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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 21 Business Meeting - 7:00 pm
CSU Veterinary Hospital, 300 W Drake Road - Rm A235
Program: Lucy Burris, "Harvester Ants: Archaeology's Little Helpers"

Jan 27 PAAC Class (1st of 7 sessions) - 6:30-9:30 pm
"Colorado Archaeology"
CSU Veterinary Hospital, 300 W Drake Road - Rm A235

Jan 31 CAS Quarterly Meeting - Fort Collins - 8:00 am-4 pm
Elks Lodge - 140 E Oak

Feb 10,17,24 PAAC Class (2nd-4th sessions)

Mar 2,9,16 PAAC Class (5th-7th sessions)



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Membership Type	State - CAS	Chapter - NCC	Total
Individual	\$16.00	\$10.00	\$26.00
Family	\$20.00	\$12.50	\$32.50
Senior Individual	\$8.00	\$10.00	\$18.00
Senior Family	\$8.00	\$12.00	\$20.00

Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Betty Herrmann 1/5/04

Account Balances:

Checking (Gen)	\$ 199.43	
Checking (K-H)	6,379.80	
Savings	748.89	
Scudder MM	1,631.12	
Total:		\$8,959.24

Individual Funds:

General Fund CAS	\$ 948.32	
Greenacre Scholarship	1,631.12	
Kaplan Hoover Grant	6,379.80	
Total:		\$8,959.24

January Meeting

The speaker for the **January 21st** meeting will be member Lucy Burris. Lucy is a graduate student in anthropology at Colorado State University. She holds an undergraduate degree in anthropology in addition to a graduate degree in geospatial science also from CSU. She also works as a GIS contractor for the National Park Service in Fort Collins.

Lucy's presentation is titled, "**Harvester Ants: Archaeology's Little Helpers.**" Almost everyone has noticed the large gravel mounds harvester ants build in most of the West. Fewer know that ants will collect anything that is "gravel-like" to put on these mounds as well as gravel. Archaeologists and geologists often look at mounds to see if anything interesting is on them. This talk will describe field research conducted during 2003 that looked at how ants collect "gravel-like" materials with an eye to helping make decisions about the presence of anthropogenic materials near ant colonies. In particular the research asked how far ants will go to get gravel, if there are directional preferences, and how artifact density impacts collection.

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the meeting on **Wednesday the 21st** and find out more about Lucy's research. 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.

January 2004 PAAC Class

The next PAAC class is coming up quickly (**January 27th**) and will be "Colorado Archaeology." PAAC classes are taught by Kevin Black, Colorado Assistant Archaeologist. 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 (bgoering@comcast.net) quickly. Make your check out to Colorado Historical Society for \$12 and mail to PAAC, Northern Colorado Chapter/CAS, PO Box 9554, Fort Collins, CO 80525.

CAS Quarterly Meeting - January 31, 2004

The Northern Colorado Chapter of CAS will be hosting the Quarterly Meeting on January 31st in Fort Collins. The meeting is an all day affair and will be held at the Elks Lodge, 140 E Oak. Members are encouraged to attend and take part in State CAS activities. It's a great way to meet officers/members from the other state Chapters.

Thank You to the Wemple's

A special thank you is extended to Ron and Marian Wemple for hosting our annual Holiday Party last month. There was a nice group in attendance and everyone seemed to enjoy the wonderful food and conversation.

A Special Thank You

A special thank you is in order for those responsible for coordinating the November meeting. Dick French, our Program Coordinator, scheduled Bob Patten to speak on the Watts Clovis Cache. Betty Herrmann, CAS member and museum volunteer, made arrangements for the meeting to be held at the Fort Collins Museum. The Museum agreed to the viewing of the Watts Clovis Cache which is archived at the museum. Prior to the meeting, the Coloradoan newspaper ran a wonderful article on the cache. With much public interest and membership participation, attendance at the November meeting was described as 'standing room only.'

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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