Lyons Chapter - Colorado Archaeological Society



FEBRUARY 1984

CALENDAR OF COMING CAS ACTIVITIES

- Feb. 18-19 Beginning dates of Rabbit Mountain Survey by the Lyons Chapter, CAS. Additional information elsewhere in this newsletter.
- Feb. 21 Executive Committee Meeting, Lyons Chapter. 11 AM, Gamov Tower, C. U., Boulder. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.
- Feb. 25-26 Rabbit Mountain Survey (depending on progress)
- Feb. 28 Regular Meeting of Lyons Chapter, CAS, 7 PM, Room 252, Hellems Bldg., C. U. Cambus, Boulder. (Map attached)
 E. Steve Cassells, President of the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists for 1984-85 and author of a new book, "The Archaeology of Colorado" will be our speaker. Autographed copies of his book will be available for sale at the meeting. More about Steve further on.
- March 3 Rabbit Mountain Survey (if needed to complete)
- March 10 Rabbit Mountain Survey (if needed to complete)
- March 27 Regular Meeting, Lyons Chapter, CAS. Place and program will be announced in the March newsletter.
- April 3 P. A. A. C. class, "Colorado Archaeology" with O. D. Hand, instructor. Class will be meeting on Tuesday nights for six weeks. No class on April 24th and May 15th.

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RABBIT MOUNTAIN SURVEY

Approximately 1150 acres recently purchased by Boulder County Parks and Open Space will be surveyed by members of the Lyons Chapter, Colorado Archaeological Society and members of the University of Colorado Anthropology Club. Directed by graduate student, Robert H. Nykamp, the survey will tentatively begin February 18th and run four consecutive weekends, weather permitting.

Editor's Note: Since writing the above notes and putting the dates in the calendar, we have new information on the Survey. The survey is restricted to those Lyons Chapter members who signed up at the Jan. meeting and C. U. Students of the Anthropology Club. It is possible to get on a waiting list and be on call. However, since this newsletter will not be printed until 2/14, assembled and in the mail 2/15 or 16, you may not receive it on time. If you wish to be considered on one of the six crews for a Saturday or Sunday, Call Bob Nykamp (492-7480), or Sue Lacey 442-4400 in Boulder or Leni Clubb (652-2203) or Kay Evatz (776-6491) in Longmont.

If you signed up at the meeting, you will have been called and told the transportation arrangements, what to bring, etc. For those of you who missed this survey, don't be discouraged....we have more in the works for later in the spring and summer and you will be notified well in advance by the newsletter and/or in the regular meetings. (This may be a good reason for coming to meetings ...that way you won't miss out on all the good stuff!)

MORE ABOUT STEVE CASSELLS

We are really proud that we can present Steve as the speaker at our next regular meeting, Feb. 28th. He was educated at Chadron State College and the University of Arizona. He is a former college professor, U. S. Forest Service employee and assistant state archaeologist for Colorado. He has his own contract firm, Plano-Archaeological Consultants (named after his favorite prehistoric period) and was elected president of the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists for 1984-85. He currently resides in Longmont. Last year he was involved in the Colorado Archaeological Awareness Year. The Lyons Chapter also had the pleasure of having him conduct a Saturday Workshop on Flintknapping where he tried to teach us how to make projectile points after we had completed the seminar in Prelistoric Lithics. Come and hear this personable man speak on "Early Man Settlements in Colorado". There will be an autograph session after the meeting for those who wish to buy the book. Steve is not involved in the selling, but we feel that many will want a book after hearing him speak. Kay Evatz has arranged with the Johnson Publishing Co. for two cases of the book. There will be someone on hand to accept your payment in cash, check or credit card.

As an added note, one of our Lyons Chapter members, Robin Farrington, did original illustrations for Steve's book. Robin is the Longmont Pioneer Museum historian.

COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY CLASS

The Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC) was established as an educational opportunity for the membership of the Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS). It provides an avenue for CAS members to obtain formally recognized levels of expertise in archaeology without participating in an academic program.

Training obtained through PAAC is not a substitute for conventional education programs or governmental training. Most individuals use this acquired knowledge for their own personal interests. The program offers the avocationist the opportunity to make contributions in the areas of public service and the protection of archaeological resources in Colorado.

The Lyons Chapter is again offering a class in Colorado Archaeology to those of you who have not completed that portion of the Provisional Surveyor Module or those who want to begin working on that Module. Many of us have had the Basic Site Survey and Archaeological Ethics seminar, a number have recorded both prehistoric and historical sites. O. D. Hand is willing to repeat this class as only a few of our members have completed this Colorado Archaeology requirement.

The class will again be held at Leni Clubb's log house near Niwot, 8191 N. 81st St. Due to other commitments, O. D. can only be here Tuesday nights beginning April 3rd. Classes will start at 7PM sharp.

Dates are April 3, 10, 17 and May 1, 8 and 22. The gap is due to our regular monthly meeting on April 24th and 0. D. must be in Durango on May 15th. Cost of the module is \$10.00. If you have had the Survey/Ethics portion, there is no charge. However, if you have only had the Prehistoric Lithic or Prehistoric Ceramics classes, which is in another module, therewill be the \$10.00 fee to cover printing of hand out materials, etc. For further information call 0. D. Hand, 866-4671. There will be sign-up sheets at the next meeting for those interested in taking this "Colorado Archaeology" class. PLAN AHEAD!!

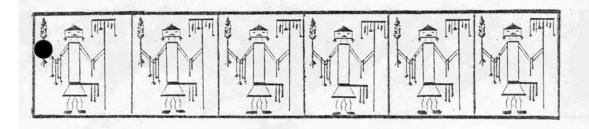
DENVER CHAPTER CAS FIELD TRIP

Last Memorial Day weekend, the Denver Chapter CAS had a highly successful trip to Aztec Ruins, Chaco Canyon, the Zuni Reservation and Crow Canyon. Five members of the Lyons Chapter participated in the trip and had a totally wonderful time.

This year Denver is planning a trip called "On the Trail of Early Man" which will take them to New Mexico thru Taos, an overnight stop at Santa Fe, a stop at Newkirk to look at the outstanding rock art site, on to the Clovis/Portales area, the location of Blackwater Draw, famous as an early man locale. Then into the Texas Panhandle to Palo Duro Canyon and the Alibates "flint" quarry. Paleo hunters mined this marvelous banded stone and traded it as far as Canada.

Returning into northeastern New Mexico, they plan to stop at Mt. Capulin and into the town of Folsom, the location of the first confirmed early man site in the country.

The above is a tentative itinerary and plans are now being finalized. The individual charges have not yet been computed, but it will be approximately the same as last year - \$70.00 transportation by bus, lodging for three nights (about \$66.00 total (double), and another \$25.00 for three picnic lunches and incidentals. Other meals and expenses are the responsibility of the individual.



Bill Tate will be "Mother Hen" again. Interested parties should contact Bob Rushforth, Treasurer, 683 W. Longview Âve., Littleton, CO. 80120 for reservations. As with last year's bus trip, this will be on a first come first served basis. Payment of \$80.00 will insure you a reservation. Further information can be obtained from Bob.

All CAS Chapters have been invited. Last year, Lyons Chapter, the Pueblo and Colorado Springs Chapters all participated so get your reservations in early. The trip is for four days. They leave Denver at 6:30AM, Friday, May 25th and return the evening of May 28th.

RENEWAL TIME!!

Dues for 1984 are now due. We hope to have all renewals in by March 15 in order that we can print a complete roster of membership in the March newsletter. Please make your checks payble to Lyons CAS and mail to our box, Box 663, Niwot, CO 80544.

CHAPTER TEE SHIRTS

Mike Curtis of Nutty Shirts in Longmont has plenty of the Chapter Logos made up just waiting for us to order more tee shirts. Do you have your yet? If you want the logo on any other color, Mike will be glad to make it up for you in the color of your choice. The "official" one is grey with black piping on the neck and armhole.



For you new members, this logo was designed by one of our members, Jean Kindig, and it is from a Mimbres bowl design.

We also have "Archaeologists will date any old thing" logos made up and on file at Mike's. We will have sign up sheets available at all the meetings if you want to order one or the other (or both!). This is the only way, so far, that we have to supplement our meager funds. Price of both shirts is \$7.50 each if they are made up in the colors we have selected. Otherwise, Mike will make them up in the color you want and charge you just for the shirt. There will be no profit for the Chapter.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

In order to keep our records up to date and assure that you will receive our newsletter....as well as SOUTHWESTERN IORE....be sure to give us your correct address and phone number. We want you to be informed. This is going to be a GREAT year for the Lyons Chapter.



NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

As your new editor, I would welcome any suggestions for the newsletter as well as articles of interest to all of us as avocational archaeologists. Since not all of us takes the same magazines or newspapers, feel free to submit clippings to be included in a future issue of this newsletter. Send them either to me, Leni Clubb, 8191 N. 81st, Longmont, CO. 80501 or to Box 663, Niwot, CO. 80544.

For example, the following is one I found in the Silver & Gold Record, C. U.'s Alumni newspaper:

Silver & Gold Record

Thursday, February 9, 1984

Archaeological find is told

A skull and several vertebrae found at a CU archaeological project near Dolores, Colorado have been identified as those of Symbos, a large musk ox which became extinct about 10,000 years ago, according to David Breternitz, project director.

Radiocarbon tests reveal the animal died around 14,000 B.C., Breternitz said. The bones were uncovered during excavation of an Anasazi Indian site on Grass Mesa more than a year ago. The find is so rare that archaeologists at first were unsure of the identity of the creature. A preliminary identification by Peter Robinson of the CU Museum recently was confirmed by paleontologists of the Smithsonian Institution.

Only one other Symbos discovery has been made in Colorado (near Delta), and only about ninety have been found on the North American continent, Breternitz said.

The Dolores project is the largest ar-

chaeological project ever undertaken in the United States, with an estimated total budget of more than \$12 million. CU-Boulder is under contract with the Bureau of Reclamation to assess and preserve prehistoric remains in the Dolores River Valley, soon to be inundated by the McPhee Dam and Reservoir.

Most of the findings of the dig have centered around the Anasazi occupation of 600-950 A.D.

The prehistoric musk ox remnants were found beneath several feet of loess — windblown sediments.

The bones have been shipped to a researcher at Radford University who is making a study of the musk ox of today and earlier times. Symbos will be returned to the Bureau of Land Management for display at the Anasazi Heritage Center, a museum to be established near the excavation site.

NEW MEMBERS

We had four new people sign up at the January meeting:

Michele Bishop Steve Connolly

Eric Ericson Glenna Whiteford

We all say WELCOME to the Lyons Chapter

NEW EXHIBIT AT THE DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

"Colorado Archaeology: Riddles from the Past, Resources for the Future." Colorado's prehistoric heritage is explored in this inovative exhibit at DMNH, which opens February 24th in the Museum's second-floor Lifeways Gallery. The exhibit was conceived as a special DMNH contribution to the 1983 Colorado Archaeological Awareness Year. The exhibit will begin a two-year statewide tour following its premier showing at the Museum. Lectures are planned in conjunction with the exhibit which will continue through May 20th.

1984 FIELD SCHOOLS - ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROGRAMS

The Center for American Archaeology which is associated with North-western University conducts the following Field Schools of adult research and travel opportunities. The Associate Research Sessions and the Research Expeditions are for interested adults who will assist directly in ongoing archaeological research. The Center has two campuses:

<u>Kampsville</u>, Illinios, near St. Louis 10 one week sessions beginning May 27th thru Sept. 9th A Research Expedition - July 15-28

Crow Canyon, near Cortez, Colorado
6 one week sessions beginning June 3 thru Sept. 23rd.
5 Research Expeditions: Canyonhead Ruins, April 29-May 4; Rock
Art (2 sessions) June 3-June 8 and June 10-June 15; Archeoastronomy
June 17-June 22; Canyonhead Ruins, Sept. 16-Sept. 21.

Both campuses have programs for Elementary, Junior High, High School and University students, as well as Native American Studies such as Primitive Pottery, Stone Toolmaking, Primitive Harvest, etc.

For additional Information contact: Admission Office (Their 1984 brochure will be available-we have only one copy but will write for more if anyone is interested.)

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Rocky Mountain Nature Association 1984 Seminars

Archaeology Above Treeline, August 17-19, Dr. Thomas Lennon. This course concerns prehistoric adaptations in the Rocky Mountain tundra, specifically sites above 11,000 ft. Participants are introduced to site identification, mapping, cultural materials identification and site documentation.

For more information write: Superintendent (We will also have their brochure at the meeting.)

Rocky Mountain Attn: Seminar

Superintendent
Rocky Mountain National Park
Attn: Seminar Coordinator
Estes Park, Co. 80517
303-586-2371

As we hear of other seminars and/or Field Schools, we will pass the information along to you via this newsletter. We would also appreciate it if you would keep your eyes open for any we might miss that would be of interest to our membership. Send to Box 663, Niwot, CO 80544.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

American Indian Rock Art, Volume IX is available for \$11.00 plus \$1.50 for postage and handling. If you are interested in receiving the latest volume of published symposium papers, send your check to ARARA, Volume IX, P. O. Box 1539, El Toro, CA 91630. These are symposium papers presented at Porterville, California in 1982 and are fresh off the press.

Western Colorado Petroglyphs - by W. C. KcKern. This was written initially for the Smithsonian Institution in 1922 and has recently been published by the Bureau of Land Management in Denver. This excellent, early research, well edited by Douglas D. Scott is free and can be obtained from the Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, 1037 20th Street, Denver, CO. 80202. Copies of this 112 page publication are limited so if you are interested you should send for a copy soon. This is CR Series, No. 8 (Reprint).

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LYONS CHAFTER COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

TREASURER'S REPORT
January 31, 1984

Balance as of December 31, 1983		\$128.25
INCOME:		Ψ120.25
Dues-New & Renewal	\$71.00	
Sale of Tee Shirt (plus postage)	_8.00	79.00
EXPENSE:		
Three Tee Shirts @ \$4.50 ea.	\$13.50	

Balance as of January 31, 1984

\$187.75

(19.50)

Loui Clubb Leni Clubb Acting Treasurer

\$5.00

Outstanding Expense:
Annual dues to C. A. S. \$40.00

Refunds-Overpayment of dues

-Overpayment for Tee Shirt

January - 1984 General Meeting
Tuesday, January 31 st., 7:00 P.M.
Rm. 157, U.M.C., University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

The business meeting was called to order and an agenda was set by President Dave Davis.

17 paid members (a quorum) and § visitors were present.

Vice President Leni Clubb gave a Treasurer's Report. (Report attached.)

Old Business:

A motion was passed to table a proposed name change for C.A.S.-Lyons until a future date, and appoint Dave Davis to research perspective Indian names.

A motion was passed to have a registered letter sent to Jerry Orback by the Executive Committee informing him of our Chapter's intent to recover all C.A.S.-Lyons property remaining in his possession. (Books, tripod, records, etc.)

New Business:

A recap letter on 1983 Colorado Archaeological Awareness Year was read by Dave Davis.

A discussion about how C.A.S.-Blue-Sheet funding works resulted in the suggestion being made that this subject would be a good feature article for an upcoming newsletter.

Elections:

A motion was seconded and passed that due to the cancellation of the November and December General Meetings because of bad weather that the Bylaws concerning elections be suspended for this meeting in order to carry out election of new officers for C.A.S.-Lyons - 1984 at this General Meeting.

Dave Davis read the duties of the various offices and elections were then carried out resulting in the following new Executive Committee , to serve for 1984:

President William Boyle
Vice President Kay Evatz - Treasurer Louise Derr
Secretary - Editor Leni Clubb, Librarian - Historian, to be appointed.
State C.A.S. Representative Peter Christensen

Announcements:

The next PAAC seminar to be taught by O.D. Hand will be Prehistory of Colorado. It will meet on Tuesdays only, beginning on March 27 th. and going until May 8 th. (Editor's Note: Change of dateApril 3 thru May 22)

The annual State C.A.S. Meeting has been set for October 5, 6, & 7 th, in Canyon City.

C.A.S. 50 th Anniversary is in 1985, and our Lyons Chapter is being asked to contribute ideas for how to celebrate it. Also, C.A.S. is to host the 1986 Plains Conference.

All completed survey forms done in 1983 should be filed with Sharon Pay. Meeting adjourned .

PARKING AT OR NEAR THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

There is Visitor Parking (50¢ after 6 PM) across from U. M. C. on campus. This is entered from Euclid St. There is also a public parking lot back of Jones Drug at the corner of College Ave., and Broadway. (50¢ after 6 PM. Be sure to take a parking ticket for your dashboard from the machine as the lot is checked frequently).

Parking lots available after 5 PM on campus: #205, East of U. M. C. (across from Visitors lot). Entry is on east side of lot, from 16th St. Also #310, south of Wardenburg, enter from Green Mountain St, turn St. Also #31 off Broadway.

As there are night Continuing Education classes and many other activities, street parking at night any place on the Hill is at a premium.

GET TO KNOW YOUR NEW OFFICERS OF THE LYONS CHAPTER

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776-6491

Louise Derr, 3401 Everett Dr., Boulder, Co. 80303 Treasurer

499-2065

Secretary/Editor Leni Clubb, 8191 N. 81st St., Longmont, Co. 80501

652-2203

Librarian/ Cleo Barnes, 2747 Crestridge Ct., Boulder, Co. 80302

Historian 444-1050

CAS Representative Peter Christensen, Salina Star Route, Sunset 80382

Site Coordinator Sharon Pay (moving this week. New address and phone next newsletter)



Can anyone think of an appropriate name for our newsletter?

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