

# THE FOLSOM POINT



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb 19**      **Business Meeting - 7:00 pm**  
CSU Veterinary Hospital, 300 W Drake Road  
Program: Bridget Amber, NAGPRA Liaison for the CHS  
"Lindenmeier - A New Look At Old Rocks"
- Feb 28-  
Mar 1**      **Greeley Conservation Fair**  
Island Grove Park, Exhibition Building, Greeley
- Mar 19**      **Executive Board Meeting - 6:00 pm**  
**Business Meeting - 7:00 pm**  
CSU Veterinary Hospital, 300 W Drake Road  
Program: Larry Todd, CSU
- April 16**      **Executive Board Meeting - 6:00 pm**  
**Business Meeting - 7:00 pm**  
CSU Veterinary Hospital, 300 W Drake Road  
Program: Alison McGhee and Tom Carr, Historic Preservation
- May 9**      **Grand Opening of the Traveling Exhibit, Windsor Museum**  
*Awakening Stories of Ancient Bison Hunting*
- May 10**      **Re-Opening of the Fort Collins Museum**
- May 21**      **Executive Board Meeting - 6:00 pm**  
**Business Meeting - 7:00 pm**  
CSU Veterinary Hospital, 300 W Drake Road  
Program: Jim Zeidler

*Happy Valentine's Day*

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## Dues Due Notice

**Note:** There has been an increase in the State CAS portion of the dues.

Joel Hurmence - January - individual \$26  
Margaret & Elizabeth Grant - Jan - family \$32.50  
Elizabeth Springer - January - individual \$26  
Jeff Eighmy - January - individual \$26  
Dick Aldrich & Isobel MacDonald - Jan - \$32.50  
Betty Herrmann - February - individual \$26  
Richard & Sue Lippincott - family \$32.50

Mary Painter - January - individual \$22.50  
David Budge - November - individual \$22.50  
Dale Agger - February - individual \$26  
Lucy Burris - February - individual \$26  
Agnes Dix - February - individual \$26  
Robert King - February - individual \$26

## February Program

The **February 19** program will be presented by Bridget Ambler. Her presentation is titled "Lindenmeier - A New Look At Old Rocks." The Lindenmeier site in northern Colorado is perhaps one of the most widely known Folsom sites in North America. The excavations conducted by the Smithsonian Institution between 1934 and 1940 set a standard for archaeological excavation techniques. However, a museum collection from the site amassed by the Coffin family has been largely ignored. In this presentation, the chipped stone artifacts present in the Coffin collection are summarized and the geographic distribution of raw lithic materials is discussed. Raw material distributions are subsequently examined for their potential to elucidate Folsom mobility patterns and economic strategies.

Bridget Ambler conducted her research on the Lindenmeier site as the subject of her Master's thesis. Her study focused on a private collection of Folsom stone tools from Lindenmeier donated by the Coffin family to the Fort Collins Museum. She subjected these stone tools to ultra violet fluorescence in order to ascertain the source of origin for the raw materials identified in the collection. Ultimately, the lithic source information was used to propose possible models for Folsom mobility and land use patterns. Paleoindian research continues to be a focus of interest for Ms. Ambler.

Ambler received her Bachelor's degree in Anthropology from Northern Arizona University and her Master's degree in Anthropology from Colorado State University. Her professional archaeological experience includes survey, excavation, lithic analysis, ceramic analysis, osteological analysis, pollen analysis, drafting, database management, tribal consultation, ultra violet fluorescence, and report writing regarding archaeological sites in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming. She currently holds the position of NAGPRA (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act) Liaison for the Colorado Historical Society and the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs. As NAGPRA Liaison, Ms. Ambler incorporates her academic training, archaeological experience and understanding of Native American consultation to facilitate dialogue between Native American tribes and museum institutions regarding the implementation of NAGPRA.

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the meeting this Wednesday!

## Treasurer's Report

*Submitted by Betty Herrmann 2/12/03*

### Account Balances:

Checking Account:	\$ 865.18
Kaplan-Hoover Grant:	6840.48
Savings Account:	799.05
Sutter - Greenacre Scholarship:	1519.31

**Total:** **\$ 10,024.02**

### Individual Funds:

General Fund:	\$ 1664.23
Greenacre Scholarship Fund:	1519.31
Kaplan-Hoover Grant:	6840.48

**Total:** **\$10,024.02**

## **Minutes of the January Meeting**

The meeting was opened at 7:10 p.m. by incoming president Bev Goering. She thanked LesLee Ann Heukinsveld for her service as president for the preceding year.

Mary Jo Zeidler, Education Coordinator, updated the chapter on the Kaplan-Hoover Site project. There will be a volunteer day at the end of the month of March, in collaboration with the Windsor/Severance Historical society, to prepare for the grand opening. Sewing and carpentry skills will be needed. Pending a grant award from the Bohemian Foundation, on April 18 there will be a free public showing at the Lincoln Center, Fort Collins, of the video "American Buffalo, Spirit of the West." May 9 will be the grand opening at the Windsor Museum of the display that will be open until July 4<sup>th</sup>. The opening program will be the kickoff for the summer concert season and will feature the Northern Arapaho dance group. Mary Jo will develop a task list for the members to help.

Bev made a plea for volunteers to fill the vacant positions of vice-president & field work coordinator. Executive Board meetings will now be held an hour before the Regular meeting as a means of eliminating the meetings previously held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month.

The chapter library is currently in Bev's basement. She & Joel Hurmence have looked through the contents and sorted out items that can possibly be sold. There is a huge collection of Southwestern Lore publications, and publications of completed projects. Mary Jo suggested contributing appropriate items to the CAS silent auction at the annual meeting, for the benefit of the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund.

Betty Herrmann presented the treasurer's report and stated a current balance of \$1518. Thanks to the electronic distribution of the newsletter, we are saving a considerable amount on postage and printing costs. Tee shirts are still available; see LesLee Ann.

PAAC registration for the Archaeological Dating Methods class, to be held the first 4 Tuesdays in Feb. now has 8 registrations. Two more are needed to meet the required minimum.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 and was followed by Heidi Short's presentation of "An Overview of Archaeoastronomy," a slide presentation of controversies between archaeologists and astronomers. Heidi's electronic "friends" helped her with the presentation.

## **Calling All NCC Members to support Grand Opening of Awakening Stories of Ancient Bison Hunting May 9, 2003 - Windsor Museum**

*Submitted by Mary Jo Zeidler, Education Coordinator*

Plans for the Grand Opening are reaching full throttle. Your support as CAS members is truly important during the next several months. Given the location of the Kaplan-Hoover Bison Bonebed within the city limits of Windsor, we are fortunate to have the Windsor Museum, under the direction of Candace Paterson, oversee the curation of this traveling exhibit. Candace has shown tremendous enthusiasm for this project. She is also promoting a collaborative relationship between NCC and the Windsor-Severance Historical Society, given the key role the organization plays in the museum.

You will recall, thanks to efforts of Dr. Jeff Eighmy, past president of NCC, the site is currently being reviewed for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, and is also being considered for land purchase by the State Historical Fund and the Archaeological Conservancy. Once these goals are in place, the Windsor Museum is sure to be recognized as the local preservation advocate for the site.

We are still seeking grant support to complete the interpretive program. As we enter the final preparation stage, it has become necessary to pursue support from local corporate sponsors. Our proposal submitted to the Bohemian Foundation was recently rejected, so the corporate support would greatly benefit the success of this event. The Town of Windsor is currently reviewing the program to contract traditional American Indian Dance groups representing the Northern Arapaho and possibly Northern Cheyenne Tribes. In addition, Windsor Parks and Recreation will provide support for advertisement, usage of tents, a mobile show stage, film projection equipment, facilities for large scale outdoor grilling, in addition to park staff.

The Northern Cheyenne Tribe has generously expressed interest in donating a whole bison to serve at the event. However, we need to generate funds to cover costs for meat processing and shipping. The feasibility of serving dinner at the event is currently under review. If approved, donations will be requested at the event for the Northern Cheyenne Tribe Bison Herd Restoration Fund.

Additional funding for this program is currently being requested from CHS as part of Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month, and will be used to print a publicity poster. Matching funds for this program are also being requested from the Community Foundation Serving Northern Colorado. You will recall that this foundation awarded \$1000 for the wayside panel commemorating the Kaplan-Hoover site on the Cache La Poudre Trail. After reviewing the proposed plan for this signage and learning about our program, they have expressed interest in providing additional support.

One way the NCC members can express thanks for the generosity of these organizations is by contributing to a traditional 'give-away' also being planned for the event.

All NCC members are asked to mark their calendars for the following event dates. Remember that we are counting on your presence and support to ensure the success of the project:

**1. Greeley Conservation Fair (February 28-March 1): Island Grove Park Exhibition Building, Greeley. Assistance on Saturday and Sunday is needed.**

Tasks: NCC representative at the NCC Booth to provide information about CAS and interpretive program.

**2. Grand Opening of the Traveling Exhibit, Awakening Stories of Ancient Bison Hunting (May 9, 2003): Windsor Museum.**

Event Preparation Tasks:

- Preparation of NCC/WSHS pins
- Distribution of Event Poster
- VIP Invitation Mailer
- Traditional Give-Away
- Publicity Committee for Grand Opening

Opening Day Tasks:

- Final Preparations of Event Space
- Host/Hostess welcoming guests, program distribution
- NCC/WSHS pin distribution
- Docent for Traveling Exhibit Tent
- Information Table about NCC, Way-side Exhibit, T-shirt sales
- Food Service (confirmation pending)
- Assistance to Dancers
- Video Documentary
- Clean-up

**3. Re-Opening of the Fort Collins Museum (May 10, 2003): Fort Collins Museum**

NCC has been invited by the Heritage Network, a consortium of preservation advocate organizations representing northern Colorado, to participate in a mini-workshop that will provide the general public with suggestions and guidelines on how to curate their private collections - which often include archaeological materials. The information provided is intended to be very general and provide links and references for additional guidelines. This should be viewed as a good opportunity to publicize the CAS Code of Ethics condemning the collection of archaeological materials, and to support the mission of the Colorado Historical Society. Let us know if you are interested in developing the potential role of CAS at this event.

# **Colorado Archaeological Society**

## **Code of Ethics**

Members will uphold State and Federal antiquities laws and regulations.

Excavation of archaeological sites will be conducted only according to professionally accepted procedures developed in consultation with a professional archaeologist and with the written permission of the landowner. The investigator has the responsibility for publication of the results of his/her investigation and for making the collection available for further scientific study.

Members are encouraged to report archaeological sites to the Office on the State Site Report forms. Materials collected from the surface sites shall be catalogued and described in the site survey report. Collected materials should either be deposited with the State Archaeologist's office or made available for scientific study.

Members will not support illegal or unscientifically conducted activities by participating in or condoning the sale, exchange or purchase of artifacts obtained from such sites.

Members who exhibit artifacts will do so in an educational context. Items from burials and objects considered sacred will not be exhibited.

Members will cooperate with the State Archaeologist and other agencies concerned with archaeology and related fields.

Members will respect the dignity of groups whose cultural histories are the subject of archaeological investigation.

Members will not participate in conduct involving dishonesty, deceit, or misrepresentation about archaeological matters.

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