

The Folsom Point



Northern Colorado Chapter / Colorado Archaeological Society

Lykins Valley: A Protohistoric Occupation in Northern Larimer County Revisited

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Program Wednesday, April 18, 7:00 p.m.
Room C-249, Clark Building, CSU
Campus, Fort Collins (see map on Page 5).
Join us as Greenacre Scholarship recipient
Cody Newton presents *Lykins Valley: A
Protohistoric Occupation in Northern Larimer
County Revisited*. Cody is a graduate
student in the Anthropology Department
at Colorado State University. His talk will
complement Chris von Wedell's
presentation on the Lykins Valley site at
our March program.

Cody will discuss the 2006 fieldwork and
his research as it relates to site dating and
context within the Protohistoric Period of
the Central Plains. He is especially
interested in using the artifact assemblage
to determine the type and function of an
archaeological site. This process compares
and contrasts artifacts found at other sites
of comparable age.

The Lykins Valley Site (5LR263) is an open
stratified campsite located in the foothills
in Larimer County's recently-acquired
Red Mountain Open Space. The site
contains evidence of at least two
Protohistoric period (A.D. 1540 - 1860)
levels of occupation. Archaeologists from
Colorado State University initially
excavated the site in 1974 and recovered
items of indigenous manufacture such as
groundstone, lithic debitage (including
obsidian) and tools, such as arrowpoints
and scrapers, along with trade items such
as glass beads, kettle fragments, a gunflint,

a metal tinkler, and a clay pipe from the
surface and first two levels of the site.
Faunal remains recovered from these
levels include horse (*Equus caballus*), and
butchered bison (*Bison bison*), mule deer
(*Odocoileus hemionus*) and pronghorn
antelope (*Antilocapra Americana*). Thermal
features found in the first two levels
provided radiocarbon dates of 250 ± 85
and 210 ± 95 years B.P. Beginning in the
spring of 2006, portions of the extant
collection from 5LR263 were reanalyzed
and in July of 2006 fieldwork was
undertaken, mainly mapping and surface
collection. For this presentation, the
results of the reanalysis, particularly the
trade good components of the assemblage,
along with new radiometric data will be
presented to further refine the site in both
its use and temporal context during the
Protohistoric period.



Selection of artifacts found at the Lykins Valley site:
Kettle ear, clay pipe, gun flint, tinkler, and beads.

Special points of interest:

- April 10—Historical Archaeology PAAC Class starts 6:30-9:30 p.m.
- April 18—Program by Cody Newton, Room C-249 Clark Building, CSU campus (see Page 5).
- April 28—Field trip to Fort Collins Museum (see Page 2).
- May 16—Susan Harness, Terry Burton, and Jason LaBelle program on the ethnohistory and archaeology of Soapstone Natural Area (see Page 5).
- May 31—Last day to sign up for Summer PAAC Training Survey (see Page 3).
- June 13 and June 25—Cultural tours of Soapstone Prairie Natural Area (see Page 5).
- July 6-13—PAAC Summer Training Survey (see Page 3)
- September 19—Program by Robin Roberts (tentative).
- September 28-30 CAS Annual Meeting hosted by the Denver Chapter.

Reminder: PAAC Class on
Historical Archaeology
starts Tuesday April 10,
6:30-9:30 p.m. at LOPA,
3136 S. Timberline Road

Field Trip to Fort Collins Museum April 28

Join us for a tour of the Fort Collins Museum (200 Mathews Street, Library Park, Fort Collins)! Curator Linda Moore will meet us on **Saturday April 28th at 10:00 a.m.** (when the museum opens) on the 2nd floor gallery in the Folsom exhibit. We will then move on to the collections area and continue our tour. Highlights include an extensive collection of Folsom artifacts from the Lindenmeier site and the Watts Clovis cache.

The Fort Collins Museum began as the Pioneer Museum in 1941 with the help of the Indian Relic Hobby Club, the Pioneer Association, and the Daughters of Colorado Pioneers. Operated by the City of Fort Collins, the Museum's first curator was Clyde Brown, a member of the Indian Relic Hobby Club and a Fort Collins native. In 1976, the Pioneer Museum relocated across the park into the old Carnegie Library building and became the Fort Collins Museum. The Museum has evolved into a regional center focusing on area history and culture. Today, multiple galleries feature temporary and permanent exhibitions and a Courtyard encompassed three historic structures. The Museum offers an array of programs and educational opportunities.

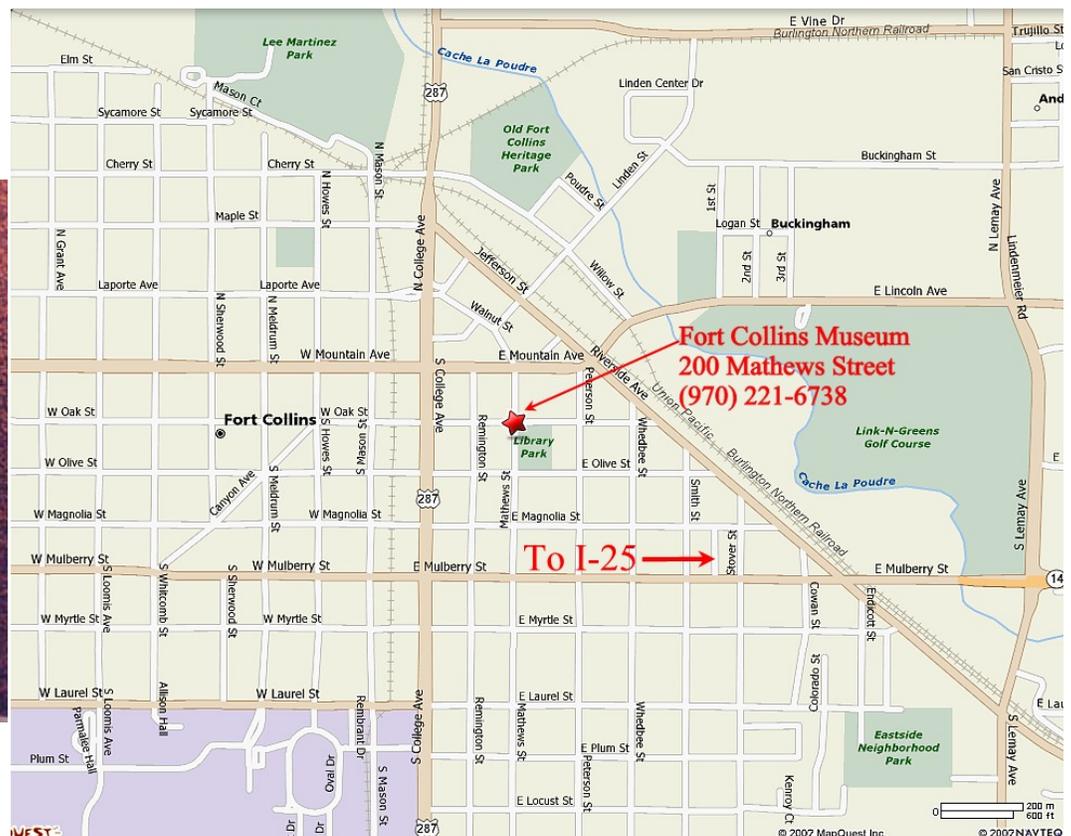


Fort Collins Museum Tour

- **Saturday, April 28, 10:00 a.m.**
- **We need to know how many will be participating, so please contact Field Trip Coordinator Chrissy Burke at burkech3@lamar.colostate.edu to sign up.**
- **CAS/NCC suggests that each participant donate \$5 to the museum (normal admission \$2).**



*Biface from the Watts Clovis Cache
by Bob Patten, www.stonedagger.com*



CAS Advisory Board Summary Report

CAS ADVISORY BOARD TO STATE ARCHAEOLOGIST

Summary Report, January 20, 2007

Chapters reporting: CRAA, Pueblo, Indian Peaks, Denver, San Juan Basin, Pikes Peak



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- Pueblo is participating in the Federally-mandated re-survey of the Pueblo Reservoir (Bureau of Reclamation-managed lands). This is up to a 5 year project of approximately 5,000 acres. While this is the most heavily visited state park, Native American site could still be located. CAS volunteers are requested. Leads: Mike Ketchen(CAS), Ted Hoefer, CRAI, Inc of Longmont..
- A survey of Bijou Creek will be conducted by the Denver Chapter on the first Saturday of each month, spring through fall. Lead: Neil Hauser.
- In response to the expansion of the Pinyon Canyon Maneuver Site (south of La Junta), CRAA is developing a rock art recording project on neighboring ranches. Projected start is this fall. CAS volunteers are requested. Lead: Larry Lowendorf.
- Hisatsinom has received a CHS grant to expand survey work on the private lands adjacent to the Greenlee Site. Lead: Don Dove.
- Pikes Peak has received a grant to support the UCCS Jimmy Camp project lab work phase.
- Pikes Peak will conduct a re-survey and test excavation at the Ute Fort Site (South Park) this summer/fall, with CHS grant support.

PUBLICATIONS/REPORTS:

- Hisatsinom has completed the report on the Greenlee Site field and lab assessment (private land) and is available on CD.

CURATION:

- CRAA has completed the agreement with CSU to create a Rock Art Archives. Contributions have begun.
- Pueblo members continue to be involved in curatorial and docent activities at the SE Colorado Heritage Center.

VANDALISM / COMPLIANCE ISSUES

- Hisatsinom reports recent vandalism on Canyon of the Ancients NM, BLM and San Juan NF lands:
 - Pothunters/vandals hit Ansel Hall Pueblo (10-15 potholes) and on Cajon Mesa (holes and backdirt). The CANM archaeologist will investigate fully after the snowmelt. These events were reported by hikers and site stewards.
 - The BLM archaeologist reports that two rockshelters were looted in the Disappointment Valley Wilderness Study Area. One was a recorded Paleo—PII site. The other showed evidence of backhoe and screening activities. This site has not yet been recorded, and there is discussion about setting up site stewards at this location.
 - The Johnson father/son team of pothunters were convicted and fined for a second time, caught again in the San Juan Forest north of Dolores. This is an old family tradition for them, and they see no reason to change.

SITE STEWARDSHIP:

- Indian Peaks is working with Bill Butler (Arapahoe-Roosevelt NF) to develop a site steward program agreement for Rocky Mountain National Park and the National Forest, to start this summer.
- San Juan Basin currently has site stewards at locations at Mesa Verde NP and Canyon of the Ancients NM, in conjunction with the San Juan Mountain Association program.
- Hisatsinom also continues active member participation with SJMA's program. Ruth Lambert, coordinator.

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PUBLIC EDUCATION & PRESERVATION MONTH

- Pueblo now has 13 education trunks completed and in active use.
- San Juan Basin has begun developing their education trunk program.
- Pueblo's annual May symposium will be focused on Folsom.
- CRAA's annual May symposium will be held in Craig on May 18—20.
- Indian Peaks' Preservation Month presentation will be on the Lindenmeier Site, by Jason LaBelle.
- Denver's Preservation Month presentation will be on the Range Creek, UT sites.



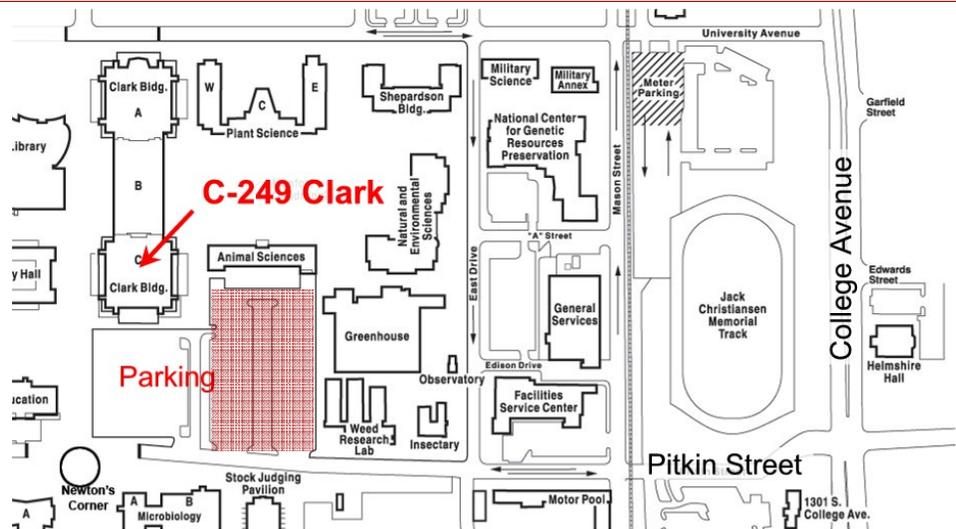
ORGANIZATIONAL INTERACTIONS

- Pueblo members and El Pueblo Museum staff are developing a memorial to the late Bill Buckles.

Upcoming Programs

May 16—Susan Harness, Terry Burton, and Jason LaBelle will present a program on the ethnohistory and archaeology of the Soapstone Natural Area. The program will be held at the Webster House, located at 301 E. Olive St. (the corner of Olive and Mathews St.) in Fort Collins.

September—(Tentative) Greenacre Scholarship recipient Robin M. Roberts will present an update on her research on homesteads of the Pawnee National Grassland.



Map to Clark Building—Location of April Meeting

Cultural Tours of Soapstone Prairie Natural Area

The City is offering two cultural tours of Soapstone Prairie Natural Area this summer— on June 13th and June 25th. These have not been yet announced to the general public. Call Pat Hayward at 970-416-2815 to make a reservation.

The cultural tours will be led by Pat Hayward, Interpretive Naturalist for the City of Fort Collins Natural Areas Program, and Dr. Jason LaBelle, CSU anthropology professor and archaeological investigator at the Soapstone and Red Mountain Ranch properties. Transportation in a

City van is provided. These tours emphasize the cultural resources found in the Soapstone Prairie Natural Area, and Dr. LaBelle will accompany the tour to interpret the Lindenmeier site, along with other prehistoric and historic sites.

Other tours of Soapstone Prairie Natural Area, of a more general nature, are also scheduled for this summer. Contact Pat Hayward at 970-416-2815 for more information and make reservations for those tours.

Support the Greenacre Scholarship Fund!

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Northern Colorado Chapter/CAS has started a recycling and fundraising program with Empties4Cash.com. Here is how it works:

- The empty inkjet cartridges that we usually throw away as trash can be recycled and remanufactured.
- Pick up a postage-free mailer at the next CAS/NCC meeting, or contact Bev Goering at 484-3101 or bgoering@comcast.net. Feel free to pass these along to anyone with cartridges to recycle!

- Send in your empty cartridges. CAS/NCC gets paid up to \$4.00 for each empty inkjet cartridge that has a print head, regardless of the brand or type.
- Accepted are any inkjet cartridges that have print heads, for all of the following brands of printers:
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 - Lexmark
 - Xerox
 - Compaq
 - Brother
 - Dell
 - Canon
 - Apple



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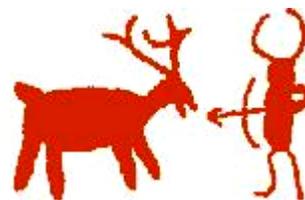
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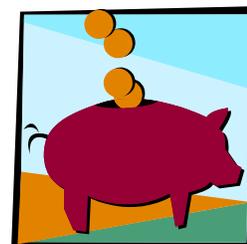


Northern Colorado Chapter/CAS Treasurer's Report

April 4, 2007

Account Balances:

Checking Account	\$1930.74
Includes:	
Kaplan-Hoover:	
Interpretative Exhibit	\$701.00
Exhibit Cases	\$ 3.75
Greenacre Scholarship Fund	\$296.50
Savings Account	\$ 53.64
Scudder Money Market Fund	\$1130.12
Total:	\$3114.50



Individual Funds:

General - Checking and Savings	\$ 983.03
Less \$ 296.50 in GFS and Kaplan-Hoover funds	
Greenacre Scholarship Fund	\$1426.62
MMF plus \$ 296.50	
Kaplan-Hoover	\$ 704.75
Total:	\$3114.50

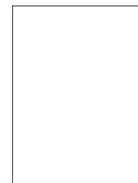
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Colorado Archaeological Society Code of Ethics

- 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.
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- Members will cooperate with the State Archaeologist and other agencies concerned with archaeology and related fields.
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- Members will not participate in conduct involving dishonesty, deceit, or misrepresentation about archaeological matters.