

The Folsom Point



Homesteads on the Pawnee

February 15 (Wednesday). Business Meeting and Program. 7:00 p.m. Ben Delatour Room, Fort Collins Main Library, 201 Petersen. Greenacre Scholarship recipient Robin M. Roberts will present a program, based on her recent paper, at the Northern Colorado Chapter program meeting on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ben Delatour Room, Fort Collins Main Library, 201 Petersen.

In an effort to encourage people to move out west and settle the sparsely populated areas in the Great Plains and other areas, Congress enacted the Homestead Act of 1862. This act originally allowed settlers to claim 160 acres of land for almost free. Because of this, many people moved out onto the eastern Colorado prairies in the late 1800's and early 1900's to begin a life of homesteading. Robin's talk will summarize results from an ongoing project that was started in an effort to map the known homesteads from this time



Robin Roberts at the Johnson Homestead, by Nicole Branton, U.S. Forest Service

period and to utilize this map as a tool to better understand the spatial distribution and history of these homesteaders. Research from this project combines historical records from the Soil Conservation Service and the Pawnee National Grasslands, with oral history from local grazing associations, and current archaeological site data.

Robin will be leading a CAS/NCC field trip to Pawnee Grasslands homesteads in May. Details to be announced.

Special points of interest:

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- PAAC Class "Rock Art Studies" continues on Tuesday evenings through March 14
- February 15—Program Meeting: "Spatial Representation and Analysis of Early 20th Century Homesteads on the Pawnee National Grassland in the State of Colorado" by Robin Roberts
- March 15—Program Meeting: "Rock Art Traditions and Prehistory in the Bighorn Basin of Wyoming: New Interpretations and Insights" by Dr. Julie Francis
- March 31-April 1—CCPA Annual Meeting in Estes Park. See details inside.
- April 19—Program Meeting: "Prehistoric and Ceramic Occupations of the Rueter-Hess Reservoir Area, Douglas County" by Erik Gantt, Centennial Archaeology
- May 15—Program Meeting: Lucy Burris

Reminder: Membership Renewals Are Past Due!

At the request of the Board of Directors of the Colorado Archaeological Society, chapters will have a fixed annual renewal date for all members. This action will allow the CAS Membership Chair to better manage late renewals and maintain a more accurate list of current members. The Northern Colorado Chapter has chosen January 1 as the date all chapter membership renewals are due. If you have not already renewed, please send your membership renewal dues now! A membership form is included inside.

- All memberships expired in December
- All renewals new due each January
- Use the membership renewal form inside to renew your membership now!



CCPA Annual Meeting Mar. 31 - Apr. 1 in Estes Park

The Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists is holding its 2006 Annual Meeting, March 30 - April 1, 2006, at the Rocky Mountain Park Holiday Inn and Conference Center, 101 South St. Vrain, Estes Park , CO , 80517

The Early Bird Party will be held on Thursday, March 30, starting at 7:00 PM in the lounge at the Holiday Inn. Paper presentations will be held on Friday, March 31, from 1:30 to 5 PM and on Saturday, April 1 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:30 PM to 5 PM. Presentations will be 15 minutes in length. There is no specific theme of this meeting, but 2006 is the 100th Anniversary of the Antiquities Act. There will also be a student paper competition, open to undergraduate and graduate students in archaeology/anthropology/history. Prizes will be awarded to the undergraduate and graduate winners based on a vote of the paper competition judges.

The banquet will be held on Friday, March 31, from 7:00– 10:30 PM, in the Holiday Inn, Estes Park. It will be preceded by a cash bar reception beginning at 6:00 PM and capped by a guest speaker. The speaker has yet to be determined, but the subject will be the Antiquities Act and/or the History of Colorado Archaeology.

To support the Ward Weakley Scholarship Fund, a book sale will be held during the conference. Proceeds will go to the fund. Bring all of those books that are weighing down your book shelves.

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For more information and registration forms, visit *www.coloradoarchaeologists.org*. Advance registration fees are \$15 for students, \$30 for CCPA members and \$40 for non-CCPA-members. Advanced registration forms must be received by February 28, 2006.

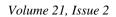
Mesa Verde Exhibit at Denver Public Library

The Colorado Historical Society and the Denver Public Library will present an exhibit from March 1 to May 31 entitled "From Nordenskiold to Nusbaum: Archaeology and Photography in the Early Years of Mesa Verde National Park." The exhibition will feature photographs, documents and other items involved in the early photographic documentation of the park from its discovery in the late 1800s, its designation as a National Park in 1906, and as a popular tourism destination of the early 20th century.

The photographs and other items will be drawn from the collections of both the Colorado Historical Society and Denver Public Library, and highlights work by archaeologists such as Gustav Nordenskiold and Jesse Nusbaum, and photographers such as William Henry Jackson and Thomas McKee. The exhibit celebrates the centennial anniversary of Mesa Verde as a National Park, and coincides with the Colorado Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month in May. Visit *www.denver.lib.co.us*/



Cliff Palace Photo by Gustav Nordenskiold, 1891



March Program to Feature Wyoming Rock Art

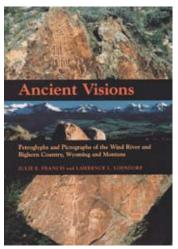
Students enrolled in the PAAC class on rock art studies will be pleased to learn that our March 15 program meeting will feature a noted authority on rock art. Dr. Julie Francis, archaeologist for the Wyoming Department of Transportation will present *Rock Art Traditions and Prehistory in the Bighorn Basin of Wyoming: New Interpretations*



and Insights. Dr. Francis received the B.A. in anthropology at the University of Wyoming, and M.A. and Ph.D. in anthropology at Arizona State University. Dr. Francis' current research interests include hunting and gathering cultures and rock art, primarily in the Plains and Intermountain West. After working for the Office of the Wyoming State Archaeologist for nearly 15 years, she became the archaeologist for the Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) in 1992. She is the only cultural resource specialist at WYDOT, handling all matters related to archaeology, history, historic bridges, architecture, Section 106 compliance, Native American consultation, cultural resources, and NEPA. Through this position, her interests have expanded considerably to include historic highways and modern transportation networks, many aspects of Wyoming history, and the material record of Native American religions.

Dr. Francis also has an adjunct appointment in the University of Wyoming Anthropology Department, where she periodically teaches "The Anthropology of Rock Art". She has published several articles in edited volumes and journals such as American Antiquity and Plains Anthropologist, as well as in various transportation

related publications. Along with Dr. Mary Lou Larson, Dr. Francis has recently published an edited volume entitled *Changing Perspectives on the Archaic of the Northwestern Plains and Rocky Mountains*, and her latest book, co-authored with Larry Loendorf, is about Native American Images of the Bighorn and Wind River basins.



CAS Education Funds Available for Chapters

At the CAS quarterly meeting in January, the Board approved addition of \$2,400 to the CAS Public Education Fund, transferred from the Field Trip fund and General fund as part of the 2006 CAS Budget. CAS Treasurer Larry Evans proposed that these funds be used to make grants to CAS chapters to develop their own Education Trunks (created by CAS Education Coordinator Eileen Gose), and to carry out public education projects. This proposal and the details of the chapter grants will be approved in the April CAS quarterly meeting.

Welcome new CAS/NCC members!

- Jillian Bechberger
- Robert Willhour
- Colleen Weadick
- Georgia Doyle
- William Miller

May is Colorado Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month

This year's poster features Spruce Tree House at Mesa Verde, and CAS/NCC has a number of posters to distribute for display. If you know a location, please contact Bev Goering at 484-3101. CAS/NCC will submit a schedule of chapter events for Preservation Month by March 1. If you have suggestions for events to include, please contact Bev.



Northern Colorado Chapter/CAS Treasurer's Report February 7, 2006

Account Balances: Checking Account Includes: Kaplan-Hoover Interpretation	\$ 1685.00	
Total \$1154.00 Savings Account	\$ 849.56	
Scudder Money Market Fund	\$ 1071.69	
Total:		\$ <u>3606.25</u>
Individual Funds:		
General – Checking & Savings Plus \$100.86 in MMF	\$ 1481.42	
Greenacre Scholarship Fund (MM) MMF less \$100.86	\$ 970.83	
Kaplan-Hoover Interpretation Includes: Travel Case \$166	\$ 1154.00	

Total:

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Northern Colorado Chapter / Colorado Archaeological Society Membership Application and Renewal

I/We ______(sign) do hereby agree to uphold and abide by the Code of Ethics as a condition of membership in the Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) and the Northern Colorado Chapter.

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Donation to the Greenacre Scholarship Fund: \$_____

Please make your check payable to the Northern Colorado Chapter/CAS. Send to:

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Note: Your dues include concurrent membership in the Colorado Archaeological Society and the Northern Colorado Chapter, a subscription to the Chapter newsletter, the *Folsom Point*, four issues of the journal *Southwestern Lore*, and four issues of the CAS newsletter, the *Surveyor*. The Colorado Archaeological Society is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization.



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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.