The CAS Surveyor



Newsletter of the Colorado Archaeological Society

CAS 75th Annual Meeting Report

At the CAS Annual Meeting, Saturday October 2, 2010, the day was filled with excellent presentations covering a wide variety of interesting topics. I wish to thank the following presenters for sharing their time, papers and posters and for helping to create an enjoyable and educational day:

Papers:

Kevin D. Black – Rocks and More Rocks: Third Season Update on the PAAC Survey in the Antelope Gulch Area

Joshua Boyd and Gaia Ewing – Archaeological Survey South of Tenderfoot Mountain

Thomas Carr – Deconstructing a Conflict: The Plains Indian Wars from 1855 to 1890

Casey Dukeman – Comparisons of Folsom Residential and Non-Residential Lithic Technology Organization: Examples from Mountaineer and the Lanning Site

David Garrison and Paul Swader – Investigations at Granada relocation Center (Camp Amache), an Internment Center for Japanese-Americans During WW II

Guy David Hepp – The Material Culture of Incipient Social Complexity in Pacific Coastal Mesoamerica: The Ceramics of La Consentida

Jason Labelle, Jason DeCorte, Richard Burnette and Spencer Pelton – Up and Over the Mountain: A New Look at a High Altitude Game Drive System (5BL1247) on Rollins Pass, Colorado

Michael Nowak – Adventures with Dis-

turbed Sites

Kathryn Putsavage – Preliminary Excavations at the Black Mountain Site (LA 49) (paper presented on her behalf by Thomas Carr)

Bob Rushforth – New Mexico Airway Beacons

Mark Stiger – Mountaineer: Update 2010 and Modeling Movement of Small-Scale Artifacts on the Mountaineer Site

Posters:

Thomas Carr - State Historical Fund Projects with CAS Involvement

Casey Dukeman, Joshua Boyd, Greg Meldrum, Edward Morrison - This Olde Wikiup: Modeling the Architectural Dynamics of Living Structures with Archaeological Residues

In addition, thanks to Mark Varien, our excellent banquet for his fantastic update on Southwest Pueblo Archaeology.

Also...many many thanks to Lora Van Renselaar (C.T. Hurst / Gunnison Chapter member) for her invaluable assistance and support!

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CAS QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

will be sponsored by the Pueblo Chapter on January 22, 2011 at the Southeaster Colorado Heritage Center, 201 West "B" Street, Pueblo, Colorado. Look for directions to the meeting site and specific details for the meeting posted on the CAS website.

The CAS website is back!

www.coloradoarchaeology.org
Check it out!

Please send comments and contributions to *tthoff@hotmail.com*

CAS Quarterly Board Meeting Highlights

MINUTES: The minutes of the July, 2010 quarterly board meeting were approved with the correction of the title of Kevin Black's poster to be "Avocational Contributions to Colorado Archaeology".

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (TOM HOFF): Tom invited CAS Chapters to take field trips to the Cortez area. Three sites are available for tours. Chapters are to contact Tom Hoff.

TREASURER (MICHELE GIOMETTI):

Current assets are \$38,588.11 and liabilities are \$3,000.00.

MEMBERSHIP (BEV GOERING):

There are 880 chapter members and 621 chapter memberships. Unaffiliated members are 62 and unaffiliated memberships are 55.

ALICE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP (PHIL WILLIAMS):

The Penasco Blanco painting from the 2006 raffle is being raffled in 2010 as the Alice Hamilton Scholarship fundraiser. The drawing for the Alice Hamilton fundraising raffle will be held at the Hisatsinom Chapter meeting on December 7.

PAAC (KEVIN BLACK):

Three PAAC classes were held in Denver, Glenwood Springs, and Loveland. One PAAC class was cancelled (Field and Laboratory Photography in Grand Junction). The PAAC class for Pueblo (Perishable Materials) was rescheduled for October. No PAAC certificates were awarded for the third quarter. The new schedule for PAAC lab training sessions was posted on the OAHP website.

PUBLICATIONS / SOUTHWESTERN LORE (JUDI HALASI, written report):

Institutions are dropping subscriptions to SWL, because of timelines not being met. A thank you note will be sent to Joel Hurmence for his service as Surveyor Editor.

PUBLICATIONS / COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY (KEVIN BLACK):

Kevin Black reported no new manuscripts have been received for *Colorado Archaeology*.

PUBLICATIONS / SURVEYOR NEWSLETTER (New Editor needed):

John and Carla Sanborn volunteered to be editors of the Surveyor newsletter.

PUBLICATIONS / WEBSITE (TERRI HOFF):

Terri Hoff reported the new CAS website is up and running.

ADVISORY BOARD (LINDA SEYFERT):

Third quarter reports on each chapter's archaeological activities will be published in the Surveyor.

AWARDS (JASON LABELLE):

No nominations were received for the CT Hurst and Ivol Hagar Awards. Chapter Awards were made to Sandy Tradlener (Hisatsinom Chapter) and Neil Hauser (Denver Chapter).

ANTI-VANDALISM TASK FORCE (TERRY MURPHY):

Currently, Anti-Vandalism Task Force funds are logged under Archae-

ology and Historic Preservation Week. There was a consensus to continue with the status quo until the new State Archaeologist is appointed.

OLD BUSINESS:

CAS Liability Insurance - An estimate received by the Denver Chapter for insurance. A similar estimate for CAS insurance will be presented at the January meeting.

CAS Board Meeting Frequency – The frequency of CAS quarterly board meetings be discussed. The frequency of CAS board meetings will be continued at four (4) per year in 2011. The 2011 quarterly board meeting locations were established as follows: January-Pueblo, March – La Junta (CCPA), July – Cortez, October – Boulder.

2011 Annual Meeting – Boulder Chapter has agreed to host the 2011 annual meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee (Jason LaBelle)

The nominations for 2011 CAS officers were:

President – Larry Evans

Vice President - Linda Seyfert

Treasurer - Michelle Giometti

Secretary - Bob Rushforth

Election was unanimously approved. The 2010 officers were thanked for their service.

Easter Island Trip (Teresa Weedin) – There are plans for a 2011 trip to Easter Island, using the same travel company as in 2010. In view of the insurance liability issues, it will not be a CAS sponsored trip.

International Research Expeditions - A request was received from International Research Expeditions for CAS to run a research project. IRE is looking for projects in the western U.S. IRE funds research projects and supplies volunteers. Larry Evans will check into the legitimacy of this organization in preparation for discussion at the January meeting.

CHS Request for Donation for Susan Collins Retirement Party

 CAS will give a \$200 gift certificate and CRAA cups to Susan Collins for her retirement. It will be accounted under awards budget.

Individual donations can be made to the capital campaign for new museum exhibits. The information is on the CHS website.

CCPA sent a letter congratulating CAS on its 75th Anniversary.

President Larry Evans thanked the Gunnison Chapter for hosting the annual meeting. He also thanked Linda Seyfert, Mark Stiger, and Lora Van Renselaar for organizing the annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Robert Rushforth Fall 2010 Page 3

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COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY October 2, 2010

SCIENTIFIC (SURVEY, TESTING, EXCAVATION, LAB):

Chipeta – Calamity Trail is a prehistoric site on the Dry Creek basin area of the Uncompahgre Plateau. A partnership with the Western 4 Wheelers Jeep Club raised \$1500 for a professional archaeologist from Western Wyoming State (Dudley Gardener, PI) to survey the archaeology site that the trail cut through. Chipeta members participated in the survey.

Denver – Work continues at both Blackfoot Cave excavation and survey at W. Bijou. The summer was spent at Blackfoot Cave. A large number of ground stone and pottery sherds were found. A rim sherd found indicates Early Ceramic period. A trade bead in the excavation dates from the early to mid 19th century and is the only artifact found so far from the period of use of the nearby Cherokee Trail. Survey began again at W. Bijou. A paleo-point was found in a site with larger diversity of material and an assortment of tools. An apparent tool reduction site was also found which contained one archaic point. Survey will continue at W. Bijou until the weather ends the season. Currently at least 3 more days are planned. We will also be characterizing and mapping artifacts at one or two sites to study the site formation processes (taphonomy) taking place. This will include sizing, weighing, and mapping all artifacts in several grids and repeating those measurements yearly for the next several years.

Hisatsinom – Mitchell Springs Great Kiva update – We thought we had finished until 3 vessels were found on the pithouse floor hinting at more to be discovered. Slabs lining the upper Great Kiva will be removed so that more of the pithouse can be explored. The search for the Great Kiva at the base of the Mesa Verde escarpment continues. Steve LaBlanc (Harvard/Peabody Museum) came out in September to assist. Another great kiva and many P-II sites were found in September.

Pueblo – The chapter has begun a survey of the Hudson Ranch; two properties, totaling approximately 1200 acres, donated by the Hudson family. The property is under the control of the CSU extension agency for 4H club use. On the initial survey day, a possible gravesite and a lithic scatter were recorded.

Vermillion - Vermillion Chapter has agreed to assist White River BLM in doing assessments for site evaluations for grazing leases and updating site forms in Canyon Pintado. Four chapter members completed evaluation for 3 sites in Canyon Pintado, and 3 chapter members completed evaluation for 2 sites. Three chapter members participated in site surveys with the Little Snake River BLM in surveying a portion of Vermillion Basin in Moffat County.

PUBLICATIONS REPORT:

Chipeta – Money has been coming in for a publication on Shavano Valley Petroglyph Site – now about \$300 donated for

Chipeta to produce a documentary on the petroglyphs. A rock art survey and recording field school in April has been proposed for Chipeta members. All photos, drawings, and technical reports by members will go into the publication.

Denver – Work on the Swallow Site report continues.

SITE STEWARDSHIPS:

Chipeta – The chapter has 23 site stewards.

Colorado Rock Art – The subject of site stewardship was discussed at length at the recent board meeting. We are certainly strongly supportive of the concept but feel that it really will need to be approached on a local level.

Indian Peaks – The chapter conducted site stewardship visits to Trail Ridge Game Drive (5LR15) and nearby Ute Trail game drive. Both game drives are high country pre-historic sites located adjacent to Highway 34, Trail Ridge Road, within Rocky Mountain National Park. No human activity, vandalism nor unusual erosion were noted in these areas.

VANDALISM AND COMPLIANCE ISSUES:

Hisatsinom – "Painted hand" (Canyon of the Ancients) was vandalized in May with scratching and digging. Site stewards are assigned for weekly monitoring. There are 50 sites monitored in the Monument with 9 reports of various types of vandalism, from pot hunting to graffiti.

CROSS-ORGANIZATIONAL INTERACTIONS:

Hitatsinom—A Sand Canyone brochure, developed by Anazasi Heritage Center (AHC), will be available in the canyon and at the AHC to encourage guests to visit for background, education and site etiquette.

Pikes Peak—Approximately 8 chapter members participated in the Founders Day Celebration sponsored by the Old Colorado Historical Society. An exhibit by the chapter included a story board, demonstration of the history education kits, a dig box, and one-on-one information exchanges with visitors. Twenty-one people signed up to receive the chapter's newsletter.

Colorado Rock Art—The board and officers have decided that in order to encourage local involvement in the planning and organizing of our rock art symposium and annual meeting each year, we can approach local CAS chapters proposing cosponsorship.

PUBLIC EDUCATION / OUTREACH:

Colorado Rock Art – We have a few more items to place in the Rock Art Archives. Mike Maselli ordered Pacific Image slide scanner and has begun digitizing slides from archives. We have not selected a new archivist yet. We are waiting on the beginning of school at CSU and Dr. LaBelle's recommendation.

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PUBLIC EDUCATION / OUTREACH (continued)

Denver - President Bob Rushforth gave a talk at Wings Over the Rockies Museum on the 2010 PIT (Passport in Time) Project performing an archaeological survey of airway beacons in Cibola, National Forest, NM for the USFS.

Pike Peak – Pat Williams gave a presentation at The Bridge, an assisted living residence campus in Colorado Springs which consisted of a talk on historic archaeology and "show and tell". Pat also met with a Durango chapter representative to do a briefing on the Pikes Peak Chapter education program. The representative is a member of the New Mexico Site Steward Foundation

OTHER: **Pueblo** – Several members participated in a field trip to Corral Bluffs. Other short field trips are being planned as "Expand Your Horizons" trips.

These trips are not necessarily archaeology related, but of interest to archaeology and the chapter.

Vermillion – The Chapter has finalized the grants from the Colorado Historical Society in the amount of \$89,503.00 and \$29,470 from the BLM for a study of Sand Wash quarry sites in cooperation with the Little Snake River BLM. The contract for this project was awarded to Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc. of Montrose, Colorado to conduct these surveys. Three chapter members participated in site surveys with Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc. in the Southern San Wash Bain in Moffat County. Alpine has completed its field survey portion of the grant.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Seyfert, Advisory Board Chair

Report On Anti-Vandalism Task Force

I am enthused about the multi-agency Anti-Vandalism Task Force! The task force is embracing a theme of "volunteer" or, more accurately, "participation". What really has me excited is the level of participation and enthusiasm by this year's task force!

In the past, most of the effort has been expended on creating the Archaeology and Preservation Month poster. This year (2011) the activity will be expanded to include a long term effort to encourage participation. This effort may even include a multi-year effort to recruit "volunteers". The idea grew out of a suggestion to use the vintage WWI poster of Uncle Sam pointing at you and saying "I want you". OK, so most of us are too young to remember WWI, but how about some smiling young people having fun in preservation and archaeology? Well, the next question that came up was "what do we do if people WANT to volunteer"?

To answer this, the Colorado Historical Society is in the process of setting up a "hot line" and central e-mail contact point for all of the organizations involved in preservation, archaeology and museum work. This hot line will direct people to the organization most closely related to the interests and location of the people responding to us. We hope to have this system up by February. In addition to providing contact information, this contact

information, this contact center will try to provide calendars/ schedules for events, meetings and opportunities with the participating organizations.

Plans are also well underway for a short video outlining archaeological and preservations opportunities in Colorado. We also hope to develop several public service announcements that can be distributed to local TV, radio stations and newspapers throughout the year. I think this will be a true long term outreach program!

For our part we, CAS CHAPTERS, will need to supply the contact center with our meeting and activity information on a TIMELY basis. We will need a list of meeting schedules and speakers or programs, locations, times, and contact information as soon as available. Also schedules of digs, labs, tours and other activities plus updates or changes. I know CAS has tried in the past to create a "central information bureau", but this time it will be staffed with full time professionals at CHS to help us keep it up to date! All the Task Force will need is someone from each chapter to, once a month, e-mail information to the center. All the chapters will have their link.

All-in-all, I am just astounded at the enthusiasm and dedication of this year's task force. It is not just "posters as usual"!

Terry Murphy

~~THANK YOU~~

We want to take this opportunity to express our sincerest gratitude to the Chapters and friends in CAS for the warm emails, sympathy cards and phone calls we received from so many of you following the passing of our beloved son Tom Jr. Recovery is, and will remain, to be very slow but we hope you can appreciate how much your support and thoughts of concern have meant to us.

We wish for all of you Loving and Happy Holidays -- Reflect on your blessings, cherish your family and do what you can to take care of our planet. Very sincerely, Tom and Terri Hoff

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CAS President's Corner

After a very successful annual meeting I want to congratulate Lora VanRenselaar of the C.T. Hurst Chapter in Gunnison for putting together a wonderful meeting. It is especially fitting to have the 75th Annual Meeting of the Colorado Archaeological Society sponsored and hosted by the chapter where it all began 75 years ago. Of course I would be remiss if I didn't thank Linda Seyfert for putting together a very good group of speakers and Tom Hoff for keeping everybody on track and focused in the weeks and months leading up to the meeting.

I wish to thank all the CAS officers for their diligent work over the past year. Again, especially Linda Seyfert, our Vice-President, for stepping in and handling the president duties while I was off playing in Alaska for 3 months over the summer. Speaking of Alaska, Iris & I have been discussing and planning this trip for at least 30 years. I was somewhat concerned that after all the build-up in our minds we would be disappointed. I can say with no reservations that the trip was better in every respect than anything I could have imagined. Again, thanks to Linda for stepping in and taking charge.

Our long time newsletter editor Joel Hurmence has requested a leave of absence from his many duties with CAS. I won't say he resigned as we want him back when he is ready. Joel has served as editor of the CAS newsletter for at least the last 8 years, as well as assistant editor of Southwestern Lore and Chairman of the Publication Committee. Joel also compiled an index for Southwestern Lore searchable by keyword, title, author and subject matter. The index is available on line at the Northern Colorado Chapter website. Joel has been very active in the C.T.Hurst Chapter when he lived in Gunnison and in the Northern Colorado Chapter after he moved to Fort Collins. His efforts and con-

tributions to CAS cannot be overstated. Thank you Joel for all your hard work.

We welcome Carla and John Sanborn of the Chipeta Chapter as our new newsletter editors. The Chipeta Chapter newsletter is one of the best I have seen.

CAS also owes a debt of gratitude to Terri Hoff for her hard work in getting the CAS website back on line after it was attacked by a virus on the host server. I do not know what all was involved in restoring the website; however from a small exposure to a similar problem prior to my retirement, I know I wanted nothing to do with getting it fixed. It was probably one of the most frustrating experiences I have ever had and I was only involved on the sidelines. Thank you Terri.

The Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA) has invited us to hold our quarterly board meeting in conjunction with their annual meeting March 24 – 27, 2011 in LaJunta, CO. On behalf of CAS I accepted the invitation. Exact details will be forth coming.

The Colorado State Archaeologist, Susan Collins, retired effective October 1, 2010. Susan was the State Archaeologist for 22 years and a very good friend of CAS. We wish Susan the best in her retirement, she will be missed. Kevin Black has assumed the duties of the State Archaeologist pending hire of a permanent person for the position.

Finally, I offer my deepest sympathy and condolences to Tom and Terri Hoff. Their son, T.R., passed away on October 17 from a massive heart attack at their home in Delores, CO.

Larry Evans, President

2010 ALICE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND RAFFLE REPORT

Katherine McComb of Lafayette, CO, bought raffle ticket #203, winning "Penasco Blanco", an oil painting by Colorado artist David Montgomery. Katherine is the Indian Peaks Chapter's Secretary/Treasurer. Congratulations, Katherine!!

The drawing was held Tuesday, December 7th at the Hisatsinom Chapter Holiday Members' Night.

The Scholarship Committee heartily thanks all Chapter members for their support of Colorado's future archaeologists through the purchase of these tickets. A reminder--your ticket purchases are tax-deductible. The Silent Auction at the Annual Meeting brought in \$922, making a total of \$2425 for these two fundraisers.

Terri Hoff, Raffle/Auction Coordinator, said that this total is quite a bit lower than previous years. The 2009 record year total was \$4303. So, 2011 Scholarships Awards will need to be scaled down accordingly. The Committee is now asking for a Raffle prize item to be donated for 2011. Requirements are a retail value of \$700 to \$1000.00 and should be of general appeal to our membership. Past donations include paintings, Native American jewelry, pottery, a Navajo rug and a quilt. The earlier we receive a donation, the sooner we can begin to promote it.

Please contact Phil Williams (Chair) <u>p2pwms@comcast.net</u> or Terri Hoff (Raffle) <u>tthoff@hotmail.com</u> or your Chapter Rep with ideas, suggestions or questions.

TICKET SALES TOTALS	\$1433	565 TICKETS
SAN JUAN BASIN	\$260	100
HISATSINOM	\$212	84
DENVER	\$201	79
PUEBLO	\$163	65
NORTHERN COLORADO	\$143	57
ANNUAL MEETING	\$133	53
PIKES PEAK	\$119	47
INDIAN PEAKS	\$102	40
COLO. ROCK ART	\$50	20
ROARING FORK	\$30	12
CHIPETA	\$20	8

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