

# Perry Mesa

2015 April 25th Saturday 9a - 4p

Where: 40 miles North of Phoenix - Arizona

How: 4-Wheel Drive Needed - "Carpooling" from I-17 Available

**The area known as Perry Mesa**, located 40 miles north of Phoenix, was occupied by prehistoric farmers living in large aggregated villages from approximately A.D. 1275-1450.

The region abounds with the remains of these prehistoric farming systems. The archaeological record of Perry Mesa exemplifies a pattern that occurred throughout central Arizona in the thirteenth through fifteenth centuries. Groups moved from valleys to upland areas, where they aggregated into relatively large pueblo villages and devoted considerable attention to defense and long-distance trade. On Perry Mesa, hundreds of archaeological sites exist within a distinctive natural landscape.

Spend the day on a wild adventure, and see for yourself the amazing Perry Mesa Wall – hundreds of pictographs and petroglyphs dating back hundreds of years. And don't forget your camera!!

4-Wheel Drive Vehicles: PLEASE call Larry to let him know if you are bringing a 4-Wheel drive and if you may be able to accommodate one or two extra passengers

## *If you go . . .*

**When:** April 25<sup>th</sup> Saturday 9am

**What You'll See:** petroglyphs, hundreds of pictographs, 13th Century Indian ruins and more

**Why This is So Cool:** an entire WALL of pictographs – nothing like you've ever seen before

**Meet at:** 9am at *Home Depot* parking lot I-17 & Carefree Hwy (East of the interstate about 1/8 mile on the left/north side – it's hard to see until you're on top of it)

**What to DRIVE:** All-Wheel drive will NOT get you back there, but you can drive your all-wheel vehicle or regular car to the parking area, and we'll buddy-up at that point into 4-Wheel drive vehicles

**What to Bring:** wear hiking shoes, layers, bring water, snacks & bag lunch

Optional:, camera, binoculars, hat

**Timing:** all day adventure 9 - 4pm.

**After:** [optional] we'll stop for Happy Hour and vittles at the Rock Springs Bar & Cafe

**Lead By:** Larry Reineck  
602-909-3166 cell  
[LAreineck@gmail.com](mailto:LAreineck@gmail.com)

