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CALENDAR

- Nov. 20-21- Plains Conference, Hotel Marriott South, Early Bird Party at 6 PM, Nov. 19th, hosted by CCPA. This year's Plains Conference hosted by the Colorado Archaeological Society, Bill Tate, Conference Chairman. Traditional Banquet, speaker, Dennis Stanford, PhD, Curator of North American Archaeology, The Smithsonian Institution, Friday, Nov. 21st.
- Nov. 25 Lyons Chapter Regular Meeting, Room 199, Hellems Bldg, C. U. Campus, 7:30 PM. Speaker, Dr. Hugo Ludena. Topic: "Peruvian Culture before the Incas". More information further on this issue. Election of 1987 officers.

PLAN AHEAD

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Chapter Executive Board meeting in December due to the early scheduling of the Christmas Party and the many Holiday activities.

- Dec. 20 GAI A CHRISTMAS PARTY. 6 PM, Vista Village Clubhouse, 5000 Butte, Boulder. Map further on this issue. Food catered by Cafe Potage, Niwot, \$5.00 per person, sign up sheets at November meeting. Installation of new officers, slides of summer activities, video of Pottery Workshop firing, social time. Kids, spouses, roommates welcome.
- Jan. 20 Chapter Executive Board Meeting, 7 PM, at home of Cleo Barnes, 801 Gillaspie Dr., #110, Boulder. Orientation of new officers including turning over of files. 1986 officers and committee chairmen requested to attend.
- Jan. 27 Lyons Chapter Regular Meeting, 7:30 PM, C. U. Campus Boulder. Place and speaker to be announced in December and January newsletter.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR EDITOR

Some of you may be wondering when your November Calumet will arrive in the mails. I am sorry this issue is so late, but I was called to Ohio suddenly with the news that my only brother was seriously ill and not expected to survive. With any luck, you will receive this by Saturday or Monday.

PIAINS CONFERENCE, Nov. 20-21-22, Hotel Marriott South, Denver

This is going to be a great event and we hope you have registered to attend. Registration is required for attendance at any meeting or event. A registration form was included in your August Calumet. The Friday evening traditional banquet will feature Dr. Dennis Stanford, Curator of North American Archaeology, The National Museum of Natural History, The SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, as guest speaker. Two parties have been planned, the Early Bird Party at 6 PM, Wed. Nov. 19th sponsored by the CCPA, Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologist and a Wine and Cheese Party, Thurs., Nov. 20th, hosted by the Colorado Historical Society. Your registration name tag admits you to both parties. On Saturday, Nov. 22nd, noon to 4 PM, a Field Trip is planned (weather permitting) to nearby archaeological sites in and near the redrock formations of the Front Range foothills.

Registrations received so far indicate that participants are coming from Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Georgia, Nevada, North and South Dakota, Washington, Mississippi, New Mexico, Missouri, Ohio, Mass., Oklahoma, Iowa, Arizona, Minnesota, Texas, Wisconsin, and even Saskatchewan, Canada. The papers scheduled to be presented sound extremely interesting...you will really miss a great opportunity if you fail to attend this conference. Send your check and registration to Bill Tate, 1191 Nucla St., Aurora, CO, 80011, or plan to register at the hotel conference area Wednesday evening or Thursday morning. Members of the Lyons Chapter will be manning the registration tables from 3PM Wed. throughout the conference. Registration Fees: \$22.00, students \$17.00. Banquet: \$18.75. Field Trip: \$5.00 lunch and soft drink included. Also tee shirts may be ordered at \$8.00 each in gray or red-orange with a buffalo design by one of our Lyons Chapter members, Robin Farrington. Design in Charcoal brown.

LYONS CHAPTER REGULAR MEETING, NOV. 25th, 7:30 PM

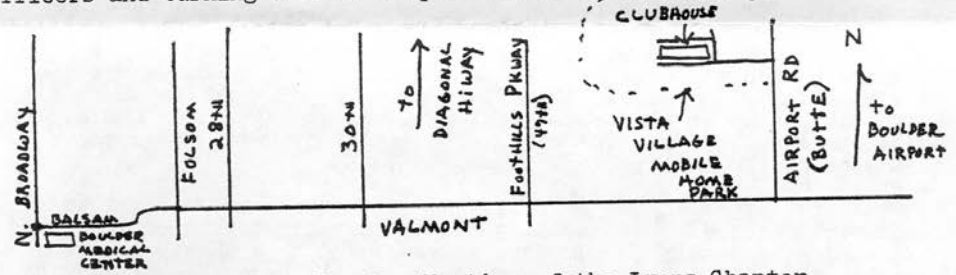
We are fortunate in securing Dr. Hugo Ludena as our November speaker. His topic is "Peruvian Culture before the Incas". Dr. Ludena is a visiting professor at the University of Colorado, Boulder and a professor of archaeology at the University of Lima, Peru. He is president of the Peruvian Society of Historic Archaeology, is fluent in English, and an experienced teacher having taught at Peru's Catholic, San Marcos and Lima Universities. He served on many Peruvian international committees and was involved in fighting illegal export of priceless Peruvian antiquities. Dr. Ludena is also speaking at the Denver Museum of Natural History in the West Auditorium at 7 PM, Thursday, Nov. 20th, on Pizarro, the Spaniard who discovered Peru and ruthlessly conquered the Inca people. If you are a history buff, you will enjoy this program at DMNH.

THIRD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY OF THE LYONS CHAPTER, CAS, Dec. 20th

We have such a good time at our Christmas parties!! Do join us. This year we decided to have the party catered by the well known Cafe Potage of Niwot so that no one would have to cook or prepare goodies. The cost will be \$5.00 per person (children under 10 free), payable in advance so that we will know exactly how much food to order. Sign-up sheets will be available at the November meeting and we will be ready to accept your checks (or cash). Sign-up can also be made by mail - just send your check or money order made out to Lyons Chapter, CAS, to our P. O. Box 663, Nowot, CO 80544 before the Dec. 13th deadline

For the past two years, your chapter officers have made gifts to be drawn as door prizes...and such wonderful gifts they have been! Replicas of projectile points expertly made, pictographs on sandstone, woven articles, handmade jewelry, pine needle baskets, goodies from someone's kitchen and many more wonderful things. This year we are suggesting that everyone attending make some small gift to be drawn just to add to the festive occasion. You will receive a ticket at the door and gifts will be drawn at the close of the evening.

Bring slides of your summer activities to share...."show and tell". We have a video of the pottery firing done in May 1985 which we hope to show. It was made in color with a narrative by one of our members. Bring your spouses, kids, roommates. This is such a good time to get to know one another during this Holiday season. Installation of 1987 officers and turning over of Chapter Charter and Chapter symbol.



JANUARY 27, 1987, first Regular Meeting of the Lyons Chapter.

We have just received word from our Vice President, James Brooks, that Dr. Robert Hohlfeder, C. U. History Department, has indicated that he will be delighted to speak at either our January meeting or the February meeting on his Underwater Archaeology research in Israel. James could not secure a definite date as Dr. Hohlfeder is quite busy preparing both an article and a documentary of his work for the National Geographic Magazine. We may be the first to see and hear his latest work at Caesarea Maritima. Announcement will be made as soon as we hear from him. Keep tuned in to your Calumet.

NOTE: On the last page of this November issue you will find both a ballot for election of officers and another 1987 Membership Renewal form. Please mail the ballot if you are unable to attend the meeting by Nov. 22nd. Mail the renewal by December 31st.

So far, we have received only ONE RENEWAL for 1987!!! This is hard to believe since we are ending the year with 113 members for 1986 and 3 new members for 1987. Last year, 85% of our membership had renewed by December 31st. Please renew as soon as possible. We are counting on all of you to keep our Chapter strong in membership. Refer to your October Calumet for the many reason why you will want to keep in good standing in the Lyons Chapter, Colorado Archaeological Society. (See pages 4, 5 and the top of 6). Renewal form on page 9 this issue.

BITS & PIECES FROM YOUR EDITOR

At the September meeting I had a copy of the paper written for the Plains Anthropologist by Steve Cassells and Robin Farrington which I mentioned that anyone could look at but that it was my only copy. Would whoever borrowed it, please bring it to the Nov. meeting. Thanks.

**** If you were unable to secure a copy of the publication on Yellow Jacket by Fred Lange, Joe Ben Wheat, Mark Chenault and Nancy Mahaney of the C. U. Museum, or a copy of Steve Cassells book on the Black Hills, James Brooks, our V. P., will have copies available at the Nov. meeting. The Y. J. book is \$5.95 and the Black Hills book is \$6.95. Johnson Books has made it possible for us to earn a little money for the Chapter from the sale of these publications.

**** In this issue is an article on the Ute Indians by B. J. Eardley which was originally published in "From the Canyons", a publication of the Canyonlands Natural History Association. It is used here by permission of the author.

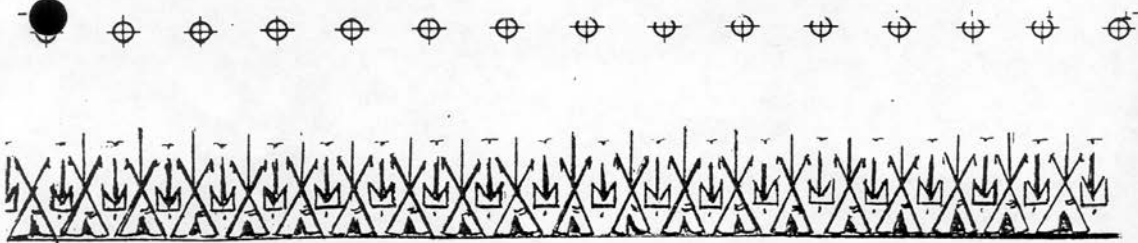
**** Since we had to cancel the Nov. 5th session of the Pine Needle Basketry Workshop due to my absence, it will be rescheduled and those taking the class notified. Also, due to this delay in the first classes, the second group of persons signed up will meet later than anticipated. You will be notified of the date...possibly not until after the first of the year. I am sorry about that.

**** Several times in the past history of the Calumet, we have used newspaper articles, cartoons, articles from various publications. We plan to continue this in our future issues and hope that you will continue to send your editor anything you feel the membership would be interested in...especially items about Colorado archaeology.

**** Don't forget to read the minutes of the Executive Board Meetings and the regular meetings in case you didn't attend. Keep up with the activities and plans for the chapter. The Executive Board meetings are open to all members and we want and value your input.

**** The Flintknapping Workshop conducted by Lee Lacey will be in the late spring, possibly May 1987, with a maximum of 10 persons. Lee will work on securing the necessary materials for the workshop, but if any of our members have a supply of flint, chert, obsidian, etc. that they would like to donate for use by the class, contact Lee (442-4400). It takes lots of rock and it must be of good knapping quality. When the date gets closer, we will publish the list of supplies needed by each participant.

****In the October Calumet see page 7 for the explanation of the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund which appears on the renewal form.



Utes:

People of the Rabbit Skin Robes

Hundreds of years ago the incredible vistas, lofty mountains, and magically carved sandstones of eastern Utah were home to a people called "rabbit skin robes" by the Omaha, the "black men" by the Cheyenne and "deer hunting men" by the Zuni. They called themselves "Uta", a name later given to the state that was encompassed by their territory.

The Utes, as they have come to be known, once claimed a territory that stretched westward from the formidable Rocky Mountains to the expansive deserts of western Utah, north to the valleys of southern Idaho and Wyoming and south to the red rock canyons of northern Arizona. We know of the Ute from scattered pieces of archeology, from accounts of the white men who encountered them and from the often painful retelling of the "old ways" by contemporary Utes. Even with this information, much of the life-way of the Ute who roamed this land is like the rock images, the depth of their meaning escapes us.

Through archeological evidence it is believed that before white contact the Ute were living a lifestyle typical of the archaic culture of the Great Basin and the Southwest. This archaic lifestyle, called the Desert Culture, as established in the area well before 7000 B.C. Its primary characteristic was complete exploitation of the environment relying on a "hunter-gatherer" subsistence,

requiring seasonal movement, with pathways dictated by the sequence of ripening fruits and seeds and the availability of game animals. Food was gathered in season and stored in caches along migrational pathways. Material possessions were kept to a minimum and the simplicity of the dwellings took full advantage of naturally occurring rock shelters and available trees and shrubs.

To the Ute living in such a manner, survival was family dependent and kinship was probably strong. Related families lived and traveled closely to each other. The size of their territory was directly influenced by the wealth of its resources. Territory claimed by families in arid regions was much larger than that claimed in areas with abundant springs, vegetation, and wildlife. Infrequently, usually in the winter, these various family groups gathered together to trade and exchange stories. At these meetings families mingled, sons and daughters courted, and the rich cultural traditions of dances, songs, storytelling, games, and music were probably celebrated.

Because most of the remains of such a lifestyle disappear quickly into the soil, the Ute's pre-history has been easily overshadowed by the plentiful material wealth of the Fremont and Anasazi cultures who occupied much the same area from about 100 A.D. to 1250 A.D. It is not really known how the Ute fit into

this early history of the Colorado Plateau because it is not known when they first arrived here.

Linguistic evidence would place the Ute on the Plateau no earlier than 1100 A.D. fostering the theory that the Ute were a contributing factor in the "disappearance" of the Fremont and Anasazi by the early 1300's. Another theory gives the Ute a much older residency on the Plateau and has them taking up the Fremont and Anasazi life-ways, then abandoning them in favor of their previous hunter-gatherer culture when conditions favored such a re-adjustment. Whenever the Ute may have arrived on the Plateau, we know that they were here at least by the 1300s, but it is another 400 years before we have a written record of the Ute in eastern Utah.

Sometime around 1630, the Southern Utes had obtained the horse from the Spanish. By the time we reach of the first recorded Spanish contact with the Ute in eastern Utah in the mid-1700s, these "magic dogs" were already becoming a part of Ute lifestyle. With the addition of the horse, larger quantities of fruits and berries could be gathered more extensively and easily carried to a central location, allowing the size of a community to become larger. More people began to move to abundant food areas. Hunting, especially for buffalo, was greatly augmented. The hunters could not only

stalk their prey for greater distances, they could also use the horse as a pack animal to return the meat and hide to the community camp. Because the Ute obtained their "magic dogs" some 50 to 100 years earlier than most of the tribes in the area, their raids on these tribes were more successful.

These successes brought a wider variety of material goods from other cultures, such as cotton, woolen goods and pottery from the Navajo and Pueblo tribes, and the tepee and beadwork from the plains tribes.

Fine horses quickly became the greatest wealth and pride of the Ute Nation. A man's wealth and relative importance in the band began to be measured in part by the number of horses he owned, sometimes up to a hundred at a time. For women, the new attention to the care and breeding of horses took much of the man's time and the traditionally male job of curing hides, for which the Ute were well known, was a duty turned over to women.

From the white man the Ute acquired not only horses, but guns as well. With these new strengths, the Ute became allied with the powerful Comanches and Apaches and became known as one of the most successful of the warring tribes. Because organized warfare and raiding required a center of control and authority, it became possible for one man to wield power over the tribe. The Ute now fought under the control of a chief, a new feature to the Desert Culture that had previously fostered



the cooperation of the extended family. It was also during this time that women began to follow men into war. Since it was the women who held most of the property in the Ute culture, it was their responsibility to collect the spoils of war and carry them home.

By the time the trappers and explorers of the 1800s encountered the Utes, then a population of only 3,500 to 4,000 by 1820 estimates, they had become widely recognized as expert horse traders and had effectively continued to dominate and preserve the land of their heritage.

By the 1830s trading posts, and forts to protect them, were established on the fringes of Ute territory. By the end of the Mexican War in 1846, pioneer settlers had already started to invade Ute domain. There would be no equivalent to the "Magic Dogs" to be obtained from these invaders. In countless Ute homelands, the large herds of deer and elk disappeared and favorite campsites and springs were overrun with white settlers. Between 1860 and 1880 the policy of the U.S. had become one of containment, to move the Indians to reservations and convince them to accept the new lands and take up farming, a lifestyle still basically foreign and undestreable to many of the Ute bands, whose strong wanderlust and seasonal migrations were basic to the cycles of life, the harmony of nature. One of the last North American tribes to be contained, most of the Utes were confined on reservations by 1880. The one exception, now settled on White Mesa south of



Blanding, is a splinter group of a Southern Ute band. It is the only sizeable group of Utes that was allowed to remain in their homeland outside the reservations after the 1880s.

Today the Utes' official land holdings have been reduced primarily to the Utah-Ouray reservation in Utah and the Ute Mountain and Southern Ute Indian Reservation in southern Colorado. Survival of the Ute culture today is dependent on very different circumstances from the Desert Culture of their past when their existence was determined by their ability to understand the cycle of life, to accurately observe the growth of plants and the migrational patterns of deer and elk. The power and prestige acquired from the "Magic Dogs" has fallen into history books and legend. Today the Utes' lives are detached from the old traditions by a century of struggle: a struggle to salvage selected elements of their culture and to at the same time their culture and to at the same time juggle the economics of their land and their people.

Many of the traditions, the legends, the Ute's heritage of the past, have been lost, but as you explore this country, give the stealthful walk of Coyote to your feet, the perceptive look of Eagle to your eyes, and listen with the discrimination of Owl. Hidden in the curve of magnificent sandstone arches, buried under the blanket of pine needles and cottonwood leaves, remnants of the Utes of the past wait like silent ghosts.

--B.J. Eardley

Lyons Chapter Executive Board Meeting, October 25, 1986 at 1001 Peakview Circle, Boulder, 1:30 PM.

CALL TO ORDER: Boyle. Present were Barnes, Clubb, Christensen, Lacey, Sucke.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion of upcoming speakers with suggestions offered for several months ahead. Tentative speaker for November, Dr. Robert Hohlfeder on underwater archaeology offshore Israel. Clubb to confirm. Board wants to confirm Dr. Jack Eddy for program on sunspots early in 1987.

**Brief discussion of Christmas party. Vista Village Clubhouse, 5000 Butte, Boulder; catered buffet, door prizes, \$5 ea. Dec. 20th.

**PAAC. Pipkin, PAAC Coordinator absent. Clubb reported that Chapter members survey indicated most interest in Ceramics and Historical Archaeology for upcoming classes for first part of 1987. Research Design class just completed was very successful. Dating Methods class starts Oct. 30 at the Colorado Heritage Center, Denver.

**Report of Nominating Committee: see October Calumet for slate.

Will be presented to membership at Oct. 28 business meeting.

**Annual Meeting CAS: Boyle and Clubb reported on events. PAAC changes suggested by Lyons Chapter were adopted and are now in effect. A message from Frank Adkins on the duties and responsibilities of all CAS chapter officers was brought to the Board and it was agreed that a copy be furnished each new officer for 1987. Copy of Chapter activities report to State Archaeologist and copy of letter regarding the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund was given to Board Members.

**Plains Conference: Clubb reported on her volunteer lineup and discussed procedures. Dates are Nov. 19-20-21, Hotel Marriott South, Denver. Lyons Chapter to man registration tables.

**Second CAS Encampment 1987: Victoria Sounart 1986 CAS President will be Chairman. Planned for weekend of July 4th near Durango.

**Workshops: Clubb's pine needle basketry began Nov. 22 with 9 participants. There will be two more sessions and another workshop to begin later. Fee: \$5. Lacey will conduct a flintknapping workshop in late spring, probably late May.

**Librarian's report: Barnes and her committee will cull out all titles and decide what books the Chapter will keep. Board to give final approval. Chapter members to be given first choice on any to be disposed of. Others may be donated to Reading Room, Anthropology Department, C.U.

NEW BUSINESS:

**There will be no Executive Board Meeting in December. Board will meet Tuesday, Jan. 20, 7 PM, at Cleo Barnes, 801 Gillaspie Dr., #110, Boulder. This will be the first Board meeting for new officers. All 1986 Board members and Committee Chairmen to attend and transfer books.

**The CU Henderson Museum will have a Navajo weaving seminar, silent auction and reception Nov. 14 & 15. Auction to benefit the Joe Ben Wheat Research Center at Yellow Jacket. The museum requested our membership list for mailing invitations. Board granted request on condition that they use it for this event only and not sell or give list to any other entity.

**Clubb will investigate a new Tee shirt manufacturer about possible Chapter tee shirts with Lyons Chapter logo.

**Lacey showed note card designs featuring projectile points he has created and Board asked that he investigate printing cost with the possibility of the Chapter selling them.

**November Board meeting will be at Sucke's, 972 Martin Road, Longmont, Nov. 11, 7 PM. (Editor's note: Meeting cancelled)

- Mary Sucke, Secretary

LYONS CHAPTER REGULAR MEETING, OCT. 28.

Call to order: Boyle at 7:30 PM, Room 199, Hellems Bldg, C. U. Campus, Boulder.

****Announcements:** Pipkin, PAAC Classes. See details in Calumet.

Clubb: Basketry workshop, Flintknapping workshop, Plains Conference, Navajo Weaving Seminar. All written up in detail in Calumet. Sign-up sheets available at meeting. Also sign-up for Christmas Party, Dec. 20.

****Treasurer's Report:** \$180.80.

****Boyle** showed CAS pins available for \$5 and took orders.

****Brooks** announced new Yellow Jacket book. Would be available at next meeting

****Barnes** announced library committee book plans.

****Rabbit Mountain** final survey will be Nov. 8th. Sign-up at meeting.

Indian Mountain survey postponed indefinitely because of weather.

Pipkins read slate of 1987 officers and asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, V. Derr moved that we accept the slate.

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

The program was an extremely interesting talk with slides by Dr. Haroula T. Evjen on an early Bronze Age site excavation she participated in near Thebes, Greece and also an earlier Neolithic site at Chaeroneia.

Mary Sucke, Secretary



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BALLOT FOR 1987 OFFICERS

Write In Votes

PRESIDENT: Sue Struthers _____

VICE PRESIDENT: William Maxson _____

SECRETARY: Anita McHugh _____

TREASURER: Patricia Hatfield _____

Election to be held Nov. 25, 1986. Absentee ballots must be received by Nov. 24th (Monday). Mail to P. O. Box 663, Niwot, CO 80544

1987 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership in the Lyons Chapter runs concurrently with membership in the Colorado Archaeological Society with payment of combined dues.

Individual - \$15.00 (\$10.00 State, \$5.00 Chapter)

Family - \$22.00 (\$15.00 State, \$7.00 Chapter)

Memberships run from January 1, 1987 thru December 31, 1987

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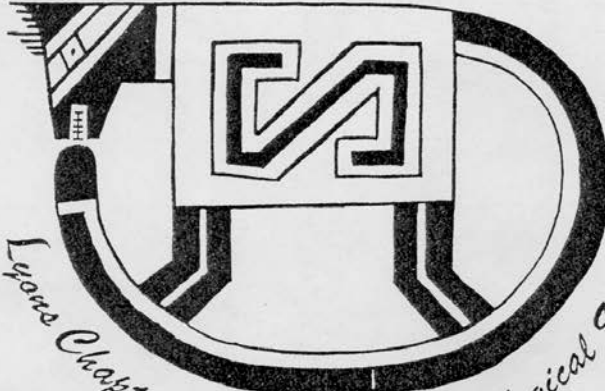
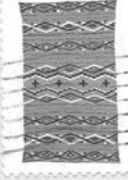
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