

# THE FOLSOM POINT



NORTHERN COLORADO CHAPTER OF THE  
COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**\* Note change of meeting place for November Meeting!**

- Nov 19**      **Business Meeting - 7:00 pm**  
**Ft Collins Pioneer Museum, 200 Mathews St**  
**Program: Bob Patten, "The Watts Clovis cache--discovery and context"**
- Dec 17**      **Annual Holiday Party – 6 pm**  
**Ron and Marian Wemple's home - 637 Boltz Drive, Ft Collins**

***Happy Thanksgiving***

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**\*\*\* Visit our new Web Site: <http://www.fortnet.org/casncc>**

## Dues Due Notice

Jeff Eighmy - January - individual \$26  
Robert King - February - individual \$26  
Ed Day - March - individual \$26  
Mary Lee Birmingham - March - individual \$26  
Donn & Shirley DeCoursey - June - family \$32.50  
Sharon Hull - June - individual \$26  
Sid Sather - July - individual \$26  
Michael Burns - July - family \$32.50  
Ned & Betty Cash - Nov - family \$32.50

Susan Ayala - September - individual \$26  
Carmelita Thorndike - August - individual \$26  
LesLee Heusinkveld - August - individual \$26  
Ulli Limpitlaw - September - individual \$26  
Jim & Mary Jo Zeidler - Oct - family \$32.50  
Steve Main - June - family - \$32.50  
Gary Myers - August - individual \$26  
Mary Van Buren - October - individual \$26

## Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Betty Herrmann 10/30/03

### Account Balances:

Checking	\$2,342.73	
Savings	748.52	
Scudder MM	1,629.20	
<b>Total:</b>		\$4,720.45

### Individual Funds:

General Fund CAS	\$	961.45
Greenacre Scholarship		1,629.20
Kaplan Hoover Grant		2,129.80

**Total:** \$4,720.45

## November Meeting

### The Watts Clovis cache--discovery and context

The November 19<sup>th</sup> program will be presented by Bob Patten at the Fort Collins Museum. He will talk about finding a cache of Clovis artifacts in the Ft Collins Pioneer Museum archives. Comparable tools from other Clovis-era caches will be compared to understand the lessons and significance of the artifacts.

**Bob Patten** learned flintknapping on his own, but has benefited greatly from evidence left by the "ancient ones." NOVA's *The Search for the First Americans* included a demonstration by Bob of making a Clovis point. Bob has worked with many archaeologists in puzzling out ancient technological secrets. Bob's book *Old Tools—New Eyes: A primal primer of flintknapping* details the craft of flintknapping. His next book, *Peoples of the Flute: A study in anthropolithic forensics*, will show why early people made the technological decisions they did. Since 1964, Bob has demonstrated flintknapping at the Loveland Stone Age Fair annually on the last weekend of September.

For more information, visit Bob's Web site to learn more about the treatment of previously reported Clovis caches and also the Watts cache: <http://www.stonedagger.com>

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the meeting this Wednesday and find out what people were doing 13,000 years ago along the Cache La Poudre River. If you would like to join us for dinner before the meeting, we will be meeting at the **Golden Corral** in Fort Collins, located across from Sam's Club on East Harmony, at 5:30 pm.

## Holiday Party

Our annual Holiday Party is scheduled for Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. This season the event will be hosted in Fort Collins by Ron and Marian Wemple, 637 Boltz Drive. It will start at 6 pm. Bring a pot luck dish of your choice. Ham and drinks will be furnished. If you have any creative ideas for entertainment, please let Marian know.

## Officers for 2004

It's time to start thinking about officers for 2004 and how you might like to be involved. We have struggled through this year with a skeleton crew. It is always more fun and definitely more rewarding to have more members involved. This spreads the work load and allows the chapter to take on more projects, field trips and excavation work. Here is the current line up - I will continue as President, but will certainly welcome any volunteers; we certainly could use a Vice-president, so give some thought to this position; Marian Wemple will continue as Secretary; Betty Herrmann will continue as Treasurer; Dick French will continue as Program Coordinator; Mary Jo Zeidler as Education Coordinator; Maryel Lewis as Librarian; LesLee Heusinkveld as T-shirt keeper; and Joel as our Web Master. We really need a Field Trip Coordinator, a Membership Coordinator, a PAAC Coordinator, and a Newsletter Editor. Even if you can only contribute your time for a few months, it will really be a big help. I will not be at the November meeting as I will be touring through New Zealand, but I will be back in time for the Holiday Party in December. Thanks to everyone for making this year a success!

## Minutes of meeting October 15, 2003 Colorado Archaeological Society, Northern Colorado Chapter

*Marian Wemple, secretary*

The monthly meeting of the Colorado Archaeological Society, Northern Colorado Chapter, was held at the CSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital, led by Bev Goering, president.

Bev, Joel Hurmence, and Sid Sather plan to attend the CAS annual meeting this weekend in Colorado Springs. Bev again offered raffle tickets for the donated Navajo rug for sale, with the proceeds to be given to the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund.

The Kaplan-Hoover display, "Awakening Stories of Ancient Bison Hunting," is still being finalized by Mary Jo Zeidler, and will be presented at the annual meeting. The chapter has written a letter for Jeff Eighmy to present to the Colorado Historical Society, supporting the application by the River West Community Association, Windsor, for money to buy the bison bone site.

The PAAC class, "Principles of Excavation" is underway, with 9 people registering. Thinking ahead to the next class, 6 people have expressed an interest in having "Colorado Archaeology." The PAAC program was briefly explained for the benefit of those unfamiliar with it. Bev has completed the full course and received certification for that accomplishment, and spoke of the advantages of working towards individual certification. However, people are also welcome to sign up and audit any of the classes simply for personal education; the cost is very nominal.

Samples of the remaining CAS tee-shirts with the bison logo were displayed. They were offered for sale, and we will also donate some to the silent auction at the annual meeting.

Betty Herrmann presented the treasurer's report.

State CAS has requested that we host the quarterly board meeting in January. After some explanation of what that would involve, followed by discussion, the chapter voted to accept that invitation.

Marian & Ron Wemple have offered to host the annual Christmas party. The chapter voted to schedule it for December 17, at 6 p.m. and at Marian's house.

Bev reminded the membership that it is time to start thinking about nominations for officers for next year.

The November program, November 19, will be presented by Bob Patten, and held at the Fort Collins Pioneer Museum, rather than at the CSU Veterinary Hospital.

The speaker for the evening, OD Hand, of the Colorado Department of Transportation, then presented his program on the Lena Gulch Site, uncovered during work on the C-470 extension in Golden. Human burials and grave goods were unearthed at the site.

## Lab Work at Lowry

*Received from Kevin Black, Assistant State Archaeologist*

Hi Folks,

Attached are details on the upcoming PAAC lab training program at CHS' Museum Support Center in east Denver (Lowry). There are 15 days on the current schedule, six in the period December 2-17 and nine more for January 6-26. Interested PAAC volunteers should contact me at their earliest convenience, and will be expected to participate for at least two days. I'll have additional details including directions on reaching the lab for all who contact me. There are a couple Saturdays on the schedule, but no nights; times are 8:30am-4:30pm and half-days can be accommodated. Please spread the word as far and wide as possible, and check out the web site for updated information: (<http://www.coloradohistory-oahp.org/programareas/paac/certreq/labcreditb.htm>)

Thanks, Kevin

## Spring 2004 PAAC Class

The Spring 2004 PAAC class will be "Colorado Archaeology." PAAC classes are taught by Kevin Black, the Colorado Assistant Archaeology. Classes are held at the CSU Veterinary Hospital, are on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-9:30 pm, and the cost is \$12. If you are interested, please let Bev know and mark this on your calendar.

## CAS Quarterly Meeting - January 31, 2004

The Northern Colorado Chapter will be hosting the Quarterly Meeting on January 31 in Fort Collins. Plans are currently being made to secure a meeting location place. Members are encouraged to attend and take a part in State CAS activities.

## Update on CAS Annual Meeting

Members attending the CAS Annual Meeting in Colorado Springs were: Bev Goering, Joel Hurmence, Jim and Mary Jo Zeidler, and Sid Sather.

Mary Jo's presentation, "*Awakening Stories* Puts into Practice the CAS Code of Ethics," was well received. The accompanying traveling display was viewed by many and received numerous compliments.

Following is a recap of the abstract:

Members of CAS are guided by a mission statement and eight-point Code of Ethics that outlines ways we can support responsible stewardship of Colorado's archaeological resources. This includes assisting with effective educational programming that raises community awareness about the value in protecting and preserving Colorado's cultural sites. The Northern Colorado Chapter took the opportunity to help generate a successful interpretive program and traveling exhibit on the Kaplan-Hoover Bison Bonebed, a unique Late Archaic bison hunt site near Windsor, Colorado, currently being studied by Colorado State University. The traveling exhibit, *Awakening Stories of Ancient Bison Hunting*, acknowledges the Code of Ethics stating that members will 'respect the dignity of groups whose cultural histories are the subject of archaeological investigation,' by seeking interpretations offered by three High Plains Indian Nations. Thanks to the willingness and generosity of members from the Northern Arapaho, Northern Cheyenne and Oglala Lakota Nations, a public educational event and private blessing ceremony were held in Windsor to share traditional knowledge of the buffalo, and to honor this cultural site. By raising public awareness for the cross-cultural value of ancient Indian sites near our communities, we hope to strengthen local support for effective site protection and preservation. Only then will the resources and efforts being invested to protect such sites benefit a broader, more meaningful group of stakeholders.

# Colorado Archaeological Society

## Code of Ethics

Members will uphold State and Federal antiquities laws and regulations.

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.

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