Quick Updates

• 2010 Membership **Dues were due in February.** Use the renewal form in this newsletter if you still need to renew.

• CCPA’s new email listserver is up and running with approximately 50 members who have subscribed. Send an email to Greg Williams at greg@redpoint-resources.com to be added.

• This is the last issue of the newsletter that Greg Williams will edit. Please welcome Susan East (of RMC Consultants) as your new editor. She can be reached at susanmeast@gmail.com.

• Back issues of the CCPA newsletter are now available on the website at http://www.coloradoarchaeologists.org/BINewsletter.htm.

• The 2011 CCPA meeting will be in La Junta, Colorado. Stay tuned for details.
President’s Corner

Erik Gantt

Howdy. First off, thanks to everyone who is reading this for their continued support of the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists. This organization has been instrumental in Colorado archaeology for 32 years, no small feat. During my tenure I feel we will continue to be a strong advocate for issues pertaining to cultural resources at the local, state, and federal levels. As always this could not happen without the devotion of time, effort, and expertise of our many members.

Now for some much deserved accolades and acknowledgements. Kristin Kuckelman served well as our President for the last year and her help and guidance as Past President will be vital this year. A great many thanks to our outgoing officers and board members Past President Lucy Hackett Bambrey, Treasurer Chris Bevilacqua, Board Member Rand Greubel, and Board Member Steve Dominguez. Their volunteered time is a prime example of what keep this organization vibrant. I want to offer very special thanks for service to Greg Williams for his service as the Newsletter Editor, a big task for many years. Good luck to Susan East who will be filling Greg’s shoes.

It is no small task to organize and host the annual CCPA conference and Alpine Archaeological Consultants did an excellent job this year in Montrose. All who presented papers and posters at the meeting are to be congratulated for their contributions to the archaeology of our region. It was heartening to see such a variety of important research disseminated. Thanks in advance to Michelle Slaughter of Avalon Archaeology and Richard Carrillo of Cuartelejo HP Associates for offering to host next years meeting in La Junta.

In brief, a major part of my mission this year will be to rejuvenate certain subcommittees including one each for nominations, the newsletter, and resolutions. In the case of all standing committees I would like to solicit the help from persons in the academic, CRM, and agency realms. We have also discussed having regional co-editors for the newsletter most likely divided among the context river basin areas. The goal of this would be timelier regional reporting of events, discoveries, and issues. I would also like to develop an academic liaison board tasked with tying CCPS more closely to the students that will become the next generation of members. As has been the trend of late I also intend to further strengthen our ties with CAS which I think has been a great advantage to both organizations.

OK, enough of my ramblings for now. I wish everyone a productive, informative, and lucrative field season.

Steve Cassells Named CCPA Fellow

Kristin Kuckelman

Since CCPA was founded in 1978, only eight individuals have been named “Fellow” of the organization—Adrienne Anderson, Dave Breternitz, Frank Eddy, Elizabeth Ann Morris, and the late Al Lancaster, Omer Stewart, Joe Ben Wheat, and Marie Wormington. CCPA Fellows are senior scholars in archaeology or a related discipline who have made substantial contributions to Colorado archaeology through both research and service. At the recent CCPA annual meeting in Montrose, the distinguished Dr. E. Steve Cassells, a charter member and long-time supporter who served as president of the organization in 1984, was proclaimed the ninth Fellow of the CCPA. Cassells accepted the honor with characteristic humility and grace.

Our new Fellow earned a bachelor of science degree in education from Chadron State College, a master’s degree in anthropology from the University of Arizona, and a Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Wisconsin. He served as the Colorado Assistant State Archeologist, and was an archeologist for the US Forest Service in Colorado, a Professor of Anthropology at Judson College in Illinois, the president and founder of Plano Archaeological Consultants of Longmont, and is now a Professor of Anthropology and Sociology at Laramie County Community College in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Cassells has been serving and promoting archaeology in Colorado for decades. He has conducted a great deal of fieldwork at a wide variety of sites and locations in the Southwest and across Colorado, in the Black Hills, and at the Hudson Meng Paleoindian site in Nebraska. He has also conducted significant research on game drives at high-elevation sites. His many publications include journal articles, books, booklets, and chapters in edited volumes, including the following: The Archeology of Colorado (1983, 1997), for which he received the C.T. Hurst Award from the Colorado Archaeological Society; Prehistoric Hunters of the Black Hills (1986); This Land of Shining Mountains: Archaeological Studies in Colorado’s Indian Peaks Wilderness Area (2000); and Tracing the Past: Archaeology along the Rocky Mountain Expansion Loop Pipeline (2003). Nearly every year, Cassells participates in CCPA’s annual meeting and brings a vanload of students to introduce them to this aspect of professional archaeology.

No recounting of Cassells’ many accomplishments would be complete without mention of his membership in the Nebraska Music Hall of Fame. It seems that in 1965 and ’66 he played piano for the Drivin’ Dynamics out of Scottsbluff, “the longest continuously running rock band in Nebraska history.” Clearly our new Fellow is a many-talented individual.
Dr. John Richard 'Dick' Ambler 1934-2010  
Bridget Ambler

John Richard “Dick” Ambler (pictured to the left) was born on January 23, 1934 in Denver, Colorado to John Vernon Ambler and Mary Louise [Sterling] Ambler. After entering college, Dick read Digging in the Southwest by Ann Axtell Morris, which inspired him towards a career in archaeology. He received his bachelors degree from the University of Colorado, a Masters degree from the University of Arizona, and a PhD from the University of Colorado, Boulder, culminating in his 1967 dissertation, Coldwell Village and Fremont Prehistory. His early career included working for the National Park Service at Mesa Verde National Park and Great Sand Dunes National Monument. He did his post-doctoral work on coastal sites in Texas for the Texas Archaeological Research Laboratory at the University of Texas Austin.

In 1967, Dick joined the Anthropology faculty at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff. His research interests focused on the American Southwest, and became concentrated on the Colorado Plateau and Kayenta Anasazi culture, in particular. He participated in major projects including the Glen Canyon expeditions, Navajo Mountain projects and excavations in western New Mexico. He incorporated a multi-disciplinary approach to understanding the past, incorporating scientific standards and Native points of view. Field notes and documentation of his work are archived at the Museum of Northern Arizona, Flagstaff. In 1977, he authored the popular book “The Anasazi: Prehistoric People of the Four Corners Region”, with photographs by Marc Gaede. His bibliography includes over 38 professional publications, as well as volumes of unpublished work. Dick’s personal interests included pottery-making, etching, pyrotechnics, travel, fiction writing, photography, carpentry, aboriginal technology, politics and helping to organize the Fort Valley volunteer Fire Department.

In 1985, Dick suffered a severe brain injury, forcing his early retirement in 1986. After his monumental recovery, Dick became passionate about live music, and was often referred to as Dick the Dancin Man in Flagstaff. As a fixture in the local community, he was voted the Barometer of Cool by Flagstaff Live newspaper in 2002. He was known for his elaborate self-made jewelry and colorful shirts. Dick kept up with current events, writing many a Letter to the Editor and to his congressional representatives. He was active in the local Libertarian party, running twice for County Supervisor and was a strong proponent of medical marijuana. After retirement, he continued to remain active in the Southwestern archaeological community.

After a second traumatic brain injury in 2008, Dick remained tenacious and beat all odds. In December 2008, he moved to Denver, Colorado to be closer to his daughters, Kelly and Bridget, for care. Eight months after being diagnosed with a lung tumor, Dick died peacefully on April 26, 2010. His three living children Kelly, Bridget and Devon, remained by his side as he said his last goodbyes. He is also survived by his brother, Peter Ambler of Wilmington, North Carolina; step-siblings Julie Meyers of San Francisco, California, and Melanie Sargent and Lawrence Modesitt of Denver, Colorado; step-mother, Elizabeth Modessitt Ambler of Denver, Colorado; granddaughter Autumn Seeber of Denver, Colorado; granddaughters Emily Rosenvold and Maya Ambler of Flagstaff, Arizona; significant-in-laws R. Dale Brown and David Hagen of Denver, Colorado, and The ‘arbín of Flagstaff, Arizona; former spouses Karen O’Sullivan of Deming, New Mexico and Patty Richards of Ensenada, Mexico, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is pre-deceased by his parents, Mary Louise Sterling Williamson and John Vernon Ambler; his brother, Robert Sterling Ambler; and his son, George Michael Ambler. Memorial services will be held at the Mercury Café in Denver on May 22. A subsequent memorial will be held in Flagstaff in June. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Museum of Northern Arizona "J. Richard Ambler Fund" for processing his research collection.

Claudia Fromberg Berry 1942 – 2010
Submitted by Rand Greubel

Claudia Fromberg Berry (pictured left) passed away on April 23, 2010 after a lengthy battle with cancer. She is survived by her husband Michael and daughter Alexandra. Claudia held a Doctorate in anthropology and a Juris Doctorate in law, both from the University of Utah. She had a long career as an archeologist, interrupted by a 12 year stint as an attorney for a prominent Salt Lake law firm. She was a committed liberal and free-thinker and supported such organizations as Planned Parenthood, Doctors Without Borders, Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, Audubon Society and many more. Claudia was a member of the Society for American Archeology, Utah Professional Archeological Council, Colorado Council of Professional Archeologists, Registry of Professional Archeologists and Utah State Bar. Claudia was deeply loved by family and friends and will be sorely missed but never forgotten. Please share condolences at www.serenicare.com.
Highlights of the CCPA 2010 Annual Business Meeting
March 26, 2010, Montrose
Kristin Kuckelman (with input from presenters)

The 2010 annual meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. by CCPA President Kristin Kuckelman.

Susan Chandler, for hosts Alpine Archaeological Consultants, welcomed those present and relayed some housekeeping and logistical information.

President Kristin Kuckelman welcomed CCPA members, members of CAS, representatives of federal and state agencies, visitors, and guests, and offered congratulations to CAS and Southwestern Lore on 75 years of outstanding service to Colorado archaeology. Thanks to Alpine Archaeological Consultants for hosting the annual meeting, members of CCPA’s executive committee for their help, Rich and Carol Harris Fike (in advance) for hosting the Saturday evening event at their Museum of the Mountain West, to Carol Patterson (in advance) for leading tours of Shavano Petroglyph Park on Sunday, and to all those making presentations at the meeting.

A synopsis of CCPA activity during the past year was provided by President Kristin Kuckelman.

A PowerPoint report of CCPA finances was provided by Treasurer Chris Bevilacqua.

A membership report from Membership Committee Chair, Jon Horn, was presented by Treasurer Chris Bevilacqua.

A Secretary’s report consisted of a reminder by Kristin Kuckelman for outgoing executive committee members to turn over their official records and correspondence to (absent) Secretary Cody Anderson for permanent archive at the Denver Public Library.

Newsletter Editor Greg Williams reported that CCPA newsletters are now freely accessible on CCPA’s website, including numerous previous newsletters. Greg also announced his retirement as newsletter editor. The Spring 2010 issue will be his final newsletter for CCPA. Thanks again to Greg for all his efforts and improvements to CCPA’s newsletter!

Webmaster Mary Sullivan reported on recent improvements to CCPA’s website, including the addition of a “Fellows” page.

An update on the Ward Weakly Fund was provided by Adrienne Anderson. This year scholarships have been awarded to Michael Troyer, Colorado State University, and Robert Wunderlich, University of Wyoming, to support specific aspects of their thesis investigations. Michael Troyer is looking at hearth morphology and associated subsistence activities through time and space in Northern Colorado – generally the Soapstone Prairie – Red Mountain Open Spaces. The CCPA is providing funding specifically for macrobotanical analysis and radiocarbon dating of a large rock-lined hearth from the Black Shale Arroyo site in Larimer County.

Board Member Greg Wolff reported on the Native American Scholarship to Crow Canyon for absent committee chair Christy Smith. CCPA received a request from Crow Canyon to fund the Native American student scholarship for the 2010 field school in the amount of $1,300 to cover tuition. CCPA first funded this scholarship in 2003 and most recently awarded the scholarship in 2008 and 2009. The 2008 scholarship was paid from CCPA’s operating budget while last year’s scholarship was paid from funds raised during the Trivia Bowl at last year’s meeting in Alamosa. Such fundraising efforts will continue to be necessary to maintain sufficient funds support both the Ward Weakly Fund Scholarships and the Native American Scholarship. The scholarship for 2009 was awarded to Cortez high school student Kylie Dennison, who was very appreciative of the opportunity to attend the archaeology camp and enjoyed the week immensely.

Anne McKibbin announced that she is stepping down as the chair of the Publications Committee but that she will continue to serve as a committee member. Many thanks to Anne for her years of very capable service as chair of this committee, and CCPA is very pleased that she’ll continue to serve on the committee. Kelly Pool has agreed to begin chairing this committee—thanks, Kelly!

Board Member Greg Wolff presented a summary of a written report from absent Diane Rhodes, chair of the Piñon Canyon committee. Greg also reported on discussions of the development of a programmatic agreement for the cultural resources at Fort Carson and the PCMS, which were held at the PCMS on March 3 and were attended by Greg, Board Member Michelle Slaughter, and President Kristin Kuckelman.

Mike Metcalf (Metcalf Archaeological Consultants) put out a call for materials to publish in the CCPA/CAS journal Colorado Archaeology.

Past President Lucy Bambrey led a discussion on a possible CCPA contribution to Colorado History Museum furnishings and exhibits. The Museum had approached CAS for a donation of specific size, and CAS had voted to donate somewhat less than that amount. Several attendees at the current CCPA business meeting offered opinions regarding a possible CCPA donation to this museum. Several members voiced the opinion that CCPA would need to know exactly what such a donation would be used to
purchase. Adrienne Anderson suggested, and multiple others agreed, that we should wait until the museum asks CCPA for a donation, then proceed to discuss the issue.

President Kristin Kuckelman recognized outgoing members of the executive committee with framed certificates of appreciation: Past President Lucy Hackett Bambrey, Treasurer Chris Bevilacqua, Board Member Rand Greubel, Board Member Steve Dominguez, and Newsletter Editor Greg Williams. Thanks again for your very capable service, folks!

President Kristin Kuckelman announced new “Fellow” of CCPA Dr. E. Steve Cassells and presented him with a framed certificate and an engraved wood pen and box. Thanks to Adrienne Anderson for nominating Steve for this well-deserved honor (see article, this newsletter).

Prior to the 2010 meeting, the executive committee had received two offers for the hosting of the 2011 CCPA annual meeting: one from SWCA to host a meeting in Denver, and another from Avalon Archaeology LLC and Cuartelejo HP Associates to host a meeting in LaJunta. Kuckelman asked for any additional offers to host the 2011 meeting to be voiced to an EC member before the EC luncheon immediately following the morning meeting, where a choice would be made.

Past President Lucy Bambrey announced the results of the election of new executive committee members, to take effect at the executive committee luncheon immediately following the business meeting: President-elect—Kevin Gilmore; Treasurer—Jeff Hokanson (absent); Board Member—Shina duVall; Board Member—Glade Hadden. Congratulations to these folks, and thanks for being willing to serve!

President Kristin Kuckelman stepped down as president by turning the podium over to new CCPA President Erik Gantt, who accepted the post and commented briefly about his plans as president of the organization.

President Erik Gantt adjourned the official CCPA business meeting at 9:50 a.m. (This ends the record of the business meeting.)

After a break, Gantt introduced federal and state agency reports, beginning with Susan Collins, Colorado State Archaeologist.

Mary Sullivan (OAHP) chaired a Form Forum PowerPoint presentation to update everyone on proposed changes in site documentation procedures. She asked for feedback regarding the changes in January 2011.

A report on the past year’s activities of the Bureau of Land Management was presented by Glade Hadden.

A National Park Service report was offered by Forest Frost.

Justin Lawrence reported on National Forest Service issues.

A Colorado Department of Transportation report was presented by CDOT representative Dan Jepson.

Tom Carr (OAHP) solicited input for the Colorado Preservation 2020 statewide plan. This is the formal statewide preservation plan required by the National Historic Preservation Act and occurs only once every 10 years. Incorporating the vision of the professional archaeological community is thus important to its success.

President Erik Gantt closed the morning meeting at 11:32 a.m.

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**Membership Report**

By Jon Horn

Now that the annual meeting has taken place, I can report that we have 125 members who have paid their dues, including our five Fellows. Congratulations to Steve Cassels as the newest Fellow to the organization.

I would also like to welcome the 13 members who have joined in 2010. These are: Joshua Boyd, Susan East, Tristan Harrenstein, Kimberly Kintz, Trevor Lindland, Marcia Meier, Jaclyn Mullen, Jeremy Amvig, Mike Prouty, Iraida Rodriguez, Rebecca Simon, Laine Vandal, and John Zachman. Welcome and thank you for joining!

Coincidentally, we have exactly the same number of renewals and new members as we had at this time last year. I have high hopes that we will exceed last year’s total of 163 paid members and also hope that we can approach the 210 members we had in 2008. Please encourage your colleagues, employees, and student to renew or become CCPA members. By the time this newsletter goes out, reminders will have been sent to those who are delinquent on their dues. Your quick response to the reminder is greatly appreciated. Use the form at the back of this newsletter to renew.

The email addresses for the following members no longer work. If anyone has new contact information for them, please let the treasurer or Jon Horn know. Steve Clarke, Pratricia Flint-Lacey, Edward Friedman, Ingrid Giffin, Mary McCurdy, Christina Kester-Tallman.
Treasurer’s Report
Chris Bevilacqua

At the CCPA Annual Meeting in Montrose I reported on the fiscal status of our organization. I’m happy to say that the CCPA is in good financial standing. We currently have four bank accounts. The balances of these accounts, as of 3/20/2010, are provided below.

Checking: $4,982
Money Market: $14,913
Publications: $5,966
Ward Weakly: $19,669
Total balance: $45,531

In 2009, we generated revenue from several sources. In order of decreasing dollar amounts, these revenue sources were the 2009 Annual Meeting, publication sales, dues, Ward Weakly contributions, and interest. Our total revenue for 2009 was $24,601.

In 2009, the CCPA’s total expenses exceeded income by $1,639, for a total expenditure of $26,240. Our greatest expenses were the context reprints, the 2009 Annual Meeting, publication of Colorado Archaeology, the Crow Canyon Archaeological Center Native American Scholarship, and our 2008 federal tax return. Smaller expenses, in decreasing order, included our contribution to printing Historic Preservation Month posters, one Ward Weakly scholarship, Piñon Canyon meetings, our annual contribution to The Archaeology Channel, student paper awards, postage, local taxes, our mid-year meeting, our web host fee, and some other minor expenses on things like office supplies, sales tax licenses, and service charges.

I’d like to thank the membership for the opportunity to serve as the CCPA Treasurer. It was an educational and rewarding experience. I’d also like to thank Susan East and Jeff Hokanson for agreeing to run for the Treasurer position in this year’s election. Congratulations to Jeff on his new position. I hope many of you will consider volunteering for a position on one of the CCPA committees in the future.
Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarships Awarded to Troyer and Wunderlich

Adrienne Anderson

This year Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarships were awarded to Michael Troyer, Colorado State University, and Robert Wunderlich, University of Wyoming, to support specific aspects of their thesis investigations. Michael Troyer is looking at hearth morphology and associated subsistence activities through time and space in Northern Colorado – generally the Soapstone Prairie - Red Mountain Open Spaces. The Colorado Council of Professional Archeologists is providing funding specifically for macrobotanical analysis and radiocarbon dating of a large rock-lined hearth from the Black Shale Arroyo site in Larimer County.

Robert Wunderlich is investigating the frequency and distribution of sourced obsidian throughout the states of Colorado and Wyoming. He already has a database of ~600 samples and is hoping to reach 1000 samples. His intent is to interpret the obsidian distribution in terms of trade/direct procurement, home range, and technology. Funding provided by CCPA will go towards X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) source analysis of 50 obsidian artifacts with good provenience from the San Luis Valley. Robert also creatively worked with Northwest Research Obsidian Studies Laboratory to get a reduced rate per sample.

The Ward Weakly Committee consists of Adrienne Anderson, Chair, Dan Haas, Ted Hoefer, and Tom Lincoln. Scholarship applications are available on CCPA’s Web Site under About Us. The next application deadline is October 1, 2010.

Report of 2009 Activities and PCMS Summary

Greg Wolff

Native American Scholarship to Crow Canyon (Greg Wolff for Christy Smith): CCPA received a request from Crow Canyon Archaeological Center to fund a Native American student scholarship for the 2010 field school in the amount of $1,300 to cover tuition. CCPA first funded the scholarship in 2003 and most recently awarded the scholarship in 2008 and 2009. The 2008 scholarship was paid from CCPA's operating budget while the 2009 scholarship was paid from funds raised during the Trivia Bowl at last year’s meeting in Alamosa. Such fundraising efforts will continue to be necessary to maintain sufficient funds support both the Ward Weakly Fund Scholarships and the Native American Scholarship. The Executive Committee voted in Montrose in support of the 2010 Native American scholarship.

Synopsis of Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site Expansion and Cultural Resources Issues (Diane Rhodes and Greg Wolff): Highlights of PCMS related activity over the last twelve months:

In March 2009, the Army prepared to announce the leasing of ca. 70,000 acres south of the PCMS. In response, the US House Oversight Committee asked the Army to explain why it targeted 49 square miles to add to the southeast Colorado training site and whether it planned to lease the land instead of purchasing it. A planned trip by Army officials to announce the leasing was cancelled following questions voiced by the Congressional Oversight Committee.

April 2009: Changes in organization and staffing of environmental sectors at Fort Carson, plus “open rumors” about conflicts regarding resource management heightened CCPA concerns about the ongoing level of uses and protection of cultural sites and potential razing of historic structures (or conversion of structures to “Mid-Eastern villages”) for training purposes. It was decided that CCPA would, as a consulting party, contact the proper authorities at Fort Carson for clarification of the Army’s current approach to resource protection at PCMS.

On June 3, 2009 Governor Bill Ritter signed a measure barring the State Land Board from selling or leasing land to the Army to expand its PCMS.

Also in June of 2009, CCPA reviewed and commented on proposed “IED Village Lanes” at PCMS, identifying concerns regarding previous cultural resource assessments and prior consultation efforts. In addition, CCPA commented on the Army’s current procedures for NHPA compliance and its proposal to develop “alternate procedures” for compliance with NHPA per 36 CFR 800. In response, the Army reiterated that Fort Carson complies with all applicable laws and regulations pertaining to cultural resources and would arrange for an on-site meeting between CCPA and the Army’s cultural resources staff.

On September 8, 2009, Senior District Judge Matsch of US District Court ruled against the Army in response to a lawsuit by the Colorado non-profit organization known as “Not 1 More Acre”, vacating the Record of Decision (ROD) issued by the Army in August of 2007 for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) it completed for its proposal to increase the use of PCMS by training and increased troop population at Fort Carson (part of the Army’s transformation process involving changes in unit organization and training doctrine). The transformation process would involve construction of new facilities in the existing cantonment area of about 1,660 acres and initiate training operations of unspecified duration, frequency, and intensity with the remainder of the 235,000 acres of PCMS. Judge Matsch ruled that the Army’s EIS did not adequately assess the environmental impacts of the proposed increased intensity and duration of the Army’s training operations.

On September 16, 2009, lawyers for the plaintiff subsequently wrote to the US Department of Justice’s Environment and Natural Resources Division to confirm and clarify aspects of the District Court decision. In the letter, the lawyers indicate that as a result
of the decision, the Army may not proceed with any of the activities authorized in the PCMS Transformation ROD (including construction of new facilities and increases in frequency, duration, and intensity of training exercises at PCMS beyond historical levels). In addition, the lawyers argue that the Army may not implement the March 2009 Fort Carson “Grow the Army” (GTA) ROD which incorporated by reference the analysis of the PCMS Transformation EIS. That is, because the PCMS Transformation EIS is deficient and its ROD vacated, the subsequent analysis in the GTA EIS and ROD is also flawed. Finally, the lawyers argue that the Army may not implement any actions proposed in the Sub-Installation Concept Plan (2008), which was never analyzed under NEPA even though the GTA ROD stated this would occur before implementation.

In response to this letter, US Department of Justice Attorney Thomas Snodgrass stated that the Army is reviewing pre-2007 environmental documents in light of the District Court decision vacating the ROD for the 2007 Transformation EIS in order to determine activities that may currently take place at PCMS. The Army will also determine what level of additional analysis is needed for activities which were proposed under the EIS. The Army’s position is that it may continue to train soldiers as evaluated and authorized prior to the 2007 document and that it may complete any previously approved construction not subject of the 2007 document (to the extent that such construction has not yet occurred). Pending additional analysis of implementation of transformation programs, the Army plans to review proposed future training or construction to see if they are a major federal action subject to NEPA.

On September 18, 2009 a copy of the PCMS Sub-Installation Concept Plan (dated 12/30/08) was obtained by “Not 1 More Acre” under a Freedom of Information Act request. This plan was to establish the PCMS as a self-sustained facility in order to improve operational command and control, coordination and communication and to maintain and sustain the PCMS as a valuable Army training asset. Annexation would occur in three phases beginning October 2009, with implementation of the plan completed no later than October 1, 2011. This plan was never formally approved nor implemented.

On behalf of CCPA, Kristin Kuckelman, Erik Gantt, Michelle Slaughter, and Greg Wolff met with Shina duVall (OAHP Section 106 Compliance Manager) and PCMS representatives to tour the PCMS and discuss concerns regarding cultural resources on September 21, 2009. The Barnes prehistoric site is fenced and posted and appears intact. The Cross Ranch and Rock Crossing TCP have no visible impacts and may be safe from Army use by virtue of the TCP present on site. Sharp’s Ranch has been in use by Environmental and Archeological staff for the past few years and has fabricated Army maneuver buildings within a few hundred yards of the historic structures. However, the site is now being vacated because the military wants to use the houses at Red Rocks, Sharp’s, Biernacki, and Big Canyon/Crowder Ranches for training maneuvers, claiming that there would be no adverse effects on the buildings. Pam Miller (cultural resources program manager at Fort Carson) is working with the Army regarding this concern. Minnic Ranch, determined ineligible for the National Register, shows evidence of significant effects from Army use of buildings for maneuvers. The Army plans to station personnel in the ranch houses at Big Canyon/Crowder Ranch and move the other structures, including the stone structures. Mitigation measures are to be worked out with SHPO and consulting parties. Ms. Miller stated that the Army has decided to craft a PA rather than develop Army Alternate Procedures (AAP) to achieve Section 106 Compliance at PCMS. During review of the IED Village Lanes proposal, data discrepancies were noted; these may have resulted from a backlog of forms that had not been entered into COMPASS. Per Ms. Miller, about 81% of the current PCMS (329,000 acres) has been surveyed; most of the rest of the acreage is in canyon setting. Note that these figures conflict with those given out at the August 2007 meeting.

On September 22, 2009 the law firm representing "Not 1 More Acre" received a reply from the Department of Justice, Environmental Division stating that the Army had decided not to station an additional brigade combat team at Fort Carson; thus there would be no activity at PCMS related to this proposed increase. Also, the Sub-Installation Concept plan was not approved nor implemented, nor is there any intent to do so.

In October 2009, Colorado House Bill 09-1317 became law, preventing the sale of state land to expand PCMS. Colorado House Bill 07-1069 also became law, withdrawing Colorado’s consent for the federal government to acquire lands sought for expansion of PCMS. This ban (contained in the 2010 military construction budget) extends through fiscal year 2010 (October 2009 to September 2010).

Following reauthorization of the temporary spending ban in December 2009, the Army indicated that they are interested in "mending fences" but reiterated that they may still need to expand PCMS sometime in the future.

The September 2009 court decision vacating the ROD for the PCMS has implications for further compliance needs at PCMS. The uses proposed for the historic ranch complexes will need to be considered under Section 106, with appropriate mitigation if there are possible impacts. The necessity of using the ranches may need to be assessed to see if planned use is consistent with pre-2007 training activities or, if the proposed use represents an increase, if it is in conflict with the court order.

Members of the CCPA Executive Committee attended the initial consulting parties meeting at PCMS on March 3, 2010. Other attendees included representatives from Fort Carson and US Army Environmental Command; Colorado Preservation, Inc.; the National Trust for Historic Preservation; the Colorado State Historic Preservation Office; the Southeastern Colorado Environmental Coalition; county commissioners from Otero, Las Animas, and El Paso Counties; the Otero County Historic Preservation Board; Trinidad State Junior College Museum; professional archaeologists; and former landowners. The purpose of the meeting was twofold: 1. To consult regarding “adaptive re-use” of historic ranching complexes by the Army for training purposes; and 2. To begin consultation regarding the development of a programmatic agreement for Army compliance with NHPA’s Section 106 for its activities at Fort Carson and PCMS, replacing the 1980’s Memorandum of Understanding. It was
expressly noted that “expansion” of PCMS was not a topic of discussion at this meeting. The Army proposes to use 5 of the 12 historic ranch complexes located within PCMS as training facilities, each chosen for their similarities in terrain to conditions in Iraq/Afghanistan in addition to containing extant structures. The Army stated that:

Fort Carson’s cultural resources unit has no funding to provide toward upkeep/preservation of the ranch complexes, but they are designated as training facilities then training funds can be utilized toward that effort.

Training at the ranch complexes would include non-permanent modifications to the complexes and the use of simulated improvised explosive devices (IED) filled with baby powder. No live-fire exercises or activities resulting in subsurface disturbance would occur at the ranches.

Fort Carson cultural resources staff would conduct pre-and post-training inspections at the complexes to maintain their present condition. In addition to the architectural components of the ranch complexes, this will also take into consideration the prehistoric and historic archaeological components of the sites. The cultural resources staff realizes that given the passage of time and changes in site condition prior determinations of eligibility may need reassessment. As such, the cultural resources staff resurveys and re-evaluates the eligibility of cultural resources on a project-by-project basis when previously recorded resources are encountered.

There is no training presently scheduled for the ranches and any training would be the subject of standard Section 106 consultation prior to implementation, if proposed before the completion of the proposed Programmatic Agreement. Soldiers receive cultural resources sensitivity training and sites are fenced off with fencing and cyber stakes in order to prevent inadvertent/purposeful destruction of cultural resources.

With regard to the development of a programmatic agreement for Section 106 compliance at Fort Carson and PCMS, the Army recognizes the need to replace the outdated 1980s era Memorandum of Understanding. According to the Army, the August 2007 proposal to develop Army Alternate Procedures to comply with NHPA per 36 CFR 800.14(a) was abandoned because many consulting parties expressed concern that the AAP would give the Army too much latitude in assessing the effects of their actions on historic properties, in addition to concerns raised by the tribes. As a result, the Army will instead negotiate a programmatic agreement per 36 CFR 800.14(b) with SHPO and possibly the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, in consultation with tribes and other consulting parties.

Where things stand: Section 106 consultation will continue regarding the proposed “adaptive re-use” of the ranches, while the Army begins preparation of a draft PA in April/May regarding Army undertakings at Fort Carson and PCMS for review and comment by consulting parties. CCPA will continue to be involved as consulting party in both the development of the PA and the “adaptive re-use” of the historic ranch complexes. Comments on the adaptive re-use of five ranching complexes at PCMS for limited military training use and for preparation of a Programmatic Agreement for ID, evaluation, and treatment of historic properties on Fort Carson and PCMS were due to Fort Carson by April 5, 2010. The Executive Committee encourages ongoing feedback from the membership regarding these issues so that it may relay those concerns to the Army during consultation.

New In Print

Crossroads of Culture
Anthropology Collections at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science
University Press of Colorado (www.upcolorado.com)
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This book is a guide for the design of archaeological experiments for both students and scholars. Experimental archeology provides a unique opportunity to corroborate conclusions with multiple trials of repeatable experiments and can provide data otherwise unavailable to archaeologists without damaging sites, remains, or artifacts.
The meeting was called to order at 11:42 am. In attendance: Kristin Kuckelman (Past President), Erik Gantt (Current President), Kevin Gilmore (President-elect), Greg Williams (outgoing Newsletter Editor), Michelle Slaughter (board member), Mary Sullivan (Webmaster), Shina duVall (board member), Kelly Pool (Publications Committee chair), Marilyn Martorano (Ethics Committee chair), Susan East (incoming Newsletter Editor), Glade Hadden (board member), and Greg Wolff (board member) Current Secretary Cody Anderson was unable to attend the annual meeting so Greg Wolff will be taking the minutes of the meeting. As Cody was not present, a motion was made by Greg Williams to dispense reading of the previous meeting's minutes and move forward with the rest of the agenda items; seconded by Kevin Gilmore, all in favor.

Greg Williams introduced Susan East, who has volunteered to be the next Newsletter Editor.

Ethics Committee: Marilyn Martorano provided the Executive Committee with the Ethics Committee Report. No complaints were received between April 2009 and March 2010. The hard copy of the report was given to President Erik Gantt to provide to Secretary Cody Anderson.

Publications Committee: Kelly Pool provided the Executive Committee with an update regarding the Publications Committee, and will submit a hard copy after writing it. Kelly, who has replaced Anne McKibbin as Chair, gave kudos to Anne for a job very well done. Anne will continue to assist the Publications Committee, members of which also include Gordy Tucker and perhaps Kae MacDonald. Someone wondered if Sean Larmore was part of a context update committee.

Discussion regarding reprinting the prehistoric contexts continues, whether in hard copy or digital format. Creating revised editions of each volume is a daunting task and seems very unlikely. Options include a separate addendum volume or an individual update to each volume. Kelly noted that it would likely be a three year process to complete any of these. She also noted that there are very few Southern Colorado contexts remaining. Present inclination of the Publications Committee is to move away from printed volumes by selling only digital versions of each context and to insert an individual update to each volume rather than revising each context or creating a separate “update volume”.

Per the suggestions provided by Kelly, Erik Gantt motioned that CCPA move toward electronic versions of the contexts and also to make 100 compact disc copies of the Southern Colorado Context available for purchase; seconded by Michelle Slaughter, all in favor.

Regarding the David Grant Noble volume (Ancient Colorado: An Archaeological Perspective), Kelly noted that there are many copies still available for sale for $8.50 (roughly at cost price) and they are not selling very fast. Mary Sullivan noted that the same rings true for OAHP, and that storage of the volumes has become problematic for CHS. It has been suggested that may be inventory of the book included: selling it at a reduced price (perhaps to benefit the scholarship fund); donating copies to county historical societies; and providing copies to groups such as the San Juan Mountains Association and the Archaeological Institute of America for additional sales outlets.

Website update: Mary Sullivan indicated that there are many unknowns regarding the suggestion to “redesign” the CCPA website, including what the redesign should entail and whether there are funds to do so.

Misc.: Greg Williams noted that new IRS rules will allow non-profit organizations which have operating budgets of less than $25,000 per annum such as CCPA to submit their tax form via postcard. This would save CCPA around $750 in tax preparation fees (this tax prep figure was noted to be a good deal, probably representing a discounted fee). CCPA still needs to file 2009 taxes by May of this year. Chris Bevilacqua (outgoing treasurer) will inform Jeff Hokanson (incoming treasurer).

Native American Scholarship Committee: Greg Wolff presented information regarding Crow Canyon Archaeological Center’s request for CCPA to fund a Native American Student Scholarship for a week-long archaeology field school this summer at the cost of $1300. Funds raised during the Trivia Bowl at last year’s Annual Meeting in Alamosa funded the scholarship last year. He made the motion that CCPA fund the scholarship for this year; seconded by Michelle Slaughter(?), all in favor. The suggestion was made to discuss with Crow Canyon the idea of obtaining a reduced tuition break next year for the Native American Scholarship (i.e. CCPA covering only a portion of the full tuition cost for a Native American student).

Erik Gantt made the motion to approve the Ward Weakly Scholarships for the present round; seconded by Glade Hadden, all in favor.

Newsletter: Greg Williams indicated that 7 CCPA Members still receive hard copies of the newsletter, which is burdensome and costly (about $80 for copies and postage), and thus suggested eliminating hard copies of the newsletter at the end of 2010. Glade recommended sufficient advance warning be sent, but Kelly expressed concerned that these folks may be older CCPA Members/Fellows who don’t have access to email or the Internet. An “adopt-a-member” effort was suggested whereby seven
CCPA members who currently receive the newsletter electronically would each assume responsibility for printing out a copy of
the newsletter and mailing it to one of these folks.

New Business: Glade Hadden made the motion for the proceeds of this meeting’s Silent Auction to benefit the joint scholarship
fund; seconded by Greg Wolff, all in favor. Discussion regarding the location of next year’s annual meeting focused on Denver
and La Junta. Glade made the motion that next year’s meeting be held in La Junta; seconded by Erik, all in favor.

The Fellows page will be updated to include Steve Cassells and to fill in some missing info.

There was discussion regarding the creation of an informal award to recognize the significant contributions of a member to the
organization, to be awarded on an irregular basis as warranted. It was decided that the topic will be revisited and discussed at
the next EC meeting and that the next newsletter should include recognition of Anne McKibbin’s outstanding efforts as chair of
the Publications Committee.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 1:05 pm by Glade and seconded by Erik.
Photo Highlights from Montrose 2010 Annual Meeting

Photos (clockwise from top left)

President Kristin Kuckelman and newly designated CCPA Fellow, Dr. Steve Cassells. Photo by Max Canestorp.

Student Presentation award winners Shana Wolff, Laramie County Community College and Sara E. Wolff, Pennsylvania State University. Photo by Susan Chandler.

Presentations at the meeting. Photo by Susan Chandler.

Carol Patterson leading a tour of the Shavano rock art site. Photo by Greg Williams.

CCPA 2010 ANNUAL MEETING

The CCPA’s annual meeting for 2010 was held in Montrose, Colorado on March 26 and 27. A list of presentations and posters from the program follows for those interested in the topics but who could not attend.

PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

1:00 - Move It or Lose It: Transportation of Stored Foods by Mobile Hunter-Gatherers. Alan D. Reed, Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc.

1:15 - Rock Art, Ritual, and Archaeoacoustics in the Uncompahgre Plateau
Gregory E. Williams, Aims Community College, Redpoint Resources, LLC

1:30 - When Ethnography Informs Archaeology: Researching Sake at Camp Amache
Michelle Slaughter, Avalon Archaeology, LLC

1:45 - Archaeological Investigations During 2009 at the Upper Crossing Site
Mark D. Mitchell (Paleocultural Research Group), and Angie M. Krall (San Luis Valley Public Lands Center)

2:00 - Taphonomy of the Olsen-Chubbuck Bison Kill: A Preliminary Perspective
Ryan M. Byerly (Colorado Archaeological Society, Northern Colorado Chapter), and Charles P. Egeland (University of North Carolina at Greensboro)

2:15 - Metal Projectile Point Survey of the Interior West: Updated Results and Description of the Colorado Sample
John Kennedy, SWCA Environmental Consultants

2:30 - Microwear on Microblades from Block F Mountaineer (student presentation)
Brock Stai, Western State College

2:45 - 3:00 – Break (sponsored by the Montrose Visitors & Convention Bureau)

3:00 - Symposium – Isolating the Archaeological Culture of Colorado’s Ute Speakers
Steven G. Baker, Organizer; Curtis Martin, Jenn Mueller, Richard Ott, & Scott C. Phillips

4:30 - Adjourn
SATURDAY, MARCH 27

8:30 a.m. to Noon

8:30 - Conflict on the Plains
Thomas Carr, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

8:45 - The Durango Basketmakers: Tightening the Weave
Mona C. Charles, Fort Lewis College

9:00 - Bioarchaeological Signatures of Strife in Terminal Pueblo III Settlements in the Northern San Juan
Kristin Kuckelman, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center

9:15 - It’s a Small World After All: A Preliminary Investigation of Lichenometry Dating on Historic Structures (graduate presentation)
Sarah E. Wolff, Pennsylvania State University

9:30 - The Community Approach in the Interpretation of Rural Western Settlement
Thomas Witt, SWCA Environmental Consultants

9:45 - And the Peat Goes On: Prehistoric Culture Change, Population and Paleoenvironment from “Pocket Fens” in Eastern Colorado
Kevin P. Gilmore, ERO Resources Corp.

10:00 - 10:15 – Break (sponsored by the Montrose Visitors & Convention Bureau)

10:15 - Symposium – Beware What You Leave in Your Cellar: Investigations at the “History Colorado Center” Site, 5DV12345
Organizer, Steven Dominguez; Todd C. McMahon, Jennie O. Sturm, Susan East, Laine Vandal, & Richard Carrillo

11:30 - Upper Animas AML Survey; Mineral Creek Study Unit SJ98018H
Eric Kneebone, San Juan Public Lands Office, BLM

11:45 - Save Our Air Quality Using Section 106
Shina duVall, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

Noon - 1:30 - Lunch Break (on your own)
1:30 to 5:00 p.m.

1:30 - A Short Summary of the Archaeological Investigations along the Collbran Pipeline Project Carl Conner, Grand River Institute

1:45 - Recent Investigations in Sand Wash Basin, Northwestern Colorado
Robyn Watkins Morris, Bureau of Land Management, Little Snake Field Office

2:00 - Planning for the Future while Informing the Past: Archaeological Sensitivity Analyses in Northwest Colorado
Paul Burnett, SWCA Environmental Consultants

2:15 - Differentiating Brush Fences in Colorado’s Piñon Juniper Woodlands
George Connell, SWCA Environmental Consultants

2:30 - Lithic Procurement Studies in Sand Wash Basin, the Dry Mountains and Eastern Browns Park, Northwest Colorado
Lorraine Poulson (Little Snake Field Office, BLM) and James C. Miller (Dominguez Anthropological Research Group)

2:45 - 3:00 – Break (sponsored by the Montrose Visitors & Convention Bureau)

3:00 - The Scanning Electron Microscope Analysis of Bone Needle Use Wear (student presentation) Collin Smith, Western State College

3:15 - This Olde Wikiup: Modeling the Architectural Dynamics of Living Structures with Archaeological Residues Casey Dukeman, Western State College of Colorado

3:30 - An Analysis of Plants Traditionally Used by Plains Indians as Topical Antiseptics for Antimicrobial Effectiveness (undergraduate presentation)
Shana Wolff, Laramie County Community College

3:45 - The Apishapa and the Use of a Variety of Plant Resources along the Purgatoire River: Preliminary Results of Excavations along the Purgatoire River, in Southeastern Colorado A. Dudley Gardner, Laura Pasacreta, and Glade Hadden

4:00 - Bifaces, Flake Tools, and the Division of Labor at the Mountaineer Site
Mark Stiger, Western State College

4:15 - Mini-Session by Paleo Research Institute – Lifespans, Residues, & Diets!!
Linda Scott Cummings, Kathryn Puseman, Melissa K. Logan, & Chad Yost

5:00 - Adjourn
POSTER SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MARCH 27 (Hallway outside of Jordan Room)

Session 1: 10:00 a.m. to noon

Paleoindian Site Structure at American Flats (5PA158): A High Altitude Camp in Colorado’s Mosquito Range. Travis A. Hill, Jason M. LaBelle, Sarah M. Millonig, Jerry Partin, and Greg Sustad, Lab of Public Archaeology, Department of Anthropology Colorado State University

5GN2477: South Side Lithic Scatters and on Site Surface Analysis Josh Boyd, Greg Meldrum, and Megan Jamison, Western State College

Intellectual Genealogy. Erin Cahill, Western State College

Folsom Endscrapers. Joshua Boyd, Western State College

Paleoindian Manifestations on the Routt National Forest, Colorado: Environmental Change, Temporal Variation, or Sampling Bias? Ashleigh Knapp and Kristin Hare, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest

Session 2: 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Thermal Alteration of Chipped Stone Tools at the Kinney Springs Site (5LR144c): Evidence for Functional, Spatial, and Structural Associations Maggard, Annie E., Colorado State University Anthropology Department

Across the Great Divide: A New Look at the Game Drive System atop Rollins Pass (5BL145-148). Kristin Deily and Jason M. LaBelle Lab of Public Archaeology, Department of Anthropology, Colorado State University

Liquor, Lead, and Picket Fences: A Picture of Domestic Life at Fort Lewis, Colorado Eric Kneebone and Mona C. Charles, Fort Lewis College

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