

## Dear members of the Plateau Sciences Society

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A happy New Year to all our members, and as we enter 2017, hopefully everyone is in good health and full of energy. Our December meeting/Christmas party was well attended and we had more than enough to eat. Special recognition was paid to long-time member Martha Zollinger, who, at 94, was just as spry as ever!

Our January meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 15, at the Red Mesa Center, 105 W. Hill Street. The program will start at 2:30 p.m. and will take on a different format this month. We have scheduled a round table discussion focusing on our commitment to engage in the preservation of old Fort Wingate. All the members who took photos of the old buildings last October are encouraged to bring them. Invited guests who will attend include Jennifer Lazarz, the newly-appointed Gallup tourism director and Rose Eason, the ArtsCrawl director. Also invited is Sharon Pinto, Regional Dir. of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Scott Merrill, owner of the Ft. Wingate Tdg. Post. Retired Col. David deBaca might show up. too. Martin will also give a report on THATCamp, sponsored by the N.M. Humanities Council, that he attended on Saturday, in Albuquerque.

All members are encouraged to bring some refreshments to the meeting and program.

The monthly meeting will follow the program. A major item is the selection of a secretary, as Linda Popelish declined the position.

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