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FROM THE VERY TEMPORARY EDITORS

Hello to all. We are here for a maximum of one year, and we need your contributions. As a matter of fact, the names of all those who do not contribute will be put into a hat from which the next editor will be chosen. Of course, if any of you out there would like to assume the burden mantle of editorship, please contact us. The rest of you, best keep those letters and articles coming!!

Sandy and Mary

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As another field season approaches, I'd like to take some time to comment on the remarkable circumstances our organization currently enjoys, and to give everyone a couple of thoughts to chew on over the summer. I have had the pleasure of being associated with a variety of organizations, and if there is a truism about volunteer associations it is that there are generally more tasks to be done than there are volunteers to do them. It is a real pleasure then to recognize that our organization has defied that conventional wisdom by consistently defining important goals and working cooperatively to achieve them. From the prehistoric contexts, to the lithic raw material collection, to Archaeology and Historic Preservation Week, to scholarships, and the statewide curation crisis, CCPA members have provided critical support. In some cases CCPA itself has led these efforts, while in others the organization has taken a supporting role. In either case, CCPA members have consistently devoted their time and talents to improve our understanding of and appreciation for the archaeological record of the state.

And these efforts have paid off. Judging by what I heard at the Council of Councils session in New Orleans, CCPA can count itself among the most active statewide professional organizations in the country. We have a consistent membership and enjoy what strikes me as unprecedented financial health. We have a growing relationship with CAS. More importantly, we have a better understanding of what the archaeological record in the state amounts to than we have had in the past. With the expansion of research venues through *Colorado Archaeology* and the upcoming historic context grant, I expect that trend to continue.

I'd argue that these circumstances are interconnected and that, taken together, the resource synchronicities they have created should encourage us to devise an expanded set of goals for ourselves, goals that reflect the dynamism of our membership. Yet, as possibilities expand so do commitments, and therein lies the paradox of skill and good fortune. Our efforts have been rewarded by both financial resources and professional recognition, and yet those very rewards might tempt us to overextend ourselves, to fail to make choices among the many worthy activities in which we might become involved. The question then is how do we channel our activities and our resources to achieve the greatest good? What should we do with our newfound resources? How do we balance the time commitments of those projects with our own professional lives such that both are well accommodated? Clearly these are rhetorical questions, but if we intend to continue the momentum that the organization has developed over the last five

years these are issues that we will need to address in some fashion. I encourage everyone to participate in that discussion, and to help CCPA sharpen its focus even as we take on new responsibilities.

I'd also like to thank Carole Graham for three years of work on this newsletter, and particularly for shepherding it into the electronic era. That change has streamlined its production and distribution, and has reduced publication costs for the organization. Many thanks as well to Mary Sullivan and Sandy Karhu for taking on the challenge this year!

Cheers, Mark

KUDOS TO MARK, RICHARD AND JO, FOR MAKING THE ANNUAL MEETING A SMASHING SUCCESS! -Eds.

CCPA BUSINESS MEETING 2001 MINUTES

Event: CCPA Business Meeting, 2001 Location: Otero Junior College, La Junta, CO Time/Date: 8:00 AM -10:00 AM, March 2, 2001 President: Gordon C. Tucker Secretary: O D Hand

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 AM by Gordon C. Tucker. A quorum of the membership was present.

Presidents Remarks: Gordon Tucker welcomed the attendees to the 2001 CCPA Annual Meeting, and extended a special thanks to the 2001 Sponsorship/Organizing Committee, consisting of Mark Mitchell, USDA Forest Service, Richard Carrillo, Cuartelejo HP Associates, Inc., and Jo Kent, Koshare Indian Museum. La Junta Mayor Ardeth Sneath and Otero Junior College President Dr. James Rizzuto were introduced, and both conveyed welcoming remarks.

Gordon Tucker provided a year-end review of CCPA, 2000. During this year the five Prehistoric Contexts and the popular edition, Ancient Colorado, were printed and distributed. For the most part, the Prehistoric Contexts are sold out, and there are approximately 1,100 copies of Ancient Colorado remaining. Due to the limited number, the distribution of the latter document is being conducted with reserve, to those organizations identified as most appropriate (i.e., schools, museums, etc.). The Publication Committee is currently investigating reprinting the Prehistoric Contexts and possibly Ancient Colorado in the near future.

Both the Prehistoric Contexts and Ancient Colorado have received rave reviews. CCPA received the Steven H. Hart Award for the production of the Prehistoric Contexts. While CCPA has no permanent address, Gordon Tucker will pass the award to the next president (Mark Mitchell). Copies of the award were given to each of the authors. CCPA failed to receive the Historic Preservation Fund Grant for the proposed Historic Context. The grant was not issued because of a lack of available funds; it had nothing to do with the quality of the document. The grant application will be resubmitted.

Three issues were addressed by CCPA during 2000. The first involved a letter to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) concerning CCPA's ongoing interest in archaeological compliance, as related to the reissuance of term grazing permits. The second issue was a letter written to Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Senator Wayne Allard, and Representative Scott McInnis, supporting the appropriation of funds to acquire the Red Mountain Mining District. This acquisition is a preservation effort that would place the District under the jurisdiction of the Uncompanyre and San Juan National Forests. The third issue was also a letter of support, written to the BLM Kremmling Office concerning the Windy Gap Land Exchange in Grand County. The 13 sites identified in the exchange area will be protected by a patent reservation, and the resulting MOA, developed as part of the exchange, requires the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District, the exchange proponent, to seek funding for test excavations at seven potentially eligible sites, and that the BLM will monitor all 13 sites twice annually.

CCPA gifted copies of the Prehistoric Contexts to Karen Wilde-Rogers, Director of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. The accompanying letter addressed the organization's desire to further our rapport with the Native American community.

Gordon Tucker called for a volunteer(s) to host the 2001 meeting on the west slope.

2000 Business Meeting Minutes (O D Hand):

Approved without corrections or additions.

Treasurer/Membership Report (Jeff Overturf): The Treasurers report indicates that CCPA has a balance of ca. \$18,500. This balance reflects cost overruns associated with printing of the Prehistoric Contexts. CCPA has fund commitments of approximately \$3,500, this is associated with the Colorado Archaeology publication, historic preservation posters, and the comparative lithics collection. A majority of the CCPA assets are in the Ward Weakly Memorial Fund, currently at \$13,890. This year the Memorial Fund scholarship awards totaled \$1,100. Currently, CCPA has a working capital of \$1,200. The Treasurers report was approved.

Membership for 2000 is 118; this includes 6 new members. In an effort to increase membership to ca. 150, CCPA must be more aggressive. The six new members were recognized.

Gordon Tucker awarded a Fellow for CCPA to Dr. Frank Eddy, for his extensive contributions to the organization and archaeology in general. Dr. Eddy accepted the award.

Ward Weakly Committee Report (Adrienne

Anderson): Adrienne Anderson presented a chronology of the Ward Weakly Fund, providing a history of the fund from 1985 to the present. During 2000 two scholarships were awarded, to Jesse Sabia and Eric Gantt. The scholarships will be used to support aspects of their Master's theses research. Three additional applications were received but not funded, due to brevity and incompleteness.

The Funds balance is currently \$13,892, most of which is a result of the Prehistoric Contexts sale. However these funds will go fast, this year's two scholarships alone were for ca. \$1000. It is unusual for the Ward Weakly Fund to have so much money. In the past there were occasions where the scholarship payments were postponed due to insufficient funds. Discussions were entertained on possible uses of the fund, suggestions included fund investment or borrowing from the fund to reprint the Prehistoric Contexts. No decision was finalized.

Tom Lincoln has agreed to replace Jim Maxon on the scholarship committee, as Jim Maxon has moved. The Committee currently consists of Tom Lincoln, Bob Nykamp, Frank Eddy, and Adrienne Anderson.

The used book sale is scheduled every 3-4 years, and the last sale was held at the 1998 Pueblo meeting. The book sale will be at the 2001 meeting. Donations from the estates of Ray Lyons and Betty LeFree will be part of this sale. Betty LeFree's children donated her collection to CCPA for the scholarship fund, and it includes several signed pottery books. Due to the potential value of these books there was discussion on auctioning the books to a larger group that might be interested in autographed copies, possibly a sale on eBay. This will be researched further.

Newsletter Editors Report (Carole Graham): The use of e-mail for the distribution of the CCPA newsletter is very successful, there are currently only 30-40 paper copies distributed. Carole Graham is resigning as Newsletter Editor as of this year, and CCPA is actively seeking a replacement. In the interim Mary Sullivan will fill this role. Gordon Tucker presented as special achievement award to Carole Graham as Newsletter Editor, 1998-2001.

Election Results (Carol Gleichman): CCPA elections for 2001 results: President Elect is Jonathan Horn, Secretary is Keri Hicks, and new Executive Committee Members are Sandy Karhu and Steve Lekson.

Old Business

Publications Committee Report (Anne McKibbin): The Publications Committee consists of Minette Church, Ross Curtis, Dan Jepson, Steve Kalasz, and Anne McKibbin (chairperson).

Since its formation last spring, the Publications Committee has focused on two issues. The first is the continued distribution of the Prehistoric Contexts, and Ancient Colorado. Steve Kalasz and Meg Van Ness, who had distributed the contexts to that point, asked to be relieved of that duty. Susan Chandler and Alpine Archaeological Consultants took over that task in September 2000. Gordon Tucker agreed to store and dispense copies of Ancient Colorado. Meanwhile, the Committee has been working on distributing Ancient Colorado to the states libraries via the five regional library service systems and their courier system. It is also working on a systematic way to get Ancient Colorado into the hands of middle school teachers who would use it as curriculum material. The second, and larger issue was to establish a process for reprinting, distributing, and marketing the Prehistoric Contexts and Ancient Colorado.

The first effort taken was to discuss with Dan Haas at the BLM State Office, the possibility of reviving the BLM Colorado Cultural Resource Series and reissue the contexts as the next five volumes in the series. There was interest, but it was apparent that bureaucratic complications would be time consuming and concern was expressed that the Committee would need to move more quickly than this option would allow.

Mark Varien, of Crow Canyon and an author of the Southern Colorado River Basin context, suggested approaching the University of Arizona Press, as this organization handles the Crow Canyon publications. This idea eventually developed into the alternatives outlined below.

It became apparent that C&M Press, who printed the original documents, was the best option for reprints. Costs are reasonable, and they have the original masters. Because some research had gone into their original selection as the printer for the Prehistoric Contexts and Ancient Colorado, it was not necessary to shop for another printer.

Four alternatives were considered, all focused on use of C&M Press:

1) Maintain the status quo. Distribution and marketing is handled by volunteers from the CCPA membership.

2) Distribution is assumed by C&M Press. CCPA would collect orders and relay them on a weekly or biweekly basis to C&M, who would ship the copies.

3) Enter into a marketing and distribution agreement with the University of Utah Press.

4) Enter into a marketing and distribution agreement with the University Press of Colorado.

C&M Press provided the Committee with estimates of printing costs based on 250 copies of each context. Then using costs, shipping charges, and profit percentages provided by C&M, University of Utah, and University Press of Colorado, the sale price of each book was figured, at a breakeven price for CCPA.

Based on this data, the Committee recommends that the document printing be completed by C&M Press and that CCPA enter into an agreement with the University of Utah Press for marketing and distribution. University of Utah Press provides a number of advantages including reasonable cost for the final product, they are a respected and well-known press in the region. They handle a significant number of related publications, and they can provide marketing through their biannual catalog, sales tables at regional professional conferences, and direct mailings.

A motion to was made to proceed with an agreement with the University of Utah Press. The membership voted, with one dissenting vote. The Executive Committee will decide on profit margins.

Education Committee (Todd McMahon): Todd McMahon indicated that the Colorado Historical Society has undertaken Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month for 2001. He also seeks the formation of an Education Committee, and requests that more archaeologists participate in training programs, particularly those focused on teachers.

New Business

Native American Scholarship (Carole Graham):

Carole Graham is proposing the development of a CCPA scholarship fund for Native American students. The fund would provide an avenue of involvement and education between the Native American community and CCPA. Crow Canyon currently provides two scholarships for Native American high school students to participate in a two-week archaeological field school. Crow Canyon has no scholarships for the one-week field schools. Carole Graham proposes that CCPA provide an annual scholarship fund (\$745) for the purpose of sending one Native American student to the Crow Canyon for the one week field school.

Discussions followed, including source of funds, selection criteria, and the length of the initial commitment. Gordon Tucker called for the development of a Scholarship Committee, headed by Carole Graham. The Committee will research the proposed Native American Scholarship fund and report the findings at the 2001 Meeting. Carole Graham is looking for Committee members.

SAA Meeting in Denver (Gordon Tucker/Mark Mitchell): The 2002 SAA Meetings will be held in Denver, and CCPA should be involved in some manner. Dr. Tammy Stone of University of Colorado, Denver is the local coordinator. Mark Mitchell will contact Dr. Stone and offer assistance. Suggestions on CCPA involvement included Prehistoric Context sale, opening reception, providing assistance during the sessions (i.e. running slide projectors, manning tables), etc.

The 2001 CCPA Business Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 AM

TREASURER/MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Jeff Overturf

Ever wonder just what it costs to put on the annual meeting? Well, wonder no more! This year's Annual Meeting in La Junta was a smashing success. The total cost of putting on the shindig was \$5,434.00, which includes facility rental, entertainment, catering, wine & beer, t-shirts, program printing, and other miscellaneous expenses. The total income generated from the meeting was \$8,770.00, broken out as follows:

Registration	\$3,985.00
Banquet	\$2,006.00
Shirts	\$405.00
Lunch	\$76.00
Membership	\$2,230.00
Ward Weakly	\$68.00

Subtracting dues and Ward Weakly donations, we ended up with a net profit of about \$1,030.00. All in all, a very successful meeting!

Account balances now total \$29,000.00, of which approximately \$12,000 is reserved for the Ward Weakly Scholarship fund. Please join me in welcoming the latest CCPA members:

Timothy Baugh Beth Conour Pamela Cowen Tom Dorsey Louise Elinoff Anna Gray Kimberly Henderson Randy Korgel Kim Redman Melissa Stoltz

CCPA PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The CCPA Publications Committee (Minette Church, Ross Curtis, Dan Jepson, Steve Kalasz, and Anne McKibbin) has been busy, getting things in place for the second printing of the five Colorado Prehistoric Context documents. We are pleased to report that THE SECOND PRINTING IS IMMINENT! As this newsletter goes out, three things are in the mill. First, we are putting the final touches on a loan agreement with the Colorado Archaeological Society. CAS has very generously been willing to loan us money for a portion of the reprinting costs. In exchange, they will be acknowledged for their assistance on the copyright page. We will also provide CAS with ten free contexts, one for each of the chapters. The chapters have the option to fill out their sets and buy the remaining four contexts at cost. By borrowing some of the monies for reprinting, we can keep our treasury a little more flush. It will be about a year before funds start coming back in from the sale of the second printing and we wanted to keep some cash on hand during this time for other CCPA activities and for additional printings if needed.

Second, we offered the authors the chance to make minor corrections to the contexts for the second printing. These will primarily be spelling corrections, corrections of other typographical errors, consistency issues, and the like. We chose not to consider changes to content, which we felt would cross the line between a "second printing" and a "second edition" and could add significantly to the reprinting costs. That said, we regret that the second printing of the Rio Grande context will not have any color graphics. It's simply too expensive. The color maps and photographs will be printed in grayscale or half-toned. So, those of you who have the first printing of the Rio Grande context have something of a collector's item!

And third, we are in the final stages of signing an agreement with the University of Utah Press to market and distribute the second printing. The books will be reprinted by C&M Press in Denver, and shipped to Salt Lake City. They will be available from the University of Utah Press via their catalog, web site, toll-free phone number, and at regional conferences such as Plains, SAAs, and Great Basin. Unfortunately, NAFTA has not quite trickled down far enough to allow University of Utah Press to sell these at the upcoming Rocky Mountain conference (which is in Canada this fall). Selling prices will be in the range of \$35 to \$45 per book, plus shipping and handling. There will be a discounted price for a complete set. CCPA will realize a profit in the range of \$4.50 to \$6.00 per book.

We hope to have books in the hands of the University of Utah Press by the end of June or early July of this year. Please keep an eye on the CCPA web site as we'll post information about availability there. You may also e-mail our webmaster and she will put your address on an emailing list for notification when these become available.

Once the contexts are back on the market, our committee will return to the other immediate task at hand, *Ancient Colorado*. We will be distributing *Ancient Colorado* to libraries statewide via the regional library service systems and their courier system. This will get us down to probably not more than a few hundred remaining copies, so reprinting *Ancient Colorado* becomes the issue. There seems to be consensus that we should reprint, the big decision is whether or not to try and keep *Ancient Colorado* free. We're happy to entertain any ideas from the membership in this regard, especially those that might be in the form of offering solutions to help make this happen.

Finally, don't forget *Colorado Archaeology*! Please contact Kevin Black or Mike Metcalf if you have journallength manuscripts to publish. And, if you have something too long for *Colorado Archaeology*, please contact us, it might be time to get going on the next volume in the CCPA Occasional Papers series. We'd like to see the publications committee remain occupied with getting information out of the gray literature and into the light!

Anne McKibbin Publications Committee Chairperson anne@metcalfarchaeology.com

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO LARMORE AND MUNIZ

This spring Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund scholarships were awarded to Mark Muniz, University of Colorado at Boulder, and Sean Larmore, University of Denver, in support of work leading to advanced degrees. Mr. Muniz is studying the sexual division of labor in the Cody and Foothills-Mountain complexes through use-wear analysis of artifact assemblages. His \$405.00 grant covers the cost of documenting microscopic use-wear through photomicrographs of collections from four Colorado sites: Jurgens, Olsen-Chubbuck, Caribou Lake, and Claypool. Negatives from this study will be curated along with the collections at the University of Colorado Museum.

Mr. Larmore received \$500.00 funding to present a paper at the 2001 New Orleans Society for American Archeology annual meeting on his research with Colorado McKean Complex projectile points. For his Master's degree research Larmore is investigating the variability between the McKean and Scoggin sites in Wyoming and points from Colorado McKean sites. His objective is to establish that the Colorado McKean points are statistically different from those in the northwest plains, thus enabling Colorado sites to be studied to evaluate the presence of local traditions. Larmore's work is being carried out in conjunction with a multi-year archeological inventory program in Rocky Mountain National Park.

Please visit the CCPA web site for more information about the Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund, past recipients of awards, and current application information.

WARD F. WEAKLY MEMORIAL FUND ANNUAL REPORT Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists' Annual Meeting, March 2, 2001

The Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund gives scholarships in memory of all CCPA's deceased members: Ward F. Weakly, Steve J. Sigstad, Al Lancaster, Omer Stewart, Joe Ben Wheat, Marie Wormington, and Betty Jo LeFree. Since 1992, 19 scholarships have been awarded to provide support for student projects. Among these students, some have actually continued and been successful in the profession - witness CCPA President Elect Mark Mitchell. This past year scholarships were awarded to Eric Gantt and Jesse Sabia to support specific aspects of their Master's theses research.

Mr. Gantt had the opportunity to study and photographically document an artifact collection significant to Colorado's prehistory that has not been previously available for research and whose future availability is in doubt. His project involved scanning and digitally enhancing the artifact photographs and using SigmaScan Pro to take a series of basic measurements, thereby adding to the existing database from the site. Because of the significance of this collection, the Ward Weakly Scholarship Committee requested that Mr. Gantt work with the Ft. Collins Museum to permanently curate the photographic records and to make them available for subsequent researchers. In order to support the committee's request to cover the costs of curation, an additional \$100.00 was added to the \$500.00 received by Mr. Gantt.

Jesse Sabia's thesis research involves investigating the applicability of ground penetrating radar to locating small features generally associated hunter-gatherer sites, such as hearths and post molds. His work is being carried out in coordination with Dr. Pegi Jodry's investigations of sites in the Indian Springs area of the Great Sand Dunes Eolian System, San Luis Valley, Colorado. Last fall Mr. Sabia collected data from 5SH81, which had already produced a number of small features. After processing and evaluating the data this winter, the anomalies will be tested in cooperation with Dr. Jodry's research this summer. Mr. Sabia is presenting a paper on his progress to date at this year's annual CCPA meeting. His award was for \$500.00.

In addition to these funded projects, the scholarship committee received three other applications that were not funded. Two of these requests were so brief that their purpose was vague, dollar amounts unspecified, and the benefits to Colorado Archeology uncertain. The third applicant was not able to provide the committee with adequate clarification of either the project or the dollar amount. As always, we responded to a number of inquiries for information about the scholarship. Currently two (2) applications are under consideration.

As CCPA Treasurer Jeff Overturf has reported, the scholarship fund has approximately \$13,892.00 in hand, much of this is from the sale of the Colorado Prehistoric Contexts. This amount does not include all of the dollars that have come in during the annual meeting registration or annual dues payments. This amount makes it appear as if there are a lot of dollars available for scholarships and that we have "extra" money. However, it will go fast. Two scholarships are around \$1,000. More importantly,

the Contexts are sold and there won't be another influx of this magnitude for some time. For the first ten years in the life of the scholarship, the amount available has generally been less than \$800.00. There have been times when we have had insufficient money to deal appropriately with all scholarship applicants. In 1991 there was insufficient money to award the two qualified applicants, so we waited until after the annual meeting when dues payments and Book Sale proceeds were in. In 1996 there were 3 sound applications but inadequate dollars. So, we finally divided the available money three ways and gave each applicant \$300.00. Then we were broke! It is very hard to manage a money-giving program without having much money to plan ahead. Originally, applications were received any time throughout the year. However, in 1993, two "due dates" for applications were established so we could be sure that we could award the most deserving and not "use up" the available dollars before the year was through.

So, if CCPA members are truly interested in helping students, it might be wise to consider alternatives for managing this larger amount of money. We have sufficient dollars to invest some of it where it could actually achieve meaningful earnings. Another option, which would require the approval of the membership, is to use some of the Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund dollars to reprint the Colorado Prehistoric Contexts with payback and proceeds to be returned to the fund.

Under other Ward Weakly Memorial Fund activities, Tom Lincoln has agreed to replace Jim Maxon on the scholarship committee. Mr. Maxon has moved and is no longer easily available for scholarship discussions. The scholarship committee consists of Lincoln, Bob Nykamp, Frank Eddy, and Adrienne Anderson.

At the 1998, Pueblo meeting, the membership had a discussion concerning the Used Book Sale. The consensus was that we should have the book sale every 3-4 years. Next year will be the 4th year since we've had such a sale, and the committee would like to get an expression of interest from the membership. These sales have generally produced between \$3-600.00 for the scholarship fund. There are some good books from both Betty LeFree and Ray Lyon's estates. I've been able to put together a nice run of *Southwestern Lore*, and there are a number of books on Native American pottery that are inscribed by the potters themselves to Betty LeFree. [Discussion ensued and it was agreed that there would be a book sale at the next annual meeting.]

Again, the committee points out that the CCPA web site (<u>www.coloradoarchaeologists.org</u>) has an extensive section on the Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund, including the scholarship application. Thanks to Mary Sullivan for managing this effort.

In closing, the committee urges CCPA members interested in furthering Colorado archeology, to

encourage students that they know to have worthy projects to apply for a Ward F. Weakly scholarship. If members are advisors to students, please help them prepare a quality application.

Additional information about the scholarship is available at the registration table.

Adrienne Anderson, Chair Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund

CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

The University of Denver (DU) and CCPA have partnered on a unique project to create the Lithic Material Reference Collection (LMRC) at DU. In order to make this comparative lithic source collection a reality, CCPA members are requested to document, collect and prepare lithic samples for inclusion in the LMRC. Forms and instructions can be found on the CCPA web site at http://www.coloradoarchaeologists.org.

Although similar collections have been developed in other states, none have been established in Colorado. The success of the project depends on the efforts of the CCPA membership to procure samples for the comparative collection. While conducting fieldwork this summer, please make an extra effort to document and collect quarry sources encountered during the course of survey and excavation.

Questions and comments may be directed to:

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PORTRAIT OF A COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGIST

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Hometown: Graceland, TN

Degrees/Institutions:

A.A., Pittsburgh College of Beauty; B.A., University of Colorado, Boulder; M.A., University of Pennsylvania; A.B.D., University of Pennsylvania.

How I became an Archaeologist: After receiving my cosmetology degree, I was flipping through the back pages of *Cosmo* when I saw an advertisement for U

Penn's PhD in Anthropology Program. The program was especially attractive as you could get your degree through the male, which made it possible to pursue my busy social life and the world of hair.

Current Projects of Interest: Rehabbing Steve

Chomko's old house, digging historic privies in Pinon Canyon and keeping a breast on the latest celebrity hair styles.

Most Recent Good Book I have Read:

L. Ron Hubbard 1950 *Dianetics*, Bridge Publications, Inc.

Most Important Archaeological Lesson:

While a member of a field crew in Brown's Park during the early 90's, I learned a lesson to last me a lifetime. When eating rhinoceros beetles - especially when cash and tequila are involved - <u>always</u> swallow, <u>never</u> chew!!

Most Challenging Archaeological Experience: After a demanding day of science, I like to relax with my good friend AI K. Hall. By 12:00 midnight I always find my self in the same pickle, is it liquor before beer or beer before liquor?

Most Dangerous Archaeological Moment: Once, while traipsing surveying through the jungles of Belize, our party crew became hopelessly lost. Before we knew it, we were surrounded by bare-chested, bronzed, expertly coifed cannibalistic pygmies who towered over me. We thought surely we were doomed until Ricardo, their leader, announced that he wanted me for one of his concubines wives. It was only through my feminine assets cunning that we were able to escape unscathed and live to tell the tale.

Most Rewarding Archaeological Experience:

Becoming an active member of the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists.

The Most Exciting Thing in Archaeology Right Now:

My new line of hair products named *Dig Your Hair!* We have combination shampoo, conditioner, sunscreen and mousse, which allows today's modern archaeologist to look perfectly groomed even when dry camping.

What Colorado Archaeology Needs Right Now: A

face lift, a sassy new doo and maybe even a good tweezing.

Things I'd Really Like to Do before I Die: Write the defining opus on the adaptive reuse of sardine cans.

Next Person to be Profiled:

Carole Graham's life will be set in lights next.

CCPA Members - Let this be a lesson warning to you. Although Minette was contacted many times about answering the simple questions above, she chose to peregrinate to Belize instead. She promised that once she was safely ensconced there, she would email the profile. That did not happen. Faced with rewarding such abysmal behavior by not running her profile until the next issue, it was decided that an example would be made of her instead. **IF YOU DO NOT GET YOUR PROFILE IN ON TIME, YOUR LIFE TOO, WILL BE PARODIED.** Do not claim that you have not been warned.- Eds.

The following names have been removed from the hat: Mark Mitchell, Jeff Overturf, OD Hand, Keri Hicks, Anne McKibbin, Adrienne Anderson, Bridget Ambler. Hats off to you.

Oh yeah, to **buy** your way out of the hat, make your checks out to Sandy and Mary.

Until next time, Adieu.