

ALL POINTS BULLETIN



Colorado Archaeological Society-Denver Chapter

"...in the future, as in the past, the gathering of information will depend to a great extent on cooperation between avocational and professional archaeologists." (H.M. Wormington, 1978)

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No article this month. If you would like to submit a feature article for the APB, please contact Cashel at cashel@zoho.com

May General Meeting: Monday, May 21, at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science in the VIP Room at 7 PM.

Speaker: Dr. Sarah Trabert

Title: Western Views on "Eastern Groups": Understanding the Dismal River (Plains Apache) Occupation of Colorado

Abstract: The Dismal River archaeological complex (AD 1445-1740) is most often described using data from "eastern" sites in Nebraska and Kansas. The record for Dismal River occupations farther west, however, is just as rich and can tell us much of Dismal River migrations, landscape use, and ceramic technology. Starting with a brief discussion of what is known about this group, this lecture will highlight the many ways that eastern Colorado sites have contributed to our broader understanding of Dismal River culture and ceramics technology. Key topics addressed in this lecture will include: the history of Dismal River occupation in Colorado, the interesting variation displayed by peoples living here in the past, and the important role Colorado peoples and natural resources had on the production and distribution of micaceous ceramics.

Speaker Bio: Dr. Sarah Trabert is an Assistant Professor of Anthropology at the University of Oklahoma. She completed her Masters and Doctorate degrees at the University of Iowa with a focus on Protohistoric/Early Historic Period occupation of the Central High Plains. Her current

research interests include understanding the myriad of responses Native peoples on the Plains had to European colonialism, how ceramic technology changed in the Historic period, and understanding both Apache and Wichita lifeways during this critical Protohistoric period.

2018 General Meeting Dates

The Denver Museum of Nature and Science is changing the way they handle room use of affiliate groups such as CAS. At this time, they will be unable to consistently give us the second Monday of each month. This is the date of each meeting for the year:

5/21/2018-Third Monday of the month
6/18/18-Third Monday of the month
9/4/2018-First Tuesday of the month
10/1/2018-First Monday of the month
11/5/2018-First Monday of the month

Volunteers Needed!

History Colorado will be hosting Hands on Archaeology Day on Saturday, May 12th from 11am to 2pm. They need 6-12 volunteers from 10:30 to 2:30 to staff six archaeology related stations during that interval. If you are able to help out, please let me know (lilsand@comcast.net) no later than SUNDAY, MAY 6th with your name, email and a phone number, preferably mobile. History Colorado will contact volunteers directly. Thanks in advance for your help!

Linda Sand
President Denver Chapter
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Upcoming Fieldwork 2018—Get Involved!

For the second year in a row the Denver Museum of Nature & Science (DMNS) and Paleocultural Research Group (PCRG) are partnering for a community-based public archaeology project at Magic Mountain in Golden, CO and we need your help! We will be in the field for two sessions: **June 18-27** and **July 5-15**. We are seeking volunteers in three areas:

Tour Guides We are looking for volunteers to lead community (public) tours. The tours will orient visitors to the archaeology of region and the site. An appreciation of archaeology is desired, but no previous experience is necessary.

Excavators We are looking for volunteers to help with the excavation. They will assist with digging, screening, and paperwork. Some prior archaeological experience is helpful, but not necessary.

Education Excavators We seek individuals with a background in archaeology and a passion for teaching archaeology to the public to lead the public excavations and assist with youth groups who will be joining us most days of the project. Archaeology experience required; work with youth and/or public preferred.

If you are a current volunteer at DMNS, email volunteer.engagement@dmns.org with the subject heading Magic Mountain and include your full name in the message. You will receive an email response with additional instructions.

If you are not a Current Volunteer at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, please complete the online [Adult Volunteer Application](#).

CAS Representative Needed

Our previous CAS representative for the Denver chapter had to leave due to work obligations, so we are looking to fill this position on the board. This is a great way to meet other archaeological minded people from all over the state. The duties include:
Attend quarterly meetings of CAS;
Member of the CAS Advisory Committee;
Report Chapter activities quarterly to chair of Advisory Committee in required format;
Attend Denver Chapter monthly Board meetings to report State CAS activities, news, events, etc.

Coordinate CAS quarterly meetings when held in Denver area.

If you are interested please feel free to contact the membership chair, Cashel at cashel@zoho.com or the chapter president, Linda Sand, at llsand@comcast.net.

Other Lectures

Horses on the Rocks: Iconic, irresistible pictographs and petroglyphs of horses

Dr. Larry Loendorf

Join us for an illustrated discussion on painted caves and rock art sites featuring horses. The presentation ranges from painted horses in Chauvet Cave in France to horse bones found in Natural Trap Cave, Wyoming, and to the hundreds of horse images in the American West that demonstrate the equine's importance to Native Americans.

May 15, 2018 7:00 pm

Fire Station #19, 2490 Research Parkway, Colorado Springs

Dig It! Hike with the State Archaeologist

The tour is currently SOLD OUT. However, we often add second tours based on demand. We also often have cancellations. Please contact our reservation coordinator to add your name to the waiting list at 303-866-2394 or [email](#).

Join experts from History Colorado's Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation for a guided hike near important archaeological sites in Boulder County's Rabbit Mountain Open Space. The Front Range provides archaeologists many opportunities to learn about prehistoric lifeways in Colorado. This hike will visit some of these sites to explore the rich cultural history of early inhabitants before American settlement. You'll see how different types of artifacts help inform us about our shared past. The beautiful Boulder front range has many surprises in store, so grab your hiking boots and let's explore!

May 31, 2018 10:00 am

Lamb Spring Archaeological Preserve Talks and Tours

The Lamb Spring Archaeological Preserve is offering talks and tours of this important Paleo-Indian archaeological preserve just south of Chatfield State Park (Littleton address) monthly from May, 2018 through October. Remains of extinct species of Columbian mammoths, camel, horse, and buffalo have been excavated from this prehistoric hunting site. Butchered mammoth remains have been dated older than 15,000 years

ago (calibrated C14 years). Cody Paleo-Indian culture artifacts have been dated to about 10,000 years ago. For more information and to make a reservation see www.lambspring.org.

**American Rock Art Research Association
Gathering in Grand Junction**

June 1 – 4, 2018
The Double Tree Inn, Grand Junction, CO

The American Rock Art Research Association (ARARA) is pleased to convene its 2018 rock art symposium June 1 – 4 at the Double Tree Inn in Grand Junction, Colorado. ARARA is America's preeminent rock art organization, whose members explore the many facets of rock art – the study of prehistoric markings found on stone in natural landscape settings. The yearly conference attracts scholars from around the country and internationally, who come together to share research, images and ideas about rock art traditions from the Americas and beyond.

Presentations on current rock art research form the centerpiece of the meeting (June 2 and 3). The research presentations kick off the morning of June

2 with a session dedicated to the rock art of Colorado and then expand to cover rock art in other parts of the U.S. and the world. Details of the agenda can be accessed as we get closer to the conference time at <https://arara.wildapricot.org/Conference-Info>.

Other special cultural activities are planned throughout the conference, including social events and vendor offerings of rock art related merchandise.

For those who register for the conference, ARARA offers two days of guided field trips on (June 1 and 4) to a variety of intriguing area rock art sites. Attendees discover the richness of the local rock art heritage while enjoying the spectacular Colorado and Utah countryside. Trips will include such sites as Canyon Pintado, which contains hundreds of archeological sites and was also on the route used by the Dominguez-Escalante expedition. We are also close to Sego Canyon, an outstanding rock art site in Utah with a combination of Ute, Fremont, and Barrier Canyon panels.

The Financial Statement for March 2018 will be combined with the April 2018 statement and released together in the next APB.

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