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Mark Your Calendar

Jun 1-4: [ARARA 2018](#) Annual Conference, Double Tree Inn, Grand Junction, Colorado.

Jun 5: [Hisatsinom Chapter CAS](#). Dr. Maxine McBrinn on updating a community-curated museum exhibit. Methodist Church, 515 Park Street, Cortez, 7:00 pm.

Jun 8: Mesa Verde NP. Jim Enote on "Mesa Verde and the Cultivation of Resilience." [MVNP Visitor and Research Center](#), 7:00 pm.

Jun 11: CAS-GJ presents Ron Rood on the 1853 Walker War in Utah Territory. Redlands United Methodist Church, 527 Village Way, 6:30–8:00 pm.

Jul 7: CAS Quarterly Meeting, hosted by Chipeta Chapter. Ute Indian Museum conference room, 17253 Chipeta Road, Montrose. 9:00 am.

Jul 18: Chipeta Chapter picnic, Rotary Park, S 12th St, Montrose, see announcement (*right*).

PAAC Summer Excavations at Tahosa Creek

History Colorado & Metcalf Archaeology will be leading ten days of excavations at a middle archaic site at High Peak Camp on State Highway 7 just south of Estes Park. The excavations will be the last two weeks of June, and the Salvation Army will provide on-site housing and meals. Space is limited and will be on a first come first serve basis (pending state background check approval).

To apply, please fill in the following form: <https://www.volgistics.com/ex/portal.dll/ap?ap=1599999488>

All inquiries should be directed to State Archaeologist Dr. Holly Norton at holly.norton@state.co.us

Chipeta Chapter Summer Picnic!

The Chipeta Chapter summer picnic is scheduled for Wednesday, July 18, starting at 5:00 pm, at the Rotary Park shelter. There is no grill at Rotary Park. Bring a dish to share, and something to drink. You will also need to bring your own table service, and chairs if you have them.



Rotary Park is on South 12th Street. From Townsend, turn east (left if coming from the north, right if coming from the south) on S. 12th St. and drive about three blocks. You will see the shelter on the right (south) side of the road. There is a parking lot just east of the shelter.





President's Corner

by Teri Hauser

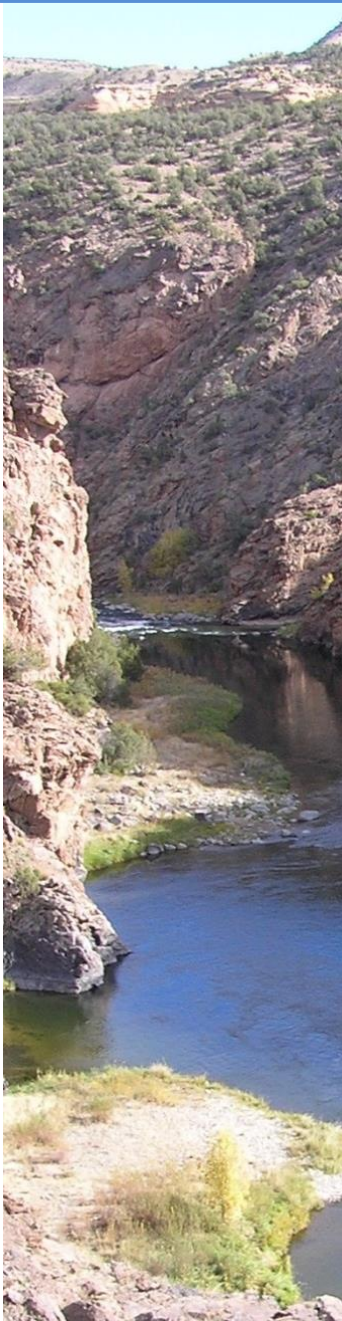
Hello fellow Chipeta Chapter members!

Summer is in full swing and vacations are underway. Neil and I are in Norway finding Viking museums and searching for information on prehistoric hunters and gatherers.

While there are no formal meetings across the summer, Leigh Anne, Bill and others are planning some fun field trips. Don't forget the summer picnic on July 18; we hope you can join us! Watch for notices in your email from Dennis with details.

Have fun; be safe; see you in September if not before! Skol!

Teri



Announcing the Summer Quarterly State CAS Meeting

Every year, the Colorado Archaeological Society holds three quarterly meetings, held in January, April, and July, and an Annual Meeting, which is held in September or October each year. The meetings are held in different parts of the state, in order to give all chapters a relatively equal opportunity to participate.

This July's Summer Quarterly Meeting will be hosted by the Chipeta Chapter in Montrose on July 7, 2018. It will be held at the Ute Indian Museum, at 17253 Chipeta Road, from 9 am to 4 pm. The morning session is generally the main business meeting, while the afternoon is for committee meetings.

These meetings are not restricted to chapter officers or CAS representatives, but is open to the rank and file membership of the society. If you are interested in the issues that are tackled in our society at the state level, you are invited to attend this meeting.



From the Editor

I presented a paper at the Archaeological Society of New Mexico (ASNM) Annual Meeting in Albuquerque last month. I was reminded of the motivating effect that conferences exert. This is not merely due to the exposure to diverse ideas, but also from the interaction with one's peers (and betters). This small conference rekindled my interest in the use of archaeology to examine important social and cultural issues.

The theme of the ASNM weekend was "Chaco Culture: In and Out of the Canyon." The morning sessions were invited talks, and one of them was by Steve Lekson, Southwest archaeology's provocateur par excellence. He chided southwest archeologists for their insistence that Chacoan society was basically egalitarian, asserting that the difference between Chacoan great and small houses is simply that the former were palaces and the latter were ordinary homes. He noted the presence of class distinctions all around North America: to the south among the Maya and the successive societies in and around the Valley of Mexico; to the east, in the Mississippian and related cultures; and to the west, especially along the northwest coast, where the three social classes could be characterized as elites, commoners, and slaves. Why, he asks, should we suppose that somehow ancestral Puebloans were able to remain egalitarian amid all this stratification in the societies surrounding, and economically engaged with, the Chacoan system?

Speaking of slaves, the May issue of *The Archaeological Record*, a scholarly but accessible newsletter put out five times per year by the Society for American Archaeology, takes on the inequality theme in a series of articles about the latest research into the Viking World (from late 8th into the 11th centuries and beyond). This really interesting series tackles themes from the nature of the great Viking raiding campaigns, to the possibility that these campaigns included powerful and revered female warriors, and ways to detect their presence in the archaeological record, to the ubiquity of slavery (the economy of the unfree).

The latter discusses the degree to which the taking and keeping of slaves dominated the economic life of the Viking world. Up to 25% of the population may have been slaves, and they were an important resource to support the raiding and colonizing, when much of the population must have been distracted from their domestic responsibilities. Slaves would have been put to use in a wide variety of tasks from farming to sail-making. Others would have been sold, and there was probably a world-wide market for slaves.

Reading about this ubiquitous reliance on the unfree, as they are called in this article, reminded me of a very impressive work of historical research by James Brooks. His 2002 book *Captives and Cousins* is about the ubiquity of slavery and its economic importance in the American Southwest during the Spanish colonial period. The prevailing theme of this book is the interdependence of the three different social arrangements in New Mexico during the colonial period: the agrarian Spanish, the agrarian Puebloans, and the mobile hunting and gathering groups, such as the Navajo and Utes. All were victims of slave raids and all were perpetrators of slave raids. Male slaves brought in cash and economic benefits from their labor (if not sold), while female slaves often ended up being wives and mothers, as well as economic engines in the domestic sphere. The very ubiquity of this cruel practice of using force to subjugate and exploit enemy human labor must have made it extremely difficult for diverse cultures inhabiting the same landscape to learn to trust each other.

Brooks, James F.

2002 *Captives and Cousins: Slavery, Kinship, and Community in the Southwest Borderlands*. Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill.

New Horizons in the Archaeology of the Viking Age.

2018 *The SAA Archaeological Record* 18:3.

Raffield, Ben

2018 "Raiding, Slaving, and the Economies of Unfreedom in the Viking Diaspora." *The SAA Archaeological Record* 18:3.

The Squint and Juanita Moore Scholarship

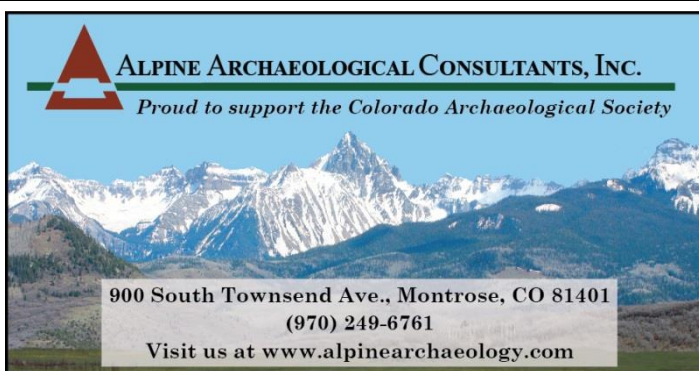
We'd like to congratulate this year's recipient:

Colin Patrick McCollough

Colin is a graduate student at Western State University in Gunnison.

Created in honor of Chipeta Chapter founding member Carlyle "Squint" Moore and his wife, the scholarship is awarded each year to a deserving high school senior or college student intending to enroll or already enrolled in an Anthropology or Archaeology program.

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As a member of the Colorado Archaeological Society, I pledge to:

- Uphold local, state, and federal antiquities laws.
- Respect the property rights of landowners.
- Report vandalism to appropriate authorities.
- Support only scientifically and legally conducted archaeological activities.
- Conduct field and/or laboratory activities using professionally accepted standards.
- Not condone the sale, exchange, or purchase of artifacts obtained from illegal activities.
- Be sensitive to the cultural histories and spiritual practices of groups that are the subject of archaeological investigation.
- Accept the responsibility, if serving as principal investigator, to publish the results and make the collection available for further study.

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[Archaeology Southwest](#)
is a great link to find out
about current issues and
events relating to
Southwest Archaeology.

Chipeta Speaker

Blythe Morrison, of the Fort Lewis College Southwest Center, is scheduled for September 19th to speak about her research into turkey domestication, with evidence from legacy archaeological collections.

Field Trip Committee

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For more information on upcoming field trips and to sign up, please contact the Field Trip leader



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