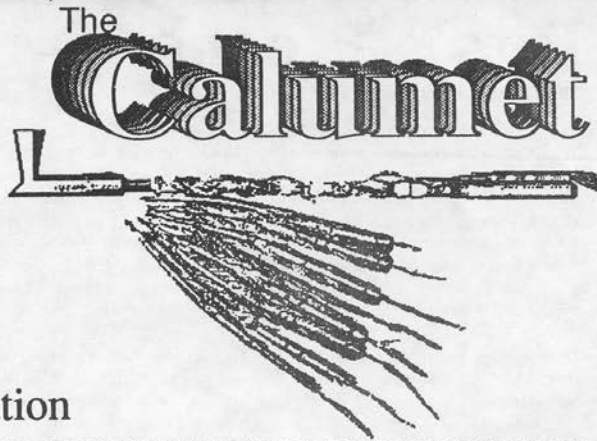




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Calendar of Events

- April 4 PAAC Class on COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY. Contact Ann Pipkins, 449-0851, for details.
- April 15 Quarterly meeting of CAS, Anazazi Heritage Center, Cortez.
- April 18 Lyons Chapter Executive Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., at Bill Maxson's, 827 Maxwell, #E, Boulder: 447-1947
- April 22 Field survey, historic farm house near Lyons. Meet at Ann Pipkins' club house on North 19th, Boulder. Call Ann, 449-0851, or Louise Derr, 449-2065, for directions.
- April 25 Lyons Chapter regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Hellem's 252 on the CU campus. Our speaker will be Priscilla Ellwood, research assistant, CU Henderson Museum. Her talk will be on Plains Pottery.
- May 20 Flint-knapping workshop at the home of Lee Lacey, 2262 Juniper Court, Boulder, 442-4400.

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Bits & Pieces

From the PREZ

For new members and members who have not taken any PAAC classes, I urge you to attend these classes. I have found that the more you know about a subject, the more interesting it becomes. One of the best values in learning about archaeology is through our PAAC classes. For \$10.00 Kevin Black, who teaches the courses for the State Archaeologist, will give you a storehouse full of knowledge. You can take the course for credit for the surveyor's certificate, as an avocational archaeologist or you can audit the courses. Remember that our first PAAC course in Boulder will be April 4th on Colorado Archaeology.

We will make our first survey for this season on Saturday, April 22nd. Louise Derr and Ann Pitkins will lead the survey to document a farm house built by Swiss immigrants around 1900 near Lyons. We will meet at Ann Pitkins' club house, which is located in a trailer park in north Boulder. To get there, go north on 19th Street, which ends at Ann's trailer park. The club house is just inside the entrance to the trailer park on the left.

On March 17th I attended a briefing on an Anasazi National Monument study being done by the park service, BLM, and the forest service. Besides these three services, there were representatives present at the briefing from the Environmental Defense Fund, the CU Henderson Museum, the State Archaeologist, CAS, and other groups. The study group had identified about twenty sites to probably be administered by the Park Service. The following are some problems I had with the study:

- (1) The study was so confusing that I am not sure what the objective is.
- (2) There are a lot more than twenty Anasazi sites (over 200) in the Cortez area. What will happen to these sites?
- (3) The BLM representative said that BLM has been putting markers on Anasazi sites. Unfortunately, the public thinks that if a site doesn't have a marker, they are free to pot-hunt the site. Would the sites not included in the Monument study be an invitation to pot-hunting? This is a problem in educating the public and enforcing the law against pot-hunting, which was not discussed at this meeting.
- (4) The BLM representative strongly stated that their policy is Multiple Land Use. In other words, oil and gas drilling, cattle grazing, and lumbering would take preference over preservation. Some of the twenty sites are on private property, including two sites owned by the Archaeological Conservatory. If the Park Service has a Multiple Land Use policy for the twenty sites, then they cannot protect the sites as well as the Archaeological Conservatory and probably other sites on private land.

These concerns were expressed at the meeting. We will have to wait for the report due September 1989 to see if these concerns are answered.

The following are items discussed at your Executive Board Meeting on March 14th:

- (1) Our Treasurer reported a balance of \$493 in the Chapter's checking account.
- (2) Ways and Means: T-shirts and Note Cards will be sold at our

PAAC

COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY

Colorado has a rich and varied heritage of archaeological resources spanning a time frame of some 12,000 years. COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY will introduce you to the variety and excitement of these resources.

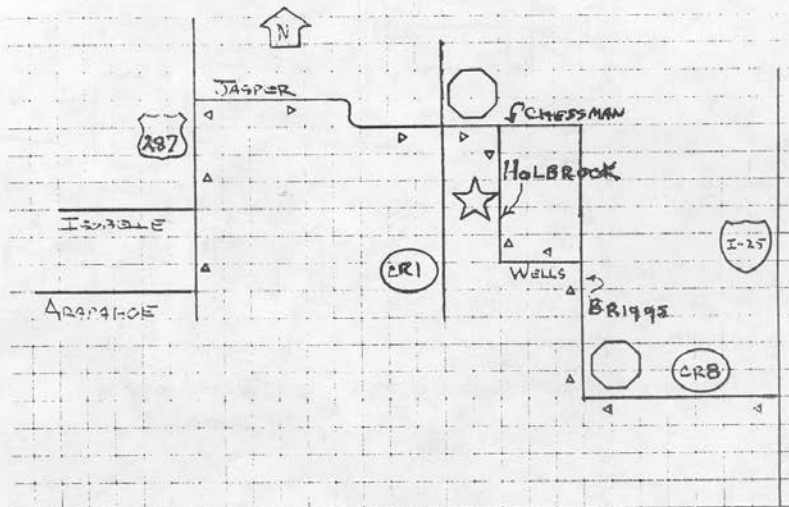
Kevin Black, the Assistant State Archaeologist, will be teaching this PAAC course at the Erie United Methodist Fellowship Hall (sometimes known as Lippincotts' place) 604 Holbrook Street, Erie, on Tuesday, April 4, Tuesday, April 11, Wednesday, April 26, Tuesday, May 9, and Tuesday, May 16. Class is from 7 to 9:30 p.m., and refreshments are available. The fee is \$10, and there will be a test for those who wish to take the class for certification.

PAAC classes are a great way to meet other avocational archaeologists, rub elbows with the professionals, and especially to learn more about the cultural resources of this state and what each of us can do to help in their preservation.

Increasing our awareness of the known resources, can make us more aware of those yet-undiscovered resources as we spend time on the plains and in the mountains.

Archaeological discoveries are more happenstance than one might believe. Many of the most significant finds have been made by non-archaeologists. Training in the various disciplines of archaeology can help you to better understand what might be present, what a site might look like, and where it might be located. After all, the Wetherills were cow persons who at first only dimly recognized that they had found when they first encountered the Anasazi culture.

You can reach Erie from Boulder via Arapahoe Road and U.S. 287, from Ft. Collins, Denver, or Longmont, via I-25. Then follow the map. For guidance call 828-3144 or ask anyone where the Church or Town Hall is located.

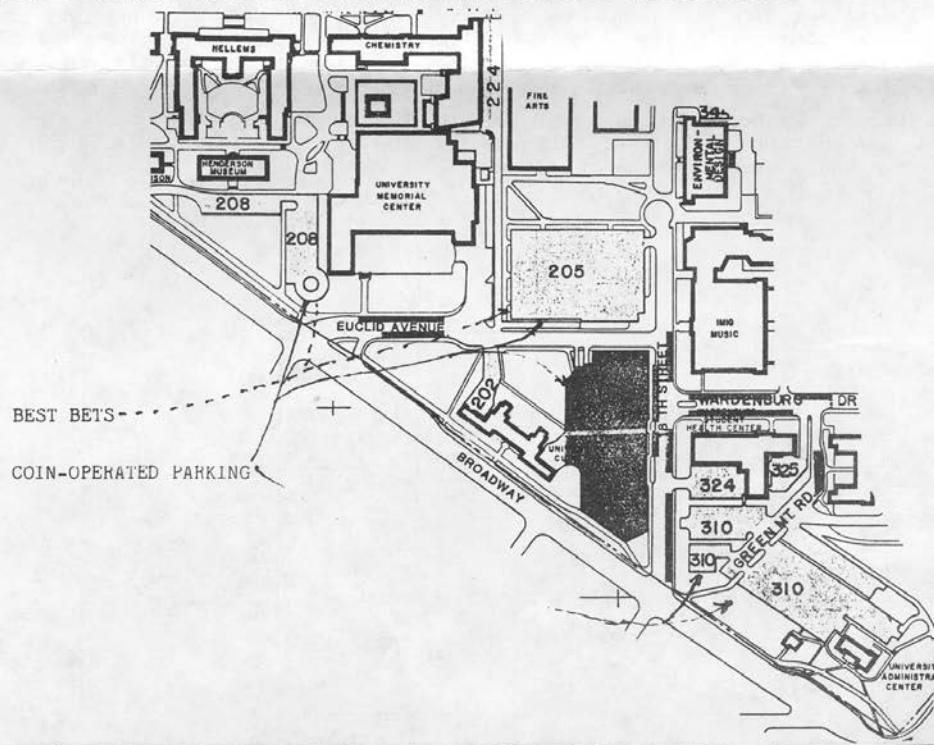


Chapter Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday, April 25, 1989 TIME: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
WHERE: Hellems 252 PROGRAM: Plains Pottery
SPEAKER: Priscilla Ellwood

Priscilla is currently a research associate at the pottery lab at CU's Henderson Museum. She received her master's from CU. Her master's work focused on all the ceramics from the Yellowjacket excavations from 1957-1975. Priscilla is also going to embark on a "design analysis" from the Yellowjacket collections for Dr. Joe Ben Wheat.

Priscilla's work with the Colorado Highway Department on the Bayou Gulch Project and its 600 whole and partial Woodland and Upper Republican pot fragments brought her to focus on plains pottery. Lack of whole and near-whole pots in Colorado, forces her to Lincoln, Neb., where a wonderful collection has been amassed. This collection is the result of the work of the River Basin Survey, the WPA, Dr. Walter Wedel, and Dr. Marvin Kevitt. Priscilla, inspired by this collection, has developed extensive slides and descriptions of Plains pottery, assembled several vessels at the Henderson Pottery Lab, and has as her goal, a publication on Plains pottery that will be of significant benefit to Colorado and all Plains archaeologists.





Desert Wind by Leni Clubb

I take back all the things I ever said about the state of Texas. From El Paso to College Station, it is ever-changing; from desert to mountains; then rolling, newly-green hills with trees just leafing out and blue bonnets blooming on the roadsides. We like Texas!! We are here visiting relatives and our dear Lyons Chapter friends, Dick and Cleo Barnes, who now live in Temple.

On April 1, we started out for Louisiana and Poverty Point, one of the largest and most impressive pre-historic archaeological sites in North America. It is located along the Bayou Macon in northeastern Louisiana, near the little town of Epps. Some of you may have traveled to Europe, or visited Stonehenge or the pyramids. Sometime visit Poverty Point and see some of the best sights of an ancient world in the Americas. The mounds and earthworks at Poverty Point are only thirty-five times bigger by volume than the Great Pyramids of Khufu in Egypt.

Poverty Point is one of North America's most important pre-historic sites. The mounds and miles of earthworks cover such a huge area that the geometric plan was not discovered by archaeologists until aerial photographs were made of the site in the 1940s. The people who lived at the site made many of the same tools and ornaments as other Archaic people, but they build a mound complex that is unique in North America.

Many of the artifacts found show an Olmec influence. Many hundreds of beads and effigy figures were found on the surface of the site. Most of them are plain, but figures of owls carved of hard red jasper are the most popular effigy type. Cruder clay figurines of people exhibiting the ever-present Olmec cleft head trait, recall the Olmec white ware figurines found across the Gulf of Mexico.

Before Poverty Point was purchased by the state of Louisiana to make an archaeological park, artifacts were found in the then-plowed fields at the site in great quantities. Projectile points, scrapers, and knives were made of stone imported from hundreds of miles away. Soapstone bowls were made from rock quarried in the Appalachian Mountains. Beads, gorgets, and plummets were made from quartz, hematite, slate, and green schist that originated in areas as distant as the Ozark Mountains and the Ohio Valley. Especially common at Poverty Point are the many tons of ceramic that have been found on and in the octagonal ridges. One archaeologist estimates that there must be some 24 million of these objects at the site, based on how many thousands of them are found whenever an excavation is carried out.

(To be continued next month with a description of the site itself.)

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WHITE MESA INSTITUTE TRIPS 1989

TRACING THE WETHERILL EXPLORATIONS OF 1890'S IN GRAND GULCH

Document Anasazi rock art and cave sites of the 2 Wetherill Explorations of 1890's in the company of knowledgeable area experts.

Rating: 3-4, Horses will carry all gear into Grand Gulch. Hike with day packs.

Program 2: April 7-13

Program 23: October 22-27

CHACO CANYON - A HIGH DESERT ADVENTURE - Chaco, New Mexico
Nancy Shanaman, WMI Staff, archeologists

A spring trip to the grand archeological site of Chaco. Learn about the mysteries of unique Anasazi life in Chaco Canyon. Explore the meanings of the great kivas, the complex road system, the magnificent structures. Enroute visit Aztec National Monument and Salmon Ruins.

Rating: 2-3, Base camp with vehicle support, day hikes.

Program 3: April 16-19 Nancy Shanaman

Program 6: May 16-19 WMI staff \$290.00

CANYON DE CHELLY - RUINS, ROCK ART AND RED WALLED CANYONS - Arizona
Navajo Guides: the Dave Wilson Family

Experience Anasazi, Pueblo, Navajo rock art and ruins, in two spectacular canyons, seldom seen by the casual visitor. Camp at a Navajo summer hogan site in Canyon del Muerto, visit known and little known archeological sites. Learn about present day Navajo life. Visit Ned A. Hatathli Museum in Tsalle.

Rating: 3-4, Base camp, day hikes with 4-wheel drive support.

Program 4: April 23-26 Program 7: May 22-25 Program 8: June 5-8

Program 12: Aug. 4-7 Program 14: Aug 21-24 Program 16: Sept 4-7 \$375.00

EXPLORE WITH THE EXPERTS - UPPER CANYON DEL MUERTO

Join experts Polly Schaafsma, Von del Chamberlain, Jane Young, Harry Walters, Dave Wilson Sr., Bruce Hucko for a truly one-of-a-kind opportunity to camp with leading experts in the fields of rock art, archeoastronomy, archeology and Native American cultures. Investigate mysterious star ceilings, and little documented rock art, surrounded by spectacular scenery.

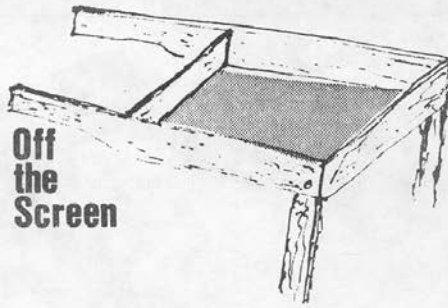
Program 10: June 26-30 \$435.00

ROCK ART FOR ARTISTS - UPPER CANYON DE CHELLY - Joe Pachak

Follow your artistic inclination in the company of visual artists, writers and musicians. Visit little known scenic sites in Upper Canyon de Chelly. Be inspired by the ceremonialism of prehistoric rock art. Program 5: May 14-18 \$385.00

For information on these trips and MORE contact Ann Moller - 444-2050 (evenings)

or
White Mesa Institute, CEU/San Juan Campus, 639 West 100 South (50-1), Blanding, Utah
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**Off
the
Screen**

Spring hath unwrapped the flowers, and also the avocational archaeologists...it's field survey time. This is the time to put all that PAAC knowledge to work and get some time in the sun and open spaces. We have an exciting lineup this year so you can take your choice. The operational word here is TAKE!!! Field work is not something that gets done automatically...you and I have to do it. And, IT IS FUN!!!

Here's the lineup for this year:

- Beech Property with Sue Struthers and Bob Mutaw as field directors
- Alpine (that's up in the mountains) with Jean Kindig as field director
- Open Space (Boulder County) with Larry Riggs as field director
- Arapahoe Bridge (likely historic) with Laura Viola as field director
- Boulder County Survey for Henderson Museum, with Ann Pipkins and Louise Durr

In addition, there will be a historic survey of a Swedish-built house near Lyons on Saturday, April 22. The field crew will meet at Ann Pipkins club house at the north end of 19th Street, Boulder at 9 a.m. and car-pool to the site.



"Just think ... Here we are, the afternoon sun beating down on us, a dead, bloated rhino underfoot, and good friends flying in from all over. ... I tell you, Frank, this is the best of times."

The deadline for the next issue of the CALUMET is April 20.

Let's keep this in mind since the old Editor gets a little crabby if it's missed.



"It's Bob, all right ... but look at those vacuous eyes, that stupid grin on his face —he's been domesticated, I tell you."



Petroglyphs
of the
Southwest
first edition



Sale of Note Cards

at March & April
membership meetings
designed by CAS members Janet Lever & Ann Hayes

Proceeds help produce this newsletter

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regular meeting. Please see the ad in our news letter for note cards.

(3) The University Book Store at CU donated 640 topographic maps to our chapter. The topo maps cover most of Colorado and will be given to other chapters that can use them. Thank you Bill Boyle.

NEW MEMBERS: Lillian Scott-Bher, 3969 Wonderland Hill Ave., Boulder, 443-0727; John M. Horner, 3166 Eastwood Ct. Boulder, 440-8125; John Corvell, 931 Grandview, Boulder, 443-6843; Kenneth (Red) Gramstad, Box 395, Ocotillo, CA 92259.

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16	17	18 PAAC CLASS & EXEC. BOARD MEETING	19	20	21	22 FIELD SURVEY HISTORIC FARM-HOUSE
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