



Newsletter for the Indian Peaks Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, April 21 / Denver CAS regular meeting. Dr. Dorie Reents-Budets, Duke University Museum of Art, will speak on "The language of Classic Mayan Pottery, 7:30 pm, Ricketson Auditorium, 2001 Colorado Blvd., Denver.

Saturday, April 24 / CAS Quarterly State Board Meeting hosted by Denver CAS at the Plains Conservation Center, 21901 East Hampton Ave. in Aurora. Includes a tour of the Plains Center Conservation Center.

Saturday, April 25 & Sunday, April 26 / Visit the Swallow either or both days. See story in the CALUMET

April 25 to May 1 / COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY PRESERVATION

Tuesday, April 27 / IPCAS Regular Meeting, "An Illustrated History of the Swallow Site", Speaker: Bill Hammond of Denver CAS, This will be our offering for Archaeology Week.

Saturday, May 8 / Stone Circles Field Trip with Dock Teegarden. Meet 10:00 am at the Flatirons Mesa Overlook. To sign up, call Steve Montgomery, 443-4414. See Story in the CALUMET.

Tuesday, May 25 / IPCAS Regular Meeting / Michael Burney will speak on "The Archaeology of Dowe Flats". (See article inside)

Sometime in July and August / Pending outcome of Rock Creek grant proposal, 5 weeks of intensive excavation at Rock Creek under the direction of Pete and Carol Gleichman. Many volunteers needed! To express interest, call Edna Devai, 494-4524.

July 3 - 8 / 8th Annual CAS Encampment and Atlatl Contest north of Steamboat Springs at Seedhouse Campground in the Routt National Forest Watch for news.

July 5 - 10 / Excavation of 7 ancient hearths on Arapahoe Pass under the direction of Jim Benedict. Call Steve Montgomery, 443-4414.

July 13 - 22 / PAAC SUMMER TRAINING SURVEY at Heckendorf State Wildlife Area near Buena Vista. Contact Kevin Black at 866-4671.

July 16 - 18 / IPCAS hosts San Juan CAS. Saturday tour of the Earl Morris collection at CU Museum. Sunday hike to high altitude game drive sites along the Continental Divide.

July 31 / CAS QUARTERLYSTATE BOARD MEETING

Indian Peaks Horizons

The IPCAS Board has been working hard to pull together our summer field program. There are many exciting offerings. We've published dates for events and opportunities through July so you can get a long range view and decide what commitments you'd like to make.

We are holding our breaths about the outcome of the IPCASsponsored grant application to the Colorado Historic Fund for a \$29,292 grant to excavate at Rock Creek this summer. (For background, see Rick Lippincott's articles in the August 1992 and February 1993 CALUMETS) We'll know May 20th if we're to be funded in whole or in part. If so, we'll have to mobilize fast for 5 straight weeks of hard work starting early in July. There will be 3 professional staff, including Pete and Carol Gleichman. 6 to 8 crew slots will be open each day to IPCAS members, CU anthro students. and volunteering professionals. There's a place for everyone to participate in excavating and recording the most exciting prehistoric Boulder county site east of the Front Rangel Cultural data recovered from the approximately 56 sq meter area currently at risk of erosion by Rock Creek will make an important contribution to our understanding of northwestern Great Plains archaeology. Principle investigator, Pete Gleichman, has promised that we'll definitely do some work there this summer whatever the outcome of the proposal, so stay tuned. To express an interest in participating, call Edna Devai

Is high altitude archaeology to your taste? Again this summer (July 5 - 10) there is an opportunity to excavate ancient hearths in the Arapahoe Pass area under the direction of Jim Benedict. See Steve Montgomery's plea for helping hands - and he means it!

Have you ever visited the Swallow Site? One way is to attend Bill Hammond's talk on the Swallow site at our regular meeting on Tuesday, April 27. However there's a great opportunity to visit the site itself the weekend before Bill's talk. Denver CAS has extended a special invitation to all CAS members to visit and work at the site from 9 am to 4 pm on Saturday, April 24 and Sunday April 25, in conjunction with the April 24 State Board Meeting. There's more about it in this issue of the CALUMET.

Seven IPCAS members had a marvelous time visiting archaeological sites in Belize over spring break. The highlight was Caracol, the principle rival of Guatamala's Tikal. More about that in the June CALUMET.

Ann Hayes, IPCAS President

CONSERVATION PRESERVATION EDUCATION EXPLORATION

GET WELL DOCK!

For once, Dock Teegarden is taking it easy, recovering from recent surgery. He calls it his "750,000 mile overhaul". After this, he promises to be good for a couple million more miles.

IPCAS LIBRARY FINDS A HOME!

The announcement that the entombed IPCAS library was to be donated to Western State College in Gunnison was the shock heard round the world. In the midst of protests from all sides, IPCAS member Bob Mutaw, an archaeologist living in Louisville, offered to shelve the library in his home and make it available to IPCAS members. (For the past two years, the Lippincotts have kindly stored it at the Erie Methodist Church.) We are looking for help unpacking and sorting it prior to the move. Bob Powell is providing forms to help us catalog it. If you'd care to help, call Ann Hayes at 494-3773.

SAN JUAN CAS TO VISIT BOULDER

Members of the San Juan Chapter CAS generously hosted IPCAS members during the Four Corners Grand Tour last September. We were invited to brunch at the Durango home of John Sanders who then guided us on a tour of the Falls Creek Rock Shelters. We will reciprocate when some of them come to Boulder over the weekend of July 16 - 17. (We will soon know how many decide to make the trip.) They would like to visit some of our high altitude game drive sites and tour of the Earl Morris collection at the CU Museum, if this can be arranged. Who can provide bed space or floor space? Call Ann Hayes, 494-3773.

SPECIAL INVITATION TO VISIT THE SWALLOW SITE

The Denver Chapter has invited all CAS members to their ongoing dig at the Swallow site on Saturday April 24 and Sunday, April 25, 9 to 4. The Swallow Site, so named because of the cliff swallows that nest in the canyons above it, is a multi-component site located on Ken Carl Ranch, where Denver CAS has been working since 1983. Gordy Tucker, Denver CAS President, has extended a warm invitation to participate in the dig and to attend the CAS Quarterly Meeting which take place the same Saturday, "We are a small organization and need all the friends we can get, especially each other", says he.

The meeting will be held from 9 - 4 at the Plains Conservation Center, 21901 E. Hampton Ave. A tour of the PCC is included. The Swallow Site is located on the Ken Carl Ranch property, 10 miles southeast of Littleton. To reach it, take C-470 East from Rt 285 or West from I-25 to the exit at S. Wasdworth Blvd. Turn South on S. Wadsworth Blvd. and continue 1/4 mile to traffic light on Deer Creek Canyon Rd. Turn Rt. on Deer Creek Canyon Rd. and Go 1.4 mi. to a stop sign. Turn left and continue through the hogbacks about 2 miles to a gate in the fence on your right. Turn right through the gate (Please close it) and up the dirt road. Continue .3 miles to the Swallow Site.

Ann Hayes will be attending the State Board meeting on Saturday, and would be happy to car pool. So you could take advantage of one or both opportunities. Ann Hayes 494-3773.

STONE CIRCLE FIELD TRIP OFFERED AGAIN

We have rescheduled Dock Teegarden's <u>Stone Circle Field Trip</u> for Saturday, May 8. The trip was canceled last November due to snow. Background on the tepee rings may be found in the November 1992 CALUMET. Meet at 10:00 am at the Flatirons Vista Trailhead, 2.2.

miles south of Eldorado Canyon Drive (# 170) in the parking area on the west side of Hwy #93. It's a flat walk of 1/2 mile to the site. Wear good boots and bring a bag lunch. Sorry but dogs and children are not allowed. For more information and to sign up, call Steve Montgomery, 443-4414.

HECKENDORF WILDLIFE AREA PAAC SURVEY

Kevin Black will be leading a survey in the Heckendorf Wildlife Area on July 13-22, 1993. This is a "training survey" designed to help participants complete PAAC certification requirements. The Heckendorf Wildlife Area is located outside of Buena Vista. To sign up, call Kevin at 886-4671.

ROCK CREEK ON COLORADO STATE HISTORIC REGISTER

Rock Creek Camp has been listed on the State Resister of Historic Properties effective 10 March, 1993.

The successful nomination of Rock Creek Camp (5BL2712) to the State Register was crucial to the Chapter's grant application for funding to excavate the site starting in July of this year. Only properties listed on the State or National Historic Register, are eligible to receive grants from the Colorado Historic Preservation Fund.

The Chapter has requested \$28,292 to complete field work, analysis of materials including radio-carbon dating, and a final report on Rock Creek Camp. Total cost of the project is estimated at \$46,692, of which \$17,400 is in-kind donations of labor, equipment, and report preparation.

Rock Creek Camp is an Early Archaic and Ceramic (Plains Woodland) Period site threatened by erosion of the north bank of Rock Creek in southeastern Boulder County.

The field work will consist of completing excavation of 56 square meters of erosional bank involving the Early Ceramic Period camp, excavation of the remaining hearth area of the Early Archaic site.

The initial data from excavations on the Early Ceramic portion of the site suggests and occupation or use from approximately AD 840 to AD 1300.

Structures are sometimes found in relation to Early Ceramic Period sites, but no architectural features have so far been discovered at Rock Creek Camp.

The Early Archaic portion of the site has been dated to 6070 BP from radio-carbon tests of charcoal from the hearth. Excavations on this portion of the site will attempt to determine if any vestige of the Archaic living floor remains. The hearth was discovered in 1992 eroding out of the vertical creek bank on northwest side of the site. Approximately 60% of the hearth was lost to erosion by the time it was excavated in August, 1992.

There will be many opportunities for field school training and experience for avocational archaeologists working under the direction of Peter J. Gleichman and Bob Mutaw of Native Cultural Services, who will head the project.

Persons interested in gaining field experience in archaeological excavation and field procedures, should contact Rick Lippincott, 828-3906. Since a major goal of the project is education, we need persons willing to learn to lead groups through the excavation area, explaining what is going on and why cultural preservation is so important.

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May 25, 1993 IPCAS General Meeting.

The IPCAS general Meeting will be held on May 25 (4th Tuesday) at the NIST Auditorium, Bureau of Standards Building, 325 Broadway.

The speaker for our meeting will be **Michael Burney** who will give a slide and lecture presentation on "The Archaeology of DOWE Flats"

Dowe Flats is the valley on the west side of Rabbit Mountain near Lyons. Michael has been investigating the cultural resources of this area and has published twelve papers on his work, which has revealed the occupation of the area by Archaic peoples. Michael's work has been performed for the Southwest Portland Cement Company, the private owners of the property. Following Michael's talk, Southwestern Portland Cement will give a brief presentation on their application for a quarry development in Dowe Flats.

1993 High Altitude Archaeology Project

Help save a cultural resource and camp in the beautiful 4th of July Valley! Volunteers are needed from July 5 - 10 to work on the salvage and analysis of seven prehistoric hearths at site 58L153 that are threatened by recreational use on the Arapahoe Pass Trail in Indian Pasks Wilderness

Analysis of the hearth materials will contribute to our knowledge of how and if the use of this site is related to the nearby game drives along the Continental Divide.

In the summer of 1992 IPCAS volunteers executed a joint venture with the Forest Service to salvage a single hearth out of the trail where it crosses site 5BL153. No formal excavation had ever been done on this well known site. Jim Benedict, Colorado's foremost high country archaeologist directed the excavation. The hearth yielded lithic debitage and a charcoal sample which radiocarbon dated @ 855 ± £ 55.8 [

While working one the '92 hearth we observed numerous other hearths weathering out of the banks of the trail where the Forest Service is planning a trail reconstruction project IPCAS is now negotiating an expansion of our original agreement with the Forest Service to retrieve the materials in these hearths this summer, again under Jim Benedict's direction, and issue a final report on the combined results of the '92 and '93 seasons. Call Steve Montgom-

OF INTEREST IN DENVER

Dr Robert Hohlfelder will be presenting two lectures on Turkey at the Denver Museum of Natural History. The first, May 6, is "On and Under an Ancient Sea: Seafaring and Marine Archaeology in the Eastern Mediterranean". The second, May 13, is "Glimpses of City Life in Roman Asia Minor". Each lecture starts at 7:00 pm in Ricketson Auditorium and costs \$7.00 for non (DMNH) members. Call the museum, 322-7009 for tickets or information. The lecture codes are TU-TK1 & TU-TK2.

IN SUPPORT

Our thoughts are with Kay Evatz, one of our charter members, as we learned of the death of her husband, Ted Evatz, on Feb 27, 1993. Take care ... Kay.

MARCH/APRIL '93 IP EX BD MTG (4/8/93)

Minutes of February 1993 were read and approved.

Vice President

- 1. The chapter made \$50 on book sales at the February meeting.
- 2. The speaker at the regular May meeting will be Michael Burney.

New Business

- Pete Gleichman gave an update on the Rock Creek Project. He is confident that the grant will be approved but will not know for certain until the end of May. The field work will begin in July and many CAS volunteers and CU students will be required. Only the portions of the site threatened by erosion will be excavated initially.
- 2. John Lohr and Mike Figgs of Southwest Portland Cement made a presentation to the board on the proposed Dowe Flats project, (near Lyons). They are requesting CAS involvement and comment on the permit process. The board requested a copy of the archaeology portion of the permit. Upon receipt, any member wishing to review this material may do so. Further information regarding the Dowe site will be presented at the general May meeting.

Old Rusiness

- 1. Archaeology Week is April 25 to May 1, 1993.
- Bob Mutaw, a professional archaeologist living in Louisville, is willing to house our library. Pete Gleichman, Bob Powell and Pam Baker agreed to help catalogue the material but more chapter volunteers are needed.
- 3.the San Juan Chapter will visit us July 16 and 17, 1993. We need housing for them.

Submitted by Sally Meisenhelder, Secretary,

NOTE: The next Executive Board meeing will be held on May 20, at 7:30 pm, at the home of Edna Devai-Alth, (494-4524), 1125 Claremont Drive, Boulder. Interested members are welcome.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Dave Picard, Eden Weller, Harriet & Bill Cullen, Tom & Ginny Cree.

A NEW LOOK FOR OUR NEWSLETTER

By this time you've noticed a big change in the format of our newsletter. It took a lot of effort on the part of several team members to make it a reality. Thanks to all and a special thank you to Linda Parks, who developed the basic design of the letter on her beloved "MAC" and did the artwork on our chapter symbol, the "pipe" or CALUMET. I must add that I now have a far greater appreciation for the inherent differences between the MAC and the PC. Seriously Linda, we really appreciated your help and hope that your Desktop Publishing business is a great success.

Your comments and constructive criticism are invited. EDITOR

1993 INDIAN PEAKS OFFICERS

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