

Newsletter of the Indian Peaks Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society October 2012

INDIAN PEAKS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Presentation (lecture) meetings are held in the University of Colorado Museum (CU Museum), Dinosaur Room on the Second Thursday of most Months, at 7:00 PM. **The public is always welcome**. **Web Site: WWW.INDIANPEAKSARCHAEOLOGY.ORG**

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	Struthers from the forest service to learn more about							
	site stewardship. Contact Anne Robinson if you are interested.							
	7: 00 pm							
Nov 15	Reading and Discussion Group: Neanderthals, 7PM, Reynolds Library Meeting Room (3595 Table Mesa Drive, Boulder, CO 80305). Read anything you want on the topic & be prepared to discuss it or just come and listen to others speak on the topic.							
Dec 16	IPCAS Annual Christmas Party – December 2012 5:00 pm at Community UCC, 2650 Table Mesa Drive, Boulder, Colorado 80305.							
Jan 10	Presentation: Topic TBA							
	Speaker: Mark Mitchell,							
	January 10 at 7:00 pm. Dinosaur Room, CU Museum.							
Jan 24	Reading and Discussion Group: Folsom People and Sites, 7PM, Reynolds Library Meeting							
	Room (3595 Table Mesa Drive, Boulder, CO 80305), Read anything you want on the topic & be							
	prepared to discuss it or just come and listen to others							
Feb 8	Presentation: Topic TBA							
	Speaker: Rich Wilshusen							
	7:00 pm. Dinosaur Room, CU Museum.							

November Topic

"New Research at Woodrow Ruin: Preliminary Data from 2012 Excavations"

Preliminary Archaeological Research at Woodrow Ruin (SW New Mexico) – Prehistoric Mimbres Culture: Woodrow Ruin, located just north of Cliff, NM on the Gila River, is one of the most unique sites in the Mimbres region. Not only is Woodrow Ruin a large, multi-component site that has numerous pithouses, 2 great kivas, and many room blocks, but it may also contain a ballcourt (similar to those found in the Hohokam Region), which would be the furthest east one has ever been found. While this makes Woodrow Ruin a very interesting site, what is most important about the site is its state of preservation. Unlike most other Mimbres sites, Woodrow Ruin has been spared from extensive looting. Surprisingly, no archaeological research has been conducted at Woodrow. This summer, Jakob carried out initial dissertation research at Woodrow ruin. This included high-contour GPS mapping and an analysis of surface ceramics. Once analyzed, the data he collected will provide valuable information on the occupation history of the site, and guide future excavations at the site.

During the summer of 2012 Jakob Sedig directed the first professional archaeological excavations at Woodrow Ruin as part of his dissertation research. Excavations at the site helped to confirm that Woodrow Ruin, located on the Upper Gila of southwest New Mexico, is not a typical Mimbres site. Although only a very small portion of the site was excavated, numerous exciting discoveries were made, including evidence for the long-disputed "Mangas" phase of Mimbres archaeology. In this talk Jakob will discuss the excavations conducted during the summer of 2012, and the preliminary results from analysis of the site's artifacts.

Bio:

Jakob Sedig is currently a Ph.D. Candidate at University of Colorado, Boulder. After spending the early part of his career working in the northern U.S. Southwest at places such as Crow Canyon Archaeological Center and Chimney Rock, Jakob now works in the Mimbres region of the southern Southwest. Jakob's dissertation research examines environmental and social change through the framework of resilience theory. Jakob has directed research at Woodrow Ruin, a large, multi-component Mimbres site on the Upper Gila since 2011.

Rollins Pass Mini-Film Festival

Saturday, November 3 at 6:30p.m. Behavioral Sciences Auditorium, CSU, Fort Collins, CO Free with CSU student ID, \$5 general admission

Two Films:

1, '**Stone and Steel on Top of the World'** - The festival will be debuting the documentary feature "Stone and Steel on Top of the World", which covers the prehistoric/historic occupations of the Pass.

2. **T'he White Desert'** The White Desert is a 1925 drama film directed by Reginald Barker. The film was shot on Rollins Pass, Colorado, at the Corona townsite. Corona was a town dedicated to keeping the rail line open during the harsh winter, and was partially underground in a trench along the tracks, and under a snow shed. (from wikipedia). Hank Troy providing live piano accompaniment for that film.

Volunteer Opportunities with Indian Peaks Chapter

We are have a number of open positions in the Indian Peaks Chapter. Please consider volunteering. Our volunteer positions allow for considerable latitude and creativity- you pretty much get to write your own job description. Contact us by email at <u>indianpeaksarchaeology@gmail.com</u> or contact Anne Robinson at 720-890-3944.

IPCAS Volunteer Opportunities

Open Positions:

Newsletter Editor– The Calumet is traditionally published 10 times per year at the beginning of the month. This is a great opportunity to communicate with other IPCAS members.

Outreach Coordinator- Help promote archaeology in the community. This position has a lot of possibilities for outreach with adults and/or children with and without help from other IPCAS members.

Membership Chair- The Indian Peaks chapter is interested in retaining existing members and recruiting new members. Help make a difference with membership in our chapter.

Lab Volunteer Opportunities

Ceramic Analysis, CU Lab– Jakob Sedig (November speaker) would be interested in finding IPCAS members who would be interested in helping out with the ceramic analysis for Woodrow Ruin. Woodrow Ruin is a Mimbres site in New Mexico. Jakob would love to have some volunteers work with him to sort through the Mimbres Ceramics. This would include things like sorting the sherds by size, weighing them, counting them, and sorting them by design (red slip, white slip, corrugated, etc). If you think there may be a group of people interested in this I could reserve a time to meet once or twice in the archaeology lab at CU. Let me know what you think! Contact Jakob Sedig at Jakob.Sedig@Colorado.EDU for more information.

Lab Work, CSU Lab- Colorado State University, Fort Collins, would like to work with volunteers on lab work. Time frame would be on a weekday. Exact arrangements and focus of interest would need to be worked out. Volunteers would be paired with a graduate student as the mentor. Contact Anne Robinson.

Join in the fun for NATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGY DAY

Archaeology Day Saturday, October 20 -10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

University of Colorado Museum of Natural History

Tours, lectures, family activities and a Roman enactor!

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. -Hands-on family projects from around the world, including: Mayan animal art, Egyptian scarab beetles, Navajo weaving and Roman and Greek classical ceramic design.

10:30 a.m. Anthropology gallery tour with Curator of Anthropology and AIA national speaker Steve Lekson, Ph.D.

LECTURES:

1 p.m.-- "Maya 2012--the End of the World?," Inga Calvin, Ph.D.,

2 p.m.--"The Destruction of Ancient Rome," Tyler Lansford, Ph.D.,

3 p.m.--"Mesa Verde--the Rest of the Story," Steve Lekson, Ph.D.,

Lamb Springs Archaeological Preserve

Lamb Springs site is located in the outskirts of Littleton, Colorado the Lamb Spring site was discovered by Mr. Charles Lamb in 1960, while digging a stock pond at the site of a natural spring. He found several large bones that were identified by geologists with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) as the remains of mammoth, horse, camel and bison. Dr. Waldo Wedel (Smithsonian Institution archeologist) and Dr. Glenn Scott (USGS geologist) then excavated the site in 1961 and 1962. They found the bones of at least five mammoths, one of which was radiocarbon dated as slightly older than 13,000 years, suggesting that the animals visited the spring at the end of the last Ice Age. After mammoths and other Ice Age animals had become extinct, people hunted and killed bison at the spring sometime between 8,500 and 9,000 years ago. These people used stone tools associated with what archaeologists call the Cody complex. In 1980 and 1981, Dr. Dennis Stanford (Smithsonian Institution archaeologist) also excavated the site and recognized evidence suggesting that people may have hunted the Ice Age mammoths. He also found evidence of the remains of over 30 mammoths that died near the spring.

Lamb Spring is a unique resource for the Denver metropolitan region and is valuable for public education and research, because it is rich with information about natural and human history. The Lamb Spring Archaeological Preserve (LSAP) is an internationally significant archaeological site containing bone beds of extinct Ice Age animals and artifacts from later human occupation at the spring. Extinct Ice Age animals found at the site include over 30 Columbian Mammoths, the largest number known from any site in Colorado. It also contains the remains of Ice Age camels, horses, sloths, Ilamas, and wolves. The bones of these and other animals are preserved at the site. In addition to animal remains, the site contains spear points and bison bones that are the remains of a hunt that took place at the spring sometime between 9,000 and 8,400 years ago. The artifacts left by humans indicate people hunted and camped around the spring for the past 9,000 years and possibly much longer. LSAP presents an extraordinary case study because it holds the potential to alter theories about how and when humans first colonized the Americas near the end of the last Ice Age. The site contains what may be some of the best-preserved evidence of the earliest humans to live in the North American Continent.

In September 2012, IPCAS members visited the site Lamb Springs Archaeological Preserve on a field trip. Free tours of the site are offered by the Lamb Springs Archaeological Preserve in cooperation with Douglas County Community Planning once per month from May to October.

The tour starts with a presentation and video about the site. After the presentation, visitors can visit the actual site and see where the digging occurred. Starting in October 2012 a replica of one of the mammoth skulls excavated at the site will also be on display at the site. To arrange for a tour in 2013 contact Douglas County at 303-660-7460.

Photos show Lamb Springs site. Photos thanks to Gretchen Archarya.





EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 2012 INDIAN PEAKS CHAPTER, COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

1. Purpose: An IPCAS Executive Board meeting was conducted on Thursday, 8/16/12, at 7pm at a local ice cream shop. Attendees included: Gretchen Acharya, Kris Holien, Joan Prebish, Anne Robinson, and Joanne Turner.

2. Reports:

a Secretary's Report (Kris Holien): Approved May 2012 minutes.

b Treasurer's Report (Carolyn Camell-Coppin): Balance of \$3,261.73 as of 8/31/12. c Membership Report (Carolyn Camell-Coppin): 47 memberships with 61 members. No renewals.

3. Speaker Scorecard:

a. September 13: "On Top of the Great Divide: Archaeology of the Rollins Pass Area" (Jason LaBelle)

b. October 11: "Colorado Fur Trade Forts" (William Butler)

c. November 8: Jakob Sedig

d. January 10: Mark Mitchell

- e. February 14: Rich Wilshusen
- f. March 14: Open
- g. April 11: Open
- h. May 9: Open

4. PAAC Class - Fall 2012

a. Historical Archaeology class will be hosted by IPCAS at the 29th Street Mall Community Room (second level between Borders and The Yoga Pod):

□ Sessions 1 & 2: October 24 & 30

- □ Sessions 3 & 4: November 7 & 14
- □ Sessions 5 & 6: November 20 & 28
- □ Session 7: December 5

b. Property management requires liability insurance, most likely a general liability policy that could cost around \$340 for coverage up to \$1M. Gretchen will contact Janice Lee to determine options (waiver, reduced liability coverage, etc.). Anne to obtain estimates from other insurance companies; assume 30 participants. May need to offset all or part of cost in class registration fee.

5. Old Business:

a. New Member Brochure: Karen working on.

b. Website: Karen working on.

c. Site Stewardship: Limited participation, per Anne.

d. Summer Field Trips: Lamb Springs: 9/8/12. Full, with a waiting list of two.

e. Meeting rooms for 2012/2013 season: Anne reserved a meeting room at the University of Colorado Museum of Natural History for September 2012 through February 2013. The cost is \$60 per meeting. We will discuss the option of moving to another location with members. Joan contacted REI regarding the use of their community room; need to

schedule a visit with the store manager when the room coordinator returns from vacation. **6. New Business:**

a. Confirmed Joan Prebish as new IPCAS Secretary for the remainder of 2012.

b. The election of 2013 officers is planned for the November meeting. Confirmed the following slate of nominees:

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- President: Anne Robinson
- □ Vice-President: Karen Kinnear
- □ Treasurer: Carolyn Camell-Coppin
- □ Secretary: Joan Prebish
- □ Professional Advisor: Dr. Robert Brunswig
- □ PAAC Coordinator: Gretchen Acharya
- □ CAS Representative: Karen Kinnear
- Community Outreach: Open
- □ Membership: Carolyn Camell-Coppin
- □ Archivist/Librarian: Kris Holien
- □ Internet Manager: Karen Kinnear
- □ Calumet Editor: Open. (Anne to talk with Tom Cree; consider format change)
- □ Board Member: Cheryl Damon
- Board Member: Kris Holien
- □ Board Member: Joanne Turner

c. CAS Annual Meeting will be conducted in Boulder on October 5-7 at A Spice of Life located at 5706 Arapahoe Avenue. The keynote banquet speaker on Saturday evening will be Bill Lipe, who will speak on, "Before Lake Powell: Memories of Glen Canyon Archaeology."
d. Anne will ask Sandy if we can use the Community United Church of Christ at 2650 Table Mesa again for our Holiday Potluck Party in December and find out dates of availability (preferably a Friday or Sunday).

e. National Archaeology Day is Saturday, October 20. Anne will contact Steve Lekson for more information about the AIA activities planned at the CU Museum. Joan will draft an outline of ideas local activity for National Archaeology Day. Gretchen to create a freestanding display board. Anne created the Facebook page in May 2012 which will allow us to post announcements or other posts and we can add photos. Anne will send out announcements via the Facebook account a week or so before a given event.

7. Summary:

- a. Next meeting will be conducted on Thursday, September 6.
- b. Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30pm.

Exhibit -Chief Niwot: Legend & Legacy

Friday, May 25, 2012 - Friday, January 04, 2013 Event Location:1st Floor Galleries of Boulder History Museum

Chief Niwot struggled to find peace during the most fateful years in Southern Arapaho history. His life and legacy are revealed in this exhibit along with the Arapahos' place in Boulder's history.

The Boulder History Museum is excited to present the powerful story Chief Niwot, one of the most notable Indians of the plains, a man about whom legends were made. Niwot's story is one of honor and deceit, hope and despair. When hoards of white men began migrating to the central plains in the midnineteenth century, they moved into the land that was home to the Arapaho and Cheyenne Indians. In 1858, the Arapaho Chief Niwot (translated in English as Left Hand) astonished the early gold-seekers in Colorado by greeting them in their own language. He and his tribe hoped to make peace with the newcomers to allow the two cultures to share the same land and coexist peacefully. Niwot devoted his life to this struggle but his efforts ultimately failed. He was mortally wounded at the Sand Creek Massacre in 1864. This exhibit is the first to reveal the story of Chief Niwot and the complexity his struggle to find peace during the most fateful years in the history of the Southern Arapaho Indians.

2012 IPCAS Officers, Board Members, and major functions

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - INDIAN PEAKS CHAPTER

Quarterly new member en	rollment Ind	Individual Fam		Student					
January-March	\$2	\$28.50		\$14.25					
April-June	\$2	21.50	\$24.75	\$10.75					
July-September	\$	14.25	\$16.50	\$7.25					
October-December	\$	7.25	\$8.25	\$3.75					
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Please make check payable to: Indian Peaks Chapter, CAS. Mail to: PO Box 18301, Boulder, Colorado 80308-1301 I(We) give CAS permission to :

_ No _____ disclose phone numbers to other CAS members Yes Yes

publish name/contact information in chapter directory No

_ No ____ publish name in newsletter (which may be sent to other chapters, published on the internet, etc.) Yes

CODE OF ETHICS

As a member of the Colorado Archaeological Society, I pledge: To uphold state and federal antiquities laws. To support policies and educational programs designed to protect our cultural heritage and our state's antiquities. To encourage protection and discourage exploitation of archaeological resources. To encourage the study and recording of Colorado's archaeology and cultural history. To take an active part by participating in field and laboratory work for the purpose of developing new and significant information about the past. To respect the property rights of landowners. To assist whenever possible in locating, mapping and recording archaeological sites within Colorado, using State Site Survey forms. To respect the dignity of peoples whose cultural histories and spiritual practices are the subject of any investigation. To support only scientifically conducted activities and never participate in conduct involving dishonesty, deceit or misrepresentation about archaeological matters. To report vandalism. To remember that cultural resources are non-renewable and do not belong to you or me, but are ours to respect, to study and to enjoy. Signature: Signature:

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