Mini-Grants for Preservation Month

At the January Quarterly CAS Meeting, State Archaeologist Susan Collins informed us that due to severe budget restraints at the Colorado Historical Society (CHS) and the federal agencies that support Preservation Month activities each May, there will not be funds available for the mini-grant program this year.

To fill the need for funding the special events that many of our Chapters put on during the month of May, your CAS Board of Directors has allocated $1500 to be distributed as Preservation Month event grants (available only to CAS Chapters). Based on the number of submissions received from CAS Chapters in recent years, we determined that this should be sufficient to fund a maximum grant of $250. However, if we get a large number of what we deem as fundable applications, our review committee will allocate funds based on their discretion.

Further information and application form are available on the CAS website, www.coloradoarchaeology.org. If you have questions, please contact CAS Executive Secretary, Tom Hoff at thoff@hotmail.com or 970-882-2191. Advance notice of your anticipated application submission is appreciated.

In order to get your events posted on the Preservation Month Calendar published by the CHS, applications by email are due by March 16, 2009, and applications by U.S. Mail are due March 13. There will be no extensions.

CAS Invited to CCPA Annual Meeting

By Lucy Bambrey, CCPA President
The Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA) is hosting its annual meeting in Alamosa, Colorado, April 2-5, 2009. CCPA cordially invites the members of CAS to participate in the activities and paper sessions.

The CAS Quarterly Meeting will be held April 4 in Alamosa during the CCPA Annual Meeting

The meeting will be held at the Inn of the Rio Grande and Adams State College in Alamosa. Friday we will be at the Inn, and Saturday we will move over to Carson Auditorium at the College Center. Saturday, we are planning a deli lunch reception at the Luther Bean Museum, Richardson Hall, which is a National Register Property. We will be able to tour the museum. We have some other genuinely interesting and fun activities planned. We offering a train ride (with breakfast and lunch) up La Veta Pass during the day on Thursday April 2. The cost is $50 per person if we get 100 participants. The deadline for responses is February 27, 2009. Please respond to Lucy Bambrey at lbambrey@louisberger.com or 303-838-5193.

Parties—Friday night is a Mexican Fiesta buffet and margarita bar at the Inn of the Rio Grande, featuring a Colorado Trivia Quiz led by Meg Van Ness. Saturday evening is a pizza party at the San Luis Valley Pizza Company with a portion of the cost to go to help restore the Rialto Theater in Alamosa, one of Colorado’s most endangered places. Participants
January 24, 2009—Fort Collins, Colorado

Six of the twelve Chapters were represented

1) Clarification was made on CAS’s Confidentiality Policy by Tom Hoff, Executive Secretary, as it pertains to membership contact information. In the interest of privacy, some Chapters are over-protective. However, contact lists are to be made available to officers and board members, (Chapter and State). President Jason LaBelle will send a memo to Chapters clarifying this.

2) IRS Form 990N filing is due April 15. Treasurer Michele Giometti will be contacting each Chapter treasurer. The proposed annual budget was distributed for review, with revision and approval to be at the April meeting.

3) Membership chair Bev Goering led a discussion on possible ways to expedite and make more efficient the means by which Chapter membership dues and data get reported to her. Currently, it can take up to 3 months. This not only makes accuracy very difficult, but also affects SWL mailing lists.

4) Members who take extended vacations and have their mail forwarded will need to arrange for alternate mailing info for their SWL, as the Post Office will not forward them.

5) SWL publication is behind schedule as a result of the change of editors and a lack of article submissions. The next two issues (Fall & Winter) will be combined to get caught up. Chapters are asked to contact local colleges to solicit student articles for publication.

6) Alice Hamilton Scholarship application information is to be sent to schools next week. The deadline for receipt of applications is March 16, followed by the review and decision-making on April 4.

7) The 2009 Alice Hamilton Raffle prize is the handmade quilt “Mimbres Dreams”, sewn and donated by Claudia Berner, Terri Hoff and Gail Braunn (Hisatsinom) and Iris Evans (Denver). Tickets will be sent out to Chapters in early May along with a CD of images and text about the quilt.

8) Susan Collins, State Archaeologist, reported a record number of permits (109) issued in 2008. Also, that due to lack of funding, there will not be any CHS mini-grants offered this year for Preservation Month (May) activities and projects. However, CHS will still publish the events calendar and the poster.

9) After discussion, the CAS board approved the motion that CAS will offer mini-grants to Chapters out of our own funds.
Where is Southwestern Lore??

By Joel Hurmence, CAS Publications Chair

Many members and institutional subscribers have inquired about the status of our journal, Southwestern Lore (SWL), which has been in continuous publication since 1935. The journal is alive and well, but about six months behind schedule due to a change in editors and a lack of article submissions. The Summer 2008 issue (Vol. 74, No. 2) was mailed in early January 2009. The Fall 2008 and Winter 2008 issues will be combined into a single issue (Vol. 74, Nos. 3&4) to be mailed in spring 2009. The Spring and Summer 2009 issues (Vol. 75, No. 1 and No. 2) will be published as separate issues, but behind schedule. The next issue of Colorado Archaeology (our joint publication with Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists) is expected the second half of 2009 and will take the place of one issue of SWL.

We thus plan to be back on schedule by the end of 2009. In the meantime, the timing of your received SWL issues may not coincide with the dates of your CAS membership, but you will receive all issues you are entitled to. Authors are encouraged to submit articles to replenish our reserve of future SWL content. Please submit articles to editor Judith Halasi at Judith.halasi@frontrange.edu.

We sincerely appreciate your patience and continued support.

PAAC Summer Training Survey for 2009

The Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC) summer training survey provides field training in surveying techniques applicable toward certification requirements. The 2009 Summer PAAC Training Survey will be conducted June 16-23, 2009 on state trust lands in the Antelope Gulch area, northeast of Salida (same place as last year).

Fifteen volunteers took part in the 2008 Summer Training Survey, each participating for two to three days. The survey recorded a total of 15 archaeological sites dating from the Late Paleoindian period through the Historic period (ca. 9000 BC-AD 1930). Prehistoric artifacts such as projectile points, scrapers, knives, and flake tools were found, as well as a few ground stone manos. Debitage (flaking debris) from flintknapping activity was abundant. Tool materials included locally available jasper, chert, and chalcedony. The Historic period record includes sites relating to logging, mining, camps, and prospect pits from mineral exploration. Site 5FN494 in the Antelope Gulch area was reported in Southwestern Lore in 2001 by CAS member Don Tucker in the article: “Stone Circles at Antelope Gulch, Fremont County, Colorado.” Southwestern Lore(67)1:1-17.

Volunteers will hike across rugged terrain in search of artifacts and features. Field training includes instruction in the production of sketch maps, filling out standard recording forms, plotting site locations on topographic maps, and artifact illustration. Prospective participants must be in reasonably good physical condition. Volunteers must supply their own transportation, room and board, daypack and personal gear. All surveying, recording and mapping equipment will be provided. There is no fee for participation. Supervised survey earns credit toward Certified Surveyor I certification, and site form completion earns credit toward Provisional Surveyor certification.

Prospective participants must submit, or already have on file, a signed PAAC application form. Prior completion of the PAAC classes Basic Site Surveying Techniques, Historical Archaeology, and Prehistoric Lithics Description & Analysis is highly recommended. If space is limited, preference will be given to applicants with PAAC classroom experience. Applicants for the survey should identify the specific dates on which they prefer to participate (two days minimum) and provide their mailing address, phone/fax, and e-mail address. The deadline for 2009 applications is May 4, 2009. For further information, visit http://www.coloradohistory-oahp.org/programareas/paac/ summersurvey.htm, or contact Assistant State Archaeologist at the Colorado Historical Society by mail (1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203), phone (303.866.4671), FAX (303.866.2711) or e-mail kevin.black@chs.state.co.us.
Kicking Off a Community Outreach Program

By Tom Sholes, CAS Education Chair

Having recently taken a giant step in accepting the chairmanship of the CAS Education Committee, I'm going to bend your ear a bit and ask-request-PLEAD with each of you to join me in helping assure that an effective community outreach program becomes a reality within the CAS. If we work together and do this with purpose, it could prove a major advantage to every chapter in the state.

I'm certain that with most of you, defining an effective community outreach program is as much of a mystery as it has been to me. At the recent Quarterly Meeting, we began the process of untangling the confusion that occurs when you try to blend such a wide variety of needs, objectives, audiences, programs, methodologies, along with the human and financial resources necessary to get the job done. With the help and encouragement of many of you, I feel strongly that we can develop programs for your community that can prove a dynamite boost toward:

1) making the purpose and processes of archaeology more meaningful and significant to both kids and adults, many of whom today relate archaeology primarily to Indiana Jones;

2) mitigating the rash of vandalism and unintentional desecration or archaeological sites by bolstering the importance of individual stewardship relative to historical preservation, and

3) introducing the existence of individual chapters of a statewide organization where interested people can not only become educated, but can participate in hands-on archaeology while having fun and making a host of new friends with similar interests.

As of the moment, I have but two requests. In December, Jason LaBelle sent out a questionnaire to each chapter asking what each would like to see in terms of outreach assistance. To date, I have but three responses. Even if you are unsure, please return the questionnaire with as much information as you can provide.

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Secondly, and this is important: I will eventually need a contact person at each chapter. So as quickly as possible, try your best to enlist an educational chairperson on your committee. It could be a current or retired educator, but it need not be, simply an individual who is truly interested in seeing those three goals, listed above, become a reality, and is willing to put forth a little effort to insure it happens in your chapter.

After hobnobbing with a several chapter presidents, it's obvious how difficult it is for most to fill positions: this certainly is not unique to our organization. A general request for volunteers encounters two pit-falls: usually, it doesn't work, and if it does, you often enlist someone who is inappropriate for the job. One possible solution: pick out the individual you want, corner them alone, detail the importance of the job, explain how badly you need him/her, how perfect they would be for the job, and finally, don't take no for an answer! Give it a try, then get back with me, hopefully with a name of a person interested in initiating a solid community outreach program.

Believe me, we are open to any and all suggestions. We'll toss your thoughts into this massive pot of current confusion, but promise to come out with a community outreach program that will prove effective for you, your chapter, and your community.

Best wishes for a great year,

Tom Sholes

Peru Trip Planned for 2010

Always wanted to go to Peru with people you know? Here's your chance. Teresa Weedin (Denver Chapter) and Reefs to Rockies are putting together a CAS archaeological/cultural trip to Peru for the summer of 2010 (or 2011, depending on the economy). We will visit the mud-brick pyramids of northern Peru where the cultures of the Chimu, Chavin, Moche, Lambayeque, and Wari ruled before the Incas conquered them, as well as the museums that house the artifacts found in the rich tombs. From there we head to Cusco and the Incan homelands, of course including Machu Picchu! We will stay in 4- and 5-star hotels while there and have our own English-speaking guides. Breakfasts and lunches are included most days and dinners on at least 3 nights. While Reefs to Rockies and I are fine-tuning the final itinerary and price, we do have a very, very tentative itinerary and pricing available to send you. We will have a more final version available at the April quarterly meeting in Alamosa.

If you are interested in receiving more information about the trip, please contact Teresa Weedin at 303/366-7843 (weedin@comcast.net).
The Colorado Rock Art Association (CRAA) will hold its annual Symposium in Cortez, Colorado, May 15-17, 2009. Registration will be open on Friday afternoon and there will be a wine and cheese reception for registered participants at the Anasazi Heritage Center in Dolores (8 miles northeast of Cortez) from 4-6 p.m. Guests will have access to the museum and music will be provided by a local Ute Indian artist. The Symposium, featuring papers by rock art experts in the region, will be held at the Cortez Conference Center (CCC) at 2121 E Main Street.

Saturday events begin with breakfast snacks and registration at 8am, presentations throughout the day, a break for lunch, silent auction, and will adjourn around 5p.m. The evening banquet will feature Marvin Rowe with his talk, "Gimme that Old Time Religion: The Origin of American Indian Peyote Ritual." Sunday will be devoted to guided field trips, lead by CRAA members to rock art sites in the Cortez area.

There is abundant lodging in Cortez, covering a wide price range, including the Holiday Inn Express, which will offer a discount rate of $119 per night, including a full breakfast. The Econolodge is nearby at 2020 E Main St and KOA camping is available at 27432 Highway 160. A full list of lodging, pre-registration for the Symposium, including field trip descriptions and sign-up, banquet reservation will be posted in the March newsletter at www.coloradorockart.org.}

The Colorado Rock Art Association Annual Symposium

CRAA Annual Symposium Call for Papers

CRAA is seeking papers for its annual meeting in Cortez, Colorado, on May 15-17, 2009 (papers to be presented on Saturday, May 16). Paper length may be 10, 15, or 20 minutes (for short field reports to longer research discussions) and should focus on rock art of Colorado or surrounding areas, or related aspects of rock art study in general, ethnoarchaeology, educational programs, or conservation efforts. Particular interest is in integration of rock art into other aspects of archaeology, such as regional or site interpretations in which rock art is a part; or regional synthesis, patterns, or comparisons. Discussions of individual sites, recordings, and student projects are also welcome. Please submit abstracts of 150 words or less by April 15, 2009, to Larry Loendorf at LLL@Loendorf.net or John Greer at jgreer@GreerServices.com.

CRAA Rock Art Training Seminar-Workshop

The Colorado Rock Art Association is sponsoring a Rock Art Training Seminar-Workshop on April 23-25, 2009. This seminar-workshop has been planned by Lawrence Loendorf, retired archaeologist, Mark Owens, Fort Carson archaeologist, and Linda Olson, Minot State University. The plan is to train individuals to use the rock art recording procedures that we have developed over the past two decades.

The training will take place at site 5LA5555, on the hogback at the Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site (PCMS) in southeastern Colorado. The site includes a series of circular boulder features that incorporate petroglyph panels into the walls of the structures. This boulder complex is situated adjacent to the basalt hogback outcrop where there are other panels of prehistoric and historic petroglyphs.

We are asking participants to meet at the Piñon Canyon Maintenance at 10AM on the morning of April 23 to travel to the site for orientation and pin flagging of the features and artifacts. We will then travel to Red Rocks to set up camp. We plan to spend all day April 24 on the site and return to Red Rocks to download the day’s collected site information. All the instructors will be available for additional questions and discussion regarding rock art recording through dinner and into the evening. On Sunday, April 25 we will return to the site to complete the recording. Participants can either leave Sunday at about 4PM or stay over and leave Monday morning.

The workshop is open to any member of CAS, with a preference for individuals who also belong to CRAA, until February 20, 2009. If we do not have sufficient enrollees at that time we will open the workshop to individuals from the American Rock Art Research Association or other organizations as well. THERE WILL BE A $25 FEE FOR MATERIALS. PAYABLE UPON ACCEPTANCE AND REGISTRATION.

Participants will be asked to supply their own breakfast and lunch and bring parts of dinner meals. There are some indoor bunks available at Red Rocks, but tents or trailers are encouraged.

Contact Larry Loendorf LLL@Loendorf.net if you want additional information.
The Colorado Archaeological Society is pleased to offer another fundraising river trip for 2009. Join us for this three-day trip to enjoy the water and archaeology of western Colorado. This year’s trip is on the Colorado River and includes a rock art hike in McDonald Creek Cultural Resource Area.

The Colorado River

Date: June 12-14 (Fri-Sun), 2009
Cost: $335 adult, $280 child (age 6-16)
Level: Beginner/Intermediate

This trip starts from Fruita, Colorado (about 13 miles west of Grand Junction) and covers a 30-mile stretch of the Colorado River to Westwater, Utah. This spectacular canyon country of the Colorado Plateau, including Ruby and Horsethief Canyons, features majestic walls of red sandstone and offers some of the best paddling in Colorado. The river is gentle with occasional small Class 1+ rapids to add spice to the journey. Roads do not bound this portion of the river and the steep-walled canyons are accessible only from the river, giving the area a true wilderness setting.

You’ll be amazed at stands of shiny granite sculpted by water through the ages while paddling or floating in your lifejacket past the remnants of ancient metamorphic rock called Black Rock. Camping along the river’s banks, exploring a natural amphitheater with ancient Indian rock art or hiking into deep box canyons will leave you awed by the immensity of geologic time and the silence of the wilderness. The CAS trip includes a hike in McDonald Canyon to view rock art in the BLM McDonald Creek Cultural Resource Management Area.

How to Sign Up

Centennial Canoe Outfitters (www.centennialcanoe.com) will provide all safety equipment, river guides, canoes and great food. Cost of the trip is $335 ($280 for children ages 6-16), of which $50 is donated back to CAS for the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund. You will need to bring a sleeping bag, tent and basic personal supplies. The trip is limited to 24 participants, so sign up early to reserve your place. A deposit of $100 per person must accompany your reservation request (Visa and Mastercard accepted), and the balance is due by May 12. For further details and to register for the trip, contact Centennial Canoe Outfitters, 1-877-353-1850 (toll free) and be sure to tell them whether you are a CAS member. CAS Hosts: Tom and Terri Hoff, tthoff@hotmail.com, 970-882-2191

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10) The Summer PAAC Survey, led by Kevin Black, will again be in Antelope Gulch near Salida, June 16-23.

11) Colorado Rock Art Assn Chapter is offering a Rock Art Recording course in April. A proposal for PAAC credit for this course was presented.

12) New Education/Community Outreach Chair, Tom Sholes (Pikes Peak) presented “Intentions” for this revitalized committee. Questionnaires sent to Chapters by Jason La-Belle need to be returned.

13) A proposal to move the CAS Comparative Faunal Collection from Denver to Cortez for use by the Hisatsinom Chapter was discussed and then tabled, pending the gathering of additional information.

14) The CAS Canoe Trip is June 12-15. Again, a portion of the fee will be go to the Scholarship Fund.

15) The advisability of obtaining liability insurance for CAS was discussed and then tabled, pending more information. This proposed insurance would protect not only trip leaders, but also officers from exposure.

16) Meetings schedule: April 4 – Alamosa, in conjunction with CCPA; July 25 – Durango; October 2-4 – Pueblo Annual Meeting

Submitted by Terri Hoff (for Linda Seyfert) Hisatsinom CAS Representative
Alice Hamilton Scholarship Applications Due

2009 Scholarships will be awarded by the Colorado Archaeological Society in memory of Alice Hamilton, who was a member of the CAS Denver Chapter and avid supporter of Archaeology.

These competitive awards range from $200 up to $750 each. Awards are based on the merits of the application, rather than financial need.

Requirements

A. Applicant must be majoring in Anthropology or cross-discipline field, emphasis in Archaeology.

B. Applicant must be attending an accredited college or university in Colorado, and carrying at least a half-time course load.

Application

1. Include your permanent address, phone number and email address, as well as the name of the college or university at which you are enrolled on the “cover sheet” (available at www.coloradoarchaeology.org).

2. Indicate how you plan to use the money, including a proposed budget of your expenses. This award may be used for research projects, lab fees, field school, tuition, books, etc.

3. Provide a resume of your archaeological accomplishments (study and experience).

4. Include two (2) written references from current instructors or professionals in Anthropology/Archaeology. These should be sent directly to us. Your application will not be complete without these.

5. Applications and references may be submitted by U.S. Mail and/or by e-mail (preferred). A confirmation of materials received will be sent to you via email.

6. Awards will be determined on April 4, 2009. Applicants will be notified by mid-April.

All materials must be postmarked or emailed on or before March 16, 2009

Mail to:

Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund Committee
Colorado Archaeological Society
c/o Phil Williams
7230 Fleetwood Ct., Colorado Springs, CO 80919
E-mail: ahsfc@hotmail.com, Phone: 719-594-0176

Application Submission Cover Sheet
(to be completed by Applicant)

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__Field School __Thesis __Fieldwork __Lab Analysis/Tests __Other

__I AM __I AM NOT -- willing to share my experiences and/or project results with a local CAS chapter (typically a short newsletter article, poster or presentation)
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