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Roy Romer
Governor

HONORARY PROCLAMATION

ARCHAEOLOGY PRESERVATION WEEK
April 7-13, 1991

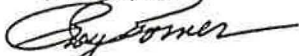
- WHEREAS, Colorado's prehistory is rich in cultural diversity and its record of the past is represented in numerous archaeological sites within our state; and
- WHEREAS, preservation of prehistoric and historic archaeological sites provides significant educational, cultural, and economic benefits to all citizens; and
- WHEREAS, many Coloradans volunteer their time and efforts to preserve and protect our state's unique archaeological resources; and
- WHEREAS, the Colorado Archaeological Society and the Colorado Historical Society have joined with federal and state officials and private citizens to enhance public awareness of and concern for protecting Colorado's rich cultural heritage; and
- WHEREAS, Archaeology Preservation Week provides an opportunity for Coloradans to reflect on the history of our state and the preservation of information about this history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado, proclaim April 7-13, 1991, as

ARCHAEOLOGY PRESERVATION WEEK

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado, this thirteenth day
of December, 1990


Roy Romer
Governor



This newsletter is delayed by a couple of months because of the rather sudden resignation last fall of editor Peggy Barnett. Mike Metcalf has now volunteered to take over for Peggy, and will continue as editor through 1992. Thanks to Mike for helping us out of a jam, and to Peggy for producing two excellent newsletters in 1990.

The 1991 annual meeting will be held at the University of Colorado in Boulder on March 8 and 9, and will feature a statewide ceramic symposium. Organizers are Alan D. Reed and Priscilla Elwood; session leaders will be Bill Lucius (general ceramic technology), Dean Wilson (Anasazi), Mike Metcalf (Fremont), Mark Stiger (Ute), Priscilla Elwood (Plains/Formative), Dave Hill (Navajo), Jeff Eighmy (Shoshone), and Bob Brunswig (Apache). If you are a participant and have not submitted draft symposia handout text to Alan Reed, please do so as soon as you can; time is growing short. Detailed meeting information will be printed in the next newsletter, due out in February.

On December 13, 1990, Governor Roy Romer officially proclaimed the week of April 7-13, 1991 to be Archaeology Preservation Week. CCPA members are urged to participate in some fashion. One way you can do this is by assisting the State Archaeologist Office in updating its list of speakers, i. e., to make yourself available to organizations, schools, etc. in your area that may request a speaker. Call Kevin Black at 303-866-4671.

**PROPOSED BY-LAWS REVISION:
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

As a result of discussion at the last annual meeting, Membership Committee Chairperson Jenny Anderson, at the request of President Chris Zier, drafted proposed new language pertaining to associate member qualifications. The essence of the proposed change is to allow substitution of experience for the present, rather narrow educational requirement. The full membership will be asked to vote on this proposed change at the upcoming annual meeting.

Proposed by law change for Section 3(a)iii (associate membership qualifications) from:

- iii. BA, or active participation in a BA degree program, in anthropology or a related discipline.

to:

- 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, etc.

For Your Information:

The American Committee for Preservation of Archaeological Collections (ACPAC) is a California-based group that is actively opposing state and federal legislation mandating reburial of skeletal remains and associated materials recovered through legitimate scientific excavation--the so-called "criminalization of archaeology". For information about ACPAC and its newsletter, one may contact C.W. Meighan, ACPAC Chair, P.O. Box 1171, Whittier CA 90609-1171.

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<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
March	February 15
June	May 15
September	August 15
December	November 15

The executive committee urges members to submit articles, comments, and original cartoons to the editor. Documents can be accepted on computer disk in Word Perfect or ASCII format on 3.5 or 5.25 inch disks.

NEW CCPA MEMBERS

CCPA Membership Committee Chairperson Jenny Anderson reports that as of 10/8/90 we have seven new members (three voting, four associate). New voting members are:

Dana L. Robinson
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1200 Florida Road # 4
Durango, CO 81301
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1870 Central
Cañon City, CO 81212
719-275-6591 (h)

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MEMBERSHIP DRIVES

Attached to this newsletter you will find membership information on two organizations. Adrienne Anderson is helping recruit new members for: **Society for Historical Archaeology**. This society is a well-known organization deserving of support.

Mike McFaul of LaRamie Soils in Laramie, Wyoming is requesting news, research notes, and new members for: **Geoarchaeology Newsletter**. This is a specialty group within the Plains Anthropological Society and is available to members or non-members for a mere \$2.00 per year. The newsletter contains news, notes, announcements, and in the latest issue, this bit of wisdom: "And consider that as the heaps of sand piled on one another hide the former sands, so in life the events which go before are soon covered by those which come after." Marcus Aurelius, *Meditations* vii:34. (contributed by Joe Artz).

INVENTORY OF CCPA FILES AND RECORDS

During the fall of 1990, at the request of President Chris Zier, Treasurer Gordy Tucker performed a detailed inventory of CCPA files which are ensconced in Marcia Tate's basement. The resulting inventory is 13 pages in length. There have been recent concerns among some Executive Committee Members that a lot of paper with little administrative or historical value is being needlessly curated, and also that no official means exists for assigning "custody" of the files on a year-to-year basis. In the near future Zier and Tucker hope to come up with some ideas for how to cull old records, criteria for determining which materials are to be saved and procedures for assigning responsibility for short-term maintenance of the files (possibly a By-laws amendment).

Along these lines, another call is hearby made for any old CCPA records currently in the possession of past officeholders. Please send these materials to Gordy Tucker.

CALL FOR CURRENT RESEARCH REPORTS

Beginning with the June 1990 newsletter we have requested CCPA members participating in active research in the state to submit a "Project/Research form" briefly describing their work. Blank forms were published in the last two newsletters, and one is appended to this one. The CCPA newsletter provides an ideal medium for informing others in the profession of your activities. And, it's timely -- 3 months maximum turnaround time for getting the news out (compare that with *American Antiquity*!). Results of this effort are so far disappointing. With the 1990 field season ended, this is an excellent time to let people know what you are doing. Please send completed forms, or your own text in Word Perfect or ASCII to: Mike Metcalf, CCPA Newsletter Editor, MAC, P.O. Box 899, Eagle, CO 81531.

EDITOR'S NOTE

It is with some trepidation, but also pleasure that I volunteered for this job. I hope to keep up the fine standard for content that Peggy Barnett kept up, but I have neither the talent, nor the interest necessary to equal her production standards. One area where I think the newsletter needs help is the above, contributions of research and other current news. I would like to include three standard "columns" in each newsletter, Current Research, People/News, and Book/Resource Notes. For Current Research, you may submit the form, or you may follow *American Antiquity* format and submit your text. People/News is for notices of new jobs, introducing new people to the professional community, and other current, newsworthy items. Book/Resource Notes is not meant to compete with reviews in *Southwestern Lore* or other journals, rather, I envision it as a place where books, articles, important contract reports, software, products, or other resources can be highlighted.

Thanks-- Mike Metcalf

A VISITOR'S GUIDE TO PREHISTORIC COLORADO

Bill Butler (National Park Service, Denver) as NPS representative to the Colorado Anti-Vandalism Task Force, has produced a draft of a 12-page pamphlet entitled "A Visitor's Guide to Prehistoric Colorado". Modeled after a similar pamphlet in Utah, its goal is to acquaint tourists with archaeological (and secondarily, historical and paleontological) attractions in the state, including museums. An effort will be made in the near future to get Colorado Tourism Board to publish and distribute the pamphlet. Bill is actively soliciting comments on the draft; a copy can be obtained by calling him at 303-969-2875.

MEMBERSHIP	
DUES--1991	
Memberships:	
Voting membership (\$10)	\$ _____
Associate membership (\$7.50)	\$ _____
DONATION	
Ward F. Weakly Fund	\$ _____
Total \$ _____	
Name _____	
Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Make checks payable to Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists or CCPA.	
Mail to: Gordon C. Tucker, Jr. CCPA Treasurer 16551 E. 7th Place Aurora, CO 80011	

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Montana Archaeological Society, in conjunction with a number of other state-wide avocational and professional societies in the United States and Canada are hosting a "sub-regional" conference "Multi-State/Province Archaeological Conference" in Billings, Montana on April 12 - 14, 1991. There will be a diverse set of topics covered, primarily concerning the Northern and Northwestern Plains. Titles are due by the end of January, 1991 with abstracts to follow by February 20, 1991.

Send titles and abstracts to:

Ken Deaver
Program Organizer
Montana Archaeological Society
711 Rimrock Road
Billings, MT 59102

This meeting promises to be well attended by avocationals and professionals from at least five states and three provinces. The conference papers will be professional in nature and the sessions should be interesting and comprehensive. Look for more details in the next newsletter.

CURRENT RESEARCH

Mountains. During late 1989 and 1990, Kimberly Spurr, Mike Metcalf, Anne McKibbin, Judy Rau, John Scott, Minette Church, Scott Wails and Sally Metcalf of Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, Inc. (MAC) completed survey of 5,492 acres of BLM lands for a US Forest Service sponsored land exchange in Grand and Routt Counties, Colorado. Discontiguous parcels included a representation of terrains from sage-covered terraces along Muddy Creek in Middle Park to summits of over 10,000 ft on Whiteley Peak and Bear Mountain. Some 49 sites and 47 isolates were recorded including just three historic sites and a wide range of prehistoric site types. Most of the sites at all elevations are lithic scatters interpreted to be small short-term camps or extractive locales, but five more complex camps were located along with two

tipi ring sites. A hunting blind and a locality on a mountain summit where two quartz crystal flakes and two peeled and shaped aspen sticks were found is interpreted as a probable Ute vision quest or ceremonial site. The report, by Kimberly Spurr is available for cost of copying.

Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, Inc. (MAC) have just submitted camera-ready copy of the Yarmony pit house site report to Ric Athearn for publication as BLM Series Number 31. It should be available through the BLM in the near future.

Southwest. Alpine Archaeological Consultants, Inc. conducted the Hovenweep Resource Protection Zone Class II Inventory Project for the BLM and Park Service in 1990. The project was directed by Rand Greubel with Mona Charles, Jon Horn and Ron Rood serving as Crew Chiefs. The project area consists of 4090 acres surrounding Hovenweep National Monument in Colorado and Utah. The goal of the project is to provide comprehensive data concerning the archaeological resources immediately surrounding the Monument for future management purposes. It is expected that the area will be recommended for National Register District status.

The survey resulted in the recording of 373 sites, most relating to the Pueblo II-III periods, though Archaic, Basketmaker II Basketmaker III and Pueblo I sites and components were located. In addition many historic/recent Native American sites, primarily dating to the early and mid-20th century were recorded. Few resources demonstrably dating to the Proto-Historic period were located. Site densities average slightly over 58 sites per mile². The data seems to provisionally support a scenario formulated by previous researchers in the locality, that of a trend toward a late Pueblo III shift in settlement pattern from loosely aggregated mesa top communities to canyon head and rimrock habitation sites.

NOTES ON THE PLAINS CONFERENCE

Colorado was fairly well represented at the 1990 Plains Conference in Oklahoma City. Papers were presented by Doug Bamforth (University of Colorado); Bob Brunswig and James Wanner (University of Northern Colorado); Bill Buckles (University of Southern Colorado); Bob Burgess (now with the Butler County, Kansas Historical Society); Steve Chomko, Steve DeVore and Larry Loendorf (NPS, Denver and University of North Dakota); Steve Creasman, Kevin Thompson and Beth Sennett (now at Western Wyoming College); Linda Scott Cummings and Kate Aasen Rylander (Paleo-Research Laboratories); Jeff Eighmy and Pamela Klein (Colorado State University), Kevin Gilmore (University of Colorado); Ken Kvamme (now at University of Arizona); Mike Metcalf, Anne McKibbin (MAC), Julieann Van Nest (Center for American Archaeology) and Stan Ahler (Northern Arizona University); Larry Todd (Zuni, now with MAC); Jim Truesdale (National Park Service).

Congratulations to Ken Kvamme, a new director of the Plains Anthropological Conference!

Also spotted at the conference were Priscilla Elwood, Cynthia Wood, Jake Hoffman, Wil Husted, Ann Johnson, Rhoda Lewis, Cal Cummings, Mike Toft, and Don Tucker (CAS). No doubt our spy network and brain cells missed a few of our other colleagues who were also present.

BOOK/RESOURCE NOTES

Archeology of the Coney Creek Valley.

By JAMES B. BENEDICT.

Center for Mountain Archaeology, Ward, Colorado. 1990. xiv + 76 pp., figures, tables, references cited. \$25.00 (paper).

Benedict has once again presented a tight, well written and well illustrated descriptive manuscript about high altitude archaeology in the Colorado Front Range. This volume, the latest in the Center for

Mountain Archaeology series, is primarily about excavations at an unobtrusive site in a high dead-end valley. The site is quite different in setting, visibility, and size from the more obvious sites which have commonly been excavated and reported in the mountains. Given recent focus on multiple aspects of hunter-gatherer subsistence and the different kinds of sites produced in different activity sets, it is appropriate that such an unobtrusive site has received the kind of intensive and careful treatment that is a hallmark of Benedict's approach to excavations.

Overall, the volume will be useful to a wide readership. Archaeologists working on either side of the Continental Divide will find the raw data invaluable for their comparative work. Two stemmed-indent bases from Coney Lake appear to be related to the McKean Complex. The 5700 BP date meshes with other Early Archaic dates Benedict has reported for McKean occupations in the Front Range. The reconstruction of the complex depositional, frost and erosional events that have shaped the site is meticulous and will be of interest to those who work with site structure in many environments. Another strong point of the report is the use of lithic distributions and conjoinable artifacts in reconstructing activity areas. The high quality of the illustrations in the volume will please many including professionals and others interested in the high country.

Archaeological Assistance Program. This program of the National Park Service publishes two series which are of interest to federal and non-federal archaeologists. The *Federal Archeology Report* is published quarterly and contains articles, notes, schedules for training programs and a variety of other interesting items. The *Technical Brief* is a series of shorter volumes, each of which targets a specific topic. No. 7, issued in August, 1990 is an essay on utilizing the Federal competitive procurement process. Available free from the Archaeological Assistance Division, NPS, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, D.C.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED,
WARD F. WEAKLY MEMORIAL FUND

The Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund is open for business and looking for scholarship applicants. There is a permanent source of funds beginning in 1991 (\$5.00 from each membership), and approximately \$750 in the bank. Elsewhere in this Newsletter is a copy of the fund announcement that contains information concerning the scholarship. The Memorial Fund committee hopes this will be photocopied by all of CCPA's academic members, discussed in class, and distributed to all students. Please note, applicants in fields allied to archeology certainly are acceptable. At the annual meeting, copies of the fund announcement printed on CCPA letterhead paper will be distributed for posting on bulletin boards and other appropriate places.

Please talk to your students and other budding scientists about this source of funds. Ward and Steve Sigstad would have wanted it this way! Remember:

1. The memorial fund is in memory of all deceased CCPA members.
2. The current Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund committee will review applications and make selections.
3. Applications can be submitted anytime throughout the year.
4. Scholarship amounts may be as much as \$400.00.
5. Out of state students and students in allied fields may apply, as long as their work will benefit Colorado archeology!

If there are questions concerning this fund, please contact committee members Adrienne Anderson (Chair), Jim Maxon, Frank Eddy, or Bob Nykamp.



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WARD F. WEAKLY MEMORIAL FUND:

*a scholarship that will contribute to better understanding of Colorado Archaeology,
- in the Memory of Deceased Members of the
Colorado Council of Professional Archaeology*

The Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists is offering scholarships to students who are doing work in Colorado Archaeology.

Award amounts may be up to \$400.00 for projects such as, but not limited to:

RADIOCARBON DATING
FAUNAL/FLORAL ANALYSES
ARCHAEO-MAGNETIC DATING
POLLEN SAMPLE(S)
DENDROCHRONOLOGICAL DATING
FLOTATION SAMPLE(S)
TRAVEL TO PRESENT A PROFESSIONAL PAPER
SUPPORT FOR PARTICIPATION IN A RELEVANT WORKSHOP
HOUSING AT A PROFESSIONAL MEETING WHERE A PAPER IS PRESENTED
SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORT FOR PREPARATION OF AN UNDERGRADUATE
HONORS THESIS
SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORT FOR PREPARATION OF A MASTER'S THESIS
SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORT FOR PREPARATION OF A PH.D. THESIS
COMPUTER SUPPLIES
SUPPLEMENTAL FIELD SUPPORT FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL
FIELD/LABORATORY PROJECT

Applicants must be majoring in anthropology or in an allied field.

For an application and further information, contact:

Dr. Adrienne Anderson
Ward F. Weakly Memorial Fund
National Park Service, Rocky Mountain Regional Office
PO Box 25287
Denver, Colorado 80225
303-969-2875

Applications may be submitted at any time.

SOCIETY FOR HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY
INITIATES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Society for Historical Archaeology has begun a new membership drive. This society, created in 1967, is the largest scholarly group concerned with American archaeology of the Historic period (A.D. 1400 - present) and is the second largest professional archaeological organization in the Americas, after the Society for American Archaeology. In Colorado, this emphasizes the 19th and early 20th Centuries - much of the state's "modern" history. The Society holds its annual meeting, the Conference of Historic and Underwater Archaeology, in early January of each year. Membership includes subscription to the society's quarterly journal, Historical Archaeology, and its quarterly newsletter. Surprisingly, few Colorado professional archeologists or academic institutions are members. **THIS IS THE CHANCE FOR YOU OR YOUR LIBRARY TO JOIN!!**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
SOCIETY FOR HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY
P.O. BOX 30446
TUCSON, ARIZONA 85751-0446

Name

Address

City State Zip

Telephone (Business, for publication in Newsletter)

Please Check One:

- ☐ Student \$ 30.00
(Full-time; enclose copy of I.D. card)
- ☐ Individual \$ 50.00
- ☐ Sustaining \$100.00
- ☐ Patron \$150.00
- ☐ Institutional \$ 65.00
- ☐ Adjunct (spouse) \$ 10.00

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