

# THE FOLSOM POINT



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## *FROM THE EDITOR*

KATLYN CHARLESWORTH

The January Quarterly Meeting was a great success, and many changes to membership, meetings, and more are coming this spring.

Our NCC Treasurer and Membership Coordinator, Rae Todd, will be performing Presidential duties until a new chapter President can be elected.

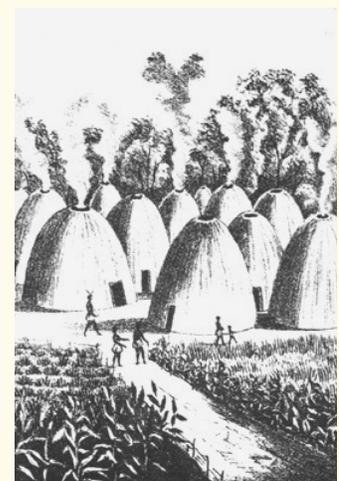
Please note, after February, our monthly meeting time will shift from 6:30 PM to 6:45 PM. However, this month's meeting is set for 6:20 PM. Please read the articles from Rae on

pages 2 - 4, which touch on several new developments in our society.

Members should also be reminded that annual membership renewal is currently taking place, and those who have not completed a Membership Renewal form (on page 13) should take care to complete the renewal by the cut-off date of April 1st of 2018.

Online membership will be established by CAS in a couple of weeks, so please read the information regarding membership renewal/establishment changes on the next page.

We look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming program with Doug Banford, and hope our members have a lovely Valentine's Day!



**AND A PROGRAM  
BY DOUG BANFORD ON  
HORTICULTURE IN  
THE GREAT PLAINS**

# MEETING CHANGES

BY RAE TODD

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I want to thank all of our members who either sent an email prior to January 10th, or were able to attend the month's business meeting.

Please note, we are out of compliance with NCC and CAS bylaws without an elected President, Vice President, and Secretary. We do, however, meet the required 15-member-minimum membership.

With the approval of the CAS Executive Board, I am leading the Northern Colorado Chapter until we get back into compliance with both the NCC and CAS bylaws.

I am making the following changes to our chapter meetings, which were stated and open for discussion at the January board meeting:

1. Board meetings will be conducted by email prior to the regular monthly membership meeting. Votes, if needed, will be conducted online and results printed out for NCC and CAS archives. Information from these board meetings will be communicated to members at the monthly membership meeting and/or through email.
2. To get in compliance with our bylaws, the Northern Colorado Chapter will not meet during the months of June, July, and August. This still leaves us out of compliance, although closer to resolution. We will not be meeting in May 2018, due to the lack of meeting rooms at the Medical Center of the Rockies.

3. After February, our monthly meeting time will change from 6:30 pm to 6:45 pm, with the first fifteen minutes for chapter business (primarily for information dissemination). If a vote of membership is needed, members will be notified through this newsletter, the primary communication tool. If an email is needed, members may receive one of those due to timely notification.

4. *The Folsom Point* newsletter contains needed chapter information for members that the editor will distribute monthly. I will be sending out an email with agenda to the membership meeting prior to the actual meeting, along with any needed information for bulleted items. *The Folsom Point* is a membership benefit and the additional emailed information will not be found online.

I will be sending out an email prior to the February meeting, since a membership vote will be required. Please see the article in this issue on the Greenacre Scholarship Fund for that information (page 3).

The February meeting – and possibly the March meeting – will be longer, since we are working on compliance issues. The February meeting will begin at 6:20 PM.

## CAS QUARTERLY MEETING

BY RAE TODD

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Close to 40 CAS members representing the executive board,

chapters, and committees were in attendance (or on conference call) at the meeting on January 13th at the Medical Center of the Rockies.

CAS' longtime Treasurer, Preston Niesom, passed away in December. A new Treasurer was elected at the annual meeting in October, and they were in the process of transferring information when he died. As a result, there was no Treasurer's report.

Neil Hauser's President's report touched on Member365, the online payment program for memberships.

He identified three issues facing all chapters: greying members, not enough "doing", and CAS' lack of aid to its chapters.

He is looking to help struggling chapters like Vermillion, Northern Colorado, and Roaring Fork (which is inactive due to lack of interest).

He is also looking to add chapters to the eastern plains of Colorado. He wants chapters to remember to add speaker information and topics to the existing spreadsheet.

Neil is pleased that site stewardship is getting more interest, and he believes we will be more valuable to BLM, State, and Forest agencies.

Tom Hoff resigned as Executive Secretary, with Karen Kinnear being nominated and elected in his place.

Peter Faris, CAS representative to the Colorado History Society, reported that 6 out of 23 grants are archaeological, based on the January 10th meeting.

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There is a new laboratory at History Colorado, and they will be looking for volunteers who can be viewed working by visitors through a window. At this time, the room is still being furnished and completed.

Phil Williams, chair of the Alice Hamilton Scholarship program, announced the kickoff for applications, which are due March 23rd.

Both the CAS newsletter and website have new administrators.

Chris Johnston, Assistant State Archaeologist and PAAC Administrator, announced that 65 people took PAAC classes in 2017, not including the artifact illustration class held the day before the CAS annual meeting. The summer survey will be in South Park around mid-June (tentatively).

Please check the PAAC page for the spring class schedule, which includes dates and contact information, as some of the classes require special online registration (See page 6). I have the Quarterly PAAC report and will bring it to the February meeting.

There have been no nominations for any of the awards CAS offers.

Some chapters are starting Pathfinder programs – such as youth archaeological programs – as part of a family membership.

All CAS members are invited to the Stephen A. Heart Awards on January 31st at 5:30 PM at History Colorado. Please RSVP to Chris Johnston ([chris.johnston@state.co.us](mailto:chris.johnston@state.co.us)) or Holly Norton if you plan to attend.

Please let me know if you have any questions ([raetodd1@gmail.com](mailto:raetodd1@gmail.com)).

## NCC JANUARY CHAPTER MEETING

BY RAE TODD

NCC had a lot on their plate for the January chapter meeting. Sticking to the original time for business, all items were covered in just over an hour.

If you did not receive the email sent to all current chapter members on January 17th, please contact me ([raetodd1@gmail.com](mailto:raetodd1@gmail.com)), and I will resend it.

One additional item of clarification on CAS online membership... If you are planning on renewing in the next couple of weeks before receiving the CAS email to all members that the online process is live, please go ahead and send in your check and signed form, as usual.

I will accept checks and forms until the CAS email is sent, manually adding all of those I receive in January, once I go through the required training for Treasurers/Membership Coordinators.

Any of the items covered in the January 17th email are open for discussion at the February meeting.

Please let me know which one(s) you wish to discuss ahead of time, so I can add to the agenda.

Thank you for all of your input, no matter the method.

I will see you at the February program.

## 2018 GREENACRE SCHOLARSHIP

BY RAE TODD

NCC did not award a Greenacre Scholarship in 2017, due to a lack of donations. This year, we have the funds. Our guidelines are not included in the bylaws, but are posted on our website.

Please review the guidelines prior to the February meeting, as members will be voting on how much to award and if changes need to be made to the requirements.

Two volunteers will be needed to review the submissions for the April award.

### CCPA CONFERENCE

*The Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists' Annual Meeting will be held in Longmont on March 9th - 11th, with an 'early bird' social on the evening of March 8th. The banquet speaker will be Dr. Todd Surovell from the University of Wyoming. Dr. Jason LaBelle is also scheduled for a Woodland ceramics presentation. Post-meeting tours are available.*

*CCPA members and CAS members will be charged the same fee of \$55 through February 23rd. After this date, the fee rises to \$75.*

*Please visit the CCPA website:  
[www.coloradoarchaeologists.org/meeting](http://www.coloradoarchaeologists.org/meeting)*

# CAS ONLINE MEMBERSHIP

BY RAE TODD

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At the CAS Quarterly Meeting hosted by the Northern Colorado Chapter on Saturday, January 13th, an update to the 2-year-long CAS online membership program was given.

All CAS members will be receiving an email (sent to the email address you provided on your membership form) in the next few weeks, kicking off the activation of CAS online new/renewal membership. It will include a link to the website for you to renew or activate your membership.

Options for payment are debit, credit, or check. If you choose to pay by check, you will receive an email invoice in addition to a print version.

If you have already renewed or joined for the 2018 year, you will probably want to review your profile to make sure all information was entered correctly. However, you do not need to pay again.

For those members who have given or sent me their dues and completed form for the new year, I will be manually entering your payment and profile information during the transition period.

Chapter Treasurers and/or Membership Coordinators will be going through training at the same time to prepare themselves for the new online format.

The CAS Membership Chair is about a month behind in entering membership data, which may shift the kickoff date.

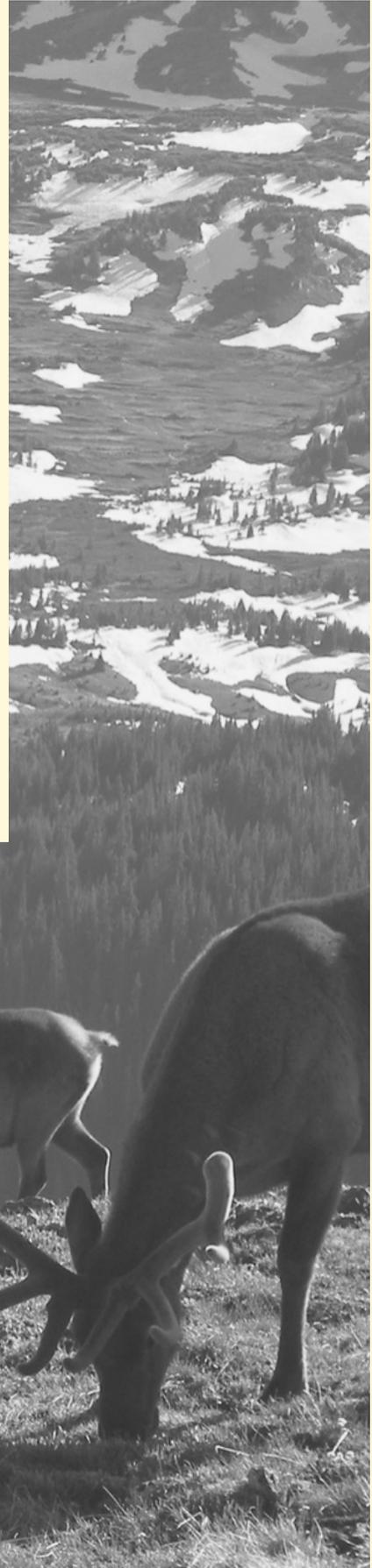
Originally, CAS was going live on Friday, January 19th. Please stay tuned and check your email for the official transition announcement.

After the website goes live, all renewals and new memberships will be handled by CAS, directly.

Chapters will be able to retrieve membership information through their Treasurer/Membership Coordinator. Funds due each chapter will be sent monthly by mail.

Our existing form will be modified to handle Greenacre Scholarship funding and companion (secondary chapter) memberships only, as well as replacing the form on our website. The online function will not handle these types of donations.

I will be glad to answer any additional questions at the February 14th meeting.



# WHEN IS A FARMER?

## THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM

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### WHEN

Wednesday, February 14th  
6:20 PM (membership meeting)  
7:00 PM (program)

### WHERE

Medical Center of the Rockies,  
'Big Thompson' Room  
2500 Rocky Mountain Avenue,  
Loveland, Colorado 80538

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Doug Banford presents "When is a Farmer? The King Site and Plains Horticulture Beyond the 99th Meridian" for our February program.

Direct all questions regarding room changes, program dates, times, locations, and content to the chapter Programs Coordinator, Heidi Short ([heidishort@gmail.com](mailto:heidishort@gmail.com)).

We hope to see you there!

The shift from hunting and gathering to farming is perhaps the greatest transformation in human history.

No one on the Great Plains 'invented' farming; it came to the region from other areas. This talk looks at the ways this seems to have happened on the Plains.

Traditionally, we have seen a major limit on dry-land farming at about the 99th meridian, and we can look at this transition in that area.

However, recent work at the King Site - near Chadron, Nebraska - documents maize farming during the late 12th century far to the west of that limit.

This talk gives an overview of the King Site and considers what it tells us about the ways in which local hunters and gatherers made choices about becoming farmers.

Doug Banford is an archaeologist who works mainly on the Great Plains.

He has also worked in the Colorado mountains, coastal California, the California desert, the Great Basin, Germany, and Ireland.

He has a major technical interest in the study of how ancient people made and used stone tools.

His research has focused on how human use of the Plains landscape responded to the long-term environmental change during the Paleoindian Period (from roughly 11,000 to 8,000 B.C.).

Recently, his interests have shifted toward the archaeology of farmers on the central and northern Plains during the last 1,000 years.

He is currently involved in a long-term field project that examines the archaeology of the Ceramic Period along the Pine Ridge in northwestern Nebraska.

### COMING UP...

The March program will feature a lecture on the Wetherill Family and discussions on other collections in the History Colorado museum from curator Shelia Goff.



# CLASSES

OFFERED BY PAAC

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The following dates and times describe the schedule for the upcoming classes offered by PAAC. These details are subject to change.

Questions regarding these classes and the PAAC program should be directed to the chapter PAAC Coordinator, Dave Swinehart ([swinehart53@gmail.com](mailto:swinehart53@gmail.com)).

## **PREHISTORIC CERAMIC DESCRIPTION & ANALYSIS**

**Location:** Grand Junction (Colorado Mesa University)

**Dates:** February 3 & 4

**Host:** Grand Junction

**To sign up, contact:** Geoff Peterson ([peterson.geoff@gmail.com](mailto:peterson.geoff@gmail.com))

## **ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATING METHODS**

**Location:** Denver (History Colorado Center)

**Dates:** March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3

**Host:** Denver/History Colorado

**Contact:** Chris Johnston ([chris.johnston@state.co.us](mailto:chris.johnston@state.co.us))

\* **Sign up for this course online:** [Google Doc](#)

## **HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY**

**Location:** Fountain (Fountain Library)

**Dates:** March 24, 25

**Host:** Pikes Peak

**To sign up, contact:** Jerry Rhodes ([rhodespottery@aol.com](mailto:rhodespottery@aol.com))

\* **New lab components for hands-on training! Previous students are encouraged to sign up for this course again.**

## **PERISHABLE MATERIALS**

**Location:** Dolores (Canyon of the Ancients, Visitors Center)

**Dates:** April 28, 29

**Host:** Hisatsinom

**To sign up, contact:** Tom Pittenger ([pittengerte@gmail.com](mailto:pittengerte@gmail.com))

## **COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY**

**Location:** Alma (Alma Town Hall)

**Dates:** May 19, 20

**Host:** South Park Site Stewards

**Contact:** Linda Carr ([lindacarr@wildblue.net](mailto:lindacarr@wildblue.net)) or Chris Johnston ([chris.johnston@state.co.us](mailto:chris.johnston@state.co.us))

\* **Sign up for this course online:** [Google Doc](#)

## **PAAC STEWARDSHIP TRAINING**

**Location:** Boulder or Monte Vista

**Dates:** TBD (April/May tentatively)

\* **More information will be released when it becomes available.**

# FROM THE FIELD

WORLD NEWS



Image courtesy of AOC Archaeology

## ANCIENT FORTRESS IN SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS JANUARY 12, 2018

A broch, or roundhouse, discovered in Comar Wood dates to around 2,400 years ago and is believed to have been the home of a local chief. Click [here](#) to learn more.

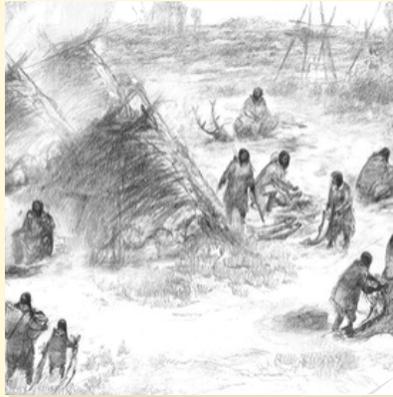


Image courtesy of Eric S. Carlson

## ANCIENT AMERICANS ARRIVED IN SINGLE WAVE JANUARY 3, 2018

According to a minuscule amount of ancient DNA from an 11,500-year-old Alaskan infant on the central Tanana River Basin, researchers now believe people wandered from Asia 15,000 to 25,000 years ago to Beringia, with some settlers remaining on the now-submerged landmass and others moving southward to initiate the population of Native Americans. Click [here](#) to learn more.

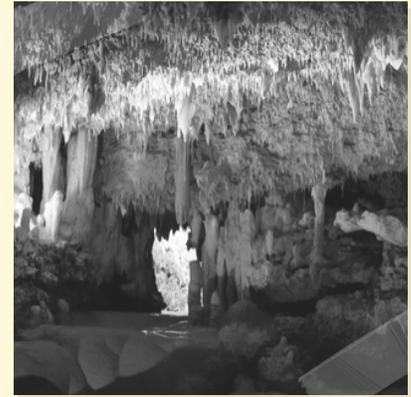


Image courtesy of Heritage Daily

## DATING CONTROVERSY WITH MAXILLA OF KENT'S CAVERN JANUARY 15, 2017

Considered one of the most valuable archaeological sites for early human history in the United Kingdom, Kent's Cavern has been the focal point for heated debate between palaeoanthropologists due to the discovery of a human jaw fragment in 2011. Now, the bone has been reassessed. Click [here](#) to learn more.

# ARTIFACTS OF HUMOR

Did you hear about the angry mummy?  
*He flipped his lid.*

What do you get in a 5-star pyramid?  
*A tomb with a view.*

Why did Cleopatra think she didn't need a psychiatrist?  
*Because she was the Queen of Denial.*



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El Zotz. Image courtesy of The Archaeology Channel

# UNCOVERING MAYAN SUN GOD PYRAMID IN GUATEMALA

## VIRTUAL LESSON

*"A team of archaeologists led by Stephen Houston has made a new discovery at the Maya archaeological site in El Zotz, Guatemala, uncovering a pyramid believed to celebrate the Maya sun god.*

*The structure's outer walls depict the god in an unprecedented set of images done in painted stucco.*

*In 2010, the team uncovered a royal tomb filled with artifacts and human remains at the same site. Researchers believed the pyramid was built to link the deceased lord to the eternal sun.*

*-Archaeological Legacy Institute*

The Pre-Columbian Maya civilization encompassed southeastern Mexico, western Honduras, western El Salvador, the whole of Guatemala, and the entirety of Belize. As the founders of the single fully-developed writing system of its time in the Americas, the Maya are known for their expressive artistic style, architecture, astronomical skill, and calendar system.

Just west of one of the major Mayan capitals of trade and government, the recently-investigated site of El Zotz holds significant evidence of the lost civilization. Based on the hieroglyphic emblems discovered on the site, it is believed El Zotz was the origin of the great, royal Yaxchilan Dynasty. Within this city, the mighty temple structure of "El Diablo" still stands, named for its deadly steepness. Surrounding the area are swamps and caves that house thousands of bats, which are known to take flight at sunset. While the site was officially 'discovered' in 1977, real investigations of the area did not commence until 2008, with its first royal tomb unearthed in 2010.

**View this lesson [here](#) or click the play button above.**

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<https://www.archaeologychannel.org/support-guide/membership-program/about-membership>

for more information.

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# EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

LECTURES, MAPS, & MORE



– Heritage Daily Interactive Map –

## HADRIAN'S WALL

Interact with this map [here](#).



– Archaeology Magazine Interactive Dig –

## JOHNSON'S ISLAND

Interact with this dig [here](#).



– HeritageTV Presentation –

## ANCIENT OLYMPIC ORIGINS

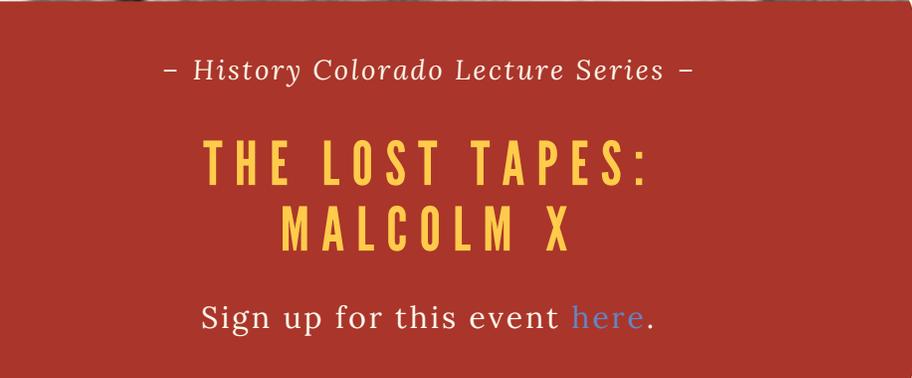
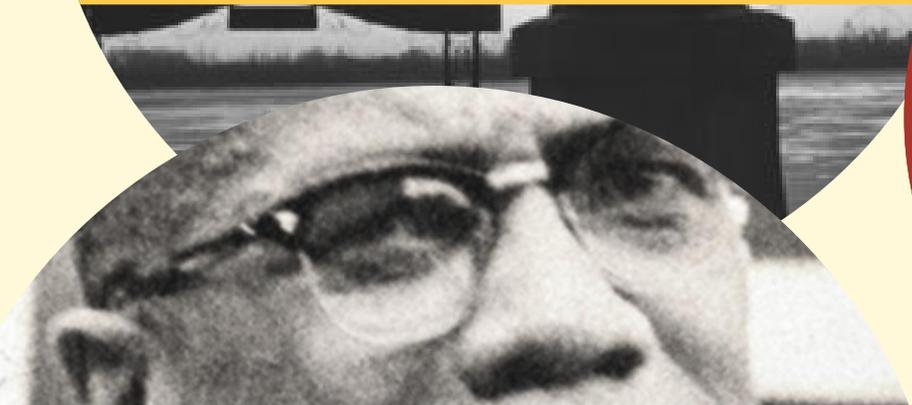
Watch this video [here](#).



– History Colorado Lecture Series –

## THE LOST TAPES: MALCOLM X

Sign up for this event [here](#).



– TED Talk Presentation –

## REVEALING THE LOST CODEX OF ARCHIMEDES

View this talk [here](#).



# CRÆFT: ORIGIN & MEANING OF ANCIENT CRAFT

## BOOK OF THE MONTH

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Listed as #1 in Amazon's Bestselling Archaeology book list, **Cræft: An Inquiry Into the Origins and True Meaning of Traditional Crafts** takes a hard look at the crafting epidemic of the 21st century, with the boom of mass production slowly killing an ancient and meaningful way of life.

Author Alexander Langlands' January release assesses the problem and provides an in-depth look at the treasures our ancestors made with their own two hands.

Happy reading!  
Katlyn, Editor

An archaeologist takes us into the ancient world of traditional crafts to uncover their deep, original histories.

In the midst of a seemingly endless supply of mass-manufactured products, we find ourselves nostalgic for products bearing the mark of authenticity – hand-made furniture, artisan beads, craft beers, and other goods produced by human hands.

What often goes unnoticed is the transformation of our understanding of craft – or rather, cræft – in the wake of industrialization.

In *Cræft*, archaeologist and medieval historian Alexander Langlands argues that our modern understanding of craft only skims the surface.

His journeys from his home in Wales have taken him along the Atlantic seaboard of Europe, from Spain through France and England to Scotland and Iceland in search of the lost meaning of craft.

Reaching as far back as the Neolithic period, he combines deep history with scientific analyses and personal anecdotes. We follow the author as he herds sheep, keeps bees, tans hides, spins wool, and thatches roofs. We learn that scythes work much better on tall grass than the latest model of weed trimmers, that you can spin wool using a large wooden spoon, and that it was once considered criminal to work on animal hides before a requisite twelve-month soak.

When it first appeared in Old English, the word craft signified an indefinable sense of knowledge, wisdom, and resourcefulness. Rediscovering craft will connect us with our human past, our sense of place, and our remarkable capacity to survive in the harshest of landscapes. *Cræft* helps us more fully appreciate human ingenuity and the passing on of traditions from generation to generation.

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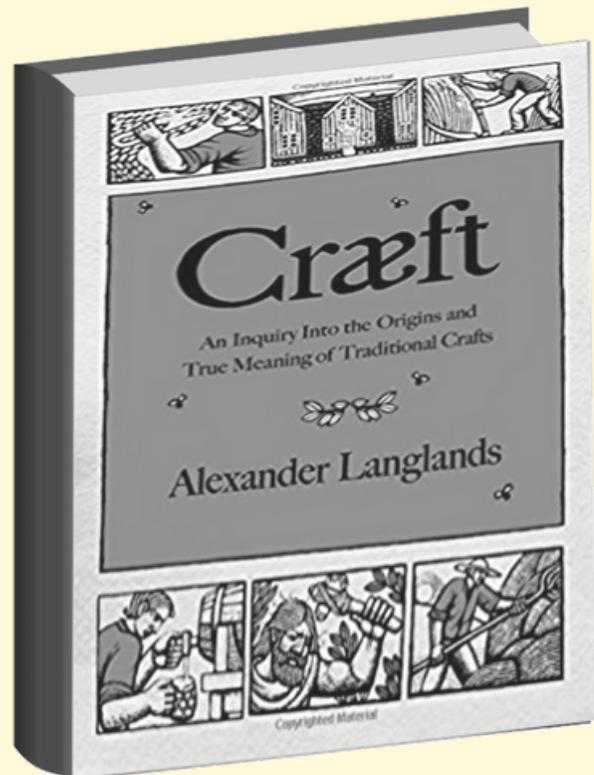
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"...We have forgotten how to think like the generations before the Industrial Revolution."

## BE PART OF THE NEWSLETTER

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We are now taking archaeologically-themed submissions from all NCC members! Submit your art, photos, memoirs, creative writings, discussions, studies, and more to the Editor with the Newsletter Submission Form on page 12.



Image, reviews, and synopsis courtesy of Goodreads.

# FEATURED WORK

FROM OUR MEMBERS

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FEATURING  
'STONE BARN'  
PHOTOGRAPHY  
FROM JACK HICKS



## HOW TO CONTRIBUTE

This page of The Folsom Point is a section dedicated to the archaeological-themed work of our very own Northern Colorado Chapter members.

If you are interested in having your photography, fiction, academia, or other related work featured in the next issue, please complete a Newsletter Submission Form supplied on the following page and email it, along with your work, to the Editor: Katlyn Charlesworth ([katlync@comcast.net](mailto:katlync@comcast.net)) for revision.

Please note that CAS is non-profit and does not promote members' work for profit. The work you are submitting must be yours and yours alone, unless otherwise noted and properly cited.

Thank you.

# NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION FORM

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By signing this form, you are affirming that all of your submitted work is yours and yours alone, unless properly cited otherwise within your submission. You are also confirming that you are a registered member of the Colorado Archaeological Society. You are giving permission to share your work with the Editor, Board Officers, and society members in the forum of 'The Folsom Point' newsletter and its website. You understand that your submission may be edited for clarity and/or resized for space. The Editor reserves the right to format your submission for the newsletter. The Northern Colorado Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society is a non-profit organization. The work you submit here is merely for entertainment and educational purposes only, not profit.

Any questions or concerns may be directed to the Editor, Katlyn Charlesworth, at [katlync@comcast.net](mailto:katlync@comcast.net).

Thank you for your submission!

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your completed form, along with the work you wish to submit, to the Editor - Katlyn Charlesworth - at [katlync@comcast.net](mailto:katlync@comcast.net) for review.



## Northern Colorado Chapter, Colorado Archaeological Society Membership, Renewal and Donation Form

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please Select:      **NEW MEMBER** \_\_\_\_\_      **NCC-CAS RENEWAL** \_\_\_\_\_

**Individual, Family and Student memberships include *Southwest Lore*, the quarterly journal on Colorado Archaeology; Individual 65+ (Senior) and Family 65+ (Senior) memberships do not.**

**Membership prices include both CAS and Northern Colorado Chapter membership, 1 January 2018 through 31 December 2018**

Individual	\$26.00	_____	
Family	\$32.50	_____	
Student	\$18.00	_____	Students include a copy of your student ID with your check
Student Family	\$22.50	_____	
Individual 65+ or Disabled	\$18.00	_____	
Family 65+ or Disabled	\$22.50	_____	
Donation to the Greenacre Scholarship Fund	\$	_____	501(c)3 Tax Exempt
<b>Total enclosed</b>			\$ _____

**If you already belong to CAS through another Chapter, you may join the Northern Colorado Chapter for \$12.50.** Complete this form, sign the Code of Ethics statement below and write in your primary Chapter here \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks out to "Northern Colorado Chapter-CAS." Sign the Code of Ethics below and send the membership form and check to:

**The Treasurer  
Northern Colorado Chapter-CAS  
PO Box 271513  
Fort Collins, CO 80527**

*Thank you!*

**Code of Ethics - Members of the Northern Colorado Chapter of CAS will:**

1. Uphold local, state and federal antiquities laws;
2. Support policies and educational programs designed to protect our cultural heritage and our State's antiquities.
3. Encourage protection and discourage exploitation of archaeological resources.
4. Encourage the study and recording of Colorado's archaeological and cultural history and take an active part by participating in field and laboratory work to develop new and significant information about the past;
5. Assist whenever possible in locating, mapping, and recording archaeological sites within Colorado using State Site Survey forms.
6. Conduct field and/or laboratory activities using professionally accepted standards;
7. Accept the responsibility, if serving as Principal Investigator, to publish the results of the investigation and to make the collection available for further scientific study;
8. Support only scientifically and legally conducted archaeological activities and never participate in conduct involving dishonesty, deceit or misrepresentation about archaeological matters;
9. Not condone the sale, exchange or purchase of artifacts obtained from illegal activities;
10. Respect the property rights of landowners;
11. Report vandalism to appropriate authorities;
12. Be sensitive to the cultural histories and spiritual practices of groups that are the subject of archaeological investigation; and
13. Remember that cultural resources are not renewable and do not belong to us, but are ours to respect, study and enjoy.

**I agree to abide by this Code of Ethics as a condition of membership in the Northern Colorado Chapter-CAS**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

AND ANSWERS

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## WHAT IS THE COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY?

The Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) came into existence in 1935 as a focus for people having interests in the history and prehistory of humans in Colorado. The Chipeta Chapter, in Montrose, CO, was also founded in 1935 and is the oldest continuously active chapter. Subsequently, other groups were established in other Colorado cities, and a state organization was created. This collective interest in archaeology led to the establishment of the office of the State Archaeologist within the Colorado Historical Society, a state government agency. CAS became involved in all phases of archaeology and members realized the need for training in the various aspects of what they were doing. Consequently they started training programs to meet these needs. Originally, qualified CAS members provided such training for the other members. After the establishment of the office of the State Archaeologist, that office undertook providing such training. It has now evolved into the Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC), taught by the eminently well-qualified Assistant State Archaeologist. PAAC offers training at each of the CAS Chapters several times in each year, in classes covering a wide range of topics. Now, with a history of more than 75 years, CAS has eleven Chapters throughout Colorado and has developed many programs, research projects, and activities.

## WHEN DOES THE NORTHERN COLORADO CHAPTER MEET?

The Northern Colorado Chapter of CAS meets in several different forums. An educational program is offered on the second Wednesday of every month following the chapter board meeting, unless otherwise noted. Please note that NCC does not run programs, meetings, newsletters, or activities during the summer months (June through August). The monthly program details are always announced in the month's newsletter and chapter [website](#).

Society meetings, holiday parties, and other chapter activities occur throughout the year and are also announced through email and newsletter announcements to NCC members.

## WHAT ARE PAAC CLASSES?

The Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC) is a mutually beneficial educational program for avocational and professional archaeologists. Established in 1978 by the Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) and the Office of the State Archaeologist of Colorado (OSAC), it allows CAS members and other citizens to obtain formally recognized levels of expertise outside of an academic degree program. It also facilitates avocational public service and assistance in education, governmental management of cultural resources, research, and the protection of archaeological resources in Colorado.

To apply and learn more about the program, please visit their [website](#).

## WHO CAN ATTEND THE MONTHLY PROGRAMS?

Everyone! Our monthly programs are free and open to the public. Feel free to invite a friend and learn a bit about archaeology.

## HOW ARE BOARD OFFICERS SELECTED?

Generally, Board Officers are selected through the November election, in which the chapter will announce the open board positions through the month's newsletter. Chapter members will be able to submit their own nomination or nominate a fellow member for a particular position. Voting closes in December, and the newly elected Board Officers are announced in the new year. However, positions that are not filled during the November election period may be open for nominations throughout the year.

## WHERE CAN I DOWNLOAD A MEMBERSHIP FORM AND ACCESS OTHER CHAPTER DOCUMENTS?

Membership forms and other chapter documents, including the Code of Ethics, Social Media Policies, Cultural Resource Protection Policies, and the Activity Release Form are available [here](#).

## IS NCC MEMBERSHIP FOR LIFE, OR DO I NEED TO RENEW MY MEMBERSHIP?

Since the Colorado Archaeological Society is a non-profit organization, each chapter relies on a yearly membership fee to continue operating programs and other activities. Membership requires yearly renewal, and there are options for student and senior discount rates on the Membership Form, provided on the previous page.

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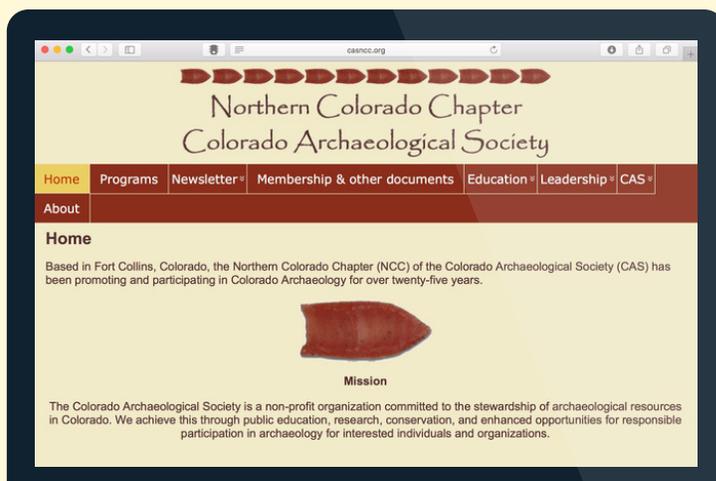
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