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### FROM THE EDITOR

Hi Everyone! The electronic version of this issue is being sent as a PDF file, which can be read with Adobe Acrobat software (a free download on the CCPA web site). Using Adobe Acrobat means that everyone should be able to open the newsletter file and see exactly the same thing, with no problems. Using this software will allow me to include graphics in the newsletter, so if you have some you'd like to submit, please do. Should you have a problem opening the file please let me know and we'll try to figure it out. If you have an e-mail

address and are not receiving the newsletter electronically, please check to see if your e-mail address is correct in the membership database (see current membership list this issue). Also check to see if your internet service provider or internet browser have restrictions on file attachments. The more newsletters we can send electronically, the more money CCPA saves and the more issues we can put out a year. Thanks to everyone who submitted items for this issue. Deadline for the next newsletter is August 15 - please send articles, news, recipes, laundry lists....

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### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It is both a privilege and a challenge to write my first column for the CCPA Newsletter. I am honored to serve as President of such an exemplary organization. I pledge to work hard, if not smart, on behalf of the CCPA, but our continued success will be due more to our collective efforts rather than any one person or small group of individuals.

In that context, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge several individuals who have made significant contributions to the CCPA this past year. Carol Gleichman has served honorably and dutifully as President-elect and President for the last two years and has accomplished much during her tenure. It was my privilege as President-elect last year to assist Carol, and I can assure you that Carol worked very hard, mostly behind the scenes, on behalf of the CCPA. She will complete here 3-year "term" this year as Past President and be able to bask in the glory of her "retired" status. I

would like to thank the past officers and Executive Committee members for their efforts: Mike Metcalf, Past President; Mark Mitchell, Secretary; Mary Sullivan, Treasure/Membership; and Board members Richard Carrillo and Jon Horn. Mike, Mary, Richard, and Jon can take a deserved rest, but Mark is privileged to stay on the Board as President-elect. I salute Rosemary Sucec for her prodigious efforts in organizing and chairing our annual meeting in March. Rosemary faced the numerous challenges, met each one, and pulled off an excellent program. It was not a one-woman show, of course, and Rosemary had great help from the organizing committee (Bridget Ambler, Susan Collins, Roger Echo-Hawk, Karen Rogers, Carl Späth, and Barbara Sutteer), facilitators (Richard Wilshusen, Barbara Sutteer, Carol Gleichman, and Mark Varien), and panel participants. Finally, I would like to thank the Native American participants in the annual meeting for their wisdom and perspectives on a “new partnership”, and their willingness to share their views with us. Roger Echo-Hawk, in his keynote address, gave a balanced perspective on consultation and how a useful partnership can be achieved. The discussions gave me much to think about, and I suspect most of you feel the same way.

Besides the annual meeting, many good things were accomplished last year. First and foremost, of course, has to be the publication of the prehistoric contexts. Many years in the planning, and with much blood, sweat, and tears expended to get them published, we now have five attractive and very useful volumes available for our research. The demand has been outstanding; in fact, the Southern Colorado document has already sold out and we have ordered 100 more copies to fill outstanding orders. It is quite possible that we will order reprints of all the contexts. At least two-thirds of the other four volumes have been sold, and we have realized an income of over \$15,000 from the sale of the contexts. After expenses, half of the proceeds will go to the Ward Weakly Memorial Fund and the other half to the education fund. Soon to follow is the popular edition of the prehistoric contexts, which is now in the final stages of preparation and will be available by the end of June. We will be printing 5,000 copies of the popular edition and distributing them to schools, museums, historical organizations, and other appropriate venues. We are hoping the demand will be great enough to justify a second (third, fourth?) printing.

We have several exciting projects looming on the horizon. First, we are optimistic that we will receive

funds from the State Historical Fund to prepare and publish a historical archaeology context document, which can serve as a companion volume to the prehistoric contexts. Second, at the annual meeting, the Executive Committee voted to set aside \$3,000 of the education fund to underwrite the initial start-up costs of a new journal for CCPA, to be entitled *Colorado Archaeology: An Annual Publication of Southwestern Lore*. As the name implies, the journal will be a cooperative venture between CCPA and the Colorado Archaeological Society. It will be in actuality the fourth issue of *Southwestern Lore*, the present quarterly publication of CAS. *Colorado Archaeology* will be larger in size and content, which will permit the publication of longer and more synthetic articles, as well as descriptive reports, notes, and book reviews. Besides the publication itself-another idea long in coming to fruition-we have an opportunity to forge a closer relationship with the CAS. Given that we have several publication issues (i.e., reprinting the prehistoric contexts and possibly putting them on a CD-ROM, printing the popular edition, possibly publishing a historical archaeology context, *Colorado Archaeology*, and other, not yet foreseen publications), I have formed a Publications Committee, composed of Steve Kalasz, Minette Church, Ross Curtis, Anne McKibbin, and Dan Jepson. The Committee will consider and act upon all issues related to publications and will provide a good transition from the Grant Advisory Board, which did a superb job in overseeing the publication of the prehistoric contexts.

All in all, the CCPA is healthy, happy, and active. We cannot stand in one place, however, so I invite your comments, questions, and criticism (constructive, of course). To use a trite, but nevertheless accurate phrase, it's YOUR organization. We need your help to make it better.

Gordon C. Tucker Jr.

### **Petrographic Analysis of Two Sherds from the Texas Creek Overlook Site (5RB2435)**

By Alan D. Reed  
Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc.

The Texas Creek Overlook site (5RB2435) provides the foundation for the contention that the Fremont tradition extended until more recent times in northwestern Colorado and northeastern Utah than elsewhere (Creasman and Scott 1987). The site yielded evidence of corn and

Fremont pottery in apparent association with substantial architecture. A radiocarbon sample from the site yielded a calibrated range between A.D. 1414 and 1631, which indicates an occupation several centuries later than the conventional end of the Fremont tradition at approximately A.D. 1300 (see Creasman and Scott 1987). A handful of other sites in the region have also produced evidence of corn and roughly contemporaneous radiocarbon dates, including the Edge site (La Point et al. 1981), site 42UN1103 in Dinosaur National Monument (Liestman 1985), and site 5MF373 in the Blue Mountain area (Wenger 1956). These sites, however, lack Fremont ceramics, so cannot be attributed to the Fremont tradition with the same level of confidence. Support for a very late Fremont adaptation relies heavily on proper classification of the ceramics from the Texas Creek Overlook site.

The published account of the Texas Creek Overlook site indicates that 15 dolomite-tempered sherds were recovered at the site, representing the Uinta Gray type (Creasman and Scott 1987). Recent unreported excavations along the TransColorado Pipeline route revealed a Protohistoric-era vessel with sherd temper at a site west of Montrose. Because it seemed plausible that dolomite temper might be mistaken for sherd temper and that the Texas Creek Overlook sherds might be misclassified, two sherds from the site were obtained for petrographic analysis. Michael Selle, BLM archaeologist in Meeker, and Joni Stainbrook of Western Wyoming Community College, where the collections are curated, were instrumental in obtaining the two sherds for analysis.

Artifact data sheets that accompanied the two sherds indicated that one was tempered with calcite (Catalog No. CTXC-1-107) and the other with basalt (Catalog No. CTXC-1-86). Creasman and Scott (1987) evidently later determined that both were dolomite-tempered. The two sherds were sent to David V. Hill for petrographic analysis.

Hill determined that both sherds were tempered with limestone. Detailed information on temper constituents is available at Alpine Archaeological Consultants. According to Hill (2000), limestone is a common temper type in northwestern Colorado, northeastern Utah, and southwestern Wyoming. The petrographic data support Creasman and Scott's (1987) assertion that the sherds from the Texas Creek Overlook site represent the Uinta

Gray type, and that a late Fremont occupation is indicated.

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### **CCPA Annual Business Meeting Denver, Colorado -- March 17, 2000**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Carol Gleichman. A quorum of the membership was present.

**Ethics Coordinator:** Carol Gleichman read a statement from the Executive Committee regarding events that took place in Blaine, Washington during the summer of 1999. Marilyn Martorano was appointed ethics coordinator for 2000. An ethics committee will not be appointed at this

time, because no specific information about the events are available, and because no ethics complaint has been filed. Carol stressed the importance of due process in dealing with possible violations of the ethics code.

**1999 Business Meeting Minutes:** Approved without corrections or additions.

**Treasurer's, Membership, and Web Master's Reports:**

Mary Sullivan presented her trademark multi-media extravaganza detailing the financial and membership status of the organization. Membership decreased slightly during 1999. Owing to the prehistoric contexts grant, the organization experienced some cash-flow problems during 1999, but those have been resolved. Ward Weekly contributions increased, including money from the sale of the prehistoric contexts. The new web page is up and running. The Treasurer's report was approved without corrections or additions.

**Ward Weekly Committee Report:** Adrienne Anderson reported that four applications are currently under review, and that the scholarship account now has a balance of approximately \$9,400 including memorial contributions and context sales. The committee had recommended that scholarship awards be raised to \$500 from \$400; that change was approved at last year's meeting. Adrienne asked the membership for assistance in improving the quality of applications. Members raised several issues regarding the fund, including whether it would be possible or desirable to invest the fund's reserve, and whether CCPA members should be eligible for the award in addition to students. The Executive Committee agreed to address these issues at its meeting later in the day.

**Newsletter Editor's Report:** Carole Graham reported that approximately 70 copies of the most recent newsletter were delivered by e-mail, while 20 to 25 were delivered by snail mail.

**Nominating Committee Report:** Mike Metcalf reported the results of the 2000 election. Mark Mitchell was elected Vice President, Jeff Overturf was elected Treasurer, OD Hand was elected Secretary, Clifford Duncan was elected Native American Executive Committee Member, and Steve Kalasz and Carole Graham were elected At-large Executive Committee Members.

**Historical Archaeological Context Update:** Richard Carrillo reported that the Historical Archaeological

Context committee met five times during the past year. Core team members include Minette Church, Jon Horn, Steve Baker, Adrienne Anderson, Anne McKibbin, and Richard Carrillo. The committee defined the scope of the project, identified issues, developed a timetable and application outline, and defined standards for site recordation. Anne has prepared a draft document requesting \$188,000 over a three-year period. The grant would include a popular edition similar to that prepared for the prehistoric context grant. Richard solicited letters of support for the grant application.

**BLM Grazing Report:** As a follow-up to CCPA's 1999 letter requesting archaeological compliance documents relating to BLM's reissuance of term grazing permits, Gordy Tucker asked Dan Haas to provide an overview of BLM compliance efforts. Dan described the history of the agency's efforts to comply with a 1980 agreement mandating cultural resource investigations for permit reissuance. Current efforts focus on the identification of survey locations based on a literature review of each area and a consideration of hydrological and topographic variables. High priority areas have been identified as those areas where archaeological site locations are likely to coincide with water developments, livestock bedding areas (shade), and livestock salting areas. CCPA members provided several suggestions regarding this process, including the use of GIS data and consultations with the Forest Service. Adrienne Anderson moved that CCPA send a follow-up letter to the BLM expressing the organization's continued interest in the subject and expressing appreciation for the agency's response to date. Susan Collins suggested that the letter reiterate that existing agreements should be made legal, and that the work mandated by such agreements be fully funded. The work of BLM staff archaeologists should also be recognized and commended. Members asked whether CCPA should consider appealing BLM grazing decisions, and whether or not BLM was in compliance with Section 106. Copies of the letter would be sent to BLM's Washington Office, to ACHP, SHPO, SAA, NCSHPO, and to professional organizations in adjacent states. The letter should also be posted on the CCPA web page. The motion was approved.

**State Historical Fund Archaeology Review:** Carol Gleichman reported on the outcome of a CCPA letter sent to the SHF in 1999 regarding archaeological review of SHF grant applications. In an exchange of letters with the CHS, CCPA made suggestions on changing grant review procedures. The SHF made several changes in their

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procedures to track projects with ground-disturbing components. Under the new system, OAHP makes recommendations on whether historical archaeological work is necessary and relays those recommendations to the SHF and to grant applicants.

**Prehistoric Contexts:** Gordy Tucker presented a summary of the history of the prehistoric contexts that was prepared by Meg Van Ness. Several questions regarding the contexts remain to be answered, and Gordy solicited opinions and suggestions on a number of topics, including whether the organization should conduct additional advertising; whether the context documents should be sent out for review; whether a CD-ROM should be produced; and whether the documents should be made available on the CCPA web site. Meg and Gordy also asked for suggestions on how the popular edition should be distributed. They suggested that new members be appointed to the Grant Advisory Board. Gordy presented awards to the context authors.

**Publications Committee Report:** Gordy Tucker presented a proposal for *Colorado Archaeology*, an annual CCPA journal. The proposal called for CCPA to cooperate with the Colorado Archaeological Society to produce the journal, which would take the place of the one of the issues of *Southwestern Lore*. The journal would be peer-reviewed and would be managed by an advisory board and two editors, one from each participating organization. Dues for both CAS and CCPA might need to be raised slightly to cover the costs of the publication. Several issues were raised by the membership, including whether the CCPA journal should retain the *Southwestern Lore* title. Terry Murphy indicated that the name issue would need to be raised with the CAS Board. A suggestion was made that the journal include both historical archaeological and prehistoric archaeological topics in each issue. A motion to support the basic proposal, with specifics to be determined by the Publications Committee, was approved.

**Education Committee Report:** Todd McMahon presented a proposal for CCPA involvement in Archaeology and Historic Preservation Week coordination activities. The events will not be coordinated through the OAHP in the future and CAS has agreed to take on the coordination of the events. The CCPA committee would assist CAS in that effort. The proposal included the formation of a standing committee, the members of which would be appointed by

the President. Such a committee might also work on developing workshops for members in conjunction with the BLM's Project Archaeology program. Because the appointment of a standing committee would require a change in CCPA's bylaws, the motion was withdrawn. Todd will form an ad hoc committee to address these issues.

**Distinguished Service Award and Student Paper Award:** Mark Mitchell presented two proposals to establish a Distinguished Service Award and to hold a Student Paper Competition at the next annual meeting. Several members indicated that the Distinguished Service Award was similar to the Fellow membership category. A motion to institute the award was approved. The Student Paper Competition would be organized similar to that held by the Plains Anthropological Society. A motion to institute the competition was approved.

**Annual Meeting 2001:** Mark Mitchell and Richard Carrillo offered to host CCPA's 2001 Annual Meeting in La Junta, and requested feedback from the membership. The membership expressed general support for the proposal.

Gordy Tucker adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Mitchell  
Secretary, 1998-2000

## COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY

The boards of the Colorado Archaeological Society and the CCPA have formally adopted the proposal creating *Colorado Archaeology: An Annual Publication of Southwestern Lore*. *Colorado Archaeology* is to be a larger format, refereed journal publishing professional quality articles, reports, notes, essays and reviews on archaeological research within or relevant to Colorado. *Colorado Archaeology* will replace one of the *Southwestern Lore* volumes each year, most likely the summer or fall issue. The advisory board for the journal will be represented by both CAS and CCPA. Michael D. Metcalf is the volume editor for *Colorado Archaeology*; Kevin D. Black is editor of *Southwestern Lore*.

Mike and Kevin, along with the CCPA Executive Committee are still working out details of administration and review, but we are accepting submissions at this time.

Authors submitting manuscripts are requested to follow Society for American Archaeology style in text references and bibliography (See October 1992 issue of *American Antiquity*). Please send three hard copies and one disk copy of the manuscript in a modern word processing language. We also ask that you avoid excessive formatting in manuscripts to facilitate final formatting for publication. Figures and photographs should be of good quality. All submissions will be reviewed by at least two outside reviewers chosen according to the subject of the review. Following review, the author will be sent the reviewers comments. The journal will contain:

1. Articles -- Synthetic manuscripts, overviews, and reviews of past research are especially encouraged.
2. Reports -- Shorter, more descriptive manuscripts. Reports on individual sites will be accepted only if the work described is placed into larger context.
3. Comments -- Manuscripts that focus on issues of current interest in Colorado archaeology or on previous publications. Comments on previously published works will be submitted to the author of that work for review and reply.
4. Book Reviews -- Short reviews of current publications pertaining to archaeology in Colorado.

We encourage submissions from the full spectrum of archaeologists working on topics of relevance to the state. It is especially important that the inaugural issue contain good solid content, so dust off those best ideas and make your mark on the "Millennium Edition" of *Colorado Archaeology*.

Manuscripts should be sent to:

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## **MINUTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Location: Anthropology Department, University of Colorado - Denver  
Date: March 17, 2000

Time: 12:00-1:30 P.M.

Secretary: O D Hand

Participants: Richard Carrillo, Minette Church, Clifford Duncan, Carol Gleichman, Carole Graham, O D Hand, Todd McMahon, Mike Metcalf, Mark Mitchell, Jeff Overturf, Mary Sullivan, and Gordon C. Tucker, Jr.

President Gordon C. Tucker, Jr. called the meeting of the CCPA Executive Committee to order at approximately 12:20 P.M., and addressed topics identified at the mornings CCPA Business Meeting. New business was also introduced by Committee members. The meeting concluded at approximately 1:20 P.M., and the Committee was dismissed.

### **1. CCPA Newsletter**

Newsletter editor Carole Graham requests additional support, specifically from the Executive Committee. The Committee should play a stronger role in providing additional information for the newsletter. While CCPA is saving a great deal of revenue by distributing the newsletter via e-mail, however, Graham is concerned that some of the membership is deleting it without reading. It was noted that one potential reason may be the lack of graphics. Graham indicated that she was forced to discontinue the graphics, as it was difficult to include in the e-mail newsletter. It was suggested that through the use of additional computer software that graphics may be reintroduced to the newsletter. A motion was made that additional computer software (Adobe Acrobat PDF) be purchased, at an estimated cost of \$200, for the purpose of including graphics in the CCPA newsletter, both hard copy and e-mail. The motion was approved.

It was suggested that future newsletters be revised to include the P.O. Box and the Web Page address at the top of the front page. Also include an advertisement for the Ceramics Volume and the Archaeology Contexts.

### **2. The Colorado Archaeology Publication**

Gordon Tucker provided copies of a document concerned with the publication of a professional journal for CCPA. The document was produced by a Publication Committee (Metcalf, Mitchell, Saitta, and Tucker), directed by the CCPA leadership (1999) to explore the feasibility of developing a professional journal for the organization. The document provided a mockup of the proposed journal, illustrating the cover, list of journal collaborators (inside front cover), Table of Contents, and Manuscript

Guide. The development of this document was based on "Utah Archaeology."

It was suggested within the Executive Committee that the title be "Colorado Archaeology, An Annual Publication of Southwestern Lore." The title was recommended in this manner to indicate that the publication is a joint effort between CCPA and CAS. Although CCPA has long discussed the possibility of its own publication, it was apparently CAS who proposed that the fourth edition of Southwestern Lore each year be a joint effort between the two organizations. This would lessen competition for publication articles. The Publication Committee suggested that the document be printed annually, in the spring. In this manner, articles would be submitted after the field season had ended. However, Metcalf indicated that after the first season, articles may be submitted in an on-going basis, and that the relationship to the field season may be of less importance.

Concerning the inclusion of the Colorado Historical Society (CHS). There was some concern about having State Archaeologist Susan Collins taking the proposal of this publication the CHS. It is possible that the CHS may want more control over the publication for the purpose of self promotion. No further discussion was held concerning the inclusion of CHS.

Concerning the number of copies printed, the Publication Committee recommended a production run of 1,000-1,500 copies through C & M Press. This would provide free distribution to CAS and CCPA membership, and extra copies reserved for sale. It was suggested by the Executive Committee that the extra copies be limited to an estimated 200 per publication. C & M Press, using Docutek, would be able to produce additional copies as needed.

To cover the cost of this publication, CCPA and possibly CAS may have to raise membership dues. This could be a real problem. It is possible that CCPA, through the use of Context monies, may be able to front the cost of the first issue. C & M Press estimates this cost to be at \$3,000 - \$3,500. There is a possible need for an additional \$750 from CAS, however, this request will have to be addressed at the April, 2000, CAS Quarterly Meeting. Either Gordon Tucker or Kevin Black will discuss this with CAS.

A motion was made for CCPA to allocate \$1,500 from the Education Fund and \$1,500 from the General Fund for the production of the first issue (Spring, 2001). In addition, funding for distribution will also be acquired, in even quantities from these same funds. CAS will be asked to provide \$750 for this publication. The motion was approved.

Work will begin on the Editorial Board, which will include an editor from both CCPA and CAS. Mike Metcalf volunteered as editor for CCPA. Since Kevin Black is editor for Southwestern Lore, it was suggested that he might serve as the CAS editor for Colorado Archaeology. Gordon Tucker will discuss this with Kevin Black.

A call for papers will be made through the newsletter, on the web page, and in other areas.

### 3. Investment of CCPA Funds

A question arose concerning how the CCPA funds were invested. Mary Sullivan indicated that all of the funds are in a single money market account earning ca. 5% interest. First Bank was identified as the institute of choice, primarily because it is statewide.

Mike Metcalf suggested that it might be beneficial to take the non-operational funds and invest them in a separate money market account, at a higher interest rate. However, CCPA would still need full access to the funds. Key Bank was suggested as one institute that should be researched. Treasurer Jeff Overturf will investigate diversifying the funds.

### 4. Proposed Education Committee

During the general session Todd McMahan proposed the formation of a standing Education Committee, but due to the complications in establishing a standing committee, it was decided that the committee, if formed, would be ad hoc. There was a lack of enthusiasm by the general membership concerning the formation of this committee. Carol Gleichman suggested that the membership was hesitant to add another committee, because of the great effort that had just been extended in the production of the archaeology context series, and the up coming work associated with the development of a historic archaeology document.

McMahan indicated that an Education Committee, in addition to providing educational opportunities and

workshops, might be able to assist CAS with the next Archaeology and Historic Preservation Week. It was suggested that McMahon maintain contact with CAS, and see what role CCPA might play.

#### 5. Student Paper Competition (new business)

Mark Mitchell proposed the establishment of a Student Paper Competition (see Mitchell's handout). The competition would be held at the CCPA annual meetings, and students would compete in separate undergraduate and graduate divisions. A panel of judges would choose the winners of the competition. Winners from each division would receive a cash award of \$100, a one-year membership to CCPA, and an invitation to publish the edited paper in *Colorado Archaeology*. It was suggested that since the focus of the competition is on student participation, the academic membership should take the lead in promoting this program.

#### 6. Fellow Award (new business)

Mike Metcalf suggested that Frank Eddy, as a senior member of our community, should receive a CCPA Fellow Award. No one objected.

### SOUTHWESTERN LORE NEEDS MANUSCRIPTS

As the new editor of *Southwestern Lore*, Kevin Black encourages all CCPA members and others involved in Colorado archaeology to send in your papers, articles, etc. He says they are a bit short on manuscripts at the present time, so lead times to publication are not long. In addition to line drawings, graphics can include black-and-white glossy print (best) or color slide (OK) photographs but not color prints unless nothing else is available. Digital images are acceptable only in Adobe PhotoShop, \*.tif format. The editor also is seeking a new Book Review Editor. Anyone interested in this edifying position should contact Kevin by mail (Colorado Historical Society, 1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203), phone (303-866-4671), fax (303-866-2711) or e-mail (kevin.black@chs.state.co.us).

### PORTRAIT OF A COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGIST

**Name:** Philip Duke

**Current Position:** Professor of Anthropology, Fort Lewis College.

**Hometown:** Liverpool, England.

**Degrees/institutions:** B.A. and M.A. Cambridge University (Archaeology); M.A. and Ph.D., University of Calgary (Archaeology).

**How I Became an Archaeologist:** I was 13 years old in an English high school, and the only way I could get out of the rain - literally - during the lunch hour was to attend a meeting of the school's Classics club. Even that sounded better than catching double pneumonia (English schools were hard back then), and so I went. One of the teachers was giving a slide show on Paestum, the ancient Greek temple site in southern Italy. I fell in love immediately with the topic and vowed there and then to become an archaeologist.

**Current Projects of Interest:** Working with Dean Saitta and Randy McGuire on the excavations at Ludlow and surrounding coal towns.

**Favorite Hobbies:** Fly fishing; reading; football (soccer) playing and refereeing (the latter is often called self-abuse).

**Most Recent Good Book I Have Read:** The Aubrey-Maturin series by Patrick O'Brian.

**Most Important Archaeological Lesson:** We the professionals don't own the past.

**Most Challenging Archaeological Experience:** Developing an archaeological field program on the San Juan National Forest that would incorporate Southern Ute concerns about how their past is portrayed.

**Most Dangerous Archaeological Moment:** Having just held a symposium at the Plains Conference on *Postprocessualism and Plains Archaeology*, I saw three well-known Processual/Plains Archaeologists making a beeline (albeit a somewhat serpentine one) for me at the bar that night. I felt threatened. I picked up my copy of *Reading the Past* by Ian Hodder, ready to quote it at those filthy scientists polluting our glorious humanistic discipline. When they saw what I was brandishing, they backed down and skulked away, impotent in the face of Shining and Inescapable Logic.



**Most Rewarding Archaeological Experience:** Seeing my students reappear as professional archaeologists in their own right. After twenty years of teaching, it's still the biggest "kick" in the world.

**The Most Exciting Thing in Archaeology Right Now:** Finally, the discipline seems to be coming to terms with the notion that it doesn't have an exclusive right to how the past is portrayed.

**What Colorado Archaeology Needs Right Now:** I'm concerned that we are still not doing a good enough job in bridging the gap between field and theoretical archaeologists. The former often sees the latter as ivory tower irrelevancies and the latter often sees the former as unsophisticated clods. Both attitudes, of course, are dead wrong. (*Question: What's the difference between a field archaeologist and a theoretical archaeologist? Answer: One digs up rubbish, the other one writes it down*). We need to produce a new breed of professionals who are aware of the vital importance of both elements of our discipline and can actively synthesize them.

**Things I'd Really like to Do/see Before I Die:** Sail my own yacht around the Mediterranean, visit as many archaeological sites as I can and retrace Odysseus' voyage. And on a completely serious note, I'd love to see the country have a national health care system so that NOBODY is denied medical coverage because of their financial or medical condition.



### SUBMIT TO THE WEB SITE!

Our web master, Mary Sullivan, urges folks to send her short 'blurbs' about current or recent projects to be posted on the web site. Photos from the project are also welcome. In fact, any photos from archaeological projects that are rated 'G' are welcome (digital is great,

but they don't have to be). Send or email your text and photos to Mary at:

Mary Sullivan, Colorado Historical Society, 1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203;  
mary.sullivan@chs.state.co.us

P.S. Check out the tattoos!

### HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR PREHISTORIC CONTEXTS YET?



# COLORADO PREHISTORY: CONTEXTS FOR COLORADO'S RIVER BASINS

*A five volume set published by the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA)*

VOLUME TITLE	NUMBER OF VOLUMES	COST PER VOLUME	TOTAL
<b>Colorado Prehistory: A Context for the Arkansas Basin</b> Christian J. Zier and Stephen M. Kalasz	1	\$17	
<b>Colorado Prehistory: A Context for the Northern Colorado River Basin</b> Alan D. Reed and Michael D. Metcalf	1	\$17	
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