

Newsletter of the Indian Peaks Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society February 2015

INDIAN PEAKS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Presentation (lecture) meetings are held in the University of Colorado Museum (CU Museum), Dinosaur Room from September to May (except Dec), at 7:00 PM. **The public is always welcome**.

Web Site: www.indianpeaksarchaeology.org

- **Feb 5 IPCAS February Board Meeting -** 7:00 pm /Location: Gunbarrel Fire Station We welcome your participation in board meet. Contact Anne at annerco@yahoo.com if you wish to attend.
- Feb 12 IPCAS February Presentation Meeting

Ancient North America, Entire

Speaker: Steve Lekson

7:00 pm. Dinosaur room, CU Museum.

For directions and parking go to http://cumuseum.colorado.edu/visit/directions

See page 3 for more information

- Mar 5 IPCAS March Board Meeting 7:00 pm /Location: Gunbarrel Fire Station
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 if you wish to attend.
- Mar 12 IPCAS March Presentation Meeting

Aztec Ruins & Earl Morris

Speaker: Erin Baxter

7:00 pm. Dinosaur room, CU Museum.

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- Apr 2 IPCAS April Board Meeting 7:00 pm /Location: Gunbarrel Fire Station
 We welcome your participation in board meet. Contact Anne at annerco@yahoo.com
 if you wish to attend.
- **April 16 IPCAS April Presentation Meeting (Third Thursday)**

Neolithic Lifeways: Interweaving Spatial, Temporal and Monumental Evidence of Past Human Behavior in Neolithic Orkney, Scotland.

Speaker: Chris Kerns

7:00 pm. Dinosaur room, CU Museum.

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May 7 IPCAS April Board Meeting - 7:00 pm /Location: Gunbarrel Fire Station

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May 21 IPCAS May Presentation Meeting (Third Thursday)

Rocky Mountain National Park

Speaker: Bob Brunswig

7:00 pm. Dinosaur room, CU Museum.

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INDIGENOUS FILM

The Denver Museum of Nature & Science is pleased to partner with the International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management and the Denver American Indian Commission to present Indigenous Film, a monthly indigenous film series.

Films will be screened at the Museum's Phipps IMAX Theater. Doors open at 6 p.m., films begin at 6:30 p.m. Please use the IMAX Evening entrance on the east side of the Museum.

Admission is free. Concessions will be available for purchase.

February 11

6:30 p.m.

Charlie's Country

Director Rolf de Heer. Living in a remote Aboriginal community in the northern part of Australia, Charlie is a warrior past his prime. As the government increases its stranglehold over the community's traditional way of life, Charlie becomes lost between two cultures. His new modern life offers him a way to survive, but ultimately, it is one he has no power over. Finally fed up when his gun, his newly crafted spear, and his best friend's jeep are confiscated, Charlie heads into the wild on his own, to live the old way. However, Charlie hasn't reckoned on where he might end up, nor on how much life has changed since the old ways.

Discussion with Merv Tano, president of the International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management and Commissioners from the Denver American Indian Commission will follow the film.

2015 Schedule - Film titles to be announced

March 11

April 8

May 13

June 10

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July 8

August 12

September 9

October 6-11: Indigenous Film & Arts Festival (in multiple venues)

November 11

December 9: Holiday break; No film in December



Ancient North America, Entire

Steve Lekson
IPCAS February Presentation meeting
Thursday, February 12
7:00 pm. Dinosaur room,
University of Colorado Museum of Natural
History

Archaeologists specialize in particular regions. Native traditional histories are often specific to individual Tribes and Nations. There are interesting things to be learned by looking at the continent as a whole: the histories of Native nations in what is now the United States together with the civilizations of Mesoamerica in Mexico and Guatemala. It's a big topic -- more than can be covered in a single lecture! The 11th & 12th centuries illustrate the potential for learning new things from the "big picture:" Chaco, Cahokia, Tula, Chichen Itza, and Aztatlan.

Stephen H. Lekson is Curator and Professor of Anthropology at the Museum of Natural History, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. He received his PhD from the University of New Mexico. Lekson directed more than 40 archaeological projects throughout the U.S. Southwest, mainly in the Mimbres and Four Corners areas. Recent projects include Pinnacle Ruin in southern New Mexico (2000-2008), Chimney Rock great house in southern Colorado (2009) and on-going analysis of the Yellow Jacket site in the Mesa Verde area. He was Editor of "Kiva" (the professional journal of southwestern archaeology, 2006-2011), and he is a Contributing Editor for "Archaeology" magazine. Lekson's publications include a dozen books, many chapters in edited volumes, and articles in professional journals and popular magazines. Lekson is married to Dr. Catherine Cameron, Professor of Anthropology at the University of Colorado.

Volunteer Opportunity: Mitchell Springs Ruin Group

Mitchell Springs has been a popular volunteer project with many IPCAS members attending. Join in the fun with IPCAS and other volunteers.

2015 Sessions: July 31- August 3, August 14-17, September 11-14

For more information and to sign up contact davidmdove@msn.com

Mitchell Spring Ruin Group was originally noted by Lewis Henry Morgan in 1870 during his early study of aboriginal Americans in the American Southwest. Later, during a reconnaissance of the San Juan Watershed in the 1890's, T. Mitchell Pruden, a physician working with the Peabody Museum at Harvard made the next mention of the ruins and provided a description and assessment of the condition of the site in two published reports. Several years later, Pruden returned. With the assistance of Clayton Wetherill (brother of Richard Wetherill, who is widely credited with discovering the cliff dwellings at Mesa Verde) and Henry Hun, he conducted archaeological excavations related to his study of prehistoric architectural family units that are still often referred to as Unit Pueblos or Pruden Units.

The site is located just south of Cortez, CO and is the center of a large community that contained hundreds of rooms, 3 small great houses, a tower kiva, a great kiva, a 10m court kiva, reservoir and a tri-wall. It was occupied for over 500 years. It is listed on the National Historic Register. See http://www.fourcornersresearch.com/index.html to learn more about the project.





Neolithic Lifeways: Interweaving Spatial, Temporal and Monumental Evidence of Past Human Behavior in Neolithic Orkney, Scotland.

Speaker: Chris Kerns IPCAS April Meeting

Thursday, April 16 (Third Thursday) 7:00 pm. Dinosaur room, CU Museum.

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The Orkney Islands, off the north east coast of Scotland, are unique in their preservation of Neolithic archaeology, and home to the Heart of Neolithic Orkney World Heritage Site. The Orkneys present an ideal case study to investigate Neolithic society and the role of both settlements and monuments in daily life. This talk aims to situate the Orkneys within the broader regional manifestations of Neolithic monumentality such as Stonehenge in England and the Brú na Bóinne Complex in Ireland, while humanizing the inhabitants and architects of these monumental landscapes through detailed analysis of the Orcadian evidence. The presentation draws on recent investigations in the Orkneys by the author along with numerous other archaeological projects and discusses how they illuminate Neolithic society. Specifically, the presentation focuses on the temporal and spatial aspects of so-called mortuary monuments and their role in everyday life within the nearby settlements by drawing on GIS based spatial analysis and Bayesian modeling of radiocarbon determinations.

Christopher J. Kerns graduated with a double major in Anthropology and History from the University of Colorado, Boulder in 2005. As part of his undergraduate degree he completed an honors thesis in archaeology on the Peopling of the Americas. He completed a Master of Arts degree at the University of Manchester in England in 2007 and a second masters at the University of Bristol in Landscape Archaeology in 2011. He is currently a doctoral candidate at the University of Southampton. His research focuses on Neolithic Lifeways in the Orkney Isles. He has directed excavations on Reads Cavern Iron Age cave site in the Mendip Hills south of Bristol, England for the University of Bristol Spelaeological Museum. He has also participated in excavations at the Stonehenge World Heritage site the Heart of Neolithic Orkney World Heritage site. Mr. Kerns currently works for SWCA Environmental Consultants in Broomfield as an archaeological field director and is a member of numerous societies and organizations including IPCAS, Paleocultural Research Group, Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists, Register of Professional Archaeologists and the Society for American Archaeology.

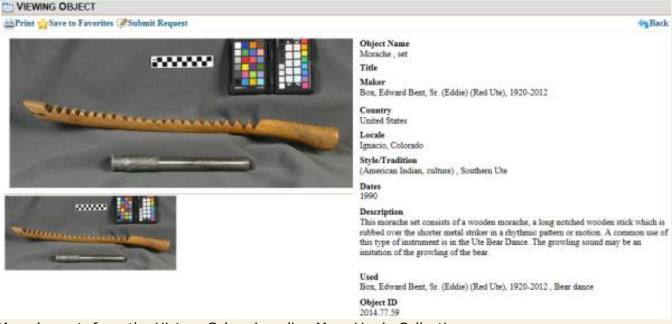
View History Colorado Mesa Verde Collection Online

History Colorado has launched an online collections database via Argus.net. The initial launch of the collection online contains approximately 80,000 records including artifacts, photos, and archival documents. It will eventually house more than 300,000 records as the system evolves and is continually added to every day. "For anyone who is interested in History Colorado's vast collections, this online portal is exciting. Researchers, history buffs, teachers, and students will be able to search our collections and see the primary sources that have shaped our story,"

Of special interest to many avocational archaeologists include the Mesa Verde collection. The Mesa Verde collection includes pottery, early photographs, baskets, sandals, prayer sticks, beads, jewelry, feather bundles, cords, nets, spindle whorls, loom anchors and more.

While chasing stray cattle on December 18, 1888, Richard Wetherill and his brother-in-law, Charlie Mason, "rediscovered" Cliff Palace. During the winter of 1888–89 they, along with other Wetherill brothers and friends, unearthed hundreds of artifacts from Cliff Palace and other Mesa Verde cliff dwellings. They exhibited their collection in Durango, Pueblo, and Denver. After the Smithsonian declined to purchase the collection, the State Historical and Natural History Society (today's History Colorado) did acquire it, recognizing its importance to an understanding of the region's prehistory. The purchase price of \$3,000 was \$1,500 more than the entire State appropriation to the Society for that year, so three Society members took out bank notes for the additional \$1,500 needed. The collection comes largely from Johnson, Grass, Moccasin, Webber, and Mancos Canyons.

To see the Mesa Verde Artifacts in the History Colorado collection, go to http://5008.sydneyplus.com/HistoryColorado ArgusNet Final/Portal.aspx?lang=en-US Click on the "Popular Searches" tab, then Click on "Mesa Verde Collections" in the left navigation.



Morache, set, from the History Colorado online Mesa Verde Collection



Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologist 2015 Annual Meeting March 13-15 Sign up now! Deadline March 1

The 2015 Annual Meeting of the Colorado Council of Professional archaeologists (CCPA) will be held March 13-15, 2015 in Estes Park, Colorado. Paper sessions will be held on Friday afternoon and all day Saturday.

The Friday afternoon session will be dedicated to the memory of CCPA Fellow Richard Carrillo. Richard Carrillo was known for his work in Spanish Borderlands history, ethnohistory, the Santa Fe Trail, Historic archaeology in southeastern Colorado, Bent's Old Fort, and Boggsville.

The CCPA annual meeting is a great way to hear the latest research from Colorado Archaeologists from all eras. Each speaker speaks for 15 minutes on their topic. The content is very accessible for Colorado Archaeological Society Members and is a superb way to learn about current discoveries and research.

Conference Rate: \$40.00 per person for the half day Friday, all-day Saturday and Sunday field trips.

Friday Night Banquet rate: \$33.00 per person. Banquet Speaker is Alexa Roberts, Superintendent of Bent's Fort and the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Sites will give the keynote address at the banquet.

Location: Rocky Mountain Park Inn, Estes Park Colorado

Hotel Rates: \$79 per night- single/ double. Sign up for conference hotel by February 10.

Conference Information

http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/meetings-events/annual-meeting/

Conference Sign up

http://coloradoarchaeologists.org/meetings-events/annual-meeting/2015-estes-park/







Sign up now for PAAC Courses - Spring 2015

Sign up for one of the Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC) courses being offered around the state this fall. PAAC courses are a great way to expand your knowledge of archaeology.

What is PAAC?

A joint program of the Colorado Archaeological Society and the Office of the State Archaeologist of Colorado. The Program for Avocational Archaeological Certification (PAAC) is a mutually beneficial educational program for avocational and professional archaeologists. Established in 1978 by the Colorado Archaeological Society (CAS) and the Office of the State Archaeologist of Colorado (OSAC), it allows CAS members and other citizens to obtain formally recognized levels of expertise outside of an academic degree program. It also facilitates avocational public service and assistance in education, governmental management of cultural resources, research, and the protection of archaeological resources in Colorado. PAAC complements, but does not replace, existing university and governmental training programs. Click here for more information on PAAC.

Requirements of PAAC:

•All participants in the PAAC program must: Be 15 years of age or older

•Agree to the PAAC Code of Ethics

•Pay a non-refundable, nominal materials fee per course

PAAC Classes available around the state for Spring 2015

Rock Art Studies - almost full, sign up now

Dates: February 11,18, 25 March 4,11,18, 25

Time: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Location: Boulder

Class Format: Seven Evening sessions To Sign up or ask questions contact

Delane Mechling at 303-319-0420 or mechlings@hotmail.com

Field & Laboratory Photography

Dates: February 14-15

Format: Weekend - contact coordinator for times

Location: Dolores

To Sign up or ask questions contact

Terry Woodrow at 970-560-1318 (cell)/ terrywoodrow@gmail.com

Principles of Archaeological Excavation

Dates: February 27,28, March 1

Format: Weekend - contact coordinator for times

Location: Fountain

To Sign up or ask questions contact

Jerry Rhodes at 719-332-9723 /rhodespottery@aol.com

Perishable Materials

Dates: March 20-23

Format: Weekend format - contact coordinator for exact times

Location: Montrose

To Sign up or ask questions contact

Beverly Kolkman 970-250-8893 bk7753@msn.com

Historical Archaeology

Dates: March 27-29

Format: Weekend format - contact coordinator for exact times

Location: Pueblo

To Sign up or ask questions contact

Barbara Sabo at 719-547-2383 (home), barbsabo@yahoo.com

Field & Laboratory Photography

Dates: April 2, 9, 23, 30, May 7

Format: Five Evenings - contact coordinator for times

Location: Denver

To Sign up or ask questions contact

Anne Winslow at 303-866-4670 (work)/303-866-2711 (fax)/anne.winslow@state.co.us

Research Design and Report Writing

Dates: April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5

Format: Five evening sessions- contact coordinator for times

Location: Loveland

To Sign up or ask questions contact

Dave Swinehart 970-397-7589 (cell) or dave@developingsolutions.biz

Colorado Archaeology

Dates: April 24-26

Format: Weekend - contact coordinator for times

Location: Alamosa

To Sign up or ask questions contact

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Basic Site Surveying Techniques

Dates: May 29-31, June 1

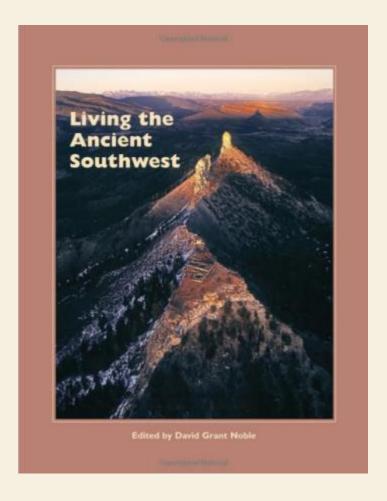
Format: Weekend - contact coordinator for times

Location: Durango

To Sign up or ask questions contact

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Living in the Ancient Southwest

Edited by David Grant Noble Series: Popular Archaeology Paperback: 200 pages

Publisher: School for Advanced Research Press; first edition (December 8, 2014)

How did Southwestern peoples make a living in the vast arid reaches of the Great Basin? When and why did violence erupt in the Mesa Verde region? Who were the Fremont people? How do some Hopis view Chaco Canyon? These are just a few of the topics addressed in Living the Ancient Southwest.

In this illustrated anthology, readers will discover chapters written over the past several decades by anthropologist-writers. They speak about the beauty and originality of Mimbres pottery, the rock paintings in Canyon de Chelly, the history of the Wupatki Navajos, O'odham songs describing ancient trails to the Pacific Coast, and other subjects relating to the deep indigenous history and culture of the American Southwest.

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Reminder - 2015 IPCAS Membership Dues are due now

2015 memberships will remain the same price as last year. Either bring your checks to a meeting or mail to P.O. Box 18301, Boulder, CO 80308-1301. Membership - \$28.50 individual; \$33.00 family.

Thank you for your support in 2014

Quarterly new member

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - INDIAN PEAKS CHAPTER

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| April-June | | \$21.50 | \$24.75 | \$10.75 | |
| July-Septen | nber | \$14.25 | \$16.50 | \$7.25 | |
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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.

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