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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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Camp Amache: The Colorado Japanese Internment Camp by Cashel McGloin

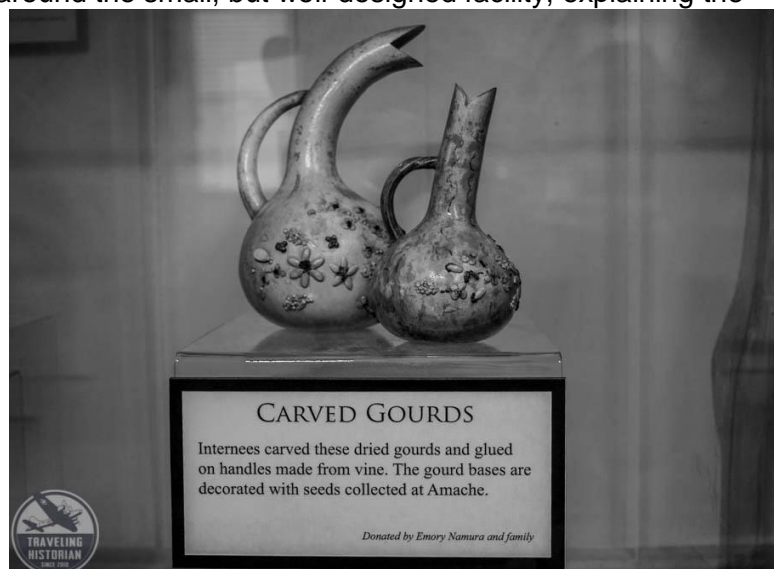
As a child, I lived across the street from an older woman named June, who shared stories with me from when she was my age. Unlike me, who was growing up in one of the quietest neighborhoods in Denver, June lived in one of the internment camps the US Government created for Japanese Americans during World War II. I knew the stories, but I did not know one of the ten camps is in Colorado. Thankfully, my historian friends are better informed and invited me on their annual pilgrimage. So rarely do archaeologists get to connect their work directly with the living, making this a rare opportunity to bridge the ages.



We departed before dawn, since Granada, Colorado is over 200 miles southeast of Denver. After three hours of swing dance music and great conversation, we reached the main museum for the camp. The museum is located in the town of Granada proper and is only open in the summer months. On this particular Sunday, we had the extra privilege of meeting with John Hopper, of the Amache Historical Society. He took us around the small, but well-designed facility, explaining the

exhibits and showing us his favorite objects from storage. This gave me a much richer and more nuanced history to accompany the stories I already knew.

The Granada Relocation Center, better known as Camp Amache, is one of ten internment camps President Roosevelt created when he signed Executive Order 9066 in 1942. The US government built the camp just outside the town of Granada to house Japanese Americans removed from the west coast. For three years, over 7,000 American citizens lived, worked and made the best of what they hoped was a temporary situation in the barracks outside the town. Life in the camp was sparse; every family was only allowed to bring one suitcase and had limited means to acquire more once they arrived. Despite this, they thrived.



Former Disney animators taught the art classes, families wrestled beautiful gardens from the inhospitable land and people created happiness for themselves.

Although the focus of the museum is on the living internees and the objects they donated, the site also hosts DU's archaeology field school every year. When I went, most of the artifacts were off site for the exhibit "Connecting the Pieces: Dialogues on the Amache Archaeology Collection" currently at DU's museum for Anthropology through September 18th. Dr. Bonnie Clark has been overseeing the field school since 2008 and several exhibits, as well as an award winning short film, have been made from their work.



All the artifacts that remained were nestled in a specially created shadow box. Bits of Japanese pottery, a broken barrette and marbles were all part of the little assemblage onsite. I instantly connected with a strange little glass bottle. It is roughly 2 inches long, oddly patterned and vaguely oval in shape with the opening in the top.

When I couldn't puzzle out what the bottle could possibly be, John opened a 1944 Sears Christmas catalog to show a set of 4 glass bottles, filled with candy; the oblong shape before me was the body of the plane, whose plastic wings and propeller had long rotted away. Time in the ground had another striking effect on the bottle. In spots along the plane, the glass was iridescent. One of my favorite things about Roman archaeology is the opalescent glass, which I presumed reflected imperfections in the glass mixed with extensive time in the ground. And yet, here in front of me, was the same beauty on modern produced glass that had seen less than a century underground. Further digging on my part revealed that acidic soil conditions leach alkali from the glass and deposit it in fine layers, creating a prism effect.

Although some glass is better suited for this than others, it is possible with almost any kind of glass. The fact that these families with almost nothing would spend money not only on a gift for the children, but on a patriotic gift for the country that imprisoned them while fighting their ancestral homeland, left me with a deep sense of respect for these internees.

After the museum, we drove out to the camp itself, a desolate area of land where only the cement foundations and the cemetery still stand. There is a very good audio tour to listen to and plaques to better interpret the lonely surrounding site. The remains of the koi pond took me back to June and the bushes outside her house, which she sculpted to resemble bonsai.

Pictures credit to Greg Kyle.



June General Meeting: Monday, June 8, 2015 at DMNS in Ricketson Auditorium at 7 PM.

Lawrence Todd, PhD, RPA

Title: Post-Fire Archaeology in the Washakie Wilderness: Recording Unknown Landscapes in NW Wyoming

Abstract: What began in 2002 as a fairly standard archaeological inventory project on the Shoshone National Forest in northwest Wyoming's Greater

Yellowstone Ecosystem has been fundamentally changed by the interplay of changing climates and the related shifts in wildland fire frequency, intensity, and size. From 2002 until mid-way through the 2006 field season our research, which we call the Greybull River Sustainable Landscape Ecology (GRSLE) project, operated as a pretty much business-as-usual high elevation archaeology project. In July 2006, a large fire burned through the core of our project area and revealed an unexpected diversity and complexity of mountain archaeology. Since then, several more large back country fires have become the focus of

intensive post-fire inventories in remote settings where little or no archaeological work had previously been conducted. The results of both the 2002-2006 baseline surveys and the subsequent post-fire inventories are described.

Bio: In addition to being the current chair of the Park County Historic Preservation Commission (Wyoming), Larry Todd is Professor Emeritus in Anthropology at Colorado State University and a Research Fellow in Anthropology at the University of Texas, Austin. A native of Meeteetse, Wyoming, here he now lives, Todd has conducted archaeological fieldwork on the Plains for the last 40 years with most of his research focusing on bison kill sites. While no longer teaching, Todd splits his retirement time between researching riverine adaptations of early modern humans in NW Ethiopia and prehistoric montane/alpine land use in NW Wyoming.

Lamb Spring Archaeological Preserve Talks and Tours

Learn about the Paleo-Indian mammoth, camel, sloth, and extinct forms of bison hunters at the Lamb Spring archaeological site in the SW Denver. Talks and tours are held from May through October. For more information and reservations see www.lambspring.org.

Pecos Conference

August 6-9, 2015 in Mancos, Colorado.

Minutes of the DC-CAS Board Meeting, May 5, 2015

The regularly scheduled DC-CAS Board meeting was called to order by President Linda Sand at 7 PM 5/5/15 in the MSUD Tivoli Lounge, a quorum was present. Attending were Linda Sand, Jack Warner, Craig Banister, Ken Andresen, Cashel McGloin, Catherine Griffin, and Jon Kent.

VP- Catherine Griffin reviewed General Meeting speaker plans through June. There is no meeting in July. She is working on the August joint meeting with the Egyptian Study Society. Three possibilities were mentioned.

Craig Banister and Jack Warner reviewed the current and future Scientific Committee activities and Chairman Neil Hauser's published plans. The current focus is on Blackfoot Cave Site lithic analysis. Craig mentioned that Neil is planning on leading a DC-CAS trip to Montrose area archaeological sites 9/25-27.

Cashel McGloin and Ken Andresen announced that the APB is published for May and Craig reported it is on the DC-CAS WWW site.

Jack Warner reported two items from the recent State-CAS meeting in Salida.

- CAS has a new Chapter in Grand Junction
- To facilitate inter-CAS Chapter cooperation and opportunity, the State CAS Board would like all CAS Chapters make their newsletters available to all CAS members on the internet.

Linda Sand added that all DC-CAS members are welcome to the next State Quarterly meeting in Cortez 7/25/15 and to the CAS Annual meeting in Durango 10/9-11/15. Both will have interesting field trips. She added that rooms in Durango may be at a premium, so make reservations early for lower prices.

Old Business

The notes for the April DC-CAS Board meeting were approved.

New Business

Cashel requested that Jack add DC-CAS as the organization to the official Internet domain registration for DC-CAS's domain name: "cas-denver.org", so there would be no legal problem if Jack should meet his demise. Jack completed this 5/6/15.

At Jon Kent's request, Jack's motion: to change the DC-CAS website to allow all State CAS members to more easily view the APB to facilitate inter-CAS Chapter cooperation, was deferred to the next DC-CAS Board meeting scheduled for June 2. Jon mentioned that in the past several CAS members, some of whom were not present at this meeting, preferred to reserve the APB to DC-CAS members only as a benefit of chapter membership. All DC-CAS members with views on this issue are encouraged by the Board to attend the next Board meeting to express their views or to relay them to Board members who will attend the meeting. Jon mentioned that MSUD will be on summer session in June, and we should move the location for the Board meetings until Sept. Linda agreed to contact Teresa Weedon to check on the availability of the room at DU.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Submitted by: Jack Warner

Minutes of the DC-CAS General Meeting, May 11, 2015

Linda Sand opened the meeting with a few announcements, including reminding the audience (of about 30 attendees) to look on Facebook for information about local and statewide CAS events. She thanked Bob (Rushforth), Cashel, and Ken for getting the May APB out on time. State CAS chapters have asked that the Denver APB be available online for members to view. This matter will be discussed at an upcoming board meeting. Bob Tipton announced his upcoming May 23 field trip to Hicklin Springs. On June 22 there is an event at Ft. Garland including viewing rock art. Contact Kevin Black at Colorado History regarding the annual PAAC summer survey. Linda also stated that a past member of CAS, Eddie Iannacito, died in late April, at age 94.

Raffle tickets are starting to be sold (and will be at DC-CAS meetings) for the Alice Hamilton scholarship fund, 3 prizes this year, drawing to be held at the annual meeting in Durango. (\$7000 in scholarship money was awarded in 2014!) The next quarterly CAS meeting will be July 25 in Dolores, CO.

Following the announcements, Catherine (VP) introduced the speaker, Kathleen Corbett (PhD and architectural historian) on the topic of "Left to God's Mercy: Exploring Southeastern Colorado's Landscapes of Abandonment". Kathleen dedicated the talk to the recently deceased archaeologist, Richard Carillo.

Kathleen's research focused on homesteads in the SE part of Colorado, in the Purgatoire River area. The area was slow to settle, but was a cultural intersection in the area of the Old Santa Fe Trail. The earliest settlement was through land grants, along roads and waterways, multi-family settlements. Land grants were replaced by the Public Lands Survey System, dividing the land into squares (township, range, section). This area of Colorado wasn't good farmable area; mainly used for livestock grazing. Homes were built with stone, also some from adobe and brush, many areas having plazas. Kathleen showed numerous photos of ruins of structures, with linear plans, rooms built in a row. Hispanic influence included corner fireplaces. Her counties of research were Bent and Las Animas.

During the 1890's to 1909, there was more intense farm settlement, and the end of open range cattle

ranching. Irrigation projects were begun. More photos of various homestead ruins were shown, with various styles of stone masonry discussed. From 1909 to the 1930's, an enlarged Homestead Act and Stock Raising Act allowed 320/640 respective acres for cattle raising as well as farming. Later on, drought and the Dust Bowl made for consolidation of homesteads. Interesting photos and homesteads discussed included ruins of a milk house, a schoolhouse, a dugout (cooler down there) used until a house was constructed above it, a bungalow with a cistern and gravity-fed water, and a general store with post office (ca 1916), having had a display window. Some of the homesteads were multi-family. The Colorado Preservation Inc. website has the survey reports and information on these homesteads: coloradopreservation.org, drop down to "projects", then "cultural resources surveys" then to "Purgatoire River region surveys".

Linda Sand asked for approval of minutes of the April general meeting, these were approved. The annual statewide meeting in Durango will be held in October; Linda encouraged all to think about attending. There will be a speaker on the Kennewick man. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Submitted by Linda Trzyna for Kendra Elrod, DC-CAS secretary

Preliminary 80th CAS Annual Meeting Conference

October 9-11, 2015

San Juan Basin Archaeological Society, Durango, CO

Hosting Chapter: San Juan Basin Archaeological Society (Website: SJBAS.org)

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Times are preliminary. Please check the SJBAS or CAS website for updates in August.

Friday, October 9

Early Bird Activity: Tour of Center of Southwest Studies, Fort Lewis College, 3:00 p.m., for first twelve to sign up.

Reception: 5-7:00 p.m. Toh-Atin Gallery, 145 W. 9th Street, Durango. (970-247-8277).

Board members can walk from the reception to the Board Meeting

CAS Quarterly Board Meeting: 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Himalayan Kitchen, 992 Main Avenue, Durango. (970-259-0956) (Special buffet)

Special Dinner Opportunity: Open to Conference

attendees. Attendees may sign up for the 7:00 p.m. special buffet at the Himalayan Kitchen, 992 Main Avenue. (The buffet is usually offered only at lunch)

Saturday, October 10

Conference: Registration at 8:00 a.m.

Conference: 8:30 a.m –4:15 p.m.

Location: Ballroom, Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO. Free parking Coffee, tea, fruit, pastries and lunch are part of the registration fee.

CAS Annual Membership Meeting: 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Location: Ballroom, Fort Lewis College

Banquet: Happy hour/Cash bar: 5:30-6:30 p.m.,

Dinner served 6:45 p.m., Speaker 7:30 p.m.

Location: Ballroom, Fort Lewis College.

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Doug Owsley Topic:

Kennewick Man: The Scientific Investigation of an Ancient American Skeleton

In this keynote dinner presentation, Dr. Doug Owsley will share his recent work, authored with Richard L. Jantz. Dr. Owsley received his B.S. in Zoology from the University of Wyoming in 1973 and his Ph.D. in Physical Anthropology from the University of Tennessee in 1978. In 1987, Dr. Owsley joined the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History as a curator, and has served since 1990 as the Division Head for Physical Anthropology.

Dr. Owsley is engaged in forensic anthropology case work, assisting state and federal law enforcement agencies. Cases have included Jeffrey Dahmer's first victim, recovery and identification of Waco Branch Davidian compound members, the 9-11 Pentagon plane crash, and exhumation and identification of war dead from the former Yugoslavia. His bioarchaeological and osteological research concerns include: ancient American skeletons like Kennewick Man and the peopling of the New World;

demography and health of 17th-century colonists; Civil War military remains, including the crew of the H.L. Hunley submarine; iron coffin burials; and analyses of activity patterns, health and diseases of American Indian populations from the Plains and Southwest.

His current research focuses on human skeletal remains from the 17th-century Chesapeake region of Virginia and Maryland. The results of this research were presented in an exhibition at the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History entitled "Written in Bone: Forensic Files of the 17th-Century Chesapeake." Dr. Owsley was co- curator of this exhibition.

Sunday, October 11

Free PAAC Class: Kevin Black, Asst. State

Archaeologist for the State of Colorado/PAAC Coordinator, will offer a one-day, approximately eight hour, PAAC class, the first Site Form Workshop offered outside Denver. It should start at 9 am and end before 5 pm. The Site Form Workshop will cover those tasks necessary to transform a partially filled-out field site form into a report-ready final form, including preparing final drafts of sketch maps, computing legal locations and UTM's, topographic map plots, artifact illustrations, etc. Participants are asked to bring a pencil, eraser, clipboard or comparable writing surface, and any draft forms that they are working on. This workshop is NOT limited to participants on the PAAC Summer Training Survey but is open to anyone who would like to gain knowledge about and assistance with the preparation of final site forms. It will be conducted as a hands-on workshop experience, not as a formal lecture class. Since this is not a formal class, there is no PAAC credit given for the workshop.

Post-meeting Field Trips – Final list TBD: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (some half day, some full day, but time to attend only one)

Afternoon Silverton Historical Tour (allows Narrow Gauge train ride to Silverton and bus trip back)

Southern Ute Indian Cultural Center and Museum
Chimney Rock National Monument

Mesa Verde Curatorial Area/Anasazi Heritage Center
(Behind the Scenes) Aztec Ruins/Salmon Ruins

Crow Canyon Archaeological Center Day field trip to visit three Navajo Pueblitos, near Navajo Reservoir, N.M. Longest walk is 3/4 mile over relatively flat terrain. 4WD/HC vehicles necessary. If heavy rains occur during preceding week, trip may be canceled. Participation limited to 16, with no more than six vehicles. Carpooling to be arranged.

Crow Canyon Archaeological Center
Lecture: 7:00 p.m. Seeking to finalize talk and book signing at Fort Lewis College, Center of Southwest Studies, by David Roberts, The Lost World of the Old Ones.

The report from the state archaeologist, Richard Wilshusen, at the April 25, 2015 Quarterly Board Meeting

I have been your State Archaeologist and Deputy SHPO for Archaeology for almost five years; this has been the best job I have ever had, and also the most challenging. It is time for me to morph back into being an archaeologist rather than a State Archaeologist. I deeply appreciate all that CAS and many of you have done for me, and even more importantly, all you've done for our state's deep and wonderfully complex

history. In this last report I want to quickly review where we stand on a number of issues and to mention several challenges.

As the DSHPO for Archaeology I have worked with my colleagues in Intergovernmental Services to negotiate a number of programmatic agreements with federal agencies, the most notable of which were the three undertakings on Fort Carson. Working with our BLM partners we updated the state protocol from 1999, which governs all projects we review for BLM. We've dealt with massive forest fires, the devastation of bark beetles, significant oil and gas drilling, and finally catastrophic floods on Forest Service lands. We are in the midst of negotiating other agreements-such as a landscape level PA for energy development in and around Canyons of the Ancients National Monument. I estimate that we have reviewed and commented on at least 1,500 distinct projects with archaeological elements in my time as a SHPO. As State Archaeologist I have twelve other duties and I will only hit a few highlights of the progress we have made on only a handful of the many things I do.

1. We have made real strides untangling the curation crisis. We met with key museum partners at the CCPA meeting last month to continue designing a long-term regional solution, not a big-curation-facility-in-Denver solution. Collaborative efforts will help to keep our collections regionally focused so that they are accessible, secure and better used by researchers in these regions.

2. In working with our tribal partners under state burial law and NAGPRA we have reburied over 380 Native American individuals in the last four plus years. There are only 12 individuals in our custody presently awaiting either repatriation or reburial, with half of these individuals being legal confiscations or discoveries from last year where we took custody for security purposes.

3. As State Archaeologist one of my joys has been working regularly with Ernest House, Jr., the Executive Director of the Commission of Indian Affairs. I have also appreciated the support of our Lt. Governor and Governor, especially when the Governor offered a formal apology for the Sand Creek Massacre. It took 150 years, but I valued the honesty and courage of our governor and four prior governors to issue this apology, it was an honor that History Colorado was able to host a feast for almost 300 Healing Run participants and their families.

4. One of the great pleasures of this job has been to get to work with Kevin Black- he has been unfailingly supportive and inspiring. He fulfills some of our most

significant outreach efforts and has worked with me to clear up a number of historic overdue permits. We are almost within reach of eliminating our remaining past due permit obligations before I leave at the end of May. Considering that we typically grant more than 110 permits a year and we had problem cases dating to over 20 years ago, this is remarkable progress. From our very first case together, dealing with the Snowmastodon site (I'm your state paleontologist by default), Kevin has been an amazing partner.

5. I have learned a great deal from CAS. I have appreciated having PAAC qualified folk available for our preservation and salvage efforts, and I see more of this in the future. We have to begin to build alternatives that will guide PAAC training into the future.

I will close by describing some challenges where the next State Archaeologist will need your help in the next months. I will also pledge to introduce you to my successor and to key board members over the summer and at the CAS Annual Meeting. I want archaeology, CAS, and my office to thrive in the coming years; I am not going to fade away.

DC/CAS
April, 2015 Financial Report
Prepared by Preston Niesen, Treasurer

Assets

	March	April
Key Bank checking	\$ 5,015.57	\$ 5,027.57
TD 182 day to 07/03/14 @0.15%	\$ 5,689.52	\$ 5,689.52
TD 182 day to 10/23/13 @0.15%	\$ 4,804.57	\$ 4,804.57
TD 1 year to 5/14/14 @ 0.15%	\$ 4,991.03	\$ 4,991.03
Total checking/savings	\$ 20,500.69	\$20,512.69

Liabilities & Equity

Current Liabilities	March	April
AH Scholarship Fund payable	\$ 220.00	
State CAS Dues payable		

Funds

Scientific Applications	\$ 5,031.66	\$ 5,059.66
Swallow Report Project	\$ 2,671.81	\$ 2,671.81
D Bucknam Memorial Speaker Fund	\$ 1,747.10	\$ 1,747.10
Blackfoot Cave	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00
Library	\$ 302.45	\$ 302.45
Education	\$ 182.00	\$ 182.00
Field Trips/Social	\$ 483.01	\$ 483.01
Student Membership	\$ 39.50	\$ 31.50
Speakers Meal Fund	\$ 801.62	\$ 801.62

Total Liabilities & Funds \$ 11,549.15 \$ 11,349.15

General Fund \$ 8,951.54 \$ 9,163.54

Total L E F's \$ 20,500.69 \$ 20,512.69

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