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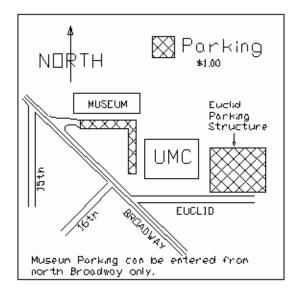
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Newsletter of the Indian Peaks Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society DECEMBER 2000

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

General (lecture) meetings are held in the University of Colorado Museum, Dinosaur Room Second Thursday of each Month, at 7:00 PM. The public is always welcome.



The following is a situation that will last through next summer:

I'm sure you noticed that our Museum parking lot 208 is off limits to non-permit holders, even at night. So, would you please pass that on to your members? They can park in the Euclid parking structure for \$1.25. Euclid parking lot is east of the Museum on Euclid. Just want to avoid tickets and towing.

Thanks, Carol Kliger

After parking in the Euclid Parking Structure, walk west on Euclid to Broadway, follow Broadway on the sidewalk for one block and drop down into the Museum parking lot. It is only a few hundred yards.

- December 6 PAAC Class Historic Archaeology, 7:00 PM The Foothills Nature Center (Wednesday)
- December 7 Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM Alterra Villas at the Atrium
- December 12 PAAC Class Historic Archaeology, 7:00 PM The Foothills Nature Center (Tuesday)

December 14 IPCAS Christmas Party, 7 PM. The annual Christmas Party is a pot-luck dinner, followed by the famous (or infamous) White Mammoth Gift Exchange.

December 20 Deadline for articles or information to appear in the January, 2001 Calumet

Memberships to renew in December: Steve Montgomery, Bill Rosquist, and Thomas Van Zandt.

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- January 4 Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM Alterra Villas at the Atrium
- January 11IPCAS General Meeting, 7:00 PM
Kevin Black, Assistant Colorado Archaeologist
Topic: Discussion the PAAC Survey Project in southern Colorado
- **February Presentation** Shannon Smith, Firefighter and CU Grad Student Topic: Effects of fires and fire-fighting in and around archaeological sites

March Presentation Tom Meier, IPCAS Member Topic: Sand Creek Massacre Site.

April Presentation Jeanie Mobly-Tanaka, CU Museum Staff and Doctoral Student Topic: Yellow Jacket Site in Southwestern Colorado.

Christmas Party

Get ready for the big social event of the year for our chapter - the annual Christmas Party. It will be held at the museum at the time and date of a regular meeting. That is: 7:00 PM on December 14th. Bring your reluctant spouse or friend that may not be thrilled with archaeology (are there people like that?) because this evening is dedicated to good food, conversation, and fun. Each person (or couple) should bring a main dish and either a salad or dessert to share. The chapter will provide drinks (hot and cold), cups, paper plates, and table service. You are free to bring your own table service and refreshments, if you wish. The museum requests that no red wine be brought - it stains the carpet. We will eat promptly at 7 PM.

After everyone is full, we will enjoy the highlight of the evening - the White Mammoth Gift Exchange. This annual event allows you to get rid of something you no longer need, want, or even wish to look at (kids are not considered an appropriate exchange item!). Each **person** should bring a wrapped gift for exchange. The gifts should be of little or no value (okay, some have limited value). But wrap them nice and disguise the contents. All the gifts are placed together and each person draws a number. Number 1 goes first. At each person's turn (in numeric order), they may pick an unopened gift from the stash of presents or take a previously-opened gift from a prior person. The person who has a gift taken may pick an unopened gift from the stash or take a previously-opened gift from someone else (as long as it is <u>NOT</u> the gift that was just taken). It is possible for a number of "takes" to occur in one turn. Does it sound like a high number is better? You bet. Does it sound like fun? You bet. Dress is casual. Wear your best smile. Bring your appetite. **Prospective members and guests are always welcome**.

January, 2001 Presentation

Progress Report on the PAAC Summer Training Survey in South Park, Colorado Kevin Black, Office of the State Archaeologist of Colorado, Colorado Historical Society, Denver

An inventory of a 1600 acre tract of land in the central portion of South Park, Park County was begun last June at the Tomahawk State Wildlife Area near Hartsel, Colorado. The survey is being conducted as a training opportunity for volunteers in the Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC), sponsored by the Office of the State Archaeologist of Colorado. Nine people participated on last summer's survey. The study tract encompasses a mix of grassland and conifer woodland environments bordering the Middle Fork of the South Platte River, at an elevation range of 8980-9440 feet. During two sessions in the summer of 2000, just under 400 acres was covered in the north and west portions of the parcel, resulting in the recording of 18 sites and three isolated finds. Open camps and lithic scatters are the most common sites encountered thus far, and the majority of datable remains post-date 3000 BP. Historic period resources include the ruins of a log cabin, artifact scatters possibly related to logging activity, and a culturally peeled Ponderosa pine tree. This slide show will illustrate the landscape inventoried to date, emphasizing trends in lithic material use, settlement patterns and chronology.

Kevin Black Biography

I have worked as an archaeologist since 1976. I graduated from the University of Colorado-Boulder in 1977 (B.A.) & 1979 (M.A.-Anthropology), with graduate work for Dr. Payson Sheets in El Salvador, Central America. Following graduate school, I was employed by consulting firms in Montrose (1979-81) and Eagle, Colorado (1981-88) as a staff archaeologist, conducting inventories and excavations in the western U.S., especially in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah. Since 1988, I have been employed in my current position as Assistant State Archaeologist at the Colorado Historical Society (CHS). My primary duty is state coordinator of the Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC), largely consisting of teaching 13 different classes in archaeology for local chapters of the Colorado Archaeological Society and other groups around Colorado. I am also involved in administrative functions such as reviewing and issuing permits for archaeological and paleontological work on state land, and providing technical assistance to other CHS managers and the public. In a typical year, I also present an average of 20 talks to public and private organizations, state parks and schools. Recent field work includes inventories of state land for PAAC training at Dinosaur Ridge near Morrison, state wildlife areas near Buena Vista and Hartsel, state-leased lands near Cortez and Trinidad; and salvage excavations of several unmarked human graves all over the state. I have authored or co-authored more than 90 technical reports, 18 conference papers, and 18 publications (journal articles and book chapters).

Overdue Memberships

Please note the membership renewal date following your name on the mailing label. If your renewal date has passed or is about to occur, please renew your membership. Please renew on time - don't miss out on our great projects and chapter benefits. If your membership expired over four months ago, you will be dropped from the Calumet mailing list.

Let Us Know Which PAAC Class You Would Like

Could you send me your top three interests for the Spring PAAC class? Try to do this in the next few days.

The choices are: Colorado Archaeology, Basic Site Survey, Historical Archaeology, Lithics, Ceramics, Perishable Materials, Dating Methods, Photography, Laboratory Techniques, Principles of Excavation, Intro to Archaeology, or Rock Art.

Thank You, Morey Stinson (303) 530-7727, mstinson@cris.com

Minutes of the October 5,2000 Board Meeting Indian Peaks Chapter of the Colorado Archaeology Society (Highlights of the Meeting, recorded by Morey Stinson)

Secretary's Report: Secretary out of town, no report.

Treasurer's Report: Cheryl presented the treasurer's report. IPCAS account balance as of October 1, 2000 was \$1414.45. During this period our expenses exceeded our income by \$118.75. The big expenses for the period were for rental of the University Museum for the general meetings (\$160.00), Rental for the fall PAAC class (\$70.00), and State Dues (\$99.00). Tom Cree had great success in selling T-shirts and Sweatshirts this year on various archaeological activities and PIT Projects. He presented a check to the Treasurer.

The board then entered prolonged and productive discussion of ways and fund raising projects that could help build our balance. Several good suggestions were made:

- Russell Smith suggested a chapter calendar.
- Cheryl Damon suggested a Chapter Mug.
- Morey Stinson suggested a CD-ROM with images, Calumet's, stories, etc contributed by Chapter members.
- Jim Morrell suggested a raffle.

The board will continue to work these ideas in the coming months.

Ideas to reduce expenses included:

- Russell suggested putting some of our funds in an interest paying account. This is a trade-off between interest estimated at approximately \$60.00 per year and the increased complexity of juggling funds with the possibility of not being able to maintain the minimum balance for our free check writing privileges. No clear decision was reached.
- Tom suggested cutting the Calumet from 12 pages to 10 pages per issue. This would save approximately \$65.00 per year.

President's Report: Jim told the board that he has verified that the parking at the Museum is by Permit Only and that people parking there for the general meeting could be subject to fines. This lead the board into a discussion of how the parking situation may be reducing the attendance at the Chapter meetings. Attendance has seemed lower in the past few meetings, yet we have had some student attendance since we began meeting there. This is a difficult problem. The Museum is a great place for the meetings other than parking and the staff there very much likes us being there. This will be a continuing issue for evaluation.

Jim has arranged to get the Museum for our Christmas Party on our normal meeting night. The museum staff was kind enough to reschedule an event to make this happen.

New Business: The discussion of Fund Raising Projects was essentially new business and was recorded above. Jim discussed the great efforts of Piper Prillaman in revising the IPCAS Web Site. He encouraged us to submit suggestions for further additions and improvements.

The nominations for officers and board members was scheduled for the October Chapter Meeting with elections at the November. The board discussed at length the problem that the chapter has in getting new people involved in running the chapter. All agreed that we need to get "New Blood" and helpers.

Most of the current officers and board members have been in their jobs for several years and would like to take a "timeout" or a different job. Jim has been President for two years and wants to be replaced. Morey has been PAAC Coordinator for 7 years and asked to be replaced. We agreed that we would present a "blank slate" at the meeting, hoping that this would motivate someone to volunteer for a position in 2001. Tom suggested that a page be added to the Calumet that would ask for members to volunteer for office. Several board meeting offered to contact individual members and request their participation.

Adjournment: The Board Meeting was adjourned after this discussion.

2000 IPCAS Officers, Board Members, and major functions

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