Magic Mountain Archaeological Project

By Michele Koons and Mark Mitchell

In June 2017, the Apex Trailhead parking lot was buzzing with more than just the usual hikers and bikers. Many came to tour the archaeological site of Magic Mountain and to get dirty trying their own hand at archaeology. The project is a collaboration between the Denver Museum of Nature & Science (DMNS) and Paleocultural Research Group (PCRG). Together we set out to better understand Early Ceramic Period (200–1000 A.D.) mobility patterns, seasonal use, and activities performed at the site. We also wanted to give the public a first-hand experience with archaeology (Photo above shows volunteers touring the site in 2017).

Magic Mountain is proclaimed to be one of the most important archaeological sites on Colorado’s Front Range. The earliest artifacts found thus far date back to 7000 B.P., when the site would have served as a winter camping grounds for mobile hunter-gatherer groups passing though the region while following game. It is quite possible that even earlier artifacts dating to the Paleo-Indian period are buried at the site, but they are yet to be found. Later remains, such as ceramics and stone structures, indicate that through time it became a semi-permanent residence that was inhabited until at least A.D. 1000. Unfortunately, more recent materials were removed from decades of illicit looting.

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General Announcements

Got Photos?

CCPA is a preservation-oriented group and we need to capture the history of our organization! If you have photographs from previous CCPA conferences or CCPA-related events you would like stored for posterity, or if you’re interested in contributing, please send an email to Erin Drake (erin.a.drake@gmail.com).

Contribute!

The Newsletter Committee is always looking for new and interesting material to include in the next edition. Please send research articles, fun discoveries, or anything that interest the CCPA community to Jacki Mullen at jacki.mullen@alpinearchaeology.com.

40th Annual CCPA Meeting

• March 8–10, 2018 at the Best Western Plaza Hotel & Convention Center in Longmont.
• Hosted by History Colorado and Martorano Consultants.
• Room block is now available at a discounted rate!
• See inside the newsletter for more information.
President’s Corner

By Dr. Jason M. LaBelle

Hello everyone. It has been a busy summer and early fall for the Executive Committee, and I thought I’d share some of the current affairs undertaken by the CCPA. CCPA members Holly Norton (State Archaeologist, History Colorado), Kimball Banks (Metcalf Archaeological Consultants), and myself (Colorado State University) had the opportunity to meet with Representative Scott Tipton (3rd Congressional District, Durango) and Brian Meinhart (Tipton’s Regional Director/Policy Advisor) at History Colorado in late August. Tipton and Meinhart demonstrated considerable knowledge of historic preservation issues, and our informal conversation discussed the consultation process, ways of improving industry and CRM interaction, as well as the creation and protection of National Monuments such as Chimney Rock and Canyon of the Ancients. It was a productive initial meeting, and Tipton and Meinhart expressed interest in furthering our dialog regarding Colorado historic preservation. The CCPA representatives agreed that it would be productive to contact other Congressional Representative and Senators from Colorado for additional discussions.

Secretary Zinke and the Department of Interior recently released a preliminary statement regarding their review of large National Monuments created over the last twenty years and the application of the Antiquities Act. While it appears that the Canyon of the Ancients is not targeted for reduction/boundary change, there are proposed reductions in National Monuments such as Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante in neighboring Utah. The CCPA is following the DOI statements and will keep our members informed as these issues unfold. In the meantime, please consider contacting your representatives to voice your opinion on issues related to the Antiquities Act and the Section 106 process. Kimball Banks (chair, Programmatic Agreement Review Committee) and his committee submitted a large number of letters to various partners over the past six months. Thank you to the committee for providing this valuable feedback on preservation projects within the state.

Gordy Tucker (Education Committee) and I are working on a census of archaeology/anthropology education within the state. We’re interested in learning the number of undergraduate/graduate anthropology (specifically archaeology) students at Colorado colleges and universities, as well as the number of archaeology courses being taught, field schools, etc. This will be valuable information for the CCPA regarding recruiting students to our organization, and to better understand the number/type of archaeology advocates in our state. Our understanding of archaeology and higher education is quite limited as compared to other audiences of professionals (CCPA) and avocationals (Colorado Archaeological Society).

The Colorado Archaeological Society’s annual meeting will be held on October 27–29th in Denver at History Colorado. A full slate of papers is planned for the day, along with tours and a banquet. Dr. Mike Waters (Texas A&M) will be the banquet speaker, speaking about the Pleistocene colonization of North America. Please consider attending and supporting our CAS friends.

The Executive Committee will be holding its fall meeting in Fort Collins on October 20th. Please contact me (jason.labelle@colostate.edu) or other Executive Committee members if you have comments, concerns, or issues you would like discussed at the meeting.

Finally, I would like to thank Justin Lawrence for his service as treasurer of the CCPA. Justin decided to step down from the position due to time constraints. Tosh McKetta agreed to serve as the interim treasurer for the next six months. Thank you, Justin and Tosh, for your valued service to the CCPA.

Warm wishes to you all for a wonderful autumn!
Gearing up for the 40th Annual Meeting, March 8–10, 2018 in Longmont

Hosted by History Colorado-OAHP and Martorano Consultants, Submitted by Chris Johnston, Marilyn Martorano, Holly Norton, and Steve Cassells

The 2018 CCPA meeting will be held in the city of Longmont, located about 20 minutes from Boulder and an hour from Denver. Longmont was a vision shared by railroad investors from Chicago, Illinois in 1870. These investors sold memberships in the Chicago-Colorado Colony to adventurous pioneering families who “were temperate people of good moral character” and were headed west to find a new utopian society based largely on agriculture. In 1871, these pioneers renamed their small community Longmont in honor of Longs Peak, a 14,252 foot peak visible to the west of the city. Longmont has grown from a small agricultural center to a thriving community of about 90,000 residents.

Longmont has many cultural amenities including a busy downtown main street which is only minutes away from the 2018 CCPA conference center and hotel. Longmont’s main street has many historic buildings with art galleries, shops, and numerous places to eat, drink, and listen to music including: Mike O’Shays Restaurant & Ale House, Samples World Bistro, The Roost, Cheese Importers, Sun Rose Café, and Longs Peak Pub and Taphouse. Longmont is well-known for its many (and tasty) breweries, restaurants, several distilleries, and a cidery including Left Hand Brewing Company, Oskar Blues Brewery (& several associated pubs and eateries), 300 Suns Brewing, Großen Bart Brewery, The Pumphouse Brewery, St Vrain Cidery, Wibby Brewing, and two eateries located directly adjacent to the conference hotel, Smokin’ Dave’s BBQ and Tap House and Old Chicago Pizza and Taproom. Longmont also has a Brewhop Trolley, a hop-on/hop-off brewery tour, offered on Saturdays and Sundays.

The meeting will follow the typical schedule, with an Early Bird and student mixer on Thursday evening, business meeting Friday morning, and papers/posters Friday afternoon and all day Saturday. The banquet and Ward Weakly fundraiser will be Friday evening with tours (weather permitting) on Sunday morning.

The meeting will be at the Best Western Plus Plaza Hotel and Convention Center (http://www.plazaconventioncenter.com/). We have rooms blocked at a rate of $94/night plus tax. Rooms are either two double beds or one king, and all rooms come with a sleeper sofa. A free full hot breakfast is also included for hotel guests. Reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at 303-776-2000 and note the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA) to get the conference rate.

The room block is limited and the rate will expire on February 8, 2018.

Make your reservations now!
40th Annual Meeting - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Logo Design Contest

This year we will be doing a special logo design contest to celebrate CCPA’s 40th anniversary. Keep your eyes on the CCPA listserv for more details soon, or contact us directly.

Ward Weakly Scholarship Fundraiser

We need ideas for the Ward Weakly Scholarship fundraiser. In the recent past we have had a book sale, silent auction, and trivia bowl. Have you seen or been involved with in a unique or fun fundraiser? Send us your ideas!

Sponsor

Meeting space is becoming increasingly expensive. Consider planning now to make a sponsorship donation to help keep costs as low as possible for our members and students. Sponsorship information will be sent out on the CCPA listserv, or you can contact us.

Session Ideas

Have any other ideas or special needs (extra room, workshop session, etc.)? Please contact us now so we can be sure to get it in the planning process with the conference center.

Please contact Chris Johnston with any inquiries or ideas, Chris.Johnston@state.co.us.

We look forward to seeing you in Longmont!

Ward Weakly Scholarship Committee in Transition

Adrienne Anderson and Mark Mitchell have been working together this summer to get the transition of the Ward Weakly records, items, and procedures completed prior to the next scholarship application deadline, November 1, 2017. All necessary information needed to apply can be found on the CCPA web site (coloradoarchaeologists.org) under Scholarships. This fall, all applications should be sent to Mitchell at mark.mitchell@paleocultural.org. The current committee consists of Mitchell and Anderson along with Mike Metcalf, Robert Wunderlich, Dan Haas, Erin Drake, and Suzanne McKetta.

Ward F. Weakly Memorial Scholarship

Applications are due November 1, 2017

Applications for CCPA’s Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarship are due November 1. Information about the scholarship and application form can be found on CCPA’s website (www.coloradoarchaeologists.org) under “Scholarships.” Students at any level can apply!
Magic Mountain Archaeological Project, continued from page 1

By Michele Koons and Mark Mitchell

Old newspapers indicate that homesteaders and miners knew about the site in the 1860s, when the town of Apex was established nearby to supply mines in Central City via the Apex and Gregory Wagon Road. The site was previously known as the Apex or Apex Gulch site due to its proximity to the eponymous town. The town of Apex is now reportedly beneath the parking lot associated with the Heritage Square Amusement Park. The earliest professional report on Magic Mountain appears in the 1877 Smithsonian Institution Annual Report and describes it as a camp with great quantities of tools and arrowheads made from diverse local and non-local materials. By as early as the 1920s, the site was described as a “treasure-trove” of artifacts and a “cratered minefield” due to looting.

Despite that history of disturbance, intact archaeological deposits were still present at the site when systematic archaeological investigation began in the late 1950s by Denver native Cynthia Irwin-Williams, then a Ph.D., student at Harvard University. Irwin-Williams renamed the site as Magic Mountain to acknowledge the now defunct amusement park by the same name that owned the land at the time. Irwin-Williams identified six zones (Zones A–F), corresponding to roughly three periods of use. The earliest levels date back to the latter part of the Early Archaic Period, roughly 6650–3800 B.C. and were associated with what they called the Magic Mountain complex. Materials from the more recent Middle Archaic Period (3800–1250 A.D.) made up the Apex complex and the most recent cultural deposits correspond to the Early Ceramic Period (100–1000 A.D.). The multidiscipline approach to the research, as well as the sheer quantities of new material types has made her work one of the major references for much of the subsequent work in the Rocky Mountain region.

By the early 1990s, half the site was owned by the City of Golden and the other half by private owners. Partnering with the City of Golden, Centennial Archaeology Inc. (CAI), along with volunteers, resumed studies on the city owned sector of the site in 1994 and 1996. They initiated a public education program that included tours, lectures and other public outreach efforts, which we re-engaged in 2017. Archaeologically, the goal was to determine the extent of intact cultural remains and confirm the lithostratigraphic units identified by Irwin-Williams. The CAI investigation quickly changed gears when they found two enigmatic structures dating to the 1000-1800 years ago. Because of this they never got to fully test Irwin-Williams units. The project produced more than 80,000 artifacts, mainly consisting of stone flakes, chipped and ground stone tools, and bone. The CAI collections are housed at DMNS as of 2001.

In August 2016, we began the first non-invasive phase of work at the site with permission from the City of Golden. The City of Golden now owns all the land that encompasses the site, so there are new opportunities to investigate in areas that were previously privately owned. Since the excavations in the 1990s there have also been huge advances in technology in archaeology. This first phase consisted of UAV photogrammetry to create 3D topographic maps and geophysical surveys (ground-penetrating radar (GPR) and magnetometry) to understand what lies below the ground. The results of these surveys indicate that there are likely many cultural features still intact at this site.
In June 2017, we returned to the site to excavate these areas of interest through a community-based effort. The magnetometry survey was extremely productive. Based on the results we identified and excavated five rock-filled hearths and a roasting oven that is possibly inside a structure. We found countless fragments of grinding stones, various projectile points, and a handful of gray cord-marked ceramic sherds. Preliminary data suggest that people were primarily using raw stone materials from South Park and the Southern Front Range. The topographic location points to a cooler season occupation and the distribution of hearths and features suggests regular to intermittent use over a long period of time. Activities included food preparation, cooking, and projectile point manufacture. The analysis of the artifacts, botanical remains, and C14 samples begins this month and we will have much more to report soon. We also hope to return to the site in the future to fill in the gaps and address new questions that arise from our analysis.

Hearing the native perspective on the site was very important to us so we invited all the tribes historically affiliated with the state of Colorado to come and share their stories and histories. A handful of tribes came out and we had great conversations about the land and those who lived here before.

Our crew consisted of mostly volunteers and university students. We were joined by the Boys & Girls Club of Denver and TeamWorks/Teens, Inc. who learned alongside our volunteers about excavation methods and archaeological stewardship. Every day we offered two types of volunteer led tours to the public. First, we offered a standard site tour covering the prehistory and history of the region while highlighting what was found during past investigations and recent finds from this fieldwork. The tour also emphasized the importance of preservation. The second tour type allowed the participants to try their hand at excavation while supervised by a trained professional archaeologist. Most people who attended participated in both tours and our evaluations of the program were overwhelmingly positive.

Overall, we served over 1000 people in two weeks and learned many new things about Colorado’s past. We are hopeful that we will be able to offer this experience again in the future so more people can experience the important cultural heritage and history of our beloved backyard.

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**CCPA Listserver: Sign-up Today!**

The CCPA email Listserver has nearly 100 subscribers. Postings relate to the job opportunities, current regulatory issues, general notices, and association business. Don’t be left in the dark between newsletters. Send an email to Greg Williams, and he will add you (it usually takes about a week). He can’t add you without a request, and it is best to use your personal email instead of a business email or a .gov or .edu email because these often get blocked. If you submit an email that forwards to another email it usually won’t work either. Sorry, that’s how Google does it. Email Greg at greg@redpoint-resources.com or call him at 303-748-0321 and he will be glad to help you out.
SAA Government Affairs Update, August 2017

Compiled from SAA President Susan Chandler's Column in the “SAA's Government Affairs and International Affairs Update, August 2017.”

Trump issued his Executive Order "Establishing Discipline and Accountability in the Environmental Review and Permitting Process for Infrastructure Projects" on August 15. The purpose of the EO is to ensure that the Federal government environmental review and permitting process for infrastructure projects is coordinated, predictable, and transparent. All Federal environmental reviews and authorization decisions for major infrastructure projects (i.e., those requiring an Environmental Impact Statement) are to be completed within two years. Agencies are directed to coordinate with Federal, State, tribal, and local agencies and to have early engagement with the public. This is supposed to result in one federal decision, whereby there is one lead Federal agency and, in most cases, a single Record of Decision (ROD). The Council on Environmental Quality had until September 14 to develop an initial list of actions to "enhance and modernize" the Federal environmental review and authorization process. The Departments of Interior and Agriculture were directed to designate energy rights-of-way corridors on Federal land. SAA and the Coalition on American Heritage (CAH) are looking closely at the implications of this latest EO and intend to counter some of the fallacies presented in the President’s accompanying fact sheet.

Interior Secretary Zinke submitted his report in response to Trump’s EO on National Monument Review at the end of August. Although Zinke has come out against eliminating any Monuments, there is concern about what boundary changes have been recommended to the President. Interior received over 2.8 million public comments, of which 1.3 million comments are publicly available on regulations.gov. The Wilderness Society used crowd sourcing and machine learning to analyze the content of each of these. Human volunteers read and scored nearly 6,000 unique comments and single copies of form letters. They found that roughly 4,500 letters (over 75%) mentioned concerns about the preservation of historical/cultural artifacts and places or mentioned heritage; these writers were overwhelmingly (98.4%) opposed to Trump’s monument review.

President Chandler attended the European Archaeological Association’s (EAA) annual conference and met with the EAA Board and representatives of our sister organizations, including WAC, ACRA, SHA, AIA, and the Australian Archaeological Association. The topic of discussion was "Making Archaeology Political Again," and there was considerable interest in how SAA and CAH are dealing with America’s new administration. EAA plans to follow Germany’s example of establishing election benchmarks concerning archaeological issues. They are developing questions to pose to EU candidates so they can provide "red light/green light" input to voters. They point out that, besides establishing where individual candidates stand with respect to cultural resource issues, the scorecard is a useful way to bring public focus on important archaeological topics, especially as none of the EU political parties include cultural resource issues in their platforms. As in the U.S., the EAA believe they are in a battle for real facts and real science.

Some good government affairs advice that came out of the meeting:

- Organizations such as SAA need to be politically active because the public does not know there is a problem if there is no watchdog to identify the problem.
- Archaeologists need to keep our messages to the public and politicians clear and simple rather than engaging in an academic debate. Archaeologists lose credibility when we quarrel among ourselves.
- Focusing on clear policy objectives to bring to politicians and the media allows us to know when and if we succeed.
• We need to transform our message so that the past is seen as part of society and to remember that heritage does not belong to archaeologists. Let the public know that our goal is to help them preserve their heritage for their children.

• "Never waste a good crisis." Use threats to archaeological sites as a way to engage the public and to enlist their help.

In September, David Lindsay, Tobi Brimsek, and Susan Chandler met with congressional staff of 12 Republican representatives to deliver the fundamental message that archaeology is important and deserves funding and legal protections. The importance of involving archaeologists at the earliest stages of the planning process for projects was stressed, so that important sites can be avoided and so that development is not needlessly delayed. Such preplanning is already the norm for other sensitive resources, such as wetlands and endangered species. Because archaeological data are confidential and are often scattered among different land-managing agencies, and because archaeological sites are considered by planners to be a resource that can be mitigated, consideration of cultural resources is often postponed until project planning has proceeded to the point where conflicts develop. SAA's experience with the Republican offices visited suggests that Congress is receptive to hearing it.

Other Issues

Next year’s annual meeting will be in Washington D.C. This event will provide a valuable opportunity for SAA members to meet with their senators and representatives on Capitol Hill, and to spread the message about the importance of archaeology and cultural heritage preservation to the economy as well as to our knowledge of the past. In the next few weeks the SAA will start organizing members who are interested in meeting with their congressional delegations this coming April. Substantial support will be provided to these members in the form of talking points and background materials, an online seminar on the best ways to hold discussions with Members of Congress and their staffs, early morning briefings at the annual meeting prior to the Capitol Hill visits, and "live bodies" outside the congressional office buildings to help direct people to their destinations. Please contact Susan Chandler if you are interested in participating.

The American Cultural Resources Association (ACRA) Corner

ACRA’s 23rd annual meeting (September 7–10, 2017) in Philadelphia was well-attended and successful, with sessions on business issues and opportunities, public outreach and alternative mitigation, and CRM in the Trump administration. The CCPA continues to be strongly represented in the organization as Alpine Archaeology’s Kim Redman took the reigns as ACRA President. Other Colorado representatives include Metcalf Archaeology’s Nathan Boyless as President Elect, and Amie Gray of AK Pioneer Consulting and Linda Scott Cumming of PaleoResearch Institute as Board Members.

Outgoing ACRA President, Duane Peter hands the presidential gavel to Kim Redman.
Royal Gorge Class I Overview by Alpine Archaeology

By Rand A. Greubel

Alpine recently completed a Class I overview and synthesis for the Royal Gorge Field Office (RGFO). The study encompasses the full administrative boundary of the RGFO, comprising the entire eastern half of Colorado. It presents a synthetic overview of the prehistoric archaeology of the RGFO through concise summaries of the data presented in the 1999 prehistoric contexts for the Arkansas and Platte river basins, accompanied by descriptions of archaeological work conducted since the publication of the contexts. The synthetic discussions focus on data gaps and the implications of recently obtained archaeological data. The resulting synthesis refines the models of prehistoric occupation of the region as presented in the 1999 contexts. In addition to the prehistoric synthesis, the document includes a lengthy chapter describing new research into historical cultural resources present on BLM-managed lands within the RGFO. The information in the historical chapter provides context for archaeologists and historians working in the RGFO and includes discussions of data gaps and suggestions for future research. The document can be downloaded from Alpine’s website (http://www.alpinearchaeology.com/reports/) or from the BLM’s Cultural Heritage page (https://www.blm.gov/site-page/programs-cultural-heritage-and-paleontology-archaeology-what-we-manage-colorado).

Twenty-Five Years Ago in Colorado Archaeology (Fall 1992)

- A nice variety of Current Research was reported in the summer and fall issues of the Newsletter: The Chipeta Chapter of CAS salvaged an eroding hearth on BLM lands under the guidance of Ron Rood. The hearth was associated with a large quantity of fire cracked rock and a side notched point. Alpine Archaeological Consultants documented 290 sites representing 323 archaeological components during survey of a portion of the Trans–Colorado Pipeline in western Colorado and northwestern New Mexico. Foothills Engineering reported upon its survey of the Horsefly Creek Burn Timber Sale area, which was conducted in the season immediately following the burn with 100% ground visibility even in forested areas. It was discovered that sites were not only found in expected places, but that in many cases extended well back into the forest as well. One site was 29 acres and another covered 139 acres with many concentrations. Based upon this survey, the archaeologists documented that the accuracy of recording a site in forested areas is directly related to ground visibility. We intuitively know this, but it is nice to have it documented.

- The CCPA Committee on Records, chaired by Gordy Tucker presented its final recommendations concerning the ultimate processing and housing of CCPA’s records in the fall Newsletter. The recommendations that CCPA “donate” its records to the Western History Collection of the Denver Public Library and that CCPA’s outgoing Secretary be responsible for collecting the officers’ and committees’ records each term and getting them to the Denver Public Library were implemented. This is now codified in the CCPA By Laws under Article VIII, Officers: “The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the official files of the organization.”

- Bob Brunswig prepared an article for the fall Newsletter entitled, “Archaeology, Public Education, and CCPA,” that reviewed the commitments to public education that CCPA had made in the past, the ongoing efforts of such by a number of CCPA members, and suggestions for future involvement of the organization in archaeological public education. This appears in Volume 14, No. 2, page 8 of the Newsletter and is suggested reading for anybody interested in the topic. You would enjoy reading a bit about the background of archaeological education in Colorado.
Native American Initiatives Committee Update

By Greg Wolff, Committee Chair

After a flurry of very last-minute applications arrived and were promptly reviewed by the NAIC in late April, the 2017 CCPA Native American Scholarship was awarded to Sharon Gloshay, a member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe. Ms. Gloshay is a graduate student studying archaeology in the Department of Anthropology at New Mexico State University. The scholarship assisted her participation in NMSU’s South Diamond Creek Pueblo Project on the Gila National Forest in southwestern New Mexico. The six-week field school was attended by 11 NMSU graduate students and four undergraduates, plus four experienced volunteers. The project focused on excavation at the South Diamond Creek Pueblo, a Mimbres site dating to ca. 1000-1130 A.D.

Regarding her field school experience and the importance of the CCPA scholarship in furthering educational opportunities for Native American students interested in archaeology, Ms Gloshay recently provided the following:

I am happy to hear from you and regret not responding with a report in regards to my summer field school experience. For one thing it was a worthy experience and I shall treasure the memories of South Diamond Creek Pueblo Field School 2017 always. My sincere thanks to Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists for the scholarship which allowed me to gain more knowledge and experience in the field of archaeology.

South Diamond Creek Pueblo was a Mimbres site that is located in the Aldo Leopold Wilderness area on the Gila National Forest in New Mexico. The site we excavated was of Northern Mimbres within the Pithouse and Classic Period (A.D. 600–A.D. 1130). I was on the team that worked on the “Great Kiva” and I must say I was excited to find a dog jaw bone! I am interested to find out the date of this particular bone. Our team uncovered the post or center beam and that was handled with the utmost gentleness. Everyone was asking me if I had a cradleboard for it 😊 Yeah, we treated it like our “baby” and gauze-wrapped the beam.

The field school was in a beautiful location and we had plenty to eat for we rotated on various duties such as cooking, cleaning, washing, and preparation. It was a time to establish rapport and communicate on feedbacks. It was also a time to relax and get to know each other. I enjoyed the fact that as a Native, I was able to share my worldview with other students and they with me. I was the resident guru of Nativism but of course I told them not to view me that way because I was just the same as everyone else. However, it was a sacred experience for me and I daresay that respect for places, objects, and the environment is crucial to me. I am glad for the students, volunteers, and director for respecting the site.

As an Apache, I have had to negotiate cultural barriers and that I handled with the wisdom of my elders in guidance for the career path I have taken. As a woman with children, I had to negotiate time and arrange for their well-being while I was away. As a student, I had to learn to document, measure, and record all the artifacts. As a scholarship recipient, I had to ensure that I worked hard to reciprocate for the funds so generously endowed to me. All these I learn in becoming an anthropologist.
While at field school, we were able to take a few trips to various places, and a camping at Chaco Canyon. This is indeed a wondrous place and to experience the architecture and kivas which held so many people was amazing! We even had a native group that sang during our visit. We visited the Gila Ruins, another site near there TJ Ruins, and visited a pictograph area. It brought to mind that various people inhabited these places. I had a sense of awareness because it does take you back in time.

The last thing we did before we left field school was a poster presentation at the Geronimo Museum in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico. I worked on illustrating pottery sherds that were found at South Diamond Creek Pueblo and the typology of these sherds. I had many visitors asking about them and it allowed me to learn to communicate with the public in a positive way. You see, my job after attaining my degree is to work with my Apache tribe in Arizona. I will be the first woman anthropologist/archaeologist for my tribe and with that in mind, I try to do my best in my field. I feel like by working with the cultural barriers and negotiating a path, I am paving the way for other Young women in this field. I hope to work on preserving our culture, our language, and our way of life especially the material culture. However, I am focusing on various issues that face natives such as repatriation and legal protection. This is a crucial issue in native country today.

Thanks to CCPA for your funds and I really value the experience of field school. I have made lifelong Friends, established a network, and for sure grew in knowing where I want to go and be. I am sure other native students that apply and receive this award will be grateful as well.

- SHARON GLOSHAY

The 2018 Native American Scholarship will be announced later this fall of 2017, so stay tuned for further details and please share with your colleagues, friends, and connections. For further information, please contact Greg Wolff at 303-757-9158 or greg.wolff@state.co.us. The scholarship webpage is:

http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/scholarship-opportunities/native-american-scholarship/

Attention! Call for CCPA Fellows Nominations

By Lucy Bambrey, Awards, Recognitions, and Resolutions Committee

It is time again for nominations for CCPA Fellows. A CCPA Fellow is a Colorado archaeologist who (according to the by-laws) is:

“...recognized as a senior scholar in archaeology or related discipline, as well as someone that has made a substantial contribution to Colorado archaeology through both research and service.”

To nominate someone to become a Fellow, please do the following:

Submit the name of the nominee along with a brief bio and rationale for the nomination to Michelle Slaughter at mslaughter@metcalfarchaeology.com by January 1, 2018. Nominations must be supported by a minimum of 10 voting members (who are solicited by the Awards Committee) and approved by the CCPA Executive Committee. Any newly accepted Fellows will be announced and recognized at the 2018 annual meeting.
Membership Report

By Jon Horn, Committee Chair

I am pleased to say that we have 161 members who are current on their dues! The membership breaks down like this: Nine Fellows, 17 Associates (including two retired), 131 Voting (including nine retired), and four Student Voting. There are still a lot of you out there who are not current, so please rejoin! If you have questions about your status, please contact me.

It has been a bit surprising, but we have only had seven new applications for membership this year. Last year we had 20. There is still time left to increase that number. All of us know archaeologists who should be CCPA members, so please put the pressure on them to join. The Membership Committee is quick to turn applications around, once we receive them, and are always happy to answer questions about the process. Applications can be done electronically and can be sent directly to me if your payment is done by PayPal. As always, applications by mail are also quite welcome.

Students are one group where I would really like to see new applications come from. We have kept the dues for students at the very low price of $10 to encourage them to join. All of you instructors: please encourage your students to join. Realizing that the school year has just started, this is an ideal time to make an impression on your students about the importance of joining their local professional organization. With only three months left in the year, any students that join in the next few months will be considered members for 2017 and 2018. Hoping to see an incredible surge in renewals and new applications!

CCPA Student Membership Committee Update

By Bonnie Gibson and Nathan Boyless

The vision of a student run committee is finally starting to take form! Over the summer, three students volunteered to be part of the new committee. We hope to increase awareness of the committee and encourage involvement through campus visits and meetings with professors and anthropology clubs this fall. Once the committee members are organized, the Education Committee and Past President Nathan Boyless will assist the students in creating a charter and electing a chair. We expect that the committee will be in a place by the end of the year and be working on student focused events for the 2018 annual meeting in Longmont. The President Elect will serve as a mentor and the main point of contact for the committee when they are up and running. We strongly encourage any interested student to contact Education Committee co-chair Bonnie Gibson (bkgibson@yahoo.com) about potential involvement.

Call for Articles!

Share your adventures! Southwestern Lore is looking for articles about interesting archaeology, history, and cultural anthropology research in and around Colorado. Submit manuscripts to:

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Eatin’ on the CRM Road

By Erin Drake

Recent survey work took me south to Pueblo Memorial Airport. If you’ve never journeyed to Pueblo, you won’t want to miss the Weisbrod Aircraft Museum and its unique collection of World War II military aircrafts, equipment, and historic artifacts. The museum’s Vice President, Mr. Dick Wood, serves as an excellent tour guide with local knowledge of the airport’s former use as an Army Air Base.

Following a tour of the museum grounds, be sure to walk over to the Airport’s local restaurant, Pete’s Landing. Committed to providing delectable vittles, this restaurant serves up hot and cold lunch options with fresh and natural ingredients, Tuesdays through Sundays. Reasonably priced and offering a variety of options, Pete’s Landing serves breakfast, dinner entrees, burgers, sandwiches, and even fare from south-of-the-border. For lighter fare, try their homemade soups or salads. Don’t forget to try their house-made salsa, green chili, and preserves. Next time you’re in Pueblo, check out Pete’s Landing and discover this hidden gem!

CCPA Education Committee Update

By Bonnie Gibson and Rebecca Simon

The Education Committee has been relatively quiet over the summer. The Project Archaeology Leadership Academy was held in Bozeman, Montana, in June and was attended by Katie Arntzen from History Colorado and Cara McCain from Crow Canyon. The Project Archaeology Legacy Institute was held in Chicago, Illinois, focusing on Investigating Nutrition, one of PA’s newest curricula, and attended by Dani Hoefer. Dani also met with folks from Bromley Farm in Brighton and the Steelworks Museum in Pueblo to discuss potential Project Archaeology workshops. History Colorado will be hosting a Project Archaeology workshop on January 31, 2018, in conjunction with the 2018 Saving Places conference. Dani is also working with History Colorado to update the Education Artifact Kits and Grandmother Trunks, possibly introducing Project Archaeology to the trunks. Becca Simon represented CCPA, Project Archaeology, and Crow Canyon Archaeological Center at the Pecos Conference in Rowe Mesa, New Mexico, in August. The vendor table included representatives from the Utah, New Mexico, and Colorado PA chapters. Attendees of the workshops and conferences received assistance from the PA BLM grant. We received an additional $7,000 from the BLM grant for the final year of the grant. Please visit our Facebook pages ‘Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists Education Committee’ and ‘Colorado Project Archaeology’ for interesting links, upcoming events, and educational news.

News from the Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS)

By Karen Kinnear, CAS President

The CAS Annual Conference will be held October 27–29, 2017 in Denver at History Colorado. Friday activities will include a field trip to Lamb Springs, an Artifact Illustration workshop conducted by Steve Cassells, and the CAS Board of Directors quarterly meeting. The Conference portion will be held on Saturday with presentations and poster sessions. Saturday evening’s banquet speaker will be Dr. Michael Waters, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology and Director of the Center for the Study of the First Americans at Texas A&M University; his presentation will be on Forging a New Understanding of the Late Pleistocene Populating of the Americas. Several field trips are planned for Sunday. Check the CAS website (http://coloradoarchaeology.org/) for more information and registration forms (online registration will be available).
Mark Your Calendars!

**History Colorado Event Calendar**
http://www.historycolorado.org/events

**Rocky Mountain Association of Environmental Professionals**
October 19, 2017, Greenwood Village, Colorado

**2017 Midwest Archaeological Conference**
October 19–21, 2017, Indianapolis, Indiana
Visit [http://www.midwestarchaeology.org/2017-indianapolis-indiana](http://www.midwestarchaeology.org/2017-indianapolis-indiana) for more information.

**2017 Geological Society of America**
Visit [http://community.geosociety.org/gsa2017/home](http://community.geosociety.org/gsa2017/home) for more information.

**116th American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting**
Visit [http://www.americananthro.org](http://www.americananthro.org) for more information.

**2018 Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology**
January 3–7, 2018, New Orleans, Louisiana
Visit [https://sha.org/conferences/](https://sha.org/conferences/) for more information.

**Colorado Preservation, Inc.**
January 31–February 3, 2018, Denver, Colorado

**Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists 40th Annual Meeting**
March 8–10, 2018, Longmont, Colorado
More information will be posted at [www.coloradoarchaeologists.org](http://www.coloradoarchaeologists.org)

**83rd Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting**
April 11–15, 2018, Washington, DC

**2018 American Institute of Architects Meeting**
June 21–23, 2018, New York City, New York
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About CCPA

The Council is a non-profit voluntary association that exists for the purpose of maintaining and promoting the goals of professional archaeology in the State of Colorado. These goals shall include but not be limited to: a. establishing and promoting high standards of archaeological research, reporting, and management. b. establishing and promoting a mechanism to represent professional archaeological interests in political and public forums. c. establishing and promoting a mechanism for communication within the archaeological community. d. promoting public education and interest in the fields of archaeology and cultural resources management. e. providing Council input to the Office of the State Archaeologist of Colorado. f. demonstrating concern for the archaeology of Colorado. g. establishing and promoting open communication and cooperation between archaeologists and the living descendants of groups subject to archaeological research in Colorado.

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Publications

A variety of contexts (regional overviews) are available for purchase here on the CCPA website. Visit http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/contexts/ to download an order form and to order through PayPal. Contexts are updated periodically, so be sure to check back for context updates and new or revised publications.

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