

The CAS Surveyor



Newsletter of the Colorado Archaeological Society

From the President

Well, spring is almost here. It seems to me that it has been a long winter. From the reports I received, the CAS quarterly meeting in Montrose along with the CCPA annual meeting was a success. My thanks to Linda Seyfert for very ably chairing that meeting, and my thanks in advance for her chairing the summer CAS quarterly meeting.

I played hooky and took advantage of being retired. Iris & I went to Del Rio, Texas to participate in the American Rock Art Research Association annual meeting. Teresa Weedin of the Denver Chapter organized a trip to coincide with the ARARA meeting which allowed those of us on her trip to see most of the sites offered on the ARARA field trips. Without Teresa, we would have been able to visit only one or two sites instead of the dozen or so which we saw. That part of Texas is a unique place. It is probably some of the roughest country I have been in, and the rock art is among the best I have ever seen. As there seems to be very little public land in at least the Lower Pecos River area of Texas, nearly all the Rock Art and Archaeology sites are on private land. Most of the land owners are very protective of their sites and only allow limited visitation. Many thanks to Teresa Weedin for arranging the trip. It will likely go down as one of the more unique and interesting trips in which I have participated.

Tom Sholes continues to move forward with his education program for the Boy Scouts. With improved weather, we should begin to see more concrete results as he is able to field test and refine his program. Par Williams, Bridget Hollingsworth, and Bob Kilgore continue their fine work with the Colorado Springs School district.



I want to thank Terri Hoff for her work in finally getting the CAS web site up and operational. I unfortunately had some little experience with that in a prior life, and know what a pain moving domain names around and getting a web site designed and loaded can be. Thanks Terri.

I also want to thank Phil Williams and his committee for all the hard work they put into reviewing and selecting the recipients of this year's Alice Hamilton Scholarships. Congratulations to all the students who received awards. I hope we at CAS will be hearing of your project results in the future.

And finally I want to thank the Southwestern Lore Editor, Judi Halasi, for her efforts in getting Southwestern Lore back on schedule. I understand the Winter 2009 Issue will be out in a couple of weeks, and the Spring 2010 Issue, (a special 75th Anniversary Issue) will be out very soon after that and the Summer 2010 issue out just about on time. Thanks also to Tom Hoff for his efforts on the Special Issue.

Iris & I are preparing for our retirement trip of a lifetime to Alaska this summer. We have

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Special points of interest:

- May 14-16—CRAA Annual Symposium, Trinidad
- June 22-28—CAS Trip to Easter Island (2 spaces left)
- July 7-14 (tentative)—PAAC Training Survey, Antelope Gulch
- July 24—CAS Quarterly Meeting, Cortez
- October 1-3—CAS Annual Meeting, Gunnison
- October 6-9—Plains Anthropological Conference, Bismarck, ND
- October 20-23—Great Basin Anthropological Conference, Layton, UT

been talking about this for years and now it is finally happening.

Larry Evans, President

The CAS website is back!

www.coloradoarchaeology.org

Check it out!

Please send comments and contributions to tthoff@hotmail.com

6th Annual Colorado Rock Art Association Symposium

May 14-16, 2010

Trinidad State Junior College, Trinidad, Colorado

Dinner Speaker: Polly Schaafsma

Friday registration 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM in Louden-Henritze Museum (Lower level of Library)

Saturday Symposium and Banquet in Pioneer Room (Sullivan Student Center)

Please complete registration and mail with fees by **April 30, 2010**

<http://www.coloradorockart.org/PAGES/symposium.html>

CAS Quarterly Board Meeting Highlights

March 27, 2010, Montrose, Colorado

The Quarterly Board meeting of the Colorado Archaeological Society was held on March 27, 2010 in conjunction with the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists Annual Meeting in Montrose

An accounting review of the 2009 State CAS Treasurer's records was conducted on March 13, 2010. The records were found to be in order.

It is time for each chapter to file Form 990-N, e-postcard, "Electronic Notice for Tax-Exempt Organizations not required to File Form 990 or 990-EZ". Each chapter also needs to submit year-end financials as soon as possible, even if it is prior to review.

A raffle item is needed for the 2010 CAS Annual Meeting. A total of \$5,100 was awarded to 12 scholars. The Alice Hamilton award winners were as follows.

- Jamie Forde, PhD candidate, CU-\$550
- Guy Hepp, PhD candidate, CU-\$550
- Kathryn Putsavage, PhD candidate, CU-\$550
- Harold Baille, Masters candidate, CU-\$350
- Kristen Deily, Masters candidate, CSU-\$400
- Caitlin Sommer, Masters candidate, CU-\$400
- Vlisha Stanerson, Masters candidate, CSU-\$450
- Kellam Throgmorton, Masters candidate, CU-\$550
- Michael Troyer, Masters candidate, CSU-\$450
- David Williams, Masters candidate, CU-\$350
- Emily O'Brien, Undergraduate, Metro State-\$250
- Christopher Johnston, Undergraduate, CU-\$250

The Summer PAAC Training Survey is planned for July 7-14 at Antelope Gulch. Volunteers interested in participating in the Summer Training Survey need to contact Kevin Black by June 1.

Questionnaires for selecting the PAAC classes for fall, 2010 will be sent to each chapter PAAC coordinator. An updated list of PAAC volunteers was distributed. Each chapter is requested to review the list and notify Kevin of any changes that need to be made.

One new PAAC certification was awarded to Tom Sholes of the Pikes Peak Chapter for Laboratory Trainee. One other PAAC certification, which was previously earned in the fourth quarter, 2009, was awarded to Carolyn Camell-Coppin of the Indian Peaks Chapter.

Site forms are being updated and will be tested in 2010. New forms will be on the OAHP website on January 1, 2011. A feedback questionnaire concerning suggestions for the 10-year plan was distributed. Each chapter is requested to fill out the form and return it to Tom Carr.

The spring, 2010 issue of "Southwestern Lore" will be a CAS SWL Anniversary issue. It will contain articles from the previous 75 years of SWL.

The new CAS website should be up and running shortly. An email notification will be sent out when the website is up and running.

Chapters are requested to submit nominations for chapter awards to be presented at the October Annual meeting.

The 2010 Archaeological and Historic Preservation Awareness Month posters are available for distribution. Theme is "transportation" to honor the 100th anniversary of CDOT.

There is a tentative agreement with URARA to hold a joint meeting with the CAS Annual Meeting in Grand Junction during October, 2011.

Submitted by Bob Rushforth, Recording Secretary

2010 Alice Hamilton Scholarship Awards

The 2010 Colorado Archaeological Society Alice Hamilton Scholarship Award Committee awarded \$5,100 this spring to a field of twelve Scholars consisting of two undergraduate students, seven Masters Candidates and three PhD Candidates.

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

Jamie Forde

Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$550

For dissertation fieldwork: Investigation into Indigenous-Spanish relationships in early colonial times, Oaxaca, Mexico.

Guy Hepp

Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$550

For dissertation laboratory analysis: Ceramic and float-sample investigation into a potential Early Formative Period site, coastal Oaxaca, Mexico.

Kathryn Putsavage

Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$550

For dissertation fieldwork: Investigation into regional interactions at the Black Mountain site, in the Mimbres region, near Deming, New Mexico.

Harold Baillie

Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$350

For thesis laboratory expenses: Ceramic analysis to support thesis investigation of Late Classic sacral activities at the Rio Viejo acropolis in Oaxaca, Mexico. Artifacts were collected in 2009 in an Alice Hamilton-supported excavation.

Kristen Deily

Masters Candidate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$400

For thesis laboratory expenses: Protein residue analysis of lithic and bone artifacts to be recovered this summer at game drives along Rollins Pass, Colorado.

Caitlin Sommer

Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$400

For thesis laboratory analysis: AMS dating of a feathered artifact from Mantle's Cave, in Moffat County, Colorado. This is in support of her investigation of the use of the cave,

Vlisha Stanerson

Masters Candidate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$450

For laboratory expenses: Travel to the Maxwell Museum in Albuquerque so study skeletal remains from the Gallina Culture of Northern New Mexico to support her investigation into violence in that culture.

Kellam Throgmorton

Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$550

For thesis fieldwork travel expenses: In the Puerco Valley of Arizona, an assessment of multiple site functions through analysis of ground-stone assemblages and site architecture.

Michael Troyer

Masters Candidate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$450

For thesis laboratory expenses: For macrobotanical analysis and AMS dating of a hearth feature from the Black Shale Arroyo site in Larimer County, Colorado.

David Williams

Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$350

For thesis fieldwork travel expenses: For living expenses while conducting lithic analysis, including manufacturing techniques, use-wear and sourcing, of materials collected from Formative, Classic and Postclassic periods in the Lower Rio Verde Valley, Oaxaca Mexico.

Emily O'Brein Ainsworth

Undergraduate, Metro State College, Denver \$250

For School tuition: Metro State College summer semester.

Christopher Johnston

Undergraduate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$250

For fieldwork travel expenses: For excavation at the Gault site, Texas, sponsored by the PaleoCultural Research Group, Arvada, Colorado.

A heartfelt thank-you is extended to all students who applied, and to the sixteen 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, as all the submissions were worthy of support. 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.

C.A.S. members who are interested in reading applications may contact the Committee via email, phone or mail. 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.

Respectfully submitted,

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Education Outreach: A Report and a Request

By Tom Sholes, CAS Public Education Coordinator

The decision to initially focus state-wide educational activities on the Boy Scouts is appearing more valid as time progresses. Additional tales of undisciplined behavior at archaeological sites surfaced during a recent visit with staff members at the Anasazi Heritage Center and the BLM HQ in Delores. One former staffer at the Navajo National Monument told me, "When we heard Scout troops were coming, we would tremble!"

The primary culprits are not the kids and their natural spontaneity, but leaders who are not aware of the ethics of visiting sites and permit kids to climb on ruins, collect artifacts and inscribe their marks on rock art. This gives further credence to our Phase 1 activity, that of creating a program our chapters can use to educate local Scouters at their monthly District Roundtables.

A Power Point program is now in progress AND, instead of doing it ourselves, for added emphasis, I decided to allow Scouts, to create the program. I'm currently working with an extremely sharp lad who is developing our first program as his Eagle Scout project, but under our supervision. We hope to have it available to chapters sometime this fall to allow it to be

presented to Scout leaders this coming winter and spring before they lead kids back out into those field situations again next summer.

That's the report, now here's the request. I can use more vandalism shots, the more "vulgar," the better. I especially need structural vandalism pix, pot hunting, etc., but can use more rock art shots too. If you have digital pix, e-mail them to me at cas-outreach@comcast.net. Mail prints to Tom Sholes, 7160 So Perry Park Blvd., Larkspur, CO 80118. I've already received some great ones, but can use more. We are also planning related articles for Boy's Life and Scouter Magazines.

Phase 2 of this project will be a program to help Scouts achieve Archaeology Merit Badge, which should also enhance preservation awareness, and Phase 3 will be the development of a similar program for the Girls Scouts (who do not have an Archaeology Merit Badge). The Texas state organization has accomplished an equivalent to our Phase 3, and we will be talking to appropriate individuals there.

Any help and support with these projects will most definitely be appreciated.



Field Volunteer Opportunity with UNC

The University of Colorado will be conducting field work for the North Park Cultural Landscapes Project (Parallel SHS/BLM funded and UNC field school [ANT 325/525] investigations) this summer. The primary work will concentrate on excavations of the prehistoric Ute occupation at 5JA421 with some further survey in Ballinger Draw valley and shovel testing of the large multi-component site (5JA1810), with Early Paleoindian to Late Prehistoric occupations, overlooking 5JA421. The field season runs from June 28 to July 23 (4 weeks), with the weekends off. The field schedule is designed for the students, but it all applies to CAS volunteers as well. CAS folks are invited to participate, and are welcome to stay at the field camp in Ballinger Draw or

one of the four motels in Walden. Please contact Fred Sellet or Bob Brunswig by at least a week before the field season (June 21 or before) so they can make schedules and plans for your participation. Please contact:

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Scientific (Survey, Testing, Excavation, Lab):

Pikes Peak Chapter – Members are currently participating in 2 surveys: Coral Bluffs, east of Colorado Springs, and Barr camp on Pikes Peak. This project will determine if camp or buildings are eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Proposed is a survey and recording of buildings. Barr Camp is under the auspices of the Forest Service.

Publications Report: No report

Curation Issues: No report

Site Stewardships:

Pikes Peak & Pueblo – Members of both chapters attended training for the South East Colorado Cultural Site Stewardship Program in LaJunta March 13th. The partnership project was between the U.S. Forest Service, Comanche National Grasslands, and South East Colorado Regional Heritage Tourism group. Covered were Southeastern Colorado archaeology and artifacts, laws and ethics, site impacts, safety and decision making in the field, incident reporting and crime scene interaction.

Vandalism and Compliance Issues: No report

Cross-Organizational Interactions:

Pikes Peak – Membership continues to be electronically notified by Judy Kilgore of all museum programs in the Pikes Peak region which are of historical and archaeological interest.

Public Education / Outreach:

Pikes Peak – Two education projects are upcoming: A presentation to two classes of 4th graders the first week of April with Bridget Hollingsworth, Bob Kilgore and Pat Williams covering archaeological field kits, lithics and rock art/ceramics; and art students at Pikes Peak Community College will receive a presentation on Anasazi pottery from Pat Williams at the Pioneers Museum.

Pueblo – The archaeology and People's of Colorado's Past trunk programs were presented to 5th – 8th graders February 17th. The Rock Art trunk will be presented to elementary school students in April.

Rock Art – Plans are moving ahead for the Rock Art Symposium to be held in Trinidad on May 14-16 at Trinidad State Junior College. A presentation for elementary school kids is in the works.

Other:

Pikes Peak – Field trips for the next two months include an April hike in Picketwire Canyonlands under the leadership of Sam Rutter and UCCS professor of geography Brandon Vogt relating to rock art and rock weathering, and a group participation in viewing of Indian art for Southern Colorado and Southeast Colorado at the Sangre de Cristo Arts Center in Pueblo in March.

Pueblo – A field trip is being planned for early mar. Details are forthcoming.

Submitted by Linda Seyfert, CAS Advisory Board Chair

Easter Island with CAS, June 22-28, 2010

By Teresa Weedin

There are still two open places on the Easter Island trip! Join Teresa Weedin, Reefs to Rockies LLC. Our several-day itinerary gives us the opportunity to visit many of the archaeological sites on the island. But there will be time to explore the local community to get to know the locals and also check out the favorite beaches and local hangouts! We begin and end our tour in Santiago, Chile. The land-only cost is \$1630 per person, double occupancy (\$500 single supplement).

For more information on one or both of these trips, please contact Teresa Weedin at 303/366-7843 or weedin@comcast.net. Reefs to Rockies can assist you with airfare to Peru and/or Chile, and air within each country (Sheridan@reefstorockies.com, 303/860-6045).



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