

# THE FOLSOM POINT

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sept 19**      **Business Meeting - 7:00 pm**  
**CSU Veterinary Hospital, 300 W Drake Rd., Rm A-221**  
**Program: "TRIGGERS, THRESHOLDS, RUSSIAN ROULETTE,**  
**AND PLEISTOCENE EXTINCTIONS"** will be presented by **Dr. Russ**  
**Graham, Chief Curator, Denver Museum of Nature and Science.**

**Dr. Graham will share from his own research about the driving forces that ruled that Epoch. (2 million years till about 10,000 years ago). Climate changes, Ice Ages, disappearing megafauna and environmental changes will all be part of this presentation. How much did humans contribute to this extinction? Come find out by joining us for this interesting program!**

**Oct 5-7**      **CAS Annual Meeting hosted by our Chapter - mark your calendar.**  
**See details inside.**

**Oct 9**      **PAAC Class - "Colorado Archaeology"**



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## Fall PAAC Class

The next PAAC Class in Fort Collins is "Colorado Archaeology" and is scheduled to start on Tuesday, October 9. Classes are held at the Forest Service Building on West Prospect and run from 6:30-9:30 pm. The cost is \$12. If you are interested in taking this class, please give Reith Miller a call at 498-2711. Make your check out to the Colorado Historical Society and mail it to: Reith Miller, 1311 S. College Ave., Ft. Collins, CO 80524. For more information regarding the PAAC Program, visit the Web Site at: [www.coloradohistory-oahp.org/paac](http://www.coloradohistory-oahp.org/paac).

## Dues Due Notice

Following is a list of members whose dues are due. Please fill in the form at the end of the newsletter and mail with your check so that your membership remains current.

Sally Lee - Dec - individual  
Lynne Kesel - Jan - individual  
Joe Miller - May - single  
Patrick McIntyre - June - single  
Steve & Virginia Main - June - family  
Bruce Wahle - July - individual

Carol Reilly & Robert Shively - August - family  
Michael & Peggy Burns - July - family  
Donn & Shirley DeCoursey - June - family  
Ulli Limpitlaw - Sept - individual  
Maryel Lewis - Sept - senior  
Sid Sather - July - individual

## Attention Northern Colorado Chapter Members

Volunteers are needed for the CAS Annual meeting that we are hosting Oct 5 through 7. We have five main tasks that need to be accomplished.

1. Prior to the meeting, we need to assemble registration packets. This task will involve assembling city maps, nametags, conference program, etc in a packet for preregistrants and registrants. Mary Van Buren will coordinate this effort, but additional volunteers are needed.
2. On Friday night and Saturday (Oct, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>), we need people to man the registration table at the Marriott. Jeff Eighmy will coordinate this effort, but additional volunteers are needed.
3. In addition to staffing the registration table, we need people to help with T-shirt sales.
4. Just prior and during the banquet on Saturday night, we need people to help with the Silent Auction and to be available for trouble shooting during the banquet. Bev Goering will coordinate this effort, but additional volunteers are needed.
5. We need someone to help with audiovisual equipment during the meeting on Saturday morning and afternoon.

### Preliminary Program

Friday, Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

5:00-8:00 PM Registration  
6:00-9:00 PM Board Meeting

Saturday, Oct 6<sup>th</sup>

8:30-10:30 AM	Registration
10:30 AM-6 PM	Silent Auction
9:00- 11:30 AM	Papers
Noon-2:00 PM	Lindenmeier Open House and lunch
2:30-4:00 PM	Papers
4:00-4:45 PM	General Meeting
5:30-6:30 PM	Cash bar

Sunday, Oct 7<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM Field Trip/Open House - Kaplan-Hoover Site (Near Windsor, CO). The site is about 5 miles off I-25, and the tour should only take about an hour to an hour and half.

**Reminders:** The CAS is soliciting items for the **Silent Auction**. So, please bring items to donate to the auction. Also, if you would like to **present a paper**, please contact conference organizer as soon as possible, John Slay. (970) 874-7961 [johnslay@aol.com](mailto:johnslay@aol.com)

## Summer 2001, CAS Outings

*Submitted by Ulli Limpitlaw, Field Work & Field Trip Coordinator*

This was a very hot summer, which probably made some archaeology fans stay at home in their air-conditioned homes. Some hard-core folks, nevertheless, participated in our two weekend activities.

Six members and prospective members showed up for the **CU field school** and helped survey a site near Reno towers on Pawnee National Grassland. By that time, the students had already been working for two weeks, and it seemed like an overwhelming task to define the boundary of the by now three and a half mile long site. Our little group was able to do just that. Keri Hicks, the teaching assistant for CU, took us on a tour to show us the site and different projects. Two hearths were being excavated. At the time we were there, they were very scattered, but as they excavated further, one of them looked increasingly intact and a charcoal filled basin was uncovered. After the tour, we proceeded to do the actual survey work.

Overall, they found 10 formal bifaces and one groundstone fragment.

**Bones Galore** was a one-time opportunity for those not only interested in archaeology but also in paleontology. An even smaller group showed up for this event. Dr. Russ Graham, the chief curator for paleontology at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science, introduced us to this famous place, which he started to investigate in 1997. Since then, an enormous amount of bones have been recovered from this site near New Raymer.

The procedures used in digging were very similar to archaeology. We spent days digging, mapping and collecting data. Bones Galore is an appropriate name, for we found abundant bones, teeth, and even a rhinoceros horn. Animals of the Oligocene Epoch, frequenting our area, were mostly rhinoceros, giant pig, brontothere (rhino like, but not true rhino), mesohippus (a three toed small horse), some smaller mammals, etc. The bones date back to approximately 35 million years.

Those members, who returned for a second 'shift', later in the week, were fortunate to also visit "Tortuga Flats", an newly discovered site, littered with turtle carapaces. We unearthed and jacketed a big turtle.

Three different media crews showed up and to their surprise, one of the reporters found part of a skull just lying there in the sun.

It was a fun summer. Thanks to all who came along and helped!

If you have suggesting for outings, please contact:

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## Code of Ethics

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Excavation of archaeological sites will be conducted only according to professionally accepted procedures developed in consultation with a professional archaeologist and with the written permission of the landowner. The investigator has the responsibility for publication of the results of his/her investigation and for making the collection available for further scientific study.

Members are encouraged to report archaeological sites to the Office on the State Site Report forms. Materials collected from the surface sites shall be catalogued and described in the site survey report. Collected materials should either be deposited with the State Archaeologist's office or made available for scientific study.

Members will not support illegal or unscientifically conducted activities by participating in or condoning the sale, exchange or purchase of artifacts obtained from such sites.

Members who exhibit artifacts will do so in an educational context. Items from burials and objects considered sacred will not be exhibited.

Members will cooperate with the State Archaeologist and other agencies concerned with archaeology and related fields.

Members will respect the dignity of groups whose cultural histories are the subject of archaeological investigation.

Members will not participate in conduct involving dishonesty, deceit, or misrepresentation about archaeological matters.

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL Fort Collins Chapter/Colorado Archaeological Society

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby agree to uphold and abide by the Code of Ethics as a condition of membership in the Colorado Archaeology Society (CAS) and the Fort Collins Chapter.

\_\_\_\_\_ New Membership  
\_\_\_\_\_ Renewal

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual \$22.50/yr  
\_\_\_\_\_ Family \$27.50/yr  
\_\_\_\_\_ Senior \$15.00/yr (Does not include *Southwestern Lore*)

Name and address:

Phone: (h)  
(w)

E-Mail:

CAS membership begins on the month you join, with renewal dues payable on that month of the following year. All members receive the monthly chapter newsletter, *The Folsom Point*, and the quarterly society journal, *Southwestern Lore* (except senior memberships). Members renewing late may miss issues of both periodicals.

**Please make check payable to: Fort Collins Chapter/CAS and mail with this form to:**

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