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Newsletter of the Indian Peaks Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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- May 3** Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM at The Atrium.
May 10 **Presentation Meeting**, Jason M. LaBelle, Topic: From Lindenmeier to Lykins Valley
This Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month event is supported by a grant from the Colorado Historical Society, the State Historical Fund, and the Colorado Archaeological Society
- May 18-20** CRAA 2007 Symposium in Craig, CO.
- June, July** CU Field School Volunteer Opportunity, June 4 to July 4
Eight days on, 3 days off until completion
- July 21** CAS Quarterly meeting in Gunnison
- August 2** Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM at The Atrium
- September 6** Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM at The Atrium
September 13 **Presentation Meeting**, Carol Patterson, PhD,
Topic: Ute rock art of the Uncompahgre Plateau with an emphasis on Ute ceremonies including the Bear dance and healing practices depicted in the rock art.
- October 4** Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM at The Atrium
October 11 **Presentation Meeting**, Christopher R. von Wedell, Topic: History of Glass Beads in America
- November 1** Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM at The Atrium
November 8 **Presentation Meeting**, Sheila Goff, Topic: Mantle's Cave site

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New Members: Cecil Fenio, David Hawley

Renewing Members: Gretchen Acharya, Bill Butler, Jeannie Hamilton, Jon Lane, Joe O'Laughlin, Bill Rosquist, Christy Smith, and Thomas Van Zandt

Glad you are with IPCAS.

Memberships that have expired or are expiring this month (please renew): Patricia Adler, Norma Boslough, Warren Bradshaw, Diane Cargill and Michael Myers, Tandra Casserly, Dr. Steve Clarke, Mark Dittmar, Pete Gleichman, R. J. Grigsby, Piper Herron, Jill Hilty, Pat Hubert, Paul V. Lundy, Susan Martineau, Isadore Million, Anne and Bob Mutaw, Ann and Dave Phillips, Payson Sheets, and Craig Skinner

May Speaker

From Lindenmeier to Lykins Valley - 12,000 years of archaeology on the Soapstone Prairie and Red Mountain Ranches of Larimer County

The Laramie Foothills: Mountains to Plains Project is a multi-agency project aimed at preserving over 50,000 acres of open space lands in an area of increasing urban encroachment in Northern Colorado. Two key pieces to this project are the Red Mountain and Soapstone Prairie Ranches, recently purchased by the Natural Area Programs of Larimer County and the City of Fort Collins. These properties encompass over 25,000 acres of short grass prairie and foothills environments along the Colorado Front Range. The cultural resources on these properties are significant, including the internationally famous Lindenmeier Folsom site as well as the Lykins Valley site, an important protohistoric contact site in the adjacent alley.

Despite the presence of Lindenmeier, very little is known of the cultural resources of the area. During the summer of 2006, archaeological survey began on Soapstone and Red Mountain, led by Colorado State University and aided by Southern Methodist University researchers and volunteers from the Colorado Archaeological Society. Results are promising, as over 220 new archaeological sites were encountered, ranging from possibly Clovis to historic in age, with an abundance of campsites dating to the middle and late Holocene.

Aims and results of this on-going survey work are summarized in this presentation.

Jason M. LaBelle, Ph.D.
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Lindenmeier Site Folsom Points in the Fort Collins Museum

Next PAAC Survey

At long last, the time and place for the next PAAC Summer Training Survey have been set. This year's project will take place at Hermit Park, near Estes Park in Larimer County, Colorado (see attached map), and the dates are July 6-13, 2007 (Friday through Friday, eight days total). Deadline for applications is May 31, 2007. Although the announcement has not yet been posted on our web site, you will find it there soon, at <http://coloradohistory-oahp.org/programareas/paac/summersurvey2.htm>. Please pass the word, and feel free to post this in your respective newsletters.

As always, prospective participants must submit a signed PAAC application form, and completion of the Basic Site Surveying Techniques, Historical Archaeology, and Prehistoric Lithics Description & Analysis classes is highly recommended prior to field training. In general, the more PAAC classes one has completed the more rewarding the experience on the Summer Training Survey. However, if space is available, no classroom experience is required for participation on the survey. If more people volunteer than there are slots available, preference will be given to those who have completed the courses mentioned above, or who are otherwise closest to earning one or more PAAC certificates. Volunteers must attend at least two days of the survey, and there are typically 3-5 volunteers selected per day.

Accommodations are up to the volunteers, but I have this information to pass along from our Larimer County contact. "There is the potential for camping on-site. Rules would probably be that we'd prefer no pets since the property is not open to the public yet, and otherwise normal good camping etiquette since we won't be there to patrol - keep things clean, fires in grates, ok to bring RVs but no dump station available, general quiet, no fireworks, guns, alcohol would be the big ones. There are cabins on-site but we are just in the middle of our management planning process and don't have staff up there regularly and would prefer that people camp as we are bringing the cabins up to code and want to avoid cost for set up and clean up. There are many places off-site to stay in the Estes Valley area ranging from cabins to hotels - you might check with the YMCA of the Rockies on their cabins, which are very nice." ** Kevin Black

WANTED - DEAD OR ALIVE ONE "BIG TICKET" ITEM FOR RAFFLE

The Alice Hamilton Scholarship Committee is seeking a "big ticket" item suitable for the annual raffle held at the CAS Annual Meeting. Proceeds from the raffle and Silent Auction, plus other donations throughout the year, are used to fund scholarships to worthy Colorado archaeology students.

Last year the AHS Fund earned \$2,110 from the raffle and \$1,610 from the silent auction. In 2006, twelve scholarships were awarded totaling \$4,100. This year the Committee is hoping to award up to \$4,500.

If you have a "big ticket" item or know of someone who might be willing to donate such an item, contact Terri Hoff, Chair of the AHS Committee, at tthoff@hotmail.com, phone 970-882-2191, address 27505 Road U6, Dolores, CO 81323.

The Committee is looking for something other than paintings, which have been the raffle items for the last couple of years. Item could be jewelry, sculpture, rug, weaving, etc. The 2007 CAS Annual Meeting will be held in Denver the last weekend in September.

Volunteers Needed

Family Day event at the CU Museum on May 19 from 1-4.

Looking for volunteers to assist with lots of hands on demos: grinding corn with the education mano and metate, flintknapping demos, making twig figurines with pipe-cleaners, drawing rock art, making cordage, rolling coils to simulate making pottery, etc. Please contact Tom Cree, 303-776-7004 if you are interested. The only member signed up so far is Gretchen Archarya.

Trip to Southeast Colorado

The following are photographs of rock art in Picture Canyon. Picture Canyon is located 26 miles south and 8 miles west of Springfield. There are two easily-accessed rock art areas. Just enter the areas through the labeled openings in the fence, south of the picnic/parking area. Walking distance is about ½ mile.



Enhanced color image. Maybe a bear that's bleeding?



A DSStretch enhanced image that brings out the red.



Please note the carved, highlight, and comment vandalism “Real Pic”.



This image is about six inches in length and drawn in red.



This image was inscribed into the cliff face.
It was chalked for photographs decades ago.
DStretch was used to enhance the colors and shadows in the three-foot image.



The bottom image on this page were incised, as well as painted in blue. The person is four feet tall.

Ginny and I also visited Carrizo Canyon which is eight miles north and nine miles west of Picture Canyon. This rock art is easily accessed from the picnic/parking area by following the trail to the south and crossing the creek. Then follow the trail to the right and watch the cliff face.



The images on this page were pecked into the patina of the cliff face. All are in one panel. Most of the images are about eight inches tall.



This large, flat-rock slab with apparent grinding pits in its surface is on the trail.



A DStretch-enhanced photograph of incised and chalked images. The circle is 14 inches across.



Another DStretch enhanced image below and to the right of the prior photograph.

Just north of Springfield is a wind farm. Below is a photograph of a small part of over 100 windmills. Please note the car at the base of the weather tower (picture center). The windmills are 310 feet at the hub.



Your editor is standing by one of the propeller blades at the museum in Lamar.

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