By February 20, 2011

With your indication of interest and completion of attached application form to: mesaprieta@cybermesa.com Or: MPPP, P. O. Box 407, Velarde, NM 87582 More Information: 505-852-1351





Other volunteer opportunities available include training as a Tour Docent on the Wells Petroglyph Preserve and volunteering at the MPPP office in Velarde doing data entry to the GIS data base, office support and assistance with the Summer Youth Program and School Curriculum.