



# The Folsom Point

**Northern Colorado Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society**

## President's Corner

This is Susan Omori wishing you all a very beautiful Fall beginning. It will soon be time to turn your clocks back and time for all the Fall colors to grace our surroundings.

During this Fall you will see changes within NCC-CAS. During the Fall months is our preparation time for the election of new Board Members and/or the reelection of the current Board members. If you are interested in running for any office of the Board please attend the Board and Membership meetings in October, November, and December to decide if running for a Board position, at this time, is right for you.

The Board has had a recent change in its membership. The very generous and faithful Lisa Volker has resigned her position as Secretary of NCC-CAS due to the desire to pursue her life and art passions. Lisa very willingly took the position of Secretary in 2015 because her husband, John Wilkins, was so very passionate about all things Archaeological and she wanted to support him. Now, with her desire to pursue interests of her own, and see her own thriving business through a busy time, she has decided that this is the time to make a change. Lisa will continue to come to the NCC-CAS meetings with John, only now she can come to the Membership meetings with a broader knowledge of Archaeology of her own, support John's Archaeological passion, and pick up the pace and enjoy her life passions with renewed zest! Bless her. Thank you so much Lisa for your hard work and dedication to NCC-CAS! By the way, you still owe me a Pickle Ball game or two..

Janet Pancoast, a very active member of NCC-CAS, will take over the duties of Secretary as interim until the next Board election. Janet is new to Archaeology and has so much fun with NCC-CAS and all it offers and is going to give the Secretarial position a hearty try... A Thank you to Janet is in order.

Have a great Fall. Enjoy the weather and the good cheer of friends at the new meeting location of NCC-CAS at the Medical Center of the Rockies! Hope to see you at the Board and Membership Meetings... Heidi Short has a really nice group of speakers that are Fabulous!!! Bring your dinner or visit any one of the restaurants in the area around the Medical Center of the Rockies. You may want to try the hospital cafeteria which is great! Be Well. Good-bye to Summer...

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# October Program

Thursday, Oct 13<sup>th</sup>

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

**Medical Center of The Rockies**

**2500 Rocky Mountain Avenue, Loveland, Colorado 80538**

**Arapahoe Peaks & Mount Audubon Rooms**

**Time: 6:00 PM -- business meeting, activities, discussions, raffle**

**7:00 PM -- Program**

## Program

**October Speaker: Matthew Muttart**

Matthew earned his B.A. in Anthropology from the University of Victoria, Canada. After the 2014 field season with Dr. Pante at Olduvai Gorge, Tanzania he moved to Fort Collins to pursue his graduate degree in Biological Anthropology.

His research is seeking to reconstruct the ecology of Early Stone Age archaeological sites as this is critical to understanding the conditions and behaviors that led to these accumulations, particularly as hominins encroached on the carnivore guild and regularly consuming flesh and marrow from mammalian carcasses. The abundance of tooth marked bone at these early archaeological sites highlights the potential of these traces to help refine our knowledge of past hominin and carnivore interactions. However, attempts to link tooth marks left on bone to specific carnivore taxa have mostly been unsuccessful due to the two-dimensional techniques. This thesis project is utilizing high-resolution 3D scanning to produce accurate and precise characterizations of tooth mark morphology not applied in any previous research. Samples of tooth marks from modern mammalian carnivores and crocodilians were collected from natural feeding experiments in Serengeti National Park, Tanzania. Feeding experiments have also been conducted at the W.O.L.F Sanctuary in Rist Canyon and the Denver Zoo.

Matthew's talk will provide an overview of research methods and preliminary results of his project. Additionally, he will talk about his field season excavating at Olduvai Gorge this summer because no one wants to listen to him talk for the better part of an hour on nanometer measurements of tooth marks.

**November Andrew Vilodaki Grad Student at CSU**

**Will be in the Big Thompson Room**

**December will be our normal Christmas Party**

**Will be in the Big Thompson Room**

# Archaeology News From all Over the World

**Ancient Roman coins found buried under ruins of Japanese castle leave archaeologists baffled.**

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/science/archaeology/roman-coins-discovery-castle-japan-okinawa-buried-ancient-currency-a7332901.html>

**Archaeologists Confirm Shipwreck is Franklin's HMS Terror.**

<http://www.archaeology.org/news/4870-160927-canada-franklin-terror>

**Fossilized Bee Nest May Offer Environmental Clues.**

<http://www.archaeology.org/news/4877-160929-taung-child-bees>

**5,000 year old Prehistoric art panel uncovered.**

<http://www.heritagedaily.com/2016/09/archive-of-news-university-events-5000-year-old-prehistoric-art-panel-uncovered/112635>

## **For Discussion:**

Recently it has been an issue with archaeology students digging up victims of wars. Is this traumatic for students to do this kind of work. They are talking at some schools about offering a course on the horrors of history. Which they hope will turn students away from archaeology if digging up the war victims seems to be too much for them. Do you think this is the right way of treating this issue?

Find something you can't identify try this sight?

<https://www.reddit.com/r/Whatisthis/>

## News with PAAC By Dave Swinehart

### No PAAC Class This Fall in N. CO

#### September

|            |                |   |
|------------|----------------|---|
| 19         | Boulder        | Archaeological Dating Methods (session 1)   |
| <b>21*</b> | Boulder        | Archaeological Dating Methods (session 2)   |
| 16-18      | Grand Junction | Prehistoric Lithic Description and Analysis |

#### October

|        |                |  |
|--------|----------------|--|
| 3      | Boulder        | Archaeological Dating Methods (session 3)        |
| 7      | Grand Junction | PAAC Board meeting at CAS annual meeting         |
| 10, 17 | Boulder        | Archaeological Dating Methods (sessions 4-5)     |
| 19     | Denver         | Principles of Archaeological Excavation (1 of 7) |
| 26     | Denver         | Principles of Archaeological Excavation (2 of 7) |

#### November

|       |          |  |
|-------|----------|--|
| 2     | Denver   | Principles of Archaeological Excavation (3 of 7) |
| 5-6   | Dolores  | Archaeological Laboratory Techniques             |
| 9     | Denver   | Principles of Archaeological Excavation (4 of 7) |
| 16    | Denver   | Principles of Archaeological Excavation (5 of 7) |
| 18-20 | Fountain | Prehistoric Ceramic Description and Analysis     |
| 30    | Denver   | Principles of Archaeological Excavation (6 of 7) |

#### December

|       |        |  |
|-------|--------|--|
| 7     | Denver | Principles of Archaeological Excavation (7 of 7) |
| **TBD | Denver | PAAC Laboratory Project                          |

For complete information on PAAC classes go to: <http://www.historycolorado.org> and click on the "Archaeologists & Preservationists" tab, or write to Dave Swinehart, N. Colorado PAAC Coordinator: [swinehart53@gmail.com](mailto:swinehart53@gmail.com)

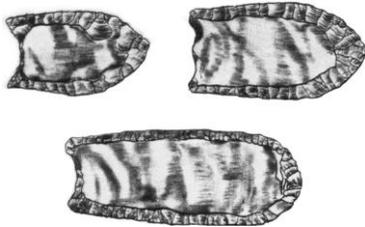
**CAS 81 ST**  
 Conference & Annual Meeting  
 October 7 -10 (Friday Monday), 2016  
 Hosted by the Grand Junction Chapter  
 To be held on the  
 Colorado Mesa University campus, Student Center

Please forward the link to our [website](http://www.cas-gj.weebly.com) with all the conference details and registration form [www.cas-gj.weebly.com](http://www.cas-gj.weebly.com) to anyone you know that may be interested in attending.

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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.

**Chapter President : Susan Omori      Vice-President – Dave Swinehart**

**Secretary – Lisa Voelker                      Treasurer – Rae Todd**

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**Membership – Rae Todd                      Webmaster – Heidi Short**

**CAS Chapter Advisory Rep – Dale Agger**

**Professional Advisor – Dr. Jason LaBelle**

We're on the Web!  
[www.casncc.org](http://www.casncc.org)

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## Educational Offering

### Hike to a Homestead

Oct. 15, 2016 9:00AM – 2:00PM

#### Location

Soapstone Prairie 22998 Rawhide Flats Road, Fort Collins, CO 80549

Cost Free: Registration required

Event Description: Learn about the early history of the settlers of Soapstone Prairie. Visit several homestead ruins and hear stories about pioneer families. Options for moderate 3-mile or moderate–strenuous 6-mile hike.

[Naturetracker.fcgov.com](http://Naturetracker.fcgov.com) or call 970-416-2815

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