



# The Folsom Point

Northern Colorado Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society

## President's Corner

Hello, Susan asked me to pass along that the Greenacre Scholarship Beer Tasting and Silent Auction is now Scheduled for October 22, more information to follow.

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Larimer County Natural Resources Roberts Ranch Tour on May 21 Photo's provided by Rae Todd

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## April Program

Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

**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**

## Program

Thanks to Lawrence Fullenkamp for last month's presentation. For those of your interested in Site Stewardship please email Lawrence at [lfullenkamp@fs.fed.us](mailto:lfullenkamp@fs.fed.us)

Junes program is *New discoveries revealed by geophysics research at Khirbet al-Mafjar, an Early Islamic Qasr near Jericho, Palestine* by **Andy Creekmore, UNC Professor.**

Qasr Hisham, also known as Khirbet al-Mafjar and Hisham's Palace, is an eighth century Islamic estate located near Jericho, Palestine. Excavations a century ago uncovered a palatial compound and baths with magnificent mosaics. These remains have been treated as an isolated monument with a short life history, but recent geophysics research reveals that they are part of a settlement with a more complex history than meets the eye.



**July** will be **Kimball Banks** and **J. Signe Snortland**, both are Archaeologists. Their talk will be on, **Before The Pharaohs: Exploring The Prehistory Of Egypt**

**August** will be **Britney Kyle (McIlvaine)** and one of her students from UNC.

**September** we have **Roger De Witt** from UNC.

**October** will be Matt Muttart, our Greenacre recipient.

## World News:

**This month's new is more in the US and is of major concern. We have seen a number of incidents concerning rock art. This is another that has come up last month.**

**\$2,500 Rewards Offered for Information on Archaeological Resource Vandalism**

**[http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/info/newsroom/2016/may/ 2 500 rewards offered.html](http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/info/newsroom/2016/may/2_500_rewards_offered.html)**

**The one that is getting more attention as of late is this one.**

**Looters Steal Civil War History at Petersburg National Battlefield**

**<https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1207/05-27-2016b.htm>**

**Crime Scene Declared After Looting at Virginia Battlefield**

**<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/crime-scene-declared-looting-virginia-battlefield-39458701>**

## Book Review: Douglas Preston

Some of you may know Douglas Preston from his fictional series with author Lincoln Child. But did you know that he has written a few non-fiction books as well. Worth the time to read.

***Talking to the Ground*** - In 1992 Doug Preston and his family rode horseback across 400 miles of desert in Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico. They were retracing the route of the Navajo deity Naayee' neizghani, the Slayer of Alien Gods, on his quest to restore beauty and balance to the Earth. More than a travelogue, Preston's account of the journey is a tale of two cultures meeting in a sacred land. –Amazon.

***The Royal Road: El Camino Real from Mexico City to Santa Fe*** - In 1598 the conquistador Juan de Oñate led the first permanent European settlers to what would become the United States, traveling from Mexico along El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro, the Royal Road of the Interior. In commemoration of the 400th anniversary of this arduous journey, the husband-and-wife author/photographer team of Douglas and Christine Preston, seasoned travelers on the Camino Real, invite us to join them as they journey by car and horseback and on foot along this ancient road, which began thousands of years ago as a series of Indian trails. Christine Preston's photos show wild places that have hardly changed over the centuries as well as churches, ruins, villages, and modern cityscapes. Douglas Preston's text chronicles the history of the road and its travelers. José Antonio Esquibel provides fascinating historical information on the pioneer settlers of New Mexico including the origins and genealogies of old New Mexico families from Abeyta to Zamora. – Amazon

***Dinosaurs in the Attic: An Excursion into the American Museum of Natural***

***History*** - *Dinosaurs in the Attic* is a chronicle of the expeditions, discoveries, and scientists behind the greatest natural history collection ever assembled. Written by former *Natural History* columnist Douglas Preston, who worked at the American Museum of Natural History for seven years, this is a celebration of the best-known and best-loved museum in the United States. - Amazon

## News with PAAC Class. By Dave Swinehart

Rae Todd, a member of our chapter, recently earned her Scholar certification, having successfully completed all 13 classes offered through the PAAC program. She completed her last class in May. She will be presented her certificate at the next CAS meeting in Pueblo. Congratulation, Rae!

Also Kevin Black has now officially retired. We will miss Kevin, he has done such a wonderful job for so many years.

June 3-5 Durango Rock Art Studies

Contact Tish Varney [tishvarney@att.net](mailto:tishvarney@att.net) for availability.

## Educational Offering.

### **All Aboard! All the Way to DIA**

Jun 21, 2016

4:30PM - 9:00PM

Cost

Members \$54, nonmembers \$65

Reservations Required?

yes

Event Description

Join Tom "Dr. Colorado" Noel and RTD's master guide Ryan Mulligan for this summertime tradition. We'll start with drinks and sumptuous snacks as we enjoy a slideshow of Denver's rail history along with an orientation of RTD's new commuter train system. A short walk then takes us to Union Station and track one to DIA. At the airport we'll learn about the art and linger for a drink at the spectacular new DIA Westin Hotel. Along the way we'll inspect some of RTD's new stations and their public art displays.

Register by May 6 Call 303-866-2394 /History Colorado Event

### **Scandinavian Midsummer Festival**

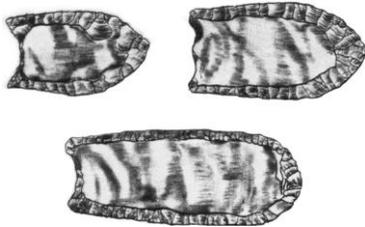
June 24- 26, 2016 Estes Park

While the traditional day for Midsummer is June 21, the summer solstice, Estes Park will hold its celebration on the weekend of June 25 and June 26, 2016. The festival is open from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday, and from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM Sunday. Friday evening the Beer Krog will be open from 4-9 PM with contemporary Scandinavian music and dancing. Admission is free. The Festival takes place in Bond Park.

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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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## Open House

### Amache Project Open House

Jul 09, 2016 08:00AM - 5:00PM  
Location: Amache, Granada, CO 81041  
Venue Name: Amache, Granada, CO

The University of Denver (DU) Amache project is focused on researching, interpreting, and preserving the tangible history of Amache, one of ten WWII-era Japanese American internment camps. This summer, the University will be leading a month of field research at Amache and the Amache Museum in Granada, Colorado.

(8 am - 1 pm): Come watch archaeologists as they uncover the history of Amache on-site. Take a tour, learn about site survey, and watch active excavations.

(1- 5pm): Visit the Amache museum. See the new exhibits and collections, and try to identify objects in the field lab.

For more information about the DU Amache project and directions to the camp go to:  
<http://portfolio.du.edu/amache>

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