



The Folsom Point

Northern Colorado Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society

Note from the Chapter President

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As we begin the month of March, 2016, I must say that I could not be happier with how things are shaping up in our new meeting location studying together the wonderful world of the science of Archaeology. We have grown as a group enough that we have moved away from the Wild Boar, which was graciously procured for the Fort Collins Chapter of the Northern Colorado Archaeology Society by our hard working member, Carrie Graves. We all need to thank Carrie for her huge efforts in securing the Wild Boar for us. Since January's meeting it became abundantly clear that FCNCC has grown out of the space at the Wild Boar. A search was immediately launched by three members of the Board keeping specific criteria in mind. The place we needed to find had to have the following: We needed comfortable space for up to forty people that had adequate parking that was safe both nights and days. Preferred was a restaurant area where food and drink would be served from a generous and affordable menu and the location would be affordable if we needed to pay a monthly rent payment. With those requirements in mind the three of us from the Board investigated several venues. We found that perfect place in the eleventh hour of our search. That place turned out to be the Fort Collins Brewery. Our first meeting, in one of the conference rooms, separate from the main dining area, received rave reviews from our membership. Management had the room equipped with a smart board, projector, and slide projector. Two laptop computers, an Apple and PC comparable. The room was set up with conference room tables with tablecloths and napkin-wrapped silverware. We were supplied with a large dinner menu especially put together making it convenient for members to order and receive their orders promptly delivered by cheerful and attentive wait staff. All said, the meeting, dedicated to the study of Archaeology, with people in attendance who enjoy that study, I would say that the first meeting was truly the beginning of good things to come and a good business agreement between Fort Collins Archaeology Society and The Fort Collins Brewery. Please continue throughout the year with us and let's see how many ways we can grow!!! Yours, Susan Omori, President

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March Program

Thursday, March 10th

Place: Please note new location – if haven't been there before.

Fort Collins Brewery
1020 E Lincoln Ave, Fort Collins

Time: 6:00 PM

Dinner (on your own tab) and visiting (see NCC website for menu options)

6:30 PM – business meeting, activities, discussions, raffle

7:00 PM -- Program

Three Piece Program

Thanks to Aaron Wittenburg for last month's presentation.

Heidi Short, Web site manager, brochure writer, and newsletter editor for FCNCC will be our first speaker... She will present a Archeologist's view of searching the recent past a look at local historic archaeology. Covered in the talk with be Alonzo Allen Cabin, Camp Collins and Medina Cemetery site.

Brief Bio on Heidi Short: Graduated CU with a Bachelors in History and minors in Religious Studies and Classics, then went on to UNC to finish a Bachelor in Anthropology/Archaeology. Heidi has worked with local Professors such as Dr. Andrew Creekmore, Dr. Jason LaBelle and Retired Professor Dr. Robert Brunswig, helping to train students in the uses of metal detectors as well as helping with reports and research. She is Vice-Chair on the Berthoud Historic Preservation Advisory Committee, as well as volunteering help to both Heritage Resource Management at the Roosevelt/Arapaho Forest Service and History Colorado. Heidi also researches home for local designation as well as State and National historic listings, and sets up archaeological investigations for land owners. And for those who are interested in family history she offers her services in Genealogical researching.

Second speaker of the night will be Dave Swinehart. He is a graduate of CSU with a Bachelor's degree, Anthropology & Social Science. He currently is the Development Director at Disabled Resource Services Fort Collins, Colorado Area, Nonprofit Organization Management. Dave is also the PAAC coordinator for the Northern Colorado Chapter of CAS. Dave will be talking about the upcoming PAAC class and the advantages of taking the State PAAC certification.

Third speaker will be John Wilkins. John has M.A. Anthropology, Ph.D. Sociology. He is an Instructor, Front Range Community College, Colorado. John is Formerly, Assistant Professor, Senior Research Scientist (retired) Department of Sociology Colorado State University. John will be discussing archaeology Youtube programs.

Upcoming PAAC Class.

Course Subject: **Perishable Materials** – Value of perishable materials, information on preservation, varieties of materials, tool classes.

Dates: Tuesday evenings – Seven in a row: April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17

Times: 6:30 – 9:30 pm

Location: Medical Center of the Rockies (Near I 25 @ Eisenhower Blvd., Loveland)
Mount Audubon/Horsetooth meeting room – lower level

To register for the class send a check for \$12, made payable to “History Colorado”.

Please include your telephone number and e-mail address.

Mail to:

NCC-CAS/PAAC

P O Box 271513

Fort Collins CO 80527

Registration deadline: March 30, 2016

Registration confirmation will be sent by e-mail. We need a minimum of ten people to hold the class. The \$12 fee covers all lecture sessions and course materials. No outside work required. A final exam is optional unless the course is taken for college credit (contact me for information) or part of the PAAC certification program.

Class participants must be at least fifteen years old and sign the PAAC Code of Ethics starting with the second PAAC course taken. Neither prior experience with archaeology nor membership in the Colorado Archaeological Society is required. More information on the Colorado Historical Society’s PAAC program can be found at: <http://www.historycolorado.org/archaeologists/program-avocational-archaeological-certification-paac>

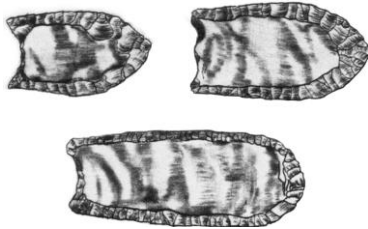
Lab work gets off to a great start.

Written by Julia Kenyon

This spring, members from the Colorado Archaeological Society-NCC and CSU students are working on a volunteer lab project facilitated by the Center for Mountain and Plains Archaeology. The project will focus on unpacking and sorting collections from Spring Gulch, a site here in Larimer county that was dug by CSU field schools in the 1970's. We expect to curate a great collection of artifacts including lithics, bone, and ceramics as well as historical. Volunteers are always welcome, and no previous experience necessary - just enthusiasm! Lab sessions will be held every two weeks on Wednesdays from 6-9 pm, and any interested volunteers should get in touch with Julia Kenyon, the graduate student coordinator, by email (juliakenyon@gmail.com). We're looking forward to a great project, and a chance to further our understanding of Colorado prehistory. Hope to see you in the lab this spring!

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Mission Statement

The Colorado Archaeological Society is a non-profit organization committed to the stewardship of archaeological resources in Colorado. This is achieved through public education, research, and enhanced opportunities for responsible participation in archaeology for interested individuals and organizations.

The Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) came into existence in 1935 as a focus for people having interest in the history and prehistory of humans in Colorado. The interest in archaeology led to the establishment of the office of the State Archaeologist within the History Colorado Society, a state government society.

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PAAC Coordinator - Dave Swinehart **Membership Chair – Bev Goering**

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Professional Advisor – Dr. Jason LaBelle

We also have a number of openings please check our website.

We're on the Web!
www.casncc.org

Information on Lab work from Julia Keynon

We'll be holding lab sessions every two weeks (Wednesdays) from 6-9 pm in the basement of Clark building on CSU campus, in room A26. We are working primarily on unpacking and fully curating the collection from Spring Gulch, a site that was dug by CSU field schools under Dr. Liz Morris in the mid-1970's but never fully processed. There's quite a diverse assemblage with plenty of lithics, faunal, ceramic, historic, etc. No experience necessary, just enthusiasm and your keenest eye.

We'll try to keep it capped at 10 volunteers per session as the lab gets a bit crowded past that. I keep the sign up list so if you would like to add your name to one of the following dates just let me know here.

There is free parking on campus after 4 - since we'll be there in the evenings, it'll be no problem. I park in the Animal Sciences lot, just east of Clark, accessed via Pitkin (from College). Next date March 2.

<http://maps.colostate.edu/>
