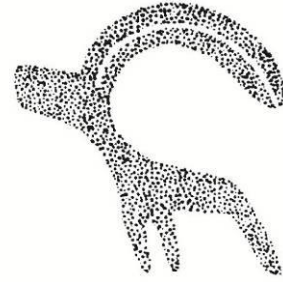


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QUICK UPDATES:

- **38th Annual CCPA Conference March 17–20, 2016**
 - *The conference will be held at the historic Steamplant in Salida, Colorado*
 - Advance registration must be received by **March 1st**
 - Book your room today! Several lodging options are available, information on page 24
 - Conference details, registration form, and field trip information is included in this newsletter

 - Call for Paper and Posters
 - Papers, poster abstracts, and brief biographies are due by **Friday, February 26, 2016**
 - Submit to Sean Larmore at slarmore@eroresources.com
 - Submittal details and instructions are included in this newsletter

 - Call for Participants
 - On Saturday, March 19th, the Education Committee will sponsor two sessions during the Annual Conference devoted to public outreach and archaeology education, details included in this newsletter
 - If you have questions or would like to participate, contact committee co-chairs – Bonnie Gibson at bkggibson@yahoo.com and Becca Simon at rlsimon1415@gmail.com

 - Cast your vote for 2016 CCPA Officers! See candidate bios and ballot in this newsletter (page 30)

 - **Before the 2016 Annual Business Meeting in Salida, please review the following items:**
 - Membership Bylaw Changes (**pages 34–38**)
 - Unapproved Annual Business Meeting Minutes from March 2015 (**page 38–42**)

 - **2016 Membership Dues are Due!**
 - Use the renewal form in this newsletter, or visit <http://coloradoarchaeologists.org> to renew online using PayPal.

 - Ward Weakly Scholarship applications are due **March 1**. Details inside...

 - Donate, Trade, Discover – Enjoy the new CCPA Classifieds section in this issue of the newsletter (page. 12)

 - Stay Connected...Sign up now for the CCPA Listserver. Send an email to Greg Williams at greg@redpoint-resources.com to be added. See more information inside...

 - Don't forget to check out the CCPA Facebook page, view past conference photos and current CCPA news!
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President's Corner

Submitted by Mike Berry

Dear Membership,

The holidays are over and we've heard the State of the Union address so, now, we can all get back to work with the exception of those who usually remain in hibernation until after the Super Bowl. It's time to prepare presentations for the spring CCPA meeting or, at least, make plans to attend. Many thanks to Michelle Slaughter, Sean Larmore and Nathan Boyless for their efforts at organizing the March 17-20, 2016 meeting in Salida.

Owing to the aforementioned holidays I have very little to report since that last newsletter. I have enjoyed my term as CCPA president and will pass the baton to Nathan at the spring Executive Council (EC) meeting. For my remaining time as outgoing president I will seek to recruit a Native American to the EC. The position is defined in our by-laws and I believe that the decisions of the EC will be enhanced with the addition of a Native American voice.

See you in Salida.



State Office Changes

Submitted by Mary Sullivan

Over the last six months, you may have heard about changes at History Colorado, of which the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAHP) is a part, regarding the Board, leadership, and staff. As the CCPA is one of OAHP's most valued partners, it is important to us that you are hearing from us firsthand about these changes.

It is essential to note that the State of Colorado makes no distinction between OAHP and History Colorado, although the funding sources are not entirely the same. As most of you know, a portion of OAHP's budget comes from the National Park Service under the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) which helps to fund programs that are engendered by the National Historic Preservation Act. The rest of the budget comes from the minority share of the State Historical Fund (SHF). It is the minority share of the State Historical Fund that primarily supports the museum operations at History Colorado.

A financial audit of History Colorado indicated that the projected revenue for the new Colorado History Center was not being met, and as such a negative impact to History Colorado's financial reserves was taking place. In order to minimize further near-term negative impact and to position the organization to resume growing those reserves, the Board and leadership of History Colorado offered a voluntary retirement program as well as asking the staff to take voluntary furlough days. While this helped, it was not enough, and further staff reductions were necessitated.

While the audit recognized that OAHP in no way contributed to the negative impact, the preservation programs still bore some of the brunt of the voluntary retirement program as well as the staff reductions. All told, OAHP lost seven positions and the State Historical Fund lost one position. Some of these positions had been vacant for the last year or so.

There are a couple of positive outcomes that resulted in the voluntary retirement program and subsequent staff layoffs. One is that Steve Turner was named as the new State Historic Preservation Officer for Colorado. The second is that Patty Limerick has been named as the new Colorado State Historian.

So how does this affect you? First and foremost it is important to note that the Intergovernmental Services Unit remains fully staffed, meaning there should be no delay in any 106 consultations.

As a result of the SHF layoff, any archaeological grants are now overseen by Cynthia Nieb, the Deputy Director of the State Historical Fund & Director of Public Outreach. She may be reached at 303.866.2809, cynthia.nieb@state.co.us. Any and all questions about your grant should be directed to her.

If you are in need of the State Archaeologist, you can contact Holly Norton at 303.866.2736 or holly.norton@state.co.us

For interactions with the Information Management Unit, you will still contact Bob Cronk for site numbers and file searches (303.866.5216, robert.cronk@state.co.us), and Stephanie Boktor for scanning requests (303.866.3395, Stephanie.boktor@state.co.us). If you are employed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), or need to obtain a document number for work you are doing for the BLM, you now contact Anne Winslow (303.866.4670, anne.winslow@state.co.us).

If you are preparing a National Register nomination, or thinking about starting down that path, I refer you to the map on the bottom of this page <http://www.historycolorado.org/oahp/national-state-registers> to determine if it is either Heather Peterson (303.866.4684, heather.peterson@state.co.us) or Erika Warzel (303.866.4683, Erika.warzel@state.co.us) that you should contact.

As far as services, requests, etc., that we offer, none of that has changed. Feel free to contact us with any questions, requests for information, problems or issues that you have always contacted us for. All we ask is a little understanding if it takes a wee bit longer to get back to you.

Thanks for all the kind words and thoughts that have been expressed to the staff here during this trying time. They mean a lot.

Finally, it is with a heavy heart that I report the death of Kyle Wilshusen, the son of Richard Wilshusen and his wife Virginia Pool. Although they ask that we respect their privacy, I'm sure any good thoughts and prayers that you could put out in to the universe on their behalf would be much appreciated.

YHS,
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Southwestern Lore Editorship Change

After an excellent run of eight years, Judi Halasi has been succeeded by Chris Zier as editor of Southwestern Lore, effective January 2016. Articles are needed! The "Guidelines for Contributors" was published on the back page of the Spring 2015 issue (Volume 81, No. 1) and has not changed. Please submit manuscripts to:

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Activities at The Wolf Creek Pictograph Site

Submitted by Charels Reed, Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc.

The multicomponent Wolf Creek Pictograph site (5RT90) is comprised of a series of five rock art panels with Protohistoric and historic pictographs and buried cultural materials deposited in a thin remnant ledge of sediment. The site is situated along an eroding cliff face of Williams Fork Sandstone overlooking the Yampa River (Figure 1) along US Highway 40, between Hayden and Steamboat Springs. The rock art at the site was first documented by CAS in 1977, with subsequent documentation of the rock art and excavation of two 1-x-3-m test units conducted in 1988 by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT; Hand 1993). CDOT's excavations identified a possible Paleoindian component, Early and Middle Archaic components, and Protohistoric and historic components. The rock face and sediments at the Wolf Creek Pictograph site are actively eroding, and CDOT elected to move forward with archaeological data recovery to mitigate the effects of ongoing erosion and possible future rock-fall mitigation. To this end, Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc. (Alpine) prepared a treatment plan that was guided by both regional and site-specific research questions.



Figure 1. Overview of Alpine's excavations at site 5RT90.

Alpine conducted data recovery and rock art recording at the site in the fall of 2015, excavating 30 units, totaling 26 m², aligned with and encompassing one of the 1988 test units. All units were excavated to bedrock. Geomorphologist Nancy Lamm interpreted the entire stratigraphic profile as largely indicative of slow deposition from the cliff face, with no significant variation in sediments; most strata were comprised of sandy loam. Almost all the Protohistoric and historic cultural materials were observed within the upper two intermixed strata. The underlying five strata contained prehistoric cultural materials in varying densities. Although Alpine has not yet had any of the excavated components dated, it is likely that much of the prehistoric cultural materials are associated with the Early and Middle Archaic components identified during CDOT's earlier excavation.

Analysis of the cultural materials recovered from the site is not complete, so the following represents early counts and interpretations. Recovered cultural materials include several hundred pieces of debitage and bone, five ceramic sherds, 18 flaked stone tools, and four ground stone fragments. Lithics are primarily quartzite and chert, although a small amount of obsidian was also collected, which was sourced by Northwest Research Obsidian Studies Laboratory to Browns Bench (Nevada, Idaho, Utah), Government Mountain (Arizona), Obsidian Cliff (Wyoming), and Topaz Mountain (Utah). Tools include several projectile points, point fragments, and bifaces. Worked bone includes a bone awl and a possible bead. Thirteen features were excavated, consisting of two roasting pits, two feature cleanout piles, eight hearths, and a possible animal pen enclosure of probable historic age. In addition to standard analyses of debitage, faunal remains, tools, ground stone, and ceramic type analysis, Alpine will also submit samples for radiocarbon dating, ceramic thermoluminescence and petrographic analyses, pollen analysis, and protein residue analysis.

In addition to conducting data recovery at the site, Alpine and CDOT documented the rock art. Seth Frame, assisted by four Vermillion-chapter CAS volunteers, photographed the five rock art panels at the site, along with a panel at nearby site 5RT6, using a high-resolution digital SLR camera. The camera was affixed to a telescoping pole, which allowed the rock art to be photographed as close to level as possible. Upon returning to Alpine, the photographs were enhanced using the D-Stretch program, allowing faded elements of the pictographs to be more clearly seen

(Figure 2). Dave Wilbur, with CDOT, took a series of photographs and videos using CDOT's drone, allowing additional images of the site, rock art, and excavation block to be captured (Figure 3). The results of the excavations and rock art documentation will be presented in a technical report, a scholarly article for publication, and the creation of roadside interpretive signs. The report is expected to be finalized by the spring of 2017.

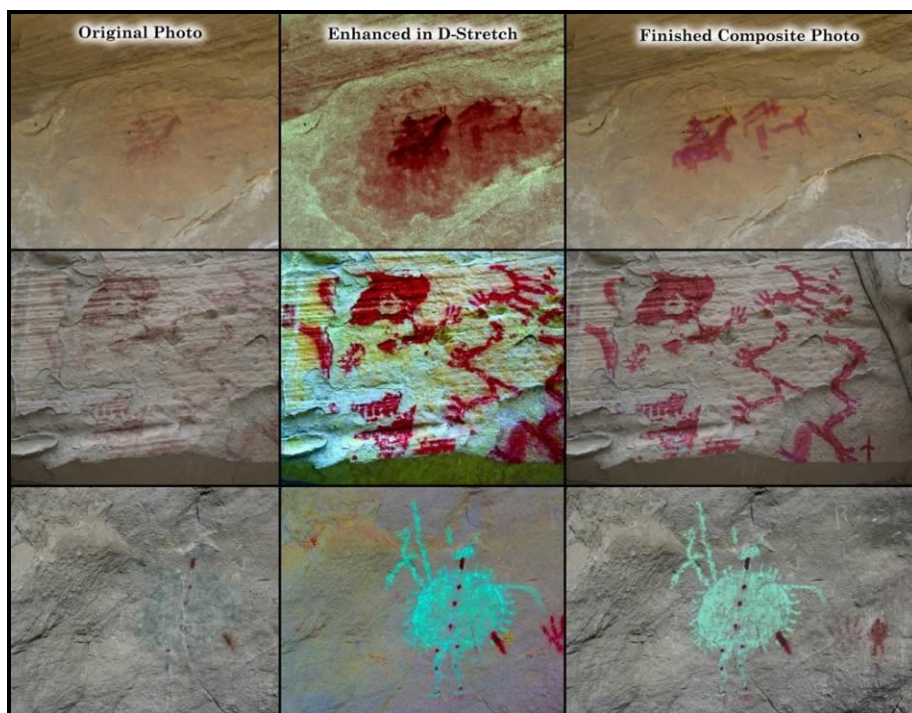


Figure 2. Alpine's rock art documentation depicting original photos, D-Stretch enhancement, and finished composite. Top two rows: 5RT90, bottom row: 5RT6.



Figure 3. CDOT's drone taking a photo of Alpine's excavation block.

Recent PCRG Investigations in the San Juan High Country

Submitted by Mark D. Mitchell, Paleocultural Research Group

In 2010 and again in 2014, hardy teams of PCRG and Forest Service staff and volunteers investigated two of the largest-known sites above timberline in the San Juan Mountains. Living and working at altitude is no less challenging today than it was in the past. The research teams established base camps at timberline (3500 to 3550 m) and commuted 5 to 8 km roundtrip to work each day. Critical to the success of both projects were pack mules and horses expertly managed by Forest Service wranglers. The field crews experienced all of the summer weather variation that the San Juans have to offer: at the Uncompahgre Cirque site in July 2010 the principal dangers were sunburn and dehydration, but at the Snow Mesa site in August 2014, they were lightning and hypothermia.

This report offers a context for PCRG's work in the San Juan high country and briefly describes the results. A full account of the PCRG's field investigation at the Uncompahgre Cirque site is presented in Mitchell (2012). Analysis of the Snow Mesa site collection is ongoing; a report is anticipated in 2016.

Archaeology of the High San Juans

Mitchell (2012) summarizes Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAHP) data on 156 previously recorded American Indian sites and isolated finds located above 3,400 m in the San Juan Mountains (figure 1). Timberline in the San Juans, defined as the limit of upright trees taller than 5 m, lies between 3,535 and 3,600 m (Carrara 2011). The 3,400 m cutoff was selected to capture data on sites located in the patchy transition zone between dense subalpine forest and alpine tundra.

Figure 2 illustrates the elevation distribution of the sample. The lower of the two frequency peaks encompasses forest-edge settings. The higher peak occurs entirely within the open tundra ecosystem. Because the area encompassed by each successive elevation band decreases steadily with increasing altitude, the higher peak may indicate a preference for certain tundra-zone resources.

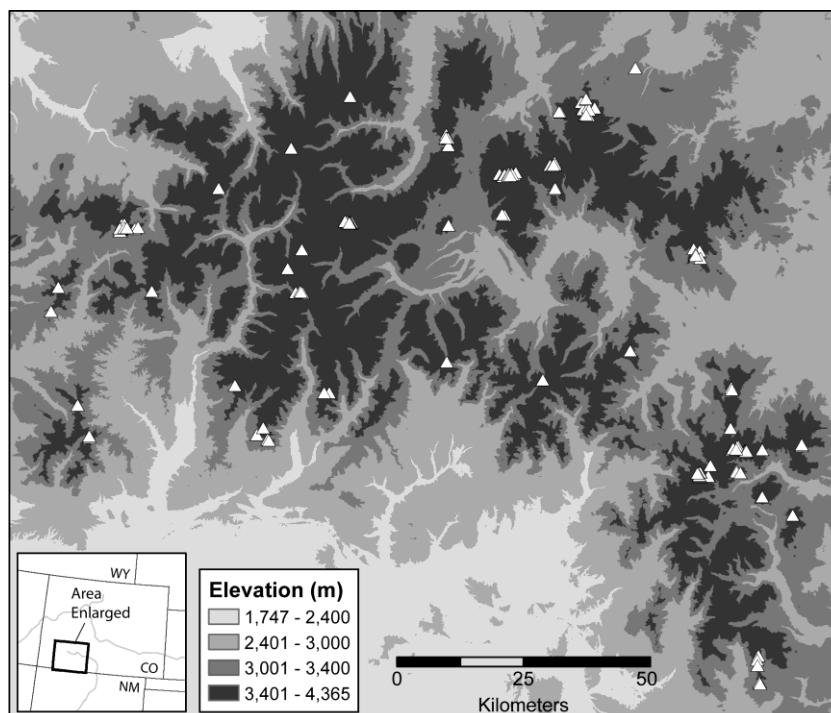


Figure 1

About 30 percent of the OAHP sample consists of isolated tools, projectile points, or features. An equivalent proportion consists of flaking debris scatters not associated with stone tools or other artifacts. Sites composed of flakes associated with a variety of cutting, scraping, or grinding tools account for another 31 percent. The remaining sites consist of flakes associated with projectile points or flakes associated with cores. In functional terms, resources that primarily represent hunting are half as common as resources representing other types of activities.

Architectural features occur on just nine resources in the OAH dataset. Five of the nine are isolated features not associated with artifacts. The other four are classified as open camps or open architectural sites. A total of 11 features occur on these nine resources, including one stone enclosure, four shallow pits, and six stacked rock cairns. (An enclosure also occurs on one site in the Weminuche Wilderness that was inadvertently excluded from the OAH dataset [Southwell 1995]). These features could represent isolated hunting features, although their attributes and landscape positions are not typical of known examples (Benedict 1996:33; Cassells, ed. 2000; Hutchinson 1990). All of the cairns are isolated and apparently not elements of larger game-drive systems.

A distinctive feature of high-altitude sites in the San Juans is the diversity of their chipped stone raw material inventories. Few assemblages consist of just one raw material type and most consist of several types, including multiple varieties of chert, orthoquartzite, obsidian, basalt, and rhyolite. Especially notable is the frequent occurrence of obsidian tools and flaking debris. Obsidian occurs on 31 percent of sites or isolated finds for which raw material data are available. In terms of raw counts, 14 percent of all chipped stone artifacts tallied during surface inventories were made from obsidian. Resources with obsidian artifacts are distributed throughout the San Juans, not only on the southern and eastern flanks, which are closest to the Valles Caldera, the source of virtually all specimens (Ferguson and Skinner 2003).

Most high-altitude sites in the San Juans are small. Excluding four large outliers, which are discussed in the next section, the mean number of artifacts tallied on resources containing three or more items is 38 ± 64.1 , with a maximum of 353 (figure 3). A plurality of resources in the OAH dataset consist of small scatters of flakes and non-projectile tools that likely represent short-term, multi-function foraging camps.

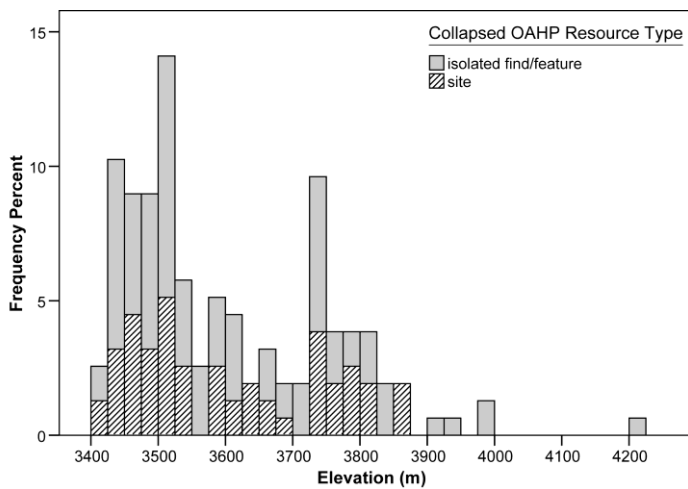


Figure 2

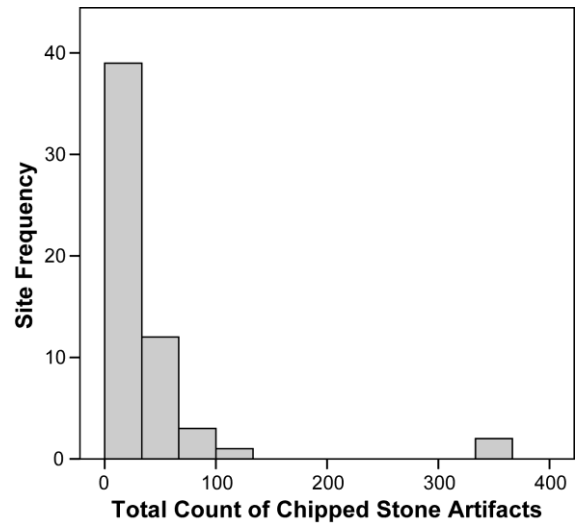


Figure 3

Chronological data are available for 48 of the 156 resources. These include diagnostic projectile points (44 resources), pottery (2 resources), and radiocarbon dates (4 resources). (Multiple chronological indicators are available for several sites.) A single Paleoindian-age artifact occurs on one site. Nine resources (19 percent) contain artifacts dated to the Late Prehistoric. Chronological data for the remaining 38 sites or isolated finds (79 percent) point to occupation during the Archaic.

Although data on high-altitude sites in the San Juans are derived primarily from surface inventories, several patterns are evident. Chronological data point strongly to primarily Archaic-era use of the high country. However, projectile point data are too coarse-grained to determine whether such use was continuous or episodic. Use of alpine environments in the San Juans appears to have diminished after about 2000 B.P.

Sites above timberline reflect a variety of activities. Projectile points are common, occurring both as isolated finds and in association with flaking debris, but sites containing tools representing a variety of other tasks are more common. This functional diversity points to a generalized, rather than focal, land use strategy. Assemblage diversity and size data together suggest that sites above timberline in the San Juans represent short-term residential foraging camps occupied by individual bands, rather than special-use localities occupied by dedicated task groups.

The frequent occurrence of obsidian artifacts made from Valles Caldera stone indicates that native groups using the San Juan high country maintained strong connections to the northern Southwest. However, the marked diversity of the raw materials present on most sites suggests either that a broad trade network linked groups living around the perimeter of the San Juans or that groups from different regions came together in the high country.

Game drives comparable to those documented in alpine settings in the Front Range and the Sawatch Range do not occur in the San Juan OAH dataset. Communal game drives may exist in the San Juan high country, but if so they do not appear to be common. The dearth of drive systems likely reduced incentives for people to return regularly to particular landscape features or zones, further reinforcing a generalized land use strategy. The absence of communal game drives also suggests that high-country land use was not primarily focused on procuring storable foods for provisioning winter camps at lower elevations.

The dominant pattern of high country land use in the San Juans contrasts sharply with patterns observed in other high-altitude areas in the western U.S. In Colorado's Front Range, the presence of numerous multi-component communal game drives testifies to a long-term, focal land-use system centered on large mammal procurement (Benedict 1992, 2005; Cassells 1995). In the high Uintas in northeastern Utah, sites are small but unevenly distributed across the landscape and primarily reflect animal procurement, rather than a broad suite of activities. This suggests alpine sites in the Uintas represent short-term logistical occupations by hunters working out of lower-elevation base camps (Madsen et al. 2000). In eastern California's White Mountains, a similar logistical pattern prevailed prior to 1350 B.P., but after that time settlement shifted from specialized large-game hunting camps to season-long residential bases (Bettinger 1991; Zeanah 2000). A similar pattern of intensive Late Prehistoric use has been documented in Wyoming's Wind River Mountains (Morgan et al. 2012; Stirn 2014). Bettinger (1991) and Zeanah (2000) argue that intensive residential use of high-elevation environments in the Great Basin was a consequence of demographic packing in surrounding lower-elevation areas. By comparison, occupation of the San Juan high country appears to have declined as population was increasing in the river valleys both north and south of the mountains after 2500 B.P.

Uncompahgre Cirque and Snow Mesa Sites

Excavation data are available for just four of the 156 sites in the OAH dataset. These include two sites located on Piedra Pass, excavated in 1981 by Alan Reed (1984); the Uncompahgre Cirque site, tested by PCRG in 2010 (Mitchell 2012); and the Snow Mesa site, tested by PCRG in 2014. (A fifth tested resource, the Hanging Valley site, was identified in 2013 and is not included in the OAH dataset.) The four tested sites in the OAH dataset are also by far the largest in terms of surface assemblage size.

The Uncompahgre Cirque site (5HN1098) is a dense scatter of flaking debris and chipped stone tools covering about 1.2 ha (3.0 acres) of a bedrock bench at 3840 m (12,600 ft) (figure 4). Four radiocarbon dates from the site are statistically equivalent and yield a mean age of 5038 ± 19 ^{14}C yr B.P., or 3944 to 3776 cal B.C. (2σ). Obsidian hydration and stratigraphic data point to a short series of closely spaced occupations.



Figure 4

The principal activity at Uncompahgre Cirque was reduction of chert nodules for transport and off-site use. The nodules were first roughed out at a nearby bedrock source. At Uncompahgre Cirque they were further reduced into large flake blanks and both early- and late-stage bifaces. Multi-directional cores may also have been carried away from Uncompahgre Cirque.

In addition to this primary activity, flintknappers at Uncompahgre Cirque produced a variety of tools for on-site use, including flake tools, end scrapers, and bifaces. Some of the tools manufactured from local stone for on-site use were made from heat treated flakes or nodules.

Uncompahgre Cirque's occupants brought with them toolstone from multiple distant sources, including obsidian from New Mexico and quartzite, chert, and other materials from the Gunnison basin and central Colorado. Stone was imported both as finished tools and as multidirectional cores, and was used at Uncompahgre Cirque in much the same way as the local chert. The fact that serviceable tools made from imported materials occur at Uncompahgre Cirque suggests that certain items may have been cached there for later use.

Like Uncompahgre Cirque, the Snow Mesa site (5ML302) is a dense scatter of flakes and tools (figure 5). The site covers 7.5 ha (18.5 acres) of a broad plateau at 3,740 m (12,300 ft). A single radiocarbon assay on charcoal from a disturbed hearth yielded an age of 5386 ± 52 ^{14}C yr B.P. or 4340 to 4055 cal B.C. (2σ). The duration and periodicity of the occupation or occupations at Snow Mesa are not known, although limited stratigraphic data point to periodic re-use over an extended period of time. Mauz (1995) argues that the site was occupied repeatedly throughout the Archaic.



Figure 5

Sources of chert similar to the material quarried near Uncompahgre Cirque also occur in the vicinity of Snow Mesa and local stone occurs in the Snow Mesa assemblage. However, reduction of quarry blanks was not the primary activity carried out there. Instead, the flake assemblage consists primarily of tool production and maintenance debris. Scrapers, bifaces, and flake tools also occur in the assemblage.

A diverse suite of materials is present in the flaking debris assemblage, including a variety of cherts, chalcedony, quartzite, rhyolite, basalt, and obsidian. Nearly two-thirds of PCRG's small excavated sample consists of non-local materials. Mauz's (1995) sample of 2,295 surface artifacts, which includes at least 678 items made from imported stone. The balance consists of artifacts made from chert, some of which was imported.

Both Uncompahgre Cirque and Snow Mesa exemplify many of the patterns evident in the OAHP dataset. Both were occupied primarily or exclusively during the Archaic. Both exhibit diverse raw material assemblages that include local stone as well as stone imported from a variety of sources, some of which are quite far from the alpine core of the mountains. Although Uncompahgre Cirque is best described as a quarry workshop, it also contains a variety of tools used on-site for generalized camp tasks. The tools and debris at Snow Mesa are similarly representative of a variety of activities.

The principal difference between the sites investigated by PCRG and the Forest Service and the majority of the sites in the OAHP dataset is assemblage size. Using Mauz's (1995) counts, the surface assemblage at Snow Mesa is 60 times larger than the OAHP mean. Uncompahgre Cirque exhibits a similar proportional difference.

This extreme size disparity suggests that Uncompahgre Cirque and Snow Mesa represent seasonal aggregation sites, where foraging bands met to exchange information and material goods, [to renew friendships, and to find marriage partners](#). For the San Juans, these sites would have served one of the primary functions played by communal game drives in the Front Range.

PCRG and its many state and federal partners conduct three to five volunteer field projects each summer. PCRG projects offer participants, including professionals and avocations, an opportunity to contribute to scientific research while connecting them to the cultural and natural landscapes they value. To learn more about PCRG research, or to find out how to participate, please visit us online at www.paleocultural.org.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago in Colorado Archaeology (1991)

- The 1991 CCPA Annual Meeting was scheduled to be held at the University of Colorado, Boulder on March 8-9. The Indian Peaks and Denver Chapters of the Colorado Archaeological Society graciously hosted the Early Bird party. The day and a half Ceramic Symposium, which included plenty of microscope viewing, resulted in CCPA's Occasional Paper No. 2, Archaeological Pottery of Colorado: Ceramic Clues to the Prehistoric and Protohistoric Lives of the State's Native Peoples.
- Current Research reported included Metcalf Archaeological Consultants' submittal of the Yarmony Pit House report to the Bureau of Land Management for publication (BLM Archeological Series No. 31) and Alpine Archaeological Consultants' inventory of the Hovenweep Resource Protection Zone, a joint NPS/BLM project in the 4090 acres around the various Hovenweep Units. This investigation yielded 373 sites, most relating to the Pueblo II-III period, although Archaic as well as Basketmaker II-III and Pueblo I sites and components were located. The Colorado Department of Highways (now Colorado Department of Transportation) archaeologists reported on their salvage of two large campsites located during bridge replacement on US 285. Two radiocarbon dates suggested Late Archaic and Later Archaic-Early Ceramic occupation, both with heavy reliance on raw material from the nearby Trout Creek Quarry.
- This year was the 100 Anniversary of Gustav Nordenskiöld's work at what now is Mesa Verde National Park. The NPS presented a major exhibit during the summer of 1991 commemorating his work. At a time when unbridled looting was going on among the ruins, Nordenskiöld conducted scientific excavations, mapped and surveyed many of the major cliff dwellings, and made a major artifact collection, which is preserved in the Finnish National Museum. He also promptly published a major work detailing his excavations and describing the Mesa Verde ruins. The 1991 exhibition featured a selection of objects on loan from the Finnish collection, some of Nordenskiöld's personal items, and selected objects from several major museums in the United States.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- **2016 38th Annual Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists Conference**
 - March 17–20, 2016 Salida, Colorado
 - The conference will be held at the Steamplant, and the Early Bird Party at the nearby Boathouse Cantina restaurant & bar.
 - Registration information is available in this newsletter
 - Or go to the CCPA website <http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/> for more information
- **2016 81st Annual Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting**
 - April 6–10, 2016, Orlando, Florida
 - Go to <http://www.saa.org/AbouttheSociety/AnnualMeeting/tabid/138/Default.aspx> for more information as it becomes available.
- **2016 North American Theoretical Archaeology Group 9th Annual Meeting**
 - April 22–24, 2016, Boulder Colorado
 - Go to <http://anthropology.colorado.edu/tag2016/> or <http://www.tag-usa.org/> for more information
- **2016 Annual Colorado Archaeological Society Meeting**
 - October 7–10, 2016 in Grand Junction, Colorado
 - Go to <http://www.coloradoarchaeology.org/> to view the CAS Website/newsletter for more information as it become available.
- **2016 74th Annual Plains Anthropological Conference**
 - October 12–16, 2016, Lincoln, Nebraska
 - Visit <http://plainsanthropologicalsociety.org/meeting> for more information as it becomes available.

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Submitted by Diane Rhodes

"This year I have been going through 40 years' worth of archaeological reports, ethnographic material, history books etc. to cull my personal library. Between the CCPA book sale and donations to various Colorado and New Mexico Universities, I have disposed of over half of my 20+ boxes of books. However, I still have a number of books and archaeological reports that I feel should not be discarded (the old Riverbasin surveys for example). Some of these I can donate to Denver Public Library. But I have some items that have sensitive material in them -- e.g. some on Alaska sites-- that aren't appropriate to put in collections used by the general public."

Please contact Diane directly if you are interested in any of these items. You can reach her by email at 13stb53@earthlink.net

CCPA Listserv: Don't Miss Out on Current Issues, Association Business and even Job Opportunities, Sign Up Today!

The CCPA email listserv has nearly 100 subscribers. Postings relate to 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. Send your request to Greg at greg@redpoint-resources.com or call him at 303-748-0321 and he will be glad to help you out.

**Do you need to send a message to members?
Use the Listserv, it is a fast and fun way to spread news!**

The American Cultural Resources Association (ACRA) Update

Submitted by Nathan D. Boyless, CCPA President-elect

ACRA held its 21st annual meeting in Denver last October with members and presenters coming into town from all over the country. The meeting was another great success for participants and the association has a lot of momentum heading into 2016. CCPA's very own Kim Redman was inaugurated as the association's President-elect. Please join me in congratulating Kim! More recently, ACRA members attended the Society for Historical Archaeology meeting in Washington D.C. January 6-9 where ACRA supported the launch of Preservation 50, the nationwide initiative to celebrate and promote the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act.

On the ACRA docket for 2016:

- Annual CRM Day on the Hill (date TBD) - ACRA members gather in Washington D.C. to promote preservation laws and initiatives, as well as advocate for our industry and full funding of the Historic Preservation Fund.
- The 22nd Annual Meeting will take place September 13-18 at the Renaissance Hotel in sunny Palm Springs, California. The theme - "From Midcentury to Modern: 50 Years of CRM." Please join us and celebrate the past 50 years of our profession while we look to the next 50. Meeting planners recently announced a call for sessions with a deadline for submissions of **February 15**.

For more information about ACRA, the annual meeting and becoming a member, please visit our website www.acra-crm.org or contact me at nboyless@metcalfarchaeology.com.

Fort Carson Report

Submitted by Cody M. Anderson

During the past few months, the CCPA Executive Committee and I have raised some concern as to whether all of the unsurveyed lands (34,000+ acres) and 22 sites that are being dismissed in the Down Range Programmatic Agreement (PA) at Fort Carson are necessary for an offset mitigative action. Throughout several corresponding letters and meetings we have been trying to address these issues. Two issues remain at large:

Subject #1: The 22 sites summarized in the PA, Cultural Resources for Adverse Effects (Appendix 3), have very little context of previous investigation and result information. At least three of the prehistoric sites are listed as either open architectural or sheltered lithic, which indicates a greater depth of time and use of these locations, rather than common open lithic locations. Any additional information would require further research and/or explanation that should be abundantly clear in the PA. Response letters have done little to satisfy the overarching question why were these sites were selected? It should be very apparent what each site represents and why each site was chosen. Instead, the document hardly acknowledges these resources.

Subject #2: Unsurveyed Lands - the PA covers an extremely large area of the base. The unsurveyed lands proposed for mitigation include areas in mitigation training areas (22,772 acres) and Artillery Impact Area with associated safety Buffer zone.

- 1) The CCPA *concur*s that the Artillery Impact Area should not be surveyed due to unexploded ordinance (UXO) hazards. Perhaps, the same *may* be said for several firing ranges and the associated buffer zones, depending on the potential for UXO hazards.
- 2) The CCPA *disagrees* to the extensive use of the "surface danger zones" that occur in down range facilities, such as training areas. The 2002 predictive model used to identify the remaining areas, as low and low-medium probability areas are large segments of land that remain unsurveyed (14,291 acres).
 - a) The predictive model referenced in the Programmatic Agreement by Zeidler and O'Donnell (2002) has no written document for its use and application. In fact, its only available application information is available as a 2003 poster presentation. The logistic regression approach incorporating GIS data is an interesting method and a decided improvement over many past attempts at predictive modeling. However, there is no manuscript detailing its algorithms, specific environmental variables, and application toward use in managing cultural resources. This is extremely problematic because at the heart of responsible modeling is the iterative process of recalculating results as new information becomes available as well as reformulating the model using different sets of assumptions and variables. Quite simply, for the management purposes there are no data available to assess its original application accuracy and continued use. Additionally, no further studies have been done to concur that this predictive model is correct.

Hence, Fort Carson personnel are not in a position to dynamically modify the model and run alternative versions to verify or refute the results of Zeidler and O'Donnell's tentative sensitivity maps. In addition, the model is being used in a manner never envisioned by Zeidler and O'Donnell who intended it for responsible management decisions; not for the purpose of writing off areas of low probability in perpetuity.

Our concern is that the misuse of predictive modeling may eventually serve as a template for other federal agencies and that would yield unfortunate consequences. Ultimately, we feel that Fort Carson should abandon reliance on the extant model given the inability to replicate or modify its management recommendations.

In early January of this year, I attended one of several continuing meetings with representatives of the Fort Carson the Colorado State Historic Preservation and other consulting parties for the Fort Carson Mitigation Projects Advisory Committee. The meeting was expanded into a consulting party meeting to discuss the 2015 Fiscal Year (FY15) Annual Reports and implementation of the several programmatic agreements (PAs) that Fort Carson has implemented for its cultural resource management program. Attendees included additional staff from the Fort Carson's Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Environmental Division that has oversight over the NEPA and Cultural Management Branch.

During the meeting, I reiterated the concerns described above, and addressed alarm over the limited, perhaps, insufficient consultation that the CCPA did not receive through the development and implementation of such an encompassing offset mitigation plan of the cultural resources for the facility. My biggest concern was that since the PA is vague on some issues it would be difficult to expect most professionals to understand the subtle nuances of the issues, especially if they never worked at the facility. Simply sending a final version of the PA to the CCPA Executive

Committee for review and comments, without even a presentation of its implementation at our annual meetings seemed underhanded, to say the least. Either way, the PA is signed document with little chance of changing its overall application. Despite these issues, the CCPA is actively working with Fort Carson and is actively discussing some possible addendums to the PA for providing justification and clarity for the offset mitigation of sites and unsurveyed lands. After the meeting, I felt that many of the reasons seem justified but the degree of clarity for its use and application required further explanation that will hopefully be provided in the near future.

To read the *Programmatic Agreement Regarding Military and Operational Support Activities Down Range Fort Carson* (PA) visit: <http://www.carson.army.mil/DPW/nepa.html>.

CCPA's Scholarship Program 25th Anniversary Celebration

Help Us Find...

The year 2017 is the 25th year that The Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA) has been awarding small scholarships to help students in various stages of their professional careers. In addition to the Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarship, CCPA also has a long tradition of awarding Native American students scholarships to support their participation in various archaeological field schools. To date, 51 Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarships and seven Native American field school scholarships have been awarded. In celebration of this long-standing tradition, the CCPA membership voted at the 2015 Estes Park Annual Meeting, to celebrate its scholarship program during its 25th anniversary in 2017.

The first step in planning the celebration is to locate all past recipients. When the scholarship awards began, there was no e-mail, and all communication was done via the U.S. Mail. Then e-mail became a fact of life, but also did the frequent move of students as they went from one school to another and then to professional positions. So finding all past recipients is a problem.

A detailed list of all past recipients with the information that could be found on mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers was put together with input from a number of sources, particularly Membership Chair, Jon Horn, several past scholarship recipients, and CCPA Board members as well as various internet searches. The resultant list was e-mailed to all past scholarship recipients for whom we had an e-mail address with a request for verification of their data as well as help with the missing data of others.

The list, below, is of those individuals whom (1) could not be contacted because we have no information or (2) failed to respond to the request for verification of their data. It includes some instances where we know where the person is located, but are missing up to date phone numbers and/or e-mail addresses. It also includes folks whose e-mail address was not rejected, but have not responded for any one of a number of good reasons. We are requesting your help filling in the missing information. We would appreciate your sending information; especially e-mail addresses, and any comments or suggestions to me (archeoanderson@gmail.com). Please know that the complete list with personal information is confidential and will not be shared with anybody outside of the Scholarship committee. It serves as our only complete record of scholarship recipients.

We have a good group of past recipient volunteers who have agreed to work together to help decide what type of events or symposium/topics that they would like to have in celebration of the scholarships. If anybody else has suggestions or thoughts on what would be a suitable way to celebrate CCPA's 25 years of awarding scholarships, please contact me at the above e-mail address.

Adrienne Anderson, Ph.D.
Chair, Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarship Committee.

Awardee	Date of Award	Institution at Award
Ed Huber	10/92	Washington State Univ.
Kay Adams	11/92	Univ. of Colo. Denver
Tracy Murphy	4/93	Univ. of Colo. Boulder

Awardee	Date of Award	Institution at Award
Craig Holton	4/93	Univ. of Northern Colo.
Doug Parker	4/93	Univ. of Colo. Boulder
Stephen Sherman	11/95	Colorado State University
Chris Pierce	5/96	Univ. of Washington
Carey Southwell	5/96	Univ. of Colo. Denver
Jesse Sabia	12/28/00	University of Denver
Mark Muniz	4/13/01	Univ. of Colo., Boulder
Sara Wilson	3/14/03	Univ.of Colo., Boulder
Mary Prasciunas	3/14/03	Univ. of Wyoming
Wade Broadhead	1/06/04	Univ. of Colo. - Denver
Ken Bedingfield	3/26/05	Univ. of Colo. - Denver
Joanne DellaSalla	4/05/05	Univ. of Denver
Jordan Pickrell	4/8/07	Univ. of Pennsylvania
Alison Bredthauer	3/11/08	Univ. of Colo., Boulder
Erin Baxter	10/21/08	Univ. of Colo., Boulder
Peggy Colgate	3/12/09	Univ.of Colo., Colorado Springs
Elizabeth Lynch	10/21/11	University of Wyoming
Sarah Millonig	03/16/12	Colorado State University
Cody Newton	03/15/13	Univ. of Colo., Boulder
Joshua Boyd	03/22/14	University of Wyoming
Aaron Whittenburg	03/13/15	Colorado State University

Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarship
Applications are due March 1, 2016 and November 1, 2016

Applications for CCPA's Ward Weakly Memorial Scholarship are due **November 1** as well as **March 1**. Information about the scholarship and application form can be found on CCPA's website (www.coloradoarchaeologists.org) under "About Us."
 Students at any level can apply!

CCPA Native American Initiatives Committee Report

Submitted by Christy Smith, NAIC Chair

The CCPA Native American Initiatives Committee (NAIC) will present an update of the status of the Archaeological Field School Scholarship for Native American Anthropology students at the 2017 CCPA Annual Meeting in Salida. Since 2014, the NAIC has awarded two scholarships on behalf of CCPA.

The NAIC needs help to spread the word about this scholarship to Native American Anthropology students, as well as to professors, and to tribes, cultural and archaeological organizations, etc. The scholarship application will be available to download from the CCPA website by early March 2016. Questions about the scholarship? Call or email Christy at 970.531.0744 and cgobber@hotmail.com.

Support the Scholarships!

CCPA Student Affairs Committee Report

Submitted by Nathan D. Boyless, CCPA President-elect

In the November 2015 newsletter, Kelly Pool submitted the *Council of State Councils Meeting Report* after representing CCPA during the 80th Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology in San Francisco, California. One sentence in particular in her report stood out to me – “We liked [the Society for California Archaeology]’s inclusion of student members on their Board...” Thus began an effort to better understand student interests and involvement in the activities of CCPA, including attendance and participation at our annual meeting. The idea to form a committee of students which represents those interests started to take shape. One day last summer, while enjoying a break from the rainy and muddy field, Colorado State University graduate student Hallie Meeker made an inadvertent error by visiting the Metcalf office in Eagle. The result of that error: she was roped into the creation of the Student Affairs Committee.

Over the past several months, Hallie has solicited feedback about CCPA from peers at various universities and colleges. Our inquiries ranged from questions about driving more student attendance, to what activities and events would students like to see at our annual meeting and throughout the year. We also reached out to the former Student Affairs Committee Chair at SCA – Melanie Beasley. She shared with us the model that the Society developed and successfully uses to foster student participation and membership. Before SCA created their Student Affairs Committee, student membership was hovering near an all-time low of 7%. Today, students represent approximately 25% of SCA’s membership. Moreover, the committee provides a voice for students and encourages open, creative collaboration between students and professional mentors.

Now here’s a sobering number – as of January 13, 2016 students represent less than 3% of CCPA’s active membership; however, many more students attend our annual meeting. Mike Berry and I both agree that we can, and should, encourage greater student involvement in our organization; we hope that you agree. One way in which we can do that is by offering students a seat at the Table. During the Fall Executive Committee meeting, I proposed the formation of a Student Affairs Committee and a Board position for the committee Chair, pending final approval by CCPA membership. The overwhelming support by the EC was incredible and very much appreciated. While work remains, we are well on our way to launching the committee and we are excited to share more updates with members as they happen. Please stay tuned!

Special thanks to Hallie Meeker for all of her help and enthusiasm!

CCPA Education Committee Report

Submitted by Becca Simon, CCPA Education Committee Co-Chair

Call for participation at the Annual Meeting: Archaeology Education and Public Outreach Extravaganza

On Saturday, March 19th, the Education Committee will sponsor two sessions devoted to public outreach and archaeology education.

The tentative schedule is as follows:

- 8:00AM – 12:00PM: **Project Archaeology** specific presentations. Lesson demonstrations, presentations by teachers using PA, presentations of other outreach utilizing PA materials, and updates from the national office. Open to anyone whose work is applicable.
- 12:00PM – 1:00PM: Lunch
- 1:00PM: Archaeology education and public outreach working session. Open to anyone with archaeology education and public outreach ideas, concerns, questions, projects, proposals, etc. The goal is to make headway on feasible projects for the upcoming year. Session length will depend on participant numbers.

If you have any questions or want to participate in either of these events, please contact the committee co-chairs – Bonnie Gibson (bkggibson@yahoo.com) and Becca Simon (rlsimon1415@gmail.com).

NEW Project Archaeology Investigation! Investigating Puzzle House Pueblo

Investigating the Puzzle House Pueblo incorporates authentic archaeological and historical research paired with oral histories to teach students about the use and importance of the Pueblo in the past and present lives of Hopi people.

Discover the past through evidence from an archaeological site in the Mesa Verde region! In this investigation students will use geography, history, archaeology, and tree ring data to learn about a Pueblo and the Ancestral Puebloan people who lived in it.

Examine historic photographs, artifacts, and maps of the Puzzle House Pueblo shelter. Students meet Deloria Dallas, a Hopi Tribal member, through reading a biography and oral histories. Then they “uncover” a real archaeological site, classify artifacts, and infer how the geographic area of the southwest shaped the Pueblo.

Explore the use of traditional Puebloan architecture today and engage students in a debate on a current civic dilemma involving archaeology and preservation.

<https://projectarchaeology.org/shop/investigating-the-puzzle-house-pueblo>

NEW Resources! AnthroNotes Editors Launch Searchable, Downloadable Digital Database

Interested in ancient Egypt, Native Americans, Arctic climate change, or archaeology? Thanks to a joint effort of the Smithsonian’s Department of Anthropology and Smithsonian Libraries, anyone now can download in-depth, research-based essays and classroom tested teaching activities on a wide range of topics through the AnthroNotes digital database.

The entire collection of 84 issues of AnthroNotes (1979-2012) and 263 selected individual AnthroNotes articles, each with a new abstract, can be downloaded from the [Smithsonian Libraries’ Official Digital Repository](#). Individual articles are offered in three formats, designed for computers (PDF), mobile devices (mobi), and e-readers (E-Pub). Articles are free of copyright restrictions; photocopying for classroom use is permitted and encouraged. All 263 individual articles, as well as the 84 issues of AnthroNotes, are also searchable through Google and the Smithsonian Collections Database (search term: AnthroNotes).

The digital AnthroNotes project was completed in the fall of 2015. The database is searchable by author, title, and year, as well as major subfields such as archaeology or linguistics. Searches may be conducted in over 40 topics including geographic regions (Africa, the Middle East, Asia); contemporary issues (refugees, forensics, genetics); and education (teaching activities, teaching resources, careers in anthropology).

In addition, Amazon carries both the paperback and the e-book version of the second, expanded edition of *Anthropology Explored, The Best of Smithsonian AnthroNotes*, which includes 36 *AnthroNotes* articles along with abstracts and recent author updates. The book's chapters are divided into three sections: Investigating Our Origins and Variation, Examining Our Archaeological Past, and Exploring Our Many Cultures. Also available is a free online [Instructors' Guide](#).

Originally part of the NSF-funded George Washington University-Smithsonian Institution Anthropology for Teachers Program, *AnthroNotes* includes research-based articles by leading scholars in the field as well as classroom-tested activities. The publication received the Society for American Archaeology's 2002 Award for Excellence in Public Education for "presenting archaeological and anthropological research to the public in an engaging and accessible style and for encouraging the study of these disciplines in classrooms across the nation."

The *AnthroNotes* editors: Alison S. Brooks, Carolyn Gecan, P. Ann Kaupp, Colleen Popson, and Ruth O. Seli

Archaeology Education – Why do you do it?

Recently, Elizabeth Reetz, Education & Outreach Program Director for the University of Iowa Office of the State Archaeologist, sent out a request for people of all experiences to engage in a discussion about archaeology and heritage education. In the introduction to the below survey, Elizabeth states, "I'm curious to learn from other archaeology and heritage educators who work for a wide range of institutions, agencies, and programs, and all have a diverse background that contributes to why and how you practice archaeology education. What should archaeology and heritage education accomplish? If you were to give guidance to someone new to the field, what would you tell them?"

I invite you all to participate in the survey found here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ztx1Cfh7xtVtqCQo8rjUqyTCKwSf2q80KHSbXkWN8iO/viewform?c=0&w=1>

If you have further questions about Elizabeth's work, you can contact her at elizabethreetz@uiowa.edu. She is a highly engaged and active individual involved with the SAA Public Archaeology Interest Group, Project Archaeology, and much more.

If you are looking for an example for a response (though, I admit this is lengthy), I am including my response to the survey.

Defining "archaeology education" is not simple. There are many variations and understandings of the term, but generally they fall into 1) educating the public about archaeology, and 2) teaching future archaeologists the skills they need to succeed in the field. Getting into archaeology in general is a strange thing because you have to be interested in a lot of different topics and disciplines to be get hooked, but then you have to specialize in something in order to be successful, and then you need a variety of connections to continue. My ultimate hope for archaeological education is that it becomes more inclusive and recognizes the multitude of opportunities available through this way of learning. I hope that archaeology education does not become such a specialized field that archaeology educators are regarded as "second rate" archaeologists – "Oh you teach the kiddos, but don't really do the science."

Archaeology education should be about sharing the experience of archaeology at a multitude of levels – not just "This is what an archaeologist does..." Archaeology education should be about allowing students of all varieties and experiences to have the opportunity to BE and THINK like an archaeologist. "To simply show the public what archaeologists do, especially field work, while omitting the contribution that archaeological research makes to science and anthropology in general, may make it appear that archaeology is nothing more than summer fun in the wilds of America and the rest of the world" (Moe and Letts 1998:29). Archaeology education needs to show the contribution it makes to the world and invite others to be a part of it.

Archaeology education often falls into the realm of "Public archaeology" and vice versa. To understand one without the other is impossible. In that light, here are a few thoughts on public archaeology. Public archaeology is not just about archaeologists presenting their work to non-archaeologists, but about putting "people first" and showing how archaeology can "improve people's lives" (Jameson 2003, Poirer and Feder 1995). In the midst of greater scientific professionalism in the field of archaeology, we must remember that we deal with a "public resource" (Jameson 2003:159). In addition to archaeology being the study of past peoples and people being naturally attracted to it, public funds, policies, and laws are integral pieces to the functioning of North American Archaeology (Jameson 2003:160). Archaeologists often study "other cultures," and "past peoples," but for every "other culture," there is a "my culture," and for every "past person," there is someone in the present. Public archaeology also addresses the ethical issues and methods that should be considered in regards to descendant groups, such as Native Americans in the United States (Watkins 2003; Singleton and Orser 2003). The number one reason for cultural resource management is to preserve educational resources for the general public, yet the actual use of archaeology by educators is the exception, not the norm. While arguments about who should have access and who is capable of protecting sites linger even today, archaeology is about people, all people.

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The CCPA Handbook: Not Just Boring 'Ole Procedures

Submitted by Nathan D. Boyless, CCPA President-elect

A key order of business managed by the role of President-elect involves updating the CCPA Handbook. While the name of the manuscript certainly implies a detailed accounting of procedure and process (and it doesn't disappoint!), I discovered that the Handbook contains so much more. My membership in CCPA began less than 10 years ago, so I am still learning much about the amazing story of our organization. When Adrienne Anderson introduced me to the Handbook, she emphatically stressed the larger meaning behind its content – a detailed history with stories about celebrated members throughout the years. As I updated the Handbook this year, the truth behind her statement became clear and my appreciation of CCPA grew even stronger. The effort also gave me invaluable perspective into our organization that will help me better serve membership as I follow Mike Berry's lead. I am glad Adrienne made the introduction and I am honored to be continuing the tradition of the Handbook Handoff.

Notable updates and additions, 2015–2016:

- Revised committee charters
- Committee member rosters
- New committee charter and roster – Education Committee
- Names and project descriptions of Ward Weakly Scholarship recipients
- Names of Native American Scholarship Award winners
- Names of Student Paper Competition Award winners
- General membership Record of Decision
- CCPA Fellows

Membership Drive: Why Become A CCPA Member?

The interactions between archaeologists in Colorado have always been very congenial, and the relationships that develop are irreplaceable. CCPA is the catalyst for that. We do many good deeds, including providing Ward Weakly Fund scholarships to students to further their research and to Native Americans to facilitate their archaeological education. The contexts prepared by CCPA are unsurpassed, and we are looking at innovative ways to update them into the future. We are actively involved in archaeological education through Project Archaeology and have a wonderful annual conference where informative papers are presented to keep you up to date on current research. The conference also facilitates interactions between contract archaeologists, researchers, students, educators, and federal and state agency archaeologists in an atmosphere that fosters friendship and collaboration.

For Educations and Students:

The majority of jobs in archaeology are now in the realm of Cultural Resource Management (CRM), either as practitioners working for one of the many CRM firms or on the compliance end working for a state or federal agency. For educators, joining and participating in CCPA will assist you in knowing the players in the CRM world, which can greatly benefit your students by facilitating research and employment contacts. Widening your sphere of professional contacts is always a good thing for potential research collaborators and educational resources. In addition to joining CCPA, we hope that you will encourage your students to become members.

For students, CCPA membership is offered at a discounted rate. The annual conference is a place where you might give your first professional paper before a welcoming audience or where you can present and polish ideas for

research avenues you are interested in. CCPA also provides scholarship assistance for student research and archaeological education for Native Americans. Here is what a student member of CCPA recently had to say:

As a graduate student and professional archaeologist working in CRM, membership in CCPA has presented me with numerous opportunities that have advanced both my academic and professional careers. In addition to its affordable, discounted membership rate for students, CCPA also accepts applications for Ward Weakly scholarships bi-annually. Further, the annual CCPA meeting, with two days of professional papers, posters, and interaction with colleagues working in the region, is extremely valuable for expanding on new and existing knowledge of regional archaeology. Membership in CCPA also provides extensive networking opportunities, and, personally, has allowed me to establish and build on academic and professional relationships with incredibly smart and talented archaeologists, many of whom have gone out of their way to support me both as a student and as a professional archaeologist. Consequently, I have formed professional working relationships that have enhanced my academic pursuits. CCPA membership has allowed me to maintain and seamlessly negotiate these relationships across my academic and professional activities, and in the process, has provided me not only with abundant opportunities, but also with many great friendships that will last a lifetime.

Agency archaeologists can, at times, feel isolated from the rest of the archaeological community. Some are reluctant to join CCPA thinking that somehow their regulatory role will be compromised by interacting with CRM archaeologists that their oversight involves. In reality, CCPA fosters familiarity and collaboration that facilitates cooperative working relationships and final work products of high quality. Here is what one federal archaeologist recently said about CCPA membership:

CCPA membership and conference attendance helps us remember why we got into this business in the first place! The cross pollination that occurs at the meetings can be astonishing: the sharing of data and ideas, inspiration, potential partnerships, and volunteer opportunities. Membership can dissolve the boundaries sometimes created by compliance...where we can all be archaeologists (feds, contractors, avocationalists, educators, academics), pondering what it all really means...and how best to share it with the public. In addition, CCPA supports students who may be our future seasonal employees or our future full-time work force.

For CRM and other Research Archaeologists:

Archaeologists working in Cultural Resource Management or for research organizations find CCPA as the ideal venue for disseminating the results of their research to their colleagues both through presentation of papers and posters or informal discussions. Colorado is fortunate to have a history of collegial interactions between CRM companies and other researchers that have resulted in furthering our understanding of the archaeology of Colorado far beyond what has happened in other states. CCPA has been a prime reason for this collaborative atmosphere. Good examples are the development of the prehistoric and historical archaeological contexts, which took the dedication and strong efforts of CRM, research, agency, and university archaeologists to complete. CRM archaeologists have often worked together on large, complex projects, the genesis of which has been familiarity through CCPA.

Overall, CCPA represents archaeology at its best. CCPA membership can help you begin your archaeological career as a student, interact with archaeologists with varied interests and professional responsibilities, and develop friendly relationships that can further your career and enhance your research. We hope that you will join us!

Membership Committee Report

Submitted by Jon Horn, Membership Committee Chair

2015 has been a good year for CCPA membership. Here are the final numbers for the year. For 2015, we had 207 members – 6 Fellows, 182 Voting, 2 Student Voting, 15 Associate, and 2 Student Associate. This is the second highest number we have ever had, exceeded only by the 210 members we had in 2008, which was soon after our first real membership drive. We are starting another membership drive for 2016, so expect that our numbers will increase markedly, as a result. The natural increase that we have seen after a big drop in 2009 or so probably reflects the general improvement of the economy and a higher number of archaeologists at work in the state.

As always, there are lots of archaeologists in the state that are not CCPA members. Our membership drive is intended to reach as many of them as we can who are here as instructors, federal and state employees, private sector employees, and students. You all know people who are not members, so I hope you will encourage them to join.

On pages 34-38 of this newsletter you will see the proposed revamping of the Membership section of the bylaws. The revisions includes additions to and deletion of membership categories, simplifies and clarifies the qualifications for becoming a member in the various categories, makes language more consistent, removes archaic practices and reflects current practices, and eliminates redundancies. One of the new things is the addition of a retired membership category, which will hopefully work toward retaining members as we age. The bylaws changes will be up for a vote at the annual meeting, so read them over and be prepared to vote!

As always, many thanks to the Membership Committee members – Kim Kintz, Tosh McKetta, Allison Parrish, and Michael Retter – for another fun and productive year!

Treasurer's Report: 2015 Year-End

Submitted by Jacki Mullen, CCPA Treasurer

The 2015 year-end financial statements were submitted to CCPA's Financial Committee for review on January 18, 2015. Below is a summary of CCPA's 2015 Standard Profit and Loss Statements and our account balances as of December 31, 2015.

Account	Balance
Checking	12,587.00
Money Market	19,855.37
Project Archaeology	305.26
Publications	15,301.68
Ward Weakly	26,320.99
Total Checking/Savings	74,370.30

2015 Standard Profit & Loss

	<u>Jan - Dec 15</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Annual Meeting	
Donation	3,150.00
Registration Fees	10,000.15
Annual Meeting - Other	998.88
Total Annual Meeting	<u>14,149.03</u>
Donations	
Extra WW Donation	1,010.00
Ward Weakly Fund	3,336.52
Donations - Other	40.00
Total Donations	<u>4,386.52</u>
Membership Dues	4,632.85
Merchandise Sales	822.60
Miscellaneous Income	
Interest earned	15.39
Total Miscellaneous Income	<u>15.39</u>
Project Archaeology Grant	5,559.67
Publication Sales	
Ancient Colorado	190.80
Contexts	1,066.10
Other Publications	132.40
Total Publication Sales	<u>1,389.30</u>

Total Income 30,955.36

Expense

Awards

Native American Scholarship 750.00
Ward Weakly Scholarship 1,500.00

Total Awards 2,250.00

Bank Service Charges 40.00

Contributions

CO Preservation Month
Poster 94.15
Contributions - Other 200.00

Total Contributions 294.15

Meetings

Catering 7,709.11
Deposit 1,105.00
Facility Rental 1,275.40

Total Meetings 10,089.51

Merchandise 601.11

Miscellaneous 5.00

Postage and Delivery 380.14

Printing and Reproduction 293.83

Project Arch

Project Archaeology Labor 1,688.61
Project Archaeology Supplies 3,781.00
Project Archaeology Travel 90.06

Total Project Arch 5,559.67

Publication Expenses

Returns 5.38
Publication Expenses - Other 65.42

Total Publication Expenses 70.80

Taxes

Colorado Sales Taxes 205.00
Taxes - Other 500.00

Total Taxes 705.00

Total Expense 20,289.21

Net Ordinary Income 10,666.15

38th Annual Conference
of the
Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists
March 17-20, 2016

Salida, Colorado

Preliminary Schedule

Thursday, March 17th - Boathouse Cantina

Early Bird Welcome Reception: Includes packet pick-up and on-site registration	5:00 PM	9:00 PM
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Friday, March 18th - Steamplant

Packet Pickup and On-Site Registration	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
Friday Business Meeting		
CCPA Business Meeting	8:00 AM	10:15 AM
Break	10:15 AM	10:30 AM
Federal and State Agency Reports	10:30 AM	11:30 AM
Adjournment and Lunch	11:30 AM	1:30 PM
Executive Committee Meeting and Lunch	11:30 AM	1:30 PM
Friday Afternoon Paper Session	1:30 PM	5:00 PM
Friday Evening - Banquet		
Pre-banquet Happy Hour	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Banquet	7:00 PM	8:00 PM
Trivia Bowl	8:00 PM	9:30 PM

Saturday, March 19th - Steamplant

Packet Pickup and On-Site Registration	8:00 AM	12:00 PM
Poster Session	9:00 AM	5:00 PM
Paper Sessions	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Break and Lunch	TBD	TBD

Sunday, March 20th

Field Trips (details are posted below the preliminary agenda)		
Hutchinson Homestead Guided Tour Registration is limited to 40 people, \$5 donation at the homestead.	10:30 AM	~12:00 PM
Elevation Beer Co. Guided Tour Registration is limited to 30 people, No fee to attend.	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
Site 5CF555 Guided Tour (Weather permitting the tour will include a portion of the Trout Creek quarry) Registration is limited to 20 people, No fee to attend.	9:30 AM	~10:30 AM

Location:

The 38th Annual Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologist's (CCPA) Annual Meeting will be held March 17–20 in Salida, Colorado. The conference and Friday banquet will be held at the historic Steamplant located at 220 W. Sackett Ave, Salida, CO 81201, along the Arkansas River (salidasteamplant.com).

The Early Bird Welcome Reception will be held Thursday evening at The Boathouse Cantina, a local restaurant & bar within walking distance of the Steam Plant (228 N F St, Salida, CO 81201) (boathousecantina.com). Early registration and packet pick up will be at the Boathouse Cantina during the Early Bird Reception.

Hotel Accommodations:

Courtesy room blocks will be available at the following establishments for those attending the 2016 CCPA Annual Meeting.

Days Inn Salida - \$80/night

Call (719) 539-6651 and mention "CCPA" for group rate

Room Block expires March 1, 2016

Salida Inn and Monarch Suites- Rooms range from \$89/night to \$109/night

GUESTS MUST BOOK ONLINE to receive the group rate - promo code "CCPA" <http://salidainn.com/>

Room block expires February 15, 2016

Hampton Inn & Suites Salida - Rooms range from \$139/night - \$149/night

Call (719) 539-0800 and mention "CCPA" for group rate

Or reserve online: http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/S/SLDCOHX-CPA-20160317/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Room block expires February 16, 2016.

Conference Programs:

The cost of printing conference programs is becoming very expensive and time-consuming. The full conference program will be available in PDF format on the CCPA website approximately one week before the conference begins. This program can be printed out at your leisure or can be used on a laptop computer or tablet.

If you wish to have a paper copy of the program, the cost will be \$2.00 to help defray the cost. Please indicate if you want a paper program on your registration form. Printed programs will only be available for those who have pre-registered. A Meeting Schedule-at-a-Glance listing all of the events, papers, and posters will be provided in every registration packet. On-site registrants will have access to a full program in PDF format and a hard copy of a "schedule-at-a-glance," a short list of events, papers, and posters.

Registration:

The conference registration form is available in this newsletter and on the CCPA website.

Please do not include your membership renewal form with the conference registration form!

For organizations that are paying the registration and other fees for members or employees to attend; please provide an itemized list of attendees along with their individual registration forms. This will greatly aid in the registration process and your cooperation is appreciated.

Banquet: \$42

The banquet will be on Friday, March 18 in the Steamplant Ballroom. The meal will include one free drink (beer or wine) and a cash bar will be available. Dinner will be an Italian buffet featuring fresh greens and vegetable salad with balsamic dressing, veggie and cheese lasagna with marinara sauce, Italian herb rubbed pork roast cooked with carrots and onions, garlic bread, almond amaretto cake.

Folks should indicate pork or lasagna (the veggie option) on their registration form.

Fundraising Trivia Bowl:

This year's fundraiser for the Ward F. Weakly scholarship fund will be a trivia bowl following the banquet.

Field Trips:

Hutchinson Homestead Guided Tour:

8913 W. Hwy 50, Salida, Colorado
<http://www.hutchinsonhomestead.org/>
[\(719\)239-0955](tel:(719)239-0955)

Sunday, March 20, 2016, 10:30 a.m. (the tour will last approximately 1 - 1.5 hours)

Fee: \$5 donation, payable at the homestead the day of the tour.

Maximum number of attendees: 40

The Hutchinson Ranch was established in 1868 when pioneers Joseph Sykes Hutchinson and Annabel McPherson settled and started raising cattle. Joseph was a Union Army Captain who also served as a representative in the Colorado Territorial Legislature, and Annabel was a strong matriarch who raised four sons and continued to run the ranch after Joseph's early demise at the age of 42. Six generations later, the Hutchinsons are still raising cattle on the same land surrounding the Homestead.

Upon its designation as one of Colorado's Most Endangered Places in 2003, the Hutchinson Homestead started undergoing the preservation of its century-old buildings. After 12 years of meticulous rehabilitation, the property opened to the public in 2013. Salida Area Parks, Open Space and Trails, the Hutchinson Family and the Town of Poncha Springs have worked together to preserve the historic homestead, outbuildings and corrals. With funding support from History Colorado State Historical Fund and the National Park Service Save America's Treasures Grant Program, the 140-year old buildings have been preserved and transformed into a place where the public can learn about pioneering history and the evolution of high altitude ranching.

Elevation Beer Co. Guided Tour:

115 Pahlone Parkway, Poncha Springs, CO 81242 (due west, minutes from Salida proper)
[\(719\) 539-5258](tel:(719)539-5258)
<http://www.elevationbeerco.com/>

Sunday, March 20, 2016, Noon (the tour will last approximately 1 hour)

No fee to attend. Registration is limited to 30 people

The fine folks of Elevation Beer Co. have graciously agreed to give our group a tour of their brewery and barrel room and talk about the art and craft of making beer.

Site 5CF555 Guided Tour:

Site 5CF555, (also known as Venado Enojado or "The Angry Deer" site), is a prehistoric camp located on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management near Johnson Village, Colorado. The Colorado Department of Transportation first identified the site in 1989 and, as a result of the expansion of Highway 24, several parts of the site have been excavated. To date, seven hearths have been identified and excavated yielding five radiocarbon dates ranging in age from 3240 to 1860 BP. Groundstone, cordmarked ceramics, Late Archaic and Late Prehistoric projectile points, obsidian, hematite, and abundant lithic material from the nearby Trout Creek chert quarry have been identified on the surface and in shallowly buried contexts. Macrobotanical remains recovered

from four hearths indicate use of goosefoot, prickly pear cactus, piñon pine, and dodder. Excavation of the oldest hearth revealed the presence of a potential living surface and two subsequent ground-penetrating radar surveys both identified a pair of approximately 3-m diameter circular anomalies flanking the hearth feature. These anomalies may represent basin houses. If so, they would be the only known houses in upper Arkansas River Valley. Paleocultural Research Group and the Bureau of Land Management - Royal Gorge Field Office will test one of the subsurface anomalies in summer 2016.

The 5CF555 site tour will begin at 9:30 A.M. on Sunday, March 20. Participants will meet at the lower parking lot at the Collegiate Peaks Scenic Overlook (CR304) on the north side of Highway 24, approximately 1 mile east of Johnson Village, Colorado. The site is approximately ½ mile from the parking lot. Participants should wear boots and bring adequate cool weather gear. Mark Mitchell (PCRG), Michael Troyer (BLM), and Monica Weimer (BLM) will lead the tour, which will last roughly 1 hour. If weather and ground conditions permit, the tour may also visit a portion of the Trout Creek quarry. Maximum tour size is 20 people.

Call for PAPERS and POSTERS

Papers and Posters:

Paper sessions will be held on the afternoon of Friday, March 18, and all day Saturday, March 19. Paper sessions will be held in the Salida Steamplant Theater. Posters will be presented all day on Saturday, March 19. If enough student papers or posters are submitted, a student competition will be held.

Paper/Poster Submittal Instructions:

All papers and poster abstracts and brief biographies are due by **Friday, February 26, 2016**. Send all paper and poster submissions to Sean Larmore (ERO Resources) at slarmore@erresources.com. All abstracts and biographies are to be submitted in MS Word or a compatible format. To allow for introductions and questions, please limit the actual presentation to no more than 15 minutes. Each submission needs the following information:

- Paper Title (Initial Caps Only)
- Author(s) Name
- Author(s) Affiliation
- Abstract – no more than 250 words
- Brief Biography – no more than 200 words

Call for Volunteers

Please contact Sean Larmore if you are interested in volunteering at the meeting. We need individuals to work the registration table, help load presentations in the morning and early afternoon, and monitor paper length. Free registration will be provided to those individuals who work 2 hours. Thank you!

Conference Organizers:

- Sean Larmore (ERO Resources) is in charge of papers/poster submissions, and scheduling papers and workshops. He is collaborating with Kevin Gilmore (HDR) to produce conference programs.
- Sean is also in charge of organizing volunteers for the event, so please reach out to him if you'd like to volunteer.
- Nathan Boyless (Metcalf Archaeological Consultants) has arranged for hotel room blocks at the Days Inn Salida, Salida Inn and Monarch, and the Hampton Inn & Suites Salida.
- Lucy Bambrey and Christy Smith organized the banquet entertainment the 2016 Trivia Bowl. This will also serve as the year's big scholarship fundraiser. Christy and Lucy welcome volunteers.
- Michelle Slaughter (Avalon Archaeology) arranged the conference venue and catering.
- Jacki Mullen (Alpine Archaeological Consultants) organized the Thursday night Early Bird Reception, and Alpine staff will be handling conference registration.
- Michelle Slaughter, Mark Mitchell, and Angie Krall have organized three field trips for Sunday.

- Lastly, a big thank you to the town of Salida and the Salida Chamber of Commerce

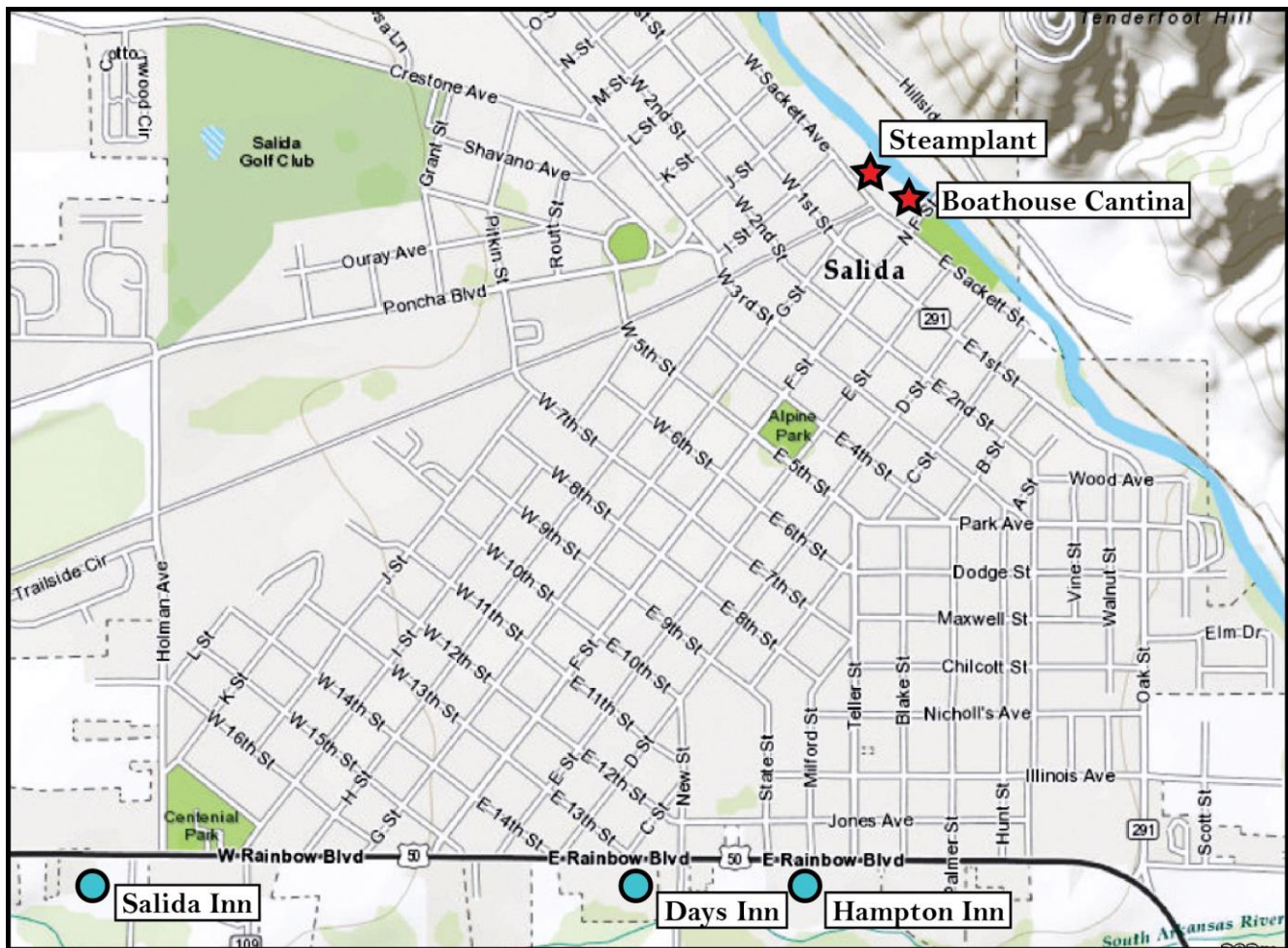
For questions about the conference, please contact the organizers at the email addresses below:

Lucy Bambrey: lbambrey@centurylink.net
 Nathan Boyless: nboyless@metcalfarchaeology.com
 Seam Larmore: slarmore@erresources.com
 Kevin Gilmore: Kevin.Gilmore@hdrinc.com
 Jacki Mullen: jacki_mullen@alpinearchaeology.com
 Michelle Slaughter: michelle@avalonarc.com
 Christy Smith: cgobber@hotmail.com

Questions about Salida?

Contact the Salida Chamber of Commerce at salidachamber.org or by phone ([719](tel:7195392068)) 539-2068

Map of Conference, Early Bird and Lodging in Salida, CO





Registration Form - 38th Annual Conference
Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists
Historic Steamplant Salida, Colorado
March 17-20, 2016

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Institution/Employer _____

ADVANCE REGISTRATION Through March 1, 2016 (add \$10 for on-site registration)	Rate	Number	Total
CCPA, CAS & other invited organization members and tribes	\$50.00		
Student (fee waived for volunteers)	\$35.00		
Non-Member/Non-Student	\$55.00		
Conference Program Paper (electronic copy no cost)	\$2.00		
Thursday Early Bird Party (please indicate if attending)	No fee		
Friday Evening Banquet			
Italian herb rubbed pork roast	\$42.00		
Veggie and cheese lasagna (vegetarian)	\$42.00		
Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund Donation (tax deductible)			
Sunday Morning Field Trip			
Hutchinson Homestead Guided Tour (max 40 people)	\$5 donation		Pay day of tour
Elevation Beer Co. Guided Tour (max 30 people)	No fee		
5CF555 Guided Tour (max 20 people)	No fee		
Total			

Advanced registration forms must be **received** by March 1, 2016 (no exceptions).

Please make check out to the "Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists" and mail to:

Alpine Archaeological Consultants
c/o Jacki Mullen
PO Box 2075
Montrose, CO 81402

Registration Via PayPal is available at the CCPA website at
<http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/meetings-events/annual-meeting/>
(Do not send CCPA Membership renewal forms to the address above)

2016 Annual Meeting Sponsorship Form

Your gift to the CCPA will help defray meeting costs such as the Early Bird, Banquet refreshments, meeting break refreshments, and program printing.

Sponsor Name		
Firm/Organization:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		

Contribution Amount	
	\$1,000
	\$500
	\$250
	\$100
	Other

Each sponsorship comes with one free registration to the conference. Sponsors will be acknowledged at the meeting and within the conference program.

Please complete and return by March 1, 2016 to:

**Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc.
c/o Jacki Mullen (CCPA Treasurer)
PO BOX 2075
Montrose, CO 81402**

CCPA Election Bios

Compiled by Michelle Slaughter, CCPA Past President

President Elect

Charles A. Bello

I have been a practicing archaeologist since 1979, and have worked for a variety of local, state, tribal and federal governments, and on a diverse array of heritage management projects. My interests lie in the prehistoric, historic and industrial/military past. I have worked primarily in the Northeast, Northern Plains, Alaska, and the Southwest, but also have extensive fieldwork and CRM supervisory experience in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the South Pacific and Africa.

Most of my recent work focuses on the NHPA, Section 106 consultations with State Historic Preservation Offices, Tribal Historic Preservation Offices and Tribal Councils in FEMA Region VIII (Colorado, Utah, Montana, Wyoming and North & South Dakota). I have experience as an Executive Board member of a variety of historic and archaeological professional societies and government entities:

- Tincum Township Historic Preservation Commission (Bucks Co., Pennsylvania)
- Museum of the Aleutians, Dutch Harbor, Alaska - archaeological and ethnographic research
- Eastern States Archaeological Federation - treasurer, vice-president, & president
- Archaeological Society of New Jersey - president, vice-president, bulletin editor
- Preservation New Jersey - executive board

Archaeology has been my passion since I was a teenager finding my first arrowheads while deer hunting. I take the commitments I make to professional and avocational groups seriously - after all my years as a professional archaeologist I still have many ideas and lots of energy to devote to the discipline, and I hope to contribute to the archaeology of Colorado through the CCPA.

Tom Carr

Hello fellow Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA) members. My name is Thomas Carr and I have worked as an archaeologist in Colorado and the Western USA since 1993. During the 90s I worked as a graduate researcher at the University of Colorado at Boulder and conducted geophysical archaeology projects in Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. Between 1999 and 2001 I worked for a CRM firm and worked on projects in South Dakota, Oregon, Indiana, and Missouri. Finally, from 2001 to 2015 I served as the Staff Archaeologist for History Colorado and helped manage grants for the State Historical Fund as well as coordinate the unmarked burial program for the Office of the State Archaeologist. During my tenure with the State I had the honor and the pleasure of working with almost 400 archaeology projects, in which many CCPA members participated. I have also worked closely with our federal and Tribal partners on various research and preservation topics. I cannot quantify how much I learned about the archaeology of our state during these years - so many amazing projects, so many wonderful friends. Since 1994 I have also stayed active with CCPA and attended meetings and presented papers regularly. In the early 2000s I served on the CCPA board as Secretary for one term. In 2016 I am starting my own archaeological consulting business called Colorado Cultural Research Associates. Aspects of my business will include services and education opportunities for the greater Colorado archaeology community and preservation partners regarding tribal consultations, unmarked burial investigations, geophysical survey, and aerial mapping. At this turning point in my career I believe it's a good time to renew my commitment to CCPA by taking on a larger role in Colorado archaeology by running for CCPA President. I look forward to the opportunity to serve my friends and associates in this role.

Jason LaBelle

I am an Associate Professor of Anthropology at Colorado State University and Director of the Center for Mountain and Plains Archaeology (my research lab). I received my BA in Anthropology from CSU and my MA and PhD from Southern Methodist University. Over the past 20 plus years, I've conducted archaeological fieldwork (grants, contracts, and field schools) in Colorado, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wyoming, as well as Kazakhstan in Central Asia. I am interested in ancient Native American foragers inhabiting the Great Plains and Rocky Mountains, with current research spanning several periods over the last 12,000 years. My interests include grassland/foothills/mountain human ecology, playa lakes, hunter-gatherer site structure, communal hunting, lithic technology, and the history of archaeology. Over the past ten years, I served as advisor to over 20 MA students,

directing thesis research on a variety of topics in Colorado prehistory. In addition to teaching and research, I am also the Director of the CSU Archaeological Repository which houses collections and associated data from academic and contract projects mostly within the Platte and Colorado River Basins, and I also play a major role in CSU's NAGPRA work. I am former president of the Colorado Archaeological Society, was a member of the Plains Anthropological Society Board of Directors, and hosted/organized the 2013 Plains Anthropological Conference.

I would be honored to serve the CCPA, as I believe the organization is essential to maintaining a strong archaeological community in the state. I hope to strengthen the organization by encouraging increased student and academic membership to the group.

Treasurer

Justin Lawrence

My name is Justin Lawrence. I work for the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests out of the Gunnison Office. I have worked on the GMUG since 2001, when I graduated with honors from Western State College with degrees in Anthropology and Outdoor Recreation. During my time working for the Forest Service I have earned my Master of Arts in Archaeology and Heritage from the University of Leicester. I was raised outside of Washington D.C. but have lived on the Western Slope of Colorado since 1993.

I have many interests within archaeology, ranging from historic toll roads to high-altitude, prehistoric game drives and hunting blinds. In the summer backpack/horse pack trips are mandatory every year to find new places and new sites. However, I also really like the restoration aspect as well. My two favorite projects have been Alpine Ranger Station near Lake City and Fairview Peak Fire Lookout outside of Pitkin. Alpine Ranger Station is one of the oldest Ranger Stations still standing in the country. An ARRA grant enabled the USFS to restore both the 1907 and 1920 cabins into future rentals for the public, so that they may experience staying in a Ranger Station. Fairview Peak Lookout is the highest fire lookout in the world. I have spent the past 9 years working on its restoration. This past summer the cupola which sits atop the stone masonry structure was completed and windows on all four sides installed. The site sits at 13,214 feet in elevation, which made lugging materials to the top a grunt. As a glutton for punishment I will be back next year with a Youth Conservation Corp group to clean up and finish off a long project. In my spare time I teach Extended Studies courses though Western State Colorado University and am a member of the Gunnison County Historical Preservation Commission.

I am running for treasurer of the CCPA so that I can become more involved and contribute to the larger Colorado Archaeology community. The reason I feel that I would be a good candidate for treasure is that in my ski bum years in Aspen working at a gas station in the evenings I always prided myself to getting the audit to within a nickel.

Michael Troyer

Michael Troyer has been practicing archaeology in Colorado since 2009. He graduated with a Masters Degree in archaeology from Colorado State University in 2014 and presently works as an archaeologist for the Bureau of Land Management - Royal Gorge Field Office in Canon City, Colorado. His research interests include hunter-gatherer subsistence, lithic technology, settlement and mobility patterns, paleoclimate, and behavioral and cultural evolution. He is running for treasurer because he is an Excel WIZARD and because he wants to expand his involvement with and help support the CCPA.

At Large Members of the Executive Committee

Anna Cordova

Anna is an M.A. student in the Geography and Environmental Studies program at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs (UCCS). In 2006, she acquired a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology. She has worked as a professional archaeologist since 2005, and is currently at work on various archaeological projects at UCCS. Anna has worked with CRM companies in Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, and Hawaii. Her current scholarly research is on the effectiveness of Cultural Resource Management laws in the State of Hawaii as they pertain to Native Hawaiians and the protection of traditional cultural practices and properties. Her focus throughout her career has been on indigenous involvement in the field of archaeology where she concentrates on tribal and native community consultations, repatriation issues, and general communication with indigenous people about the various archaeological sites she has had a part of. Her main career goal is to help bridge the gap between archaeologists and indigenous people.

Jonathan Hedlund

I received my B.A. from the University of Denver in 2005 and completed archaeological field school in 2007 at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado. Since then I have worked a broad variety of CRM projects throughout the Four Corners, Wyoming, and California for a wide range of clients and agencies. Projects that have been particularly meaningful and educational have included projects where local volunteers assisted in an SHF grant and projects where I have worked with local historians and descendant communities. Currently, I am a project director for ERO Resources and a M.A. candidate at the University of Colorado, Denver where I am writing my thesis on prehistoric settlement in the Palmer Divide region. Over the years I have been a member of the CCPA as well as the CAS (San Juan Basin Chapter), but my involvement has been limited to assisting in CCPA annual meetings sponsored by ERO. In light of this, I would like to do more to serve the Colorado archaeological community and look forward to fulfilling our collective goals by serving as a CCPA executive board member.

Jeremy Omgig

I have been working in cultural resource management for over 20 years, primarily in the western states of Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico, and Arizona. I received my B.A. from the University of North Dakota and my M.A. from Northern Arizona University, where my thesis focused on a GIS analysis of symbolic sites across the Great Plains. For the past seven years, I have been a Project Director at Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc. My professional interests include lithic analysis, landscape archaeology, GIS, public archaeology, and hunter-gatherer regional adaptation in the Plains, Intermountain West, and Great Basin. As an elected Board Member, I look forward to promoting the interests of the CCPA within the archaeological community and to the general public.

Jack Pfertsh

I am currently a Principal Investigator for Alpine Archaeology based in Montrose, Colorado. I have been in archaeology for over 25 years, having spent 18 of those years at Alpine. I have an affinity and an obsession for historical archaeology and have been fortunate enough to work on some pretty amazing projects, which have fostered my passion for historical research. I am proud to have been part of some key projects in Colorado, such as the Hanging Flume, National Historic Trails, and History Colorado's Georgetown Loop project. Collectively, these projects have challenged and informed how I see and interpret historic cultural landscapes. I also enjoy long walks on the beach and super sunsets. My dislikes are mean people and fashion haters. If I could have just three wishes, I would wish for world peace, more tattoos, and for all prehistoric archaeologists to be able to accept that people lived HISTORICALLY and not all that remains of this is a TRASH scatter.

David Stielow

David Stielow is a Colorado native, and a senior at the University of Colorado in Colorado Springs (UCCS) where he is studying Anthropology with a minor in Geology. He has about 6 months (cumulative) of field archaeology experience in both Colorado and Belize, with at least three and a half years' experience in the lab. He attended field school at UCCS in 2012; since then he has been involved with three more UCCS field schools ranging from volunteer to assistant crew chief. In addition, he has worked various excavations and CRM monitoring projects for the campus, working for the Campus Archaeologist and the Campus Facilities. For these projects he participated in all aspects including laboratory analysis and report writing. In some of these projects he worked directly alongside Michelle Slaughter, the current outgoing president of the CCPA. He also participated in excavations of Bent's New Fort in June 2013, and a number of sites in Belize with the Maya Research Program in July of 2013 and 2014. He has presented at various conferences, including the 2013 annual meetings of the Colorado Archaeological Society, the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists, and the Plains Anthropological Society. His primary interests center on lithic analysis, specifically the occurrence and distribution of raw materials, and geomorphology/geoarchaeology. He expects to graduate in May of 2016. After graduation he will be attempting to find work along the Front Range, the Rockies, or anywhere they need a shovel bum.

2016 Official Executive Committee Ballot

Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists

For President-Elect (vote for one):

- Charles Bello
- Thomas Carr
- Jason LaBelle

For Treasurer (vote for one):

- Justin Lawrence
- Michael Troyer

For At-Large Executive Committee (Board) Members (vote for two):

- Anna Cordova
- Jonathan Hedlund
- Jack Pfertsh
- Jeremy Omvig
- David Stielow

If you wish to email your ballot simply copy and paste to a Microsoft Word or Adobe Acrobat document with clear indications of your choices.

Email to michelle@avalonarc.com or mail a physical copy of the ballot to:

Michelle Slaughter
PO Box 40331
Denver CO 80204

Do NOT sign your name on the ballot—doing so will invalidate your ballot. However, your name must be clearly legible on the envelope in which your ballot is mailed, or if emailed, the name on the account must match the CCPA rolls.

Ballots must be received by **March 9, 2016** in order to be tallied in the election results.

Thank you,
Michelle Slaughter
Past President

Proposed Changes to the Membership Section of the CCPA Bylaws

The CCPA Executive Committee is proposing changes to the Membership Section of the Bylaws for simplification and clarification and to address recommended updates and changes to membership categories and practicalities in processing applications. The proposed changes also incorporate consistency of language and punctuation, removal of archaic practices, inclusion of language reflecting current practice, and elimination of redundancies. The proposed changes are immediately below, followed by an explanation of those changes. These proposed changes will be voted on at the next annual meeting in accord with CCPA's Bylaws, Article XI—AMENDMENTS These Bylaws may be amended only at a regular meeting by a 3/5 (60 percent sustainment of the voting membership present). Proposed amendments to the Bylaws must be submitted in writing to the Secretary and circulated within the membership prior to the call for a regular meeting. CCPA's current Bylaws may be found on its web site at coloradoarchaeologists.org. Thanks to Jon Horn and Michelle Slaughter for pulling together the proposed changes.

Proposed Changes to Membership Section of Bylaws (with visible edits)

Article III

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Voting Members

a. Qualifications

- i. Minimum of a BA or BS degree in anthropology or related discipline, and
- ii. Minimum of 12 months full-time professional archaeological experience.
- iii. Written agreement to adhere to the Code of Ethics.

b. Entry Procedures

- i. Application to be accompanied by a current professional resume and three professional references; and
- ii. Accepted by a **2/3 majority** vote of the Membership Committee after a review of credentials.
- iii. Exceptional cases may be referred to the **Council as a whole Executive Committee** by the Membership Committee.

c. Rights/Responsibilities

- i. Adherence to the Code of Ethics.
- ii. Regular participation in the activities of the Council.
- iii. Full voting rights in all Council business.
- iv. Eligibility to serve as Council or member of any Council committee.
- v. Receipt of all Council publications.
- vi. Upon retirement, inform the Membership Committee or Treasurer to be eligible to pay dues at a reduced rate at the next annual renewal.**

Section 2. American Indian Voting Members

a. Qualifications

- i. Have a knowledge of their tribal traditions, history and/or spirituality; and
- ii. Have an interest in Colorado archaeology/American Indian history.

b. Entry Procedures

- i. Nominated/sponsored by one member of any tribally-recognized traditional/cultural organization, or by one member of any governing tribal organization or the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs; **and**
- ii. Acceptance by majority vote of the Membership Committee; **and**
- iii. Exceptional cases may be referred to the Executive Committee by the Membership Committee.

c. Rights/Responsibilities

- i. The same as those of Voting Members; **and**
- ii. May attend any Council meeting at their discretion.

Section 3. Associate Members

a. Qualifications

- i. Demonstrated professional interest in Colorado archaeology; **and**
- ii. Written agreement to adhere to the Code of Ethics; **and**

- iii. BA, or active participation in a BA degree program, in anthropology or a related discipline, or other evidence of the pursuit of archaeology or related discipline as a profession such as technical report authorship, artifact analysis, **technical support of archaeological research, archaeological education, etc.**
- b. Entry Procedures
 - i. Sponsored by one Voting Member or Charter Member or Fellow, and
 - ii. Acceptance by majority vote of the Membership Committee after a review of credentials,
 - iii. Exceptional cases may be referred to the Executive Committee by the Membership Committee.
- c. Rights/Responsibilities
 - i. Adherence to the Code of Ethics.
 - ii. All rights of Voting Members except voting on Council business, **and** membership on standing committees, and serving as a Council officer.
 - iii. May serve as a member of any ad hoc committee, excepting ethics review committees, provided that Associate Members do not constitute more than 1/3 of the committee membership.
 - iv. Receipt of all Council publications.
 - ~~v. Placement on Membership listing.~~
 - v. May reapply to become Voting Member when those qualifications are met.**
 - vi. Upon retirement, inform the Membership Committee or Treasurer to be eligible to pay dues at a reduced rate at the next annual renewal.**

Section 4. Charter Members

- ~~a. Qualifications: Same as those of Voting Members or Associate Members, as appropriate.~~
- ~~b. Entry Procedure: Present and voting in the Charter Meetings (10 March and 28 October 1978), with signed vita and annual dues submitted by 1 June 1981.~~
- ~~c. Rights/Responsibilities: Same as those of a Voting Member or Associate Member, as appropriate.~~

Section 5.4. Fellows

- a. Qualifications
 - i. Recognized as a senior scholar in archaeology or related discipline, and
 - ii. Substantial contribution to Colorado archaeology through both research and service.
- b. Entry Procedures
 - i. Sponsored by any combination of 10 Voting Members, ~~Charter Members~~, or Fellows; or
 - ii. Nominated by a unanimous vote of the ~~m~~Membership ~~e~~Committee, and
 - iii. **Accepted by a majority of the Voting and Charter Members and Fellows. Final recognition upon decision of the Executive Board.**
- c. Privileges and Responsibilities
 - i. The same as those of a Voting or Charter Member
 - ii. May attend any Council meeting at ~~his/her~~ **their** discretion.
 - iii. Pay no dues.

Section 6. Subscribers

- ~~a. Qualifications: Payment of annual dues at the same level as Associate Members.~~
- ~~b. Rights~~
 - ~~i. Receipt of Newsletter.~~
 - ~~ii. Attendance at annual and midyear meetings.~~
 - ~~iii. Subscribers do not have voting status; they may not serve on committees nor hold office.~~

Section 7.5. Student Voting Members

- a. Qualifications
 - i. ~~Minimum of a BA or BS degree in anthropology or related discipline,~~ Same as Voting Members (Section 2 a); and
 - ~~ii. Minimum of 2 months full-time professional archaeological experience.~~
 - ~~iii~~ ii. Actively enrolled in an advanced degree program in anthropology or a related discipline.
 - ~~iv. Written agreement to adhere to the Code of Ethics.~~
- b. Entry Procedures
 - i. ~~Same as Voting Members (Section 2 b); and Application to be accompanied by a current professional resume, three professional references, and~~
 - ii. ~~p~~Proof of enrollment in a postgraduate degree program.
 - ~~iii~~ iii. Accepted by a **2/3** majority vote of the Membership Committee after a review of credentials.
 - ~~iii~~ iv. Exceptional cases may be referred to the ~~Council as a whole~~ **Executive Committee** by the Membership Committee.

c. Rights/Responsibilities

- i. ~~Adherence to the Code of Ethics Same as Voting Members (Section 2 c); and~~
- ii. ~~Regular participation in the activities of the Council.~~
- iii. ~~Full Voting rights in all Council business~~
- iv. ~~Eligibility to serve as Council or member of any Council committee.~~
- v. ~~Receipt of all Council publications.~~
- vi ii. Upon completion of the postgraduate degree, the individual will become a Voting Member and will be required to pay the full dues for that status with the next annual renewal.
- vii iii. Pays **dues** at a reduced **student** rate compared to a regular Voting Member ~~as set by Council.~~

Section 8.6. Student Associate Members

a. Qualifications

- i. ~~Written agreement to adhere to the Code of Ethics, Same as Associate Members (Section 3 a); and~~
- ii. ~~Actively enrolled participation in an undergraduate BA degree program, in anthropology or a related discipline.~~

b. Entry Procedures

- i. ~~Application to be accompanied by a current professional resume, one professional reference, Same as Associate Members (Section 3 b); and~~
- ii. ~~Proof of enrollment in an undergraduate degree program; and~~
- iii. ~~Acceptance by majority vote of the Membership Committee after a review of credentials.~~
- iv. ~~Exceptional cases may be referred to the Executive Committee by the Membership Committee.~~

c. Rights/Responsibilities

- i. ~~Adherence to the Code of Ethics Same as Associate Members (Section 3 c).~~
- ii. ~~All rights of Associate Members including no voting on Council business, no membership on standing committees, and no serving as a Council officer.~~
- iii. ~~May serve as a member of any ad hoc committee, excepting ethics review committees, provided that Associate or Student Associate Members do not constitute more than 1/3 of the committee membership.~~
- iv. ~~Receipt of all Council publications.~~
- v. ~~Placement on Membership listing.~~
- vi ii. Upon completion of the undergraduate degree, the individual will become an Associate Member and will pay dues for that status with the next annual renewal. ~~Member must~~ may reapply as ~~either an Associate or a Voting Member during annual renewal.~~
- vii iii. Pays **dues** at a reduced **student** rate compared to a regular Associate Member ~~as set by Council.~~

Section 9.7. Resignation: Any member may terminate his membership at any time by ~~dated, written notification to~~ **informing the Membership Chair or** the Treasurer. All rights, privileges, and responsibilities of the resigned member shall cease on the date of notification. ~~An announcement of the resignation will appear in the following Newsletter.~~ A member who resigns is not entitled to a dues refund.

Section 10.8. Lapsed Membership: A member whose standing has lapsed due to nonpayment of dues may be reinstated upon receipt of current year's dues. Dues paid within any calendar year are for that calendar year, unless specified in writing at the time of payment.

Explanation of Changes to the Membership Section of the CCPA Bylaws

Changes to the Membership section of the CCPA Bylaws have been found to be necessary in order to reflect additions to and deletion of membership categories, simplification and clarification of becoming a member in the various categories, and practicalities in processing memberships. The bylaws changes also incorporate consistency of language and punctuation, removal of archaic practices, language reflecting current practices, and elimination of redundancies.

Section 1: Voting Members

Change from 2/3 vote to majority vote for simplicity of voting by the Membership Committee.

Change from referral to the Council as a whole to the Executive Committee to simplify the process. Decisions on an individual membership have never been referred to the Council as a whole or the Executive Committee. Should such a need arise, decision by the Executive Committee should be adequate.

Reduced dues for retired Voting Members is added to encourage continued membership in CCPA after retirement.

Section 2: American Indian Voting Members

No changes except punctuation.

Section 3: Associate Members

The addition to the list of the types of qualified applicants for Associate Membership reflects changes in the practice of archaeology and the increased importance of education in CCPA's activities.

Removal of the requirement to place members on a membership listing reflects a change in CCPA practice. A membership list is no longer published.

Includes a clause that Associate Members may reapply to become Voting members when they satisfy the requirements for that status.

Reduced dues for retired Associate Members is added to encourage continued membership in CCPA after retirement.

Former Section 4: Charter Members

Deleted in its entirety. Charter members are tracked, but it is not a membership category.

Renumbered Section 5 to Section 4: Fellows

Changes simplify and clarify the process for designating Fellows. The changes enable a process that will make it easier to surprise the recipients.

Former Section 6: Subscribers

Deleted in its entirety. We have never had Subscribers, so this is not a useful membership category.

Renumbered Section 7 to Section 5: Student Voting Members

Refers basic Qualifications, Entry Procedures, and Rights and Responsibilities back to the Voting Members section for simplification and elimination of redundancy.

Changes 2/3 vote to majority vote for simplicity of voting by the Membership Committee and consistency with the change in Section 1.

Refers exceptional cases to the Executive Committee for simplification and consistency.

Clarifies reduced dues payment rate.

Renumbered Section 8 to Section 6: Student Associate Members

Refers basic Qualifications, Entry Procedures, and Rights and Responsibilities back to the Associate Members section for simplification and elimination of redundancy.

Changes 2/3 vote to majority vote for simplicity of voting by the Membership Committee and consistency with the change in Sections 1 and 6.

Refers exceptional cases to the Executive Committee for simplification and consistency.

Clarifies reduced dues payment rate.

Clarifies that Student Associate Members will convert to Associate Members without reapplying once studies are complete.

Clarifies the ability and need for Associate Members to reapply to become Voting Members.

Renumbered Section 9 to Section 7: Resignation

Clarifies resignation process.

Deletes requirement to announce resignation.

Renumbered Section 10 to Section 8: Lapsed Membership

No changes except renumbering.

2015 CCPA Annual Business Meeting (Unapproved Minutes)

March 13, 2015

Rocky Mountain Inn, Estes Park, Colorado

Submitted by Charles A. Reed, past-secretary

Call to Order

President Michelle Slaughter calls the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

Approval of Past Minutes

Secretary Charles Reed calls for corrections to the printed 2014 annual business meeting (ABM) minutes. None are forwarded. Mr. Reed makes a motion to approve the minutes as printed; Mark Mitchell seconds. The motion is passed following a vote of the membership.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees

President's Report

President Slaughter reports on the actions taken in 2014: two letters were sent to the producers of the *Diggers* television show voicing the CCPA's concerns regarding the show; letters were sent to individuals who posted sections of the 1999 contexts online without permission (the sections were pulled in both cases, following the letters); a letter was sent to Ft. Carson and PCMS regarding the Executive Committee's (EC) concern over the exempt medium and low probability acreage that was deemed exempt from Section 106 review within the programmatic agreements (PAs); and the EC was also provided with the new FEMA PA to review. The new FEMA PA was nearly unchanged from the previous version, which had been reviewed by Sean Larmore and found acceptable, so Ms. Slaughter let FEMA know the CCPA had no substantive edits or comments on the final agreement. Ms. Slaughter notes that the EC supported PaleoCultural Research Group's (PCRG) Digital Toolkit grant initiative with \$3000 and provided \$94 to support the Archaeology and Historic Preservation month poster. Greg Wolff announces that the posters have been printed and are available for those interested. President Slaughter also announces that she spoke with students at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, and students at the University of Colorado, Denver, about archaeology and student membership within CCPA. Finally, she reports that the CCPA Facebook page has jumped to over 500 followers, a big increase.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jaclyn Mullen reports that she does not have a lot to report on regarding the CCPA's finances. The organization has roughly \$9,900 in its checking account, plus another \$8000-\$9000 in PayPal, not yet reflected in the checking account balance. The conference is estimated to cost about \$10,000, which will be pulled from the account. Ms. Mullen discusses the new Project Archaeology grant (\$5000) received by the Education Committee; Ms. Dani Hoefer, Ms. Slaughter, and Ms. Mullen worked on establishing a SAM.gov account and D&D number for the fund along with establishing a new savings account for the Project Archaeology grant moneys. They are hoping to get the first 2015 payment for Project Archaeology soon. Ms. Mullen discusses the \$3000 contribution to PCRG awarded in December, along with a possible increase in membership dues. Finally, Ms. Mullen reports that the 2014 taxes have already been submitted to GoFigure accounting. She expects the draft back from them by the end of the month, ready for review by the Financial Committee. Overall, things were fairly quiet in 2014.

Secretary's Report

Mr. Reed reports that, aside from taking minutes from the ABM and EC meetings, he has also pulled together the materials for the 2014 archival donation to the Denver Public Library. The donation will be submitted following approval by the library, and will likely occur a week or two after the ABM.

Ethics Committee

President Slaughter reports that no formal ethics complaints were made in 2014.

Membership Committee

Jon Horn thanks Kim Kintz, Tosh McKetta, Allison Parrish, and Mike Retter for the fast turn-around on reviewing the 2014 member applications. There were 198 members in 2014, down from 204 in 2013. The 2014 members included 6 Fellows, 178 voting, five student voting, one student associate, and eight associate members. Mr. Horn notes the passing of Fellow Richard Carrillo. Twelve new members were approved in 2014 and, thus far in 2015, 109 members have renewed and five new members have joined. Mr. Horn reports that Nathan Boyless upgraded his membership from associate to voting member. Mr. Horn also discusses that the membership numbers have been fairly stagnant, and that the Membership Committee wants to do another membership drive. They will look at other professional organizations' membership lists for non-CCPA members who live in Colorado, along with contacting various agencies and educational institutions. Membership is also dependent upon CCPA members encouraging colleagues to join. Mr. Horn encourages people to contact the Membership Committee if they have any questions.

Newsletter Committee

Susan East was unable to attend the conference, and President Slaughter notes that Ms. East needs help on the Newsletter Committee. It has been a while since there has been four newsletters published in a year, and it is too much work for one person. Ms. Slaughter would like to see newsletters published more regularly.

Ward Weakly Scholarship

Adrienne Anderson, in regards to the newsletter, notes that Ms. East only compiles the newsletter and is not responsible for writing content. Ms. Anderson thinks that it would be good to have people find, and publish, regional news and state historic preservation awards in the newsletters. Ms. Anderson notes that people just don't think about submitting things to the newsletter. She thinks that this may be somewhat caused by the infrequency of the newsletters; the delay of the fall newsletter also reduces the visibility of the fall Ward Weakly scholarship. Ms. Anderson is worried that things get bypassed, such as happened with the notification of Kevin Black's ascendance to CCPA Fellow.

Ms. Anderson then presents the 2014 Ward Weakly report. She notes the contribution of passed members and reads the list of those who have passed. Since 1992, the CCPA has awarded roughly \$24,000 in scholarships and, at this ABM, is awarding its 51st scholarship to Aaron Whittenburg. Mr. Whittenburg is working on game drive sites for his master's degree, with the Ward Weakly Scholarship helping to fund in conducting protein residue analysis on artifacts collected from Rawlins Pass. Ms. Anderson notes that 2017 will be the 25th anniversary of the Ward Weakly Scholarship. She and Dan Bach would like to have the 2017 conference focused on celebrating the scholarship, and are hoping that the meeting can be held on the front range so that past recipients can easily make the trip. Ms. Anderson thinks that planning the 2017 conference would need to start now, so that there is time to find a venue, plan, and to track down and invite past recipients. The membership liked the idea of a 25th anniversary celebration and informally agreed to the proposal.

Ms. Anderson notes the used book sale occurring during the 2015 conference. She identifies the book seller volunteers, and discusses the various costs of books, art, and book collections, along with providing details on some of the donated materials. Ms. Slaughter notes that the family of Richard Carrillo donated some of his books. Later in the ABM, a donation of photo vouchers for a Denver photography studio is discussed by Ms. Anderson, with the vouchers to be auctioned off.

Publications Committee

Kelly Pool notes that 77 books were sold in 2014, including three full sets; the historic context was the bestselling context. Twenty-two copies of *Ancient Colorado* were sold and the committee donated around 200 copies of the volume to seven different groups. Around 30 new and renewing members also requested copies of *Ancient Colorado*. Copies of the volume were donated to various institutions: the University of Colorado museum for classroom kits; Crow Canyon, which took a box to provide to low-income schools; the Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce; low income schools; Project Archaeology workshops; and Todd McMahon's History Colorado educational talks. The Executive Committee asked people to take down sections of the contexts hosted online without permission, which has been going well. The committee has also been looking into Google Books Partner Program as a way to increase visibility and sales of the contexts. Ms. Pool reports that the committee has been selling about twice as many books through PayPal than by cash or check. Finally, she reports that the Eastern Ute volume was reprinted, and that all the books are available for sale at the Publications Committee's table at the conference.

Education Committee

Dani Hoefer thanks Ms. Slaughter and Ms. Mullen for helping out with the grant in 2014. Ms. Hoefer notes that this is the 25th anniversary of Project Archaeology; the program is now in 37 states, with master educators and teachers in those states conducting a lot of exciting programs. A lot of good resources and information are available on the Project Archaeology website. For 2015, the Education Committee is planning a professional development workshop at the Longmont museum and two summer camps for kids. In 2014 the committee held two Project Archaeology workshops, along with four other workshops using aspects of two of the Project Archaeology curricula. Fifty-two teachers were trained, including three new Masters Teachers. There are now five Masters Teachers in Colorado. Teachers who undergo training also get one graduate education credit for professional development. Ms. Hoefer reports that the committee also presented to over 100 teachers and 150 K-12 students in groups, and provided 15 K-12 students with direct training. The committee did a variety of other workshops, including a BOCES webinar. Ms. Hoefer reports that the original Project Archaeology seed money (\$5000) was for last year, and the Education Committee used all of it. The committee was awarded an additional \$5000 for 2015, should receive it soon, and has lots of plans for 2015. Ms. Hoefer thanks History Colorado for covering the cost of the largest workshop that the Education Committee held in 2014 along with the CAS members who supported the workshop. She also thanks SWCA and CRA for donations and covering

printing costs and various materials needed for the workshops. The museum in Longmont has also donated \$500 in facility space for a workshop. Overall, the Education Committee volunteered over 200 hours in 2014 and has engaged in partnerships with the BLM, the University of Montana, CCPA, the Colorado Archaeology Society, the National Park Service, History Colorado, Metcalf, SWCA, and Crow Canyon.

Ms. Hoefer notes that, with the current focus on standardized testing in schools, it is difficult to market and to work Project Archaeology into curricula. They are having more success with museums and various youth clubs and programs. She encourages CCPA members to gauge local interest in workshops. Ms. Hoefer discusses that CRA hosted a workshop on Project Archaeology for front-range CRM firms (although snow reduced attendees to CRA archaeologists only). Ms. Hoefer thinks that Project Archaeology is another tool for alternative mitigation and asks any CRM firms to let her know if they want to have any Project Archaeology training. Right now the Education Committee only has one workshop planned, but would like to have at least two held in 2015.

Awards, Recognition, and Resolutions Committee

Lucy Bambrey opens with a request that members provide Ms. East with photographs of the conference for the newsletter. The committee currently consists of Ms. Bambrey, Michelle Slaughter, Bridget Ambler, and Suzanne Brant. Ms. Bambrey notes the 2014 nomination/election of Kevin Black as a Fellow. In 2014 the committee also recognized the 2013 outgoing EC members with certificates. The committee also recognizes the passing of CCPA Fellows, members, and supporters of the organization with letters of condolence to their families; in 2014 this included a condolence letter sent to the family of Richard Carrillo. Ms. Bambrey discusses that the committee would like to change its name to "Awards, Recognition, and Resolutions Committee" to note the shift in focus towards recognition and away from resolutions. She has written a new committee description to present at the EC meeting following the ABM.

Native American Initiatives Committee

Christy Smith thanks the NAIC committee members (Christy Smith, Greg Wolff, Dan Jepson, Amy Nelson, Pete Gleichman, and Bridget Ambler) and asks the membership to let her know if they are interested in participating on the committee. Ms. Smith briefly discusses the history and reorganization of the committee, and how it landed on supporting a Native American student's attendance of a college archaeological field school. She notes that either the student or the field school need to tie into Colorado in some manner, but that neither the student nor the field school need to necessarily be from Colorado. The scholarship is currently held at \$750, drawn from the Ward Weakly fund. The NAIC distributes information on the scholarship to colleges, THPOs, Ernest House Jr. (Executive Secretary of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs), and on the CCPA website, and Ms. Smith notes that Mr. House has been forwarding the scholarship on to various other groups. Ms. Smith notes that the scholarship is within its 3 year trial period during which time the NAIC will evaluate the success of the restructuring. The 2014 scholarship had four applicants, three of which were eligible. The scholarship was awarded to Dyan Youpee, information regarding her and her field school experience is available in the January 2015 newsletter. Ms. Smith notes that the NAIC sent out application information in late January for the 2015 scholarship round, and will send it out again in April. So far there have been two inquiries about the scholarship. Mary Sullivan is providing analytics on how many people click on the scholarship link (146 hits on the link from March 2014 to March 2015, with 12 hits in the last week). The NAIC views that the revamped scholarship reflects the CCPA's mission and address the changes that the membership wanted to see. The 2015 and 2016 scholarships remain within the 3 year trial period, at which point the committee will evaluate any changes that are needed.

Listserved

President Slaughter notes that Greg Williams was unable to attend the meeting but that he reports that the listserv has 97 subscribers. This is down from around 120, as Mr. Williams recently had to purge a lot of old e-mails. He would like people to let him know if they would like to join, and that the group isn't just for CCPA members, and that sensitive information is not discussed on the listserv.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Slaughter discusses Terri Leistman's recent stroke, and reiterates Ted Hoefer's announcement on cards available to send to Terri. OD Hand has been in contact with Terri and her family, and Ms. Slaughter discusses Terri's improvement and how to track her progress through the Caring Bridge website.

Colorado Encyclopedia Project

Kevin Black discusses the Colorado Encyclopedia project. The project is in its second year of a three-year Colorado Humanities project that is funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Mr. Black thanks the people who have worked on the project. The call for third-year submittals will be announced in fall. Meetings will also take place to invite locals, teachers, libraries, etc. to identify subjects that they feel should be documented for posterity and to identify people for local advisory groups. There will be 9 regional groups representing different parts of the state: a Western Slope region meeting in Grand Junction on April 16th; a Northwest Region meeting in Craig on April 18th; a Northeastern Region with meetings in Sterling and Fort Morgan; a Central Mountains Region with meetings in Vail, Steamboat Springs, Leadville and Salida; a Denver Metro Region meeting in Denver; a Pikes Peak Region meeting in Colorado Springs; a Southeastern Region meeting in La Junta; a Southern Region meeting in Alamosa; and a Four Corners Region meeting in Durango. If interested in attending meetings, which are open to anyone, people can get on the Colorado Encyclopedia e-mail list at the coloradohumanities.org website. Mr. Black informs the membership that they can also contact him for a link to the e-mail list. The deadline for second-year entries is May 1st, and is designed to spread out and ease the work of section editors. The encyclopedia is not just archaeology focused; there

are six different sections, and the encyclopedia is designed to be a general encyclopedia for the state. A pilot website is up with sample articles. It is being hosted by Colorado State University and is available at: <http://coloradoencyclopedia.colostate.edu/>. That site will be expanded in the coming months.

Digital Toolkit Initiative

Mark Mitchell notes CCPA's support of the Digital Toolkit project, which is just getting underway. Mr. Mitchell notes the semantics of using "toolkit," and the project's goal is to supply a website that is useful in many domains for learning about, studying, and understanding archaeology and historic preservation in Colorado. Mr. Mitchell notes that the State Historical Fund is the primary backer of the project, but that various other organizations have provided financial assistance (CCPA, CAS, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Metcalf, Alpine, PCRG, University of Colorado, and anonymous donors). Mr. Mitchell notes that the toolkit will have open access, which was not initially planned, but he has since been persuaded of. Much of the information that will be on the website, such as the old contexts, are already available to non-professional archaeologists for purchase. Some information will be access controlled (such as proprietary or locational data). All users will be asked to register, in part to help track various usage metrics. The targeted audience for the toolkit will be professionals and knowledgeable advocates, although he anticipates having a section designed for educators to help them connect with resources such as Project Archaeology. Mr. Mitchell discusses that the toolkit will be broad in scope, and that all content will be peer reviewed in some manner (either peer reviewed or vetted). Mr. Mitchell also notes that this is the first phase in what he is hoping will be a multi-phase process.

The core content in the toolkit will include short articles that constitute new content since 1999 (including journal-type articles and things that are hard to get in book form, such as maps and figures), a library of around 100 key, synthetic, and legacy documents (especially those that are not widely available or that are new since 1999), useful links, a user forum, and databases. The toolkit will have an editorial board, which currently has 14 members from a broad range of backgrounds. The goal of the board is to not to create all the new content, but to pick the initial documents and to establish the short-article topics, framework and to provide guidance for future work. Mr. Mitchell asks CCPA members to recommend references, topics, and resources that are useful, along with testing the website. At some point the toolkit website will be open for anyone to submit to (although there will be submission guidelines).

Mr. Mitchell discusses some thoughts on how he envisions the website may be designed; there are not many websites that function how the Digital Toolkit will, Mr. Mitchell mentions the Blood Run National Historic Landmark page and tDar. The first provides information on current research, maps, and provides a state of understanding for the Blood Run site; this overlaps with some of the goals of the Toolkit, but the site is not searchable nor research driven, as the toolkit will be. Mr. Mitchell also briefly discusses the tDar website, and notes that the Digital Toolkit will be much more refined in terms of hosted content and focus on important and key documents. He closes with mentioning that the editorial board will be meeting at the conference and that he will have a demonstration of the website at a symposium held at the 2016 CCPA conference.

Membership Dues

Mr. Horn discusses that the organization hasn't had a dues increase since 1999, at which time dues were increased from \$20 to \$30 for voting members. Currently the fees are \$30 for voting members, \$25 for associate members, and \$10 for students. Mr. Horn examined other professional organizations; they generally range between \$25-30 for voting members, \$10-25 for associate members, and \$10-12.50. California is an outlier at \$75. California and Arizona also charge \$25 for student members, more than is typical in other groups. Mr. Horn reports that the \$30 decided upon in 1999, accounting for inflation, is equal to how far \$42 dollars would go today. Thus, it is clear that the dues do not go as far as they used to. Mr. Horn also reminds the membership that \$5 of the \$30 goes to the Ward Weakly fund. Mr. Horn discusses briefly where the CCPA money can go (education, context support and preparation, special publications, etc.). He also discusses how the scholarship amounts are limited based upon the money that is set aside for them; these scholarships are also influenced by inflation and rising costs associated with education. Increased dues would allow increased organizational flexibility. Any increase in dues would have to be voted in by CCPA membership, so Mr. Horn reports that this is more of a heads up for the organization. Mr. Horn suggests that any dues increase should plan on inflation and have a buffer built in, in case that dues are not increased again for a while. Mr. Horn suggests that the EC or a special committee examine and establish a recommended dues increase amount.

Closing Remarks

President Slaughter thanks Ted Hofer, Dani Hofer, Suzanne Brant, Tosh McKetta, and everyone else at CRA for hosting the conference. Ms. Slaughter notes that there are no recent nominations for CCPA Fellows this year. She then thanks outgoing EC members Charles Reed, Eric Hendrickson, and Jessica Gabriel and presents recognition certificates provided by the Awards, Recognition, and Resolutions Committee.

Election Results and 2016 conference

Sean Larmore, past-president, reports that the 2016 conference will likely be held in Salida. The conference will be hosted by ERO, but he will likely seek out others to volunteer. Mr. Larmore discusses the difficulty in finding people willing to run for office, and encourages people to get involved with the EC. It is up to the newer generations of CCPA members to step up to the plate. He announces that, for 2015, the president, secretary, and two at-large member slates were open. Of 53 submitted ballots 51 were valid. Nathan Boyless is elected as incoming president, Kathy Croll is elected as secretary, and Sarah Jennings and Rebecca Schwendler are elected as at-large committee members.

Meeting Closing

Ms. Slaughter steps down as CCPA President and introduces new president Mike Berry. President Berry thanks Ms. Slaughter, and announces his hope to serve as well as Ms. Slaughter, Mr. Larmore, and Mr. Mitchell did before him. He presents Ms. Slaughter with a recognition form for her service. Mr. Berry adjourns the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Colorado Council of Professional Archaeology Membership Renewal Form

(revised December 2012)

Instructions: Please write check to **Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists**.

Please Print

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State:

_____ Zip Code: _____ Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Institution/Employer: _____

I would like to receive my newsletters by: e-mail mail (check one)

I would like to receive a free copy of *Ancient Colorado*..... Yes No

Voting Member/Native American Member..... \$30.00 _____

Associate Member \$25.00 _____

Voting Student Member.....\$10.00 _____

Associate Student Member\$10.00 _____

(Please see CCPA bylaws for changes in student membership categories) Ward Weekly Fund

Contribution.....\$ _____

Total Due:\$ _____

Thank you for renewing your membership!

You can also renew online via PayPal at
<http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/membership/>

Please send this form, with payment, to:
CCPA, c/o ERO Resources Corporation, 1842 Clarkson Street, Denver, Colorado 80218



CCPA Membership Application Form (Revised December 2012)
Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP REQUESTED: _____

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I certify that my vita is true and correct and that I have read and agree to adhere to the Provisions of the [Code of Ethics](#) of the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists as written in the [Bylaws](#). Available at www.coloradoarchaeologists.org

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

I would like to receive a free copy of *Ancient Colorado* _____

Send application, membership fees and appropriate accompaniments to **CCPA, c/o ERO Resources Corporation, 1842 Clarkson Street, Denver, Colorado 80218**. Make checks payable to Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists. All membership applications are reviewed by the CCPA membership committee prior to admittance. All members agree to adhere to the CCPA Code of Ethics as outlined in the Bylaws. For additional information write to the CCPA Treasurer/Membership chair at the above address, or call and ask to speak to a CCPA member at the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation 303/866-3395.

Membership requirements, as defined in the Bylaws, include the following:

Voting: Professional resume or vita listing 12 months professional experience, 3 professional references and a BA or BS degree in anthropology or a related discipline. Annual voting membership fee is \$30.00.

Native American Member: Sponsorship by any member of any recognized tribal organization, government, or by the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. Annual voting membership fee is \$30.00.

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