



2013

ALICE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS



The 2013 Colorado Archaeological Society Alice Hamilton Scholarship Award Committee awarded \$3,575 this spring to a field of ten Scholars consisting of three undergraduate students, four Masters Candidates and three PhD Candidates.

All of this year's applicants were well qualified and were supported with Letters of Recommendation from top archaeological educators and researchers around Colorado. The Scholars were from five institutions across the state, and projects involved research from Paleo-Indian through Historic periods.

The Scholarship requirement is that students be enrolled with at least half-time load at a Colorado institution of higher education in archaeology or related field. Awards are made on the quality of the application and worthiness of the project as it pertains to the enrichment of the field of archaeology, with an emphasis on Colorado, Southwestern or Rocky Mountain archaeology.

The Scholarship fund monies are generated by donation and through fund-raising activities at the State and local Chapter levels. \$750 is the maximum award allowed to any one student. Since inception in 1987, CAS has awarded \$74,575 in scholarships to 214 students.

The 2013 Alice Hamilton Scholars are:

Jessica Hedgepeth, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$550

For dissertation fieldwork: Travel funds to continue intensive survey of the western lower Verde Valley in Oaxaca, Mexico.

Cody Newton, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$475

For dissertation labwork: Funding of a radiocarbon date in support of the Little Snake River Postcontact Project in southern Wyoming.

Jacob Sedig, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$400

For dissertation fieldwork: Funding of tree ring dating and purchase of backfill sand to complete dissertation excavation of Woodrow Ruin, a Mimbres site on the upper Gila River in southwest New Mexico.

Jamie Devine, Masters Candidate, University of Denver, Denver \$275

Thesis fieldwork: Funding for a pedestrian survey of the Ludlow Massacre site (5LA1829) searching for evidence of children and their activities.

Alexandria Halmbacher, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$350

Thesis fieldwork: comparative analysis of Mesoamerican residential storage space from Pre-Colombian to Contemporary time.

Christopher Morine, Masters Candidate, University of Denver, Denver \$350

For thesis fieldwork: Funding for the initial survey of Camp Trinidad, a WWII German POW camp east of Trinidad, CO.

Emily Wigington, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$275

For thesis labwork: For archival investigation cultural use of three islands in the ancient lakes Xoxhimilco and Taxcoco, which are dry land now inside modern Mexico City.

Denise Regan, Undergraduate, Metropolitan State University, Denver \$350

For lab expenses: Partial funding for an AMS radiocarbon date supporting the analysis of Welcome Home rockshelter, Elbert County, CO.

Sam Roberts, Undergraduate, Western State University, Gunnison \$200

For fieldschool expenses: For attendance at the Programme for Belize Archaeology fieldschool in northwest Belize.

Jerry Smith, Undergraduate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$350

For fieldschool expenses: For attending the CSU field school.

A heartfelt thank-you is extended to all students who applied, and to the seventeen educators and other professionals who wrote letters of recommendation for the applicants. It is very interesting and rewarding for the committee members to read and rank the applications. The decisions were, as always, quite difficult. Scholars are encouraged to apply in subsequent years, if they still meet the eligibility requirements.

C.A.S. requires that the Scholars submit a short written summary on how the monies were used. They are also strongly encouraged to present their research findings or a progress report at the C.A.S. annual meeting, or at a local Chapter monthly meeting or newsletter, as appropriate. Completed papers may also be submitted for publication in C.A.S.' respected quarterly journal, Southwestern Lore. This dissemination of our funded research results is of significant benefit to the C.A.S. membership, to the individual Scholar and to the profession.

This report is being sent to all Scholars, their references, C.A.S. Chapters and to various Colorado public and educational entities as a press release. C.A.S. members who are interested in reading applications may contact the Committee via email, phone or mail.

Respectfully submitted,

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