

# Newsletter of the Indian Peaks Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society May, 2008

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Presentation (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**.

## Web Site: WWW.INDIANPEAKSARCHAEOLOGY.ORG

May 1 May 8	Executive Board Meeting, 7:30PM at The Atrium  Presentation Meeting, Jeff Campbell, Topic: "Sand Creek misconceptions and myths"  plus details on a possible tour of Sand Creek, see Page 2					
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## **December 11 Christmas Party,** 6:00PM at The Atrium

## **Membership Information**

#### **New Members:**

Melissa and John Knustadter

## **Renewing Members:**

Warren Bradshaw, Dr. Steve Clarke, Carolyn Camell-Coppin, Margaret Finucane, and Rhoda Nozik

## Glad you are with IPCAS

#### **Memberships needing renewal:**

Grechen Archarya, Patricia Adler, Norma Boslough, William Butler, Diane Cargill and Michael Myers, Tandra Casserly, Mark Dittmar, Pete Gleichman, Jeannie Hamilton, Piper Herron, Pat Hubert, Jon Lane, Susan Martineau, Joe O'Laughlin, Ann and Dave Phillips, Bill Rosquist, Payson Sheets, Craig Skinner, Christy Smith

## **May Topic**

Just the fact that it is called the Sand Creek Massacre is a controversy. The events of November 29, 30 and December 1, 1864 on the Big Sandy have been polarizing since it happened and have been attacked and defended by polemists and politicians for 14 decades. A very few have tried to present the story in an unbiased manner. This presentation addresses several of the dozens of myths and misconceptions and attempts to create a clearer understanding of the events, people and places involved.

Also, Jeff is planning to bring some of his Sand Creek booklets for sale and he'll bring some Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site brochures.

## **Guided Field Trip to Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site:**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Meet at 10:00 am in Eads at the cafe with our guide, Jeff Campbell. Carpool and/or caravan out to the Site with at least one interpretive stop along the road.

At the Site, there will be a moderate 15 minute hike to "monument hill" for an overview of the site with Q&A. According to Jeff, the hike up to the hill is not steep at all, mostly a moderate grade, taken at a slow pace. Walk back down to grove of trees near visitor contact station and restrooms. Eat lunch at picnic tables. Tour will conclude in early afternoon, 1:00-2:00pm.

Items to bring and wear: long pants, long sleeves, bug repellent for flies, lots of water and fluids, lunch, snacks, hats, sunscreen, cameras, binoculars, rain jacket, walking sticks, good walking shoes.

# Volunteer Opportunity UNC's North Park Cultural Landscapes Project: Archaeological Research into Ten Millennia of Mountain Basin Hunting and Gathering With Dr. Bob Brunswig and Dr. Frederic Sellet

Since 2003, the University of Northern Colorado has been conducting archaeological surveys and excavations in the mountain basin valley of North Park. Over the span of three field seasons, university faculty and students have documented several multi-component archaeological sites involved in systematic procurement of pronghorn, elk, and bison from Paleoindian to historic times. Among the more important sites are 5JA1475, an extensive 1.5 mile long high ridgeline site with multiple ridge saddle game drives and processing areas, 5JA1804, a small ridge saddle game drive and processing camp with Paleoindian (Agate Basin), Archaic, and Late Prehistoric cultural occupations, 5JA1183, a hillside camp with Paleoindian (Cody), Archaic, and Late Prehistoric occupations, and 5JA421 with stratified (~1 m) occupation levels (Paleoindian [Angostura], Archaic, and late Prehistoric/Early Historic) representing seasonal camps with thick ash lenses and bone concentrations attesting to unusually intense fall (?) processing of bison and pronghorn. 5JA421 also produced intriguing evidence of the valley's historic Ute inhabitants in the form of sherds from an extremely rare, tool-indented Uncompahgre Brown (Ute) pottery vessel with handles.

Drs. Brunswig and Sellet gave a "tag-team" presentation at the April IPCAS meeting. They described, in detail, the progress that has been made in past years, the sites that have been discovered and examined, and the plans for work during June of 2008. Bob has informed me that the project will provide field support (food, etc.) and mileage at \$.46/mile. If you are interested, please contact Bob at Robert.Brunswig@unco.edu

## **Electronic Delivery of the Calumet**

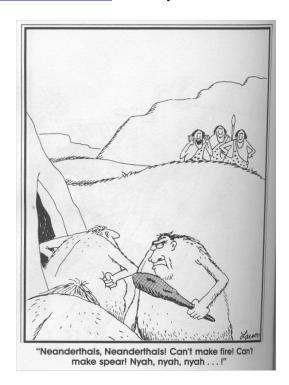
The board has decided to utilize electronic delivery of the Calumet, beginning in May. Members without e-mail capability will still receive printed copies of the Calumet. Ten club memberships will continue to receive printed copies. When each Calumet is placed at (<a href="www.indianpeaksarchaeology.org">www.indianpeaksarchaeology.org</a>), our website, a notice of the newsletter availability will be sent to all members with email capability.

This will save printing and postal costs for the club and allow members to view the Calumet photographs entirely in color. It also allows flexibility in the number of photographs, articles, and pages in each issue. The members without a club-known email address are: Maureen Arthur, Bill Benjamin, Priscilla Ellwood, Bill Jones, Paul Lundy, Wanita & Steve McCowan, Isadore Million, Dorothy Myers, Donna Shay, and Payson Sheets. If any of you have email access, please let the chapter know. Many notifications of meetings, volunteer opportunities, and events that arrive too late for the Calumet are forwarded to the membership via email and you could be included.

## **September Rock Art Tour**

This is an update identifying the date for my trip for CAS. The Rock Art Trip to the Dinetah' / Navajo area in Northwest New Mexico is scheduled for the weekend of 27 & 28 of September. We'll meet Friday afternoon, September 26th at Navajo Lake State Park. There is very nice camping there. I will try to arrange an area where we can all camp close together. We had a great spot in 2006. The nearest motel accommodations are in Bloomfield or Aztec. Each about 25 miles from Navajo Lake. We'll be exploring Largo and several other canyons.

For those who followed us to the area in 2006, I'll include sites that we didn't visit on that trip but am planning on returning to Crow Canyon and probably Blanco Canyon as these are sites that all should get to see. There are many other sites that we didn't see on the last trip, some that I haven't visited either. As the summer progresses, I'll firm up the details of the plan and itinerary. It's likely that Janet and I will go a couple of days early to check out sites and access to the new places. If so, anyone is welcome to join us early. As always, I'll need to know if you plan to attend and if you are camping or staying in a motel. I'll maintain the usual list of attendees and emergency contacts. Please signup for the trip by phone or email: (303) 530-7727 or morey.stinson@comcast.net - Morey Stinson -



## **Colorado PIT Projects**

Apply at www.passportintime.com

## **Monarch Lake Survey**

CO-3752

July 20–26, 2008 (Sunday-Saturday) Must commit to full session



In 1904, Colorado investors rallied Japanese and Bulgarian laborers to construct a dam in a picturesque open valley, creating Monarch Lake. One of the first business ventures sparked by the incursion of the Moffat Railroad into the Middle Park of Colorado, Monarch Lake was built for the logging of the surrounding mountains to support the nearby fledgling town of Monarch. Although the town crumbled in 1909, the lake remained a focal point of recreational activities thereafter. Come join us for a survey to locate and record historical features related to the Monarch Lake construction camp, its original logging use, and anything else that marks the subsequent decades of occupation and recreation. Although some cabin ruins are rumored to be located just inside the Indian Peaks Wilderness boundary (on the lake's east side), it is uncertain if these cabins are in fact related to the original construction camp or if they hold any special clues as to the ethnic identity of their former occupants. We will spend five days surveying the valley around the lake to locate and record historical sites (or prehistoric sites, as the case may be). So be the first to help explore the historical resources along the periphery of man-made yet indescribably beautiful lake.

## **Number of openings:** 8

**Special skills:** Must be in good health, able to hike all day, at high elevation in the heat over steep, rough terrain; experience recording archaeological sites helpful but not required

Minimum age: 18 years old

**Facilities:** Forest Service will provide camping spaces at Arapaho Bay Campground, vault toilets, potable water, no showers or electricity; volunteers responsible for personal camping equipment and food; motels, grocery, and restaurants in Grandby and surrounding

Nearest towns: Grandby, 14 miles Applications due: May 18, 2008

## **Cimarron Canyons Archaeological Research Survey**

CO-3755

## September 28–October 3, 2008 (including Sunday)

## Must commit to full session

Located in the rugged canyon country of southeastern Colorado, the tributaries of the Cimarron River shelter a wide variety of archaeological sites, including prehistoric quartzite quarries, prehistoric and Protohistoric aboriginal rock art, and 19th -century homesteads and cemeteries. Over the past eight years our efforts have focused on portions of Holt Canyon, Sand Canyon, Pat Canyon, and Little Black Mesa. This year we will continue to explore locations in the vicinity of these areas.

Working with FS archaeologists, participants will help with a pedestrian archaeological inventory and will monitor the condition of several known rock art sites. Project tasks will include topographic map reading, artifact identification, basic lithic analysis, use of GPS, photography, and sketch mapping. Volunteers will also help collect detailed data on the area's many large quartzite quarries and habitation sites. Please come and explore this little-known corner of Colorado!

Number of openings: 10

Special skills: Must be in good health and able to hike over rough terrain in highly variable

weather conditions; previous survey experience is helpful but not required

Minimum age: 18 years old

**Facilities:** Free tent and small self-contained trailer camping near project area, vault toilet, three picnic shelters; volunteers responsible for personal camping gear, food, and drinking water

Nearest towns: Springfield, 35 miles Applications due: July 27, 2008

## Pike-San Isabel National Forest Historic Interlaken Resort Site Restoration

CO-3751

#### July 13–20, 2008 (including weekends)

restore the site to its original splendor.

## Must commit to full session

Set along the shores of Twin Lakes and nestled among some of Colorado's most spectacular scenery, the Interlaken Resort was a showcase in the late 1800's. The 100-acre complex of what are now historic buildings is located on the edge of Twin Lakes, south of Leadville, Colorado. It originally opened as the Lakeside Resort in 1879. In 1881 Leadville miner James V. Dexter purchased the resort, and renamed it Interlaken Resort. Between 1883 and 1890, Dexter commissioned the construction of a sixteen-horse stable, servants' quarters, a dance pavilion, and numerous landscaping improvements, transforming Interlaken from a small hotel to one of Colorado's premier mountain resorts of the early Twentieth Century. The two-story Dexter Cabin was constructed in 1895 as the personal dwelling of Dexter and his family. The resort was operational until 1950, when the Bureau of Reclamation expanded the two glacial Twin Lakes, making them into one large lake and as a result, restricted access to the resort. Interlaken Resort was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974 based on its unique Victorian architecture and its historically significant association with the growth of developed recreation in the state. The Interlaken restoration project is an on going effort to

This year, join the Leadville Ranger District and our partners, Mountain Heritage Associates and Colorado Mountain College to assist experienced historic preservation professionals with the final stages of exterior restoration of Dexter Cabin. We will also restore and install the wood window frames on the laundry and restore the wood doors on the barn.

**Number of openings:** 12

Special skills: Knowledge of woodworking and construction helpful but not required

Minimum age: 13 years old; under 18 with a responsible adult

**Facilities:** Space for 6 volunteers in the 1950s Forest Service house known as Cabin Cove on Twin Lakes, kitchen, showers, toilets; RV and tent camping near Cabin Cove with use of showers, toilets, and kitchen in Cabin Cove; volunteers may to contribute to food costs for group meals; volunteers responsible for personal camping gear and supplies; motels and restaurants in Twin Lakes; full services in Leadville and Buena Vista.

Nearest towns: Twin Lakes, 4 miles; Leadville, 21 miles; Buena Vista, 25 miles

Applications due: May 11, 2008

## Utah Carter Military Road

UT-3695

July 7-11, 2008

#### **Must commit to full session**

The Uinta Mountains of northeastern Utah were once a favored destination of army officers looking for some relaxation and enjoyment. A variety of famous and lesser known officers traveled from great distances to spend time hunting and fishing in this remote wilderness near Fort Bridger, sometimes leaving colorful accounts of their trips. However, the Uintas were not all about fun as the army also built the first formal road across the Uintas, the Carter Military Road 1881–1884.

For the last four years, PIT volunteers have enthusiastically worked to identify the road corridor and work camps while attempting to gain a brief glimpse of the men who labored in the mountains. In 2008 volunteers will assist University of Nebraska graduate student Brian Storm and one time Ashley archaeologist Byron Loosle to investigate how the labor camps were organized and determine what wild game or plants the men may have consumed while camped next to "beautiful trout streams." Metal detectors will help identify camp and latrine locations, while other volunteers will excavate cache boxes and suspected dump locations.

**Number of openings: 20** 

**Special skills:** Must understand and abide by metal detectionist ethics; metal detectors are not required, but bring one if you have one and indicate if you will do so on your application; previous excavation experience helpful, but not required

Minimum age: 12 years old; under 18 with a responsible adult

**Facilities:** Primitive camping near project area, porta-potties; volunteers responsible for personal water, food, and camping equipment; motels and full service campgrounds available in Manila

Nearest town: Manila, UT 25 miles; Vernal, UT 70 miles; Green River, WY, 80 miles

Applications due: May 5, 2008

## **Old Spanish Trail Interpretive Display**

UT-3768

August 18–22; 25–29, 2008 Must commit to full session

For the first half of the 19th century, the Old Spanish Trail was the longest, crookedest, toughest pack in North America. Hardy individuals involved in the trade of furs, slaves, and horses traveled along its 1,200 miles from Sante Fe to Los Angeles, collecting and pedaling their wares. We will work on the Fish Lake Cutoff that Kit Carson rode in 1848, marking the trail, building a display structure, and actually crafting the text and laying out the display boards. The base camp will be at the Twin Creeks Ranger Station on the shores of Fish Lake.

**Number of openings:** 8

Special skills: Carpentry, interpretive writing, display layout experience helpful but not required

Minimum age: 10 years old; under 18 with a responsible adult

**Facilities:** Housing at the Twin Creeks Ranger Station (c. 1934), electricity, toilets, shower/tubs; volunteers staying in the Ranger Station, responsible for own bedding, pillows, and towels; volunteers preferring more privacy may bring a trailer or a tent; restaurant and limited supplies at the Lodge (c. 1929), across the highway; there is also a small marina

Nearest town: Project in Fish Lake; Loa, 21 miles; Richfield, 35 miles; Salina, 50 miles

Applications due: June 16, 2008

## Fishlake NF Sprucing Up an Old Ranger Station and Horse Trail

UT-3754

July 28-August 1; August 4-8, 2008

Must commit to full session; may participate in both



Last fall, during a partial eclipse of the sun, two Forest Service crews encountered each other at the Big Flat Ranger Station. Nothing unusual in that but look close. The 2007 Dodge truck belongs to a group of Forest Service law enforcement officers. The other vehicle is a 1930 Model A Ford driven by the 1934 ranger and his secretary. Neither crew has been seen since.

During very early days of the Forest Service, roads were non-existent and travel was by horseback. Rangers worked out of base stations to manage remote areas. The historic Big Flat Ranger Station, located in a 10,000 foot high meadow, was built in 1908 for this purpose. With your help, we will restore the Big Flat Ranger Station to its original paint colors (pumpkin-like?) and then clear the ranger's horse trail for the rest of the week. The Big Flat Meadow is browsed by trophy elk most every evening so bring your cameras!

**Number of openings:** 8

Special skills: Painting and trail clearing experience helpful but not required

Minimum age: 10 years old; under 18 with a responsible adult

**Facilities:** The Big Flat Ranger Station sleeps up to 8 in two rooms, kitchen, wood-burning stove, bathroom with a sink, toilet and shower; camping space available if you prefer more privacy, tent or self-containing trailers 27 ft. or less, no hookups, faucet for water; volunteers responsible for own tent, camping equipment, bedding, and food; FS will offer \$15/day per diem

**Nearest town:** Beaver, 25 miles; Junction, 25 miles; Richfield, 70 miles

**Applications due: May 25, 2008** 

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