



# *In-Situ*



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## **It's Membership Renewal Time**

Laurie Perry, Membership Chair

NAA memberships run from January 1 through December 31 of each year. So, that means it's time to renew, or join for the first time. Here are a few reasons to join:

- \* The best buy in archaeological memberships available
- \* Interesting and informative quarterly newsletters
- \* Annual journal with cool articles
- \* Annual meeting with workshop and conference
- \* Membership card to wow your friends and co-workers
- \* Opportunities to meet the most interesting people in Nevada

An application is attached to the newsletter (remember to sign for acceptance of the Code of Ethics). Feel free to copy the application and invite your friends, acquaintances, and anyone interested in archaeology (who isn't?) to join. How about a gift membership? It's cheap and the newsletters are great! For additional information, contact Laurie Perry at (702) 293-8619 or [lperry@lc.usbr.gov](mailto:lperry@lc.usbr.gov).

## **Winter Board Meeting**

Prof. Steve Daron, NAA President

The NAA Winter board meeting is scheduled for January 3, 2004 at the Lost City Museum in Overton, Nevada. There will be a meeting Friday evening to work on the Archaeological Awareness/Historic Preservation week poster and brochure. Participants will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the Lost City Museum.

The Saturday field trip's objective has yet to be determined, but we will meet at the museum at 8:30 a.m. The board will convene at 2:00 p.m., again at the Lost City Museum.

As always, any NAA member is invited to attend the board meeting and any associated activities.

Hotels in the area include: The Best Western North Shore Inn (702-397-6000); the Overton Motel (702-397-2463); the Plaza Motel (702-397-2414); Glendale Motel (702-864-2277); and Echo Bay Resort (702-394-4000).

## **Fall Board Meeting**

The NAA Fall Board meeting was held in Tonopah weekend of September 20th. Tonopah Bureau of Land Management (BLM) archaeologist Sue Rigby led board members on a field trip to several area sites.

The first stop was at a large prehistoric site in a dune field in Midway Valley. Hundreds of fire-cracked rock features, many containing burnt bone and charcoal, are present in this site. Preliminary investigations indicate that the site has been used for roughly 7,000 years, and that a substantial buried component exists. The site may be impacted from proposed gold mining operations, which should result in data recovery efforts.

After visiting the dune site, the board drove up to Belmont, the site of an 1865 silver rush and the site of Nye County's first county seat and courthouse. In addition to visiting the courthouse, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, stops were made at several old mills, and a brief visit was also made at Belmont's only currently operating saloon for a quick libation.

After the field trip, the board convened at the BLM's Tonopah Field Station for the quarterly meeting. After the meeting, board members and guests convened to the Cranky Crab, a great sea food restaurant and a wonderful surprise in the middle of Nevada, for dinner.

**Archaeological Awareness/Historic  
Preservation Week  
Start Planning for 2004**

Prof. Steve Daron, NAA President

It is not too early to start planning your activities for the 2004 Archaeological Awareness/Historic Preservation Week. It will be May 9 through May 15, 2004. Alice Baldrice will be sending out mailers in January asking for information about events. She will need them back by the first week of March so the information can be compiled and distributed. It's not too soon to start planning those activities.

**Call for Papers**

Roberta McGonagle, 2004 Program Chair

Papers are needed for the 2004 Annual meeting. We know that there is interesting work going on out there pertaining to the archaeology, ethnography, history and paleontology of Nevada and the neighboring regions that you need to report. If you have anything to report, please submit an abstract of approximately 200 words to Dr. Roberta McGonagle, 1515 3300 East Street, Battle Mountain, NV 89820 by February 16, 2004.

**Call for Photographs**

Tom Flanigan, NAA Board

The Nevada Archaeological Association is requesting that people send in photographs for the Nevada Archaeology Awareness and Historic Preservation Week Poster. This year's theme will be "Flowing through Time." We are requesting photographs of historic and archaeological resources that are associated with water. If you would like to contribute a photograph please send them to Tom Flanigan: 825 Avenue E., Ely, NV 89301 or via email at [tflanigan@fs.fed.us](mailto:tflanigan@fs.fed.us), or to Laurie Perry: LC-2631, P.O. Box 61470, Boulder City, NV 89006-1470, or via e-mail at [lperry@lc.usbr.gov](mailto:lperry@lc.usbr.gov).

**Nevada Archaeological Association  
Student Research Grant Competition**

Ted Goebel, NAA Board & UNR

The Nevada Archaeological Association is pleased to announce a competition for a Student Research Grant. Proposed research must pertain to the archaeology of the Great Basin or American Southwest, and have implications for the archaeology of Nevada. This year the amount of the grant will be \$1,000. *The student-grantee will be*

*provided 70% of the grant at the time of the award, 20% upon receipt of a progress report, and the final 10% upon completion of the project and presentation of results at the next Annual Meeting of the NAA. A progress report will be due by October 31, 2004, and the student-grantee will be required to present their research findings at the NAA's annual meeting in the spring of 2005.*

Applications should include an original and two copies of:

- A cover letter explaining how the individual qualifies for the award (i.e., description of student's university and degree program).
- A current vita.
- A 600-word, single-spaced description of the proposed research, clearly documenting research questions or goals, materials, methods, and significance to archaeology in Nevada.
- A letter of recommendation from the student's academic supervisor, emphasizing the student's ability to conduct independent research.

Applications must be post-marked by February 28, 2004, and addressed to:

Ted Goebel  
Department of Anthropology/096  
University of Nevada, Reno  
Reno NV 89557

If you have questions regarding the grant or application process, please contact Ted Goebel at 775-784-6704 (x2013) or goebel@unr.edu.

### **Updating the Bylaws**

Steve Daron, NAA President

The NAA Board of Directors recently consulted the bylaws about an issue and

found that the bylaws need to be updated. Some sections need to be changed to allow for more flexibility and to better reflect the way the organization conducts business. For example, Article VIII, Section 1 states "an annual meeting shall be held in the fall. . ." and as long as I have been in the organization the annual meeting has been in the spring. We would also like to simplify the membership structure. Currently, there are several membership categories that are not used.

The proposed changes to the bylaws must be voted on by the general membership. The next In-Situ will have a detailed discussion of the proposed changes. The proposed changes will be discussed at the general business meeting at the annual conference in April and voted on by the general membership.

### **Ting Perkins Award**

Oyvind Frock, Am-Arcs & NAA Board

It is that time again. At our annual meeting next April, we would like to present our Ting-Perkins Award to another deserving avocational archaeologist.

Eligibility for the award is based on these factors:

- 1) Must be a non-professional in the main area of interest. A non-professional does not make his or her living in the area of interest and does not advertise as a professional. "Cross-over" skills will not disqualify a nominee. For example, a professional artist may apply his or her skills to rock art recording projects, a journalist or writer may apply their skills to oral history projects, or a musician may apply skills to analysis or recording of Native American music or dance.

- 2) Assistance given to professionals: volunteer work in surveys, excavations, lab work, etc.
- 3) Advancing the causes of preservation and conservation. Examples are site recording and monitoring.
- 4) Communicating to the public. Examples would be speaking to school groups, advocating legislation, and conducting public tours.

Somewhere in Nevada is a deserving individual. Nominations are to be submitted to the N.A.A. with a narration outlining the nominee's qualifications. The N.A.A. board will review the submissions.

Listed below are some of those individuals who have had their efforts recognized by our Ting-Perkins Award:

Grace Burkholder  
 Don Hendricks  
 Phil Hutchinson  
 Farrel and Manetta Lytle  
 Helen Mortensen  
 Jean Miles  
 Norma and Herb Splatt  
 Jean Stevens  
 Steve Stoney

**Am-Arcs of Nevada**

Oyvind Frock, Am-Arcs & NAA Board

Dr. Laurie Walsh kicked off our fall series of meetings by reviewing her doctoral dissertation with us. Her two summers in Australia were spent talking with descendants of the early natives regarding their life styles. She was particularly interested in possible comparisons to be drawn with the Great Basin pre-contact inhabitants. There are few archaeological remains to be seen and the Australian environment created significant differences.

Our next meeting was a Master's thesis project by Alyce Branigan. She utilized Geographic Information System (GIS) programs heavily in her research and discussed its value with us.

In October, Signa Pendergraf discussed her Master's research on the relationship between rock art and women. She contrasted this to the older concepts of hunting magic and shamanism.

We had two "regular" field trips to a small set of tufa windbreaks and to a small petroglyph panel with associated features. There also was a Comstock era rock cabin foundation and related debris nearby.

Len Ettinger led a group of 12 in surface surveys along the Amargosa River and Pleistocene Lake Sarcobatus. We recorded five sites, took GPS readings of some 30 chert reduction areas and 20 plus projectile points (complete, base and tips). A probable house alignment of basalt boulders was located and recorded. Further survey trips are planned for next year.

**Archaeo-Nevada Society (ANS)**

Fore information on ANS, please contact Mark Rosenzweig at (702) 233-9424.

**Elko County Chapter News**

The annual Holiday Potluck for the Elko County Chapter was held December 5 at Eric and Amy Henderson's home in Elko.

If you have any questions concerning ECC activities, please call Donna Murphy at (775) 738-6269.

## **Las Vegas Valley Chapter of the Archaeological Institute of America**

The Las Vegas Valley Chapter of the Archaeological Institute of America, in conjunction with the University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV) Department of Anthropology, have scheduled two lectures for the 2003-2004 academic year. The first lecture was November 6<sup>th</sup> by Dr. John Camp, Department of Classics, Randolph-Macon College in Virginia. His lecture was on the Sanctuary of Artemis at Brauron in Greece.

The second lecture will be held on April 27, 2004. It will be presented by Dr. Norman Hammond, who will speak on Mayan archaeology. It is anticipated that the lecture will be held in the Flora Dungan Humanities Building on the UNLV campus.

Additional planned activities include a third speaker and an archaeological workshop. Watch *In-Situ* for additional news and notices.

## **Nevada Rock Art Foundation News**

Alanah Woody

Nevada Rock Art Foundation (NRAF) members have been active in the north and the south, with both site recordings and stewardship programs happening all over the place! In the north, the biggest project is at Lagomarsino Canyon, and after the first year of a multi-year project, volunteers worked in the field for fourteen days and mapped, drew and photographed over 700 panels, while others worked in the lab to compile the data and finalize the drawings. Most importantly, work on the Snowmaker panel, which had been seriously vandalized in the spring of 2000, was completed by Conservator Claire Dean who worked her magic and the vandalism seemed to disappear! Because it was carved into the rock, it can never be

removed, but it's now camouflaged enough that it won't attract more vandalism. In addition to that, Site Stewards for the site have had their first meeting in Virginia City and will begin regular monitoring of the site in the spring, so nothing like this will happen again. It's estimated that there are between 5,000 and 10,000 panels at this site and the project will continue over the next several years.

In addition to the Stewardship program at Lagomarsino, a number of volunteers are also monitoring sites in the Dry Lakes/High Basins area just northeast of Reno where there has been very rapid growth in the last several years. Working with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Site Stewards are being assigned sites and are helping with establishing the baseline site record for each site. Like elsewhere, monitors will be visiting "their sites" regularly to assess site impacts.

And in the south, a small site on US Forest Service land was recorded in November. Seventeen volunteers (six of which were at the site for training) completed around 25 panels by the end of the day. This site, like many others, is getting increased visitation and so the threat of site impact is also increasing. Having a comprehensive site record is of course the first step in protection and so site recording remains critical. Also, Arrow Canyon, which is one of the most special places in southern Nevada, now also has a detailed record that will allow Federal Agencies to better manage and protect the canyon. Six separate rock art sites were recorded in the canyon in December for the BLM. NRAF Member and BLM Archaeologist Susanne Rowe had requested the area be recorded along with a variety of other protective measures currently being taken. Some of the canyon has now been designated "Wilderness" including an area which contains rock art.

Some of the rock art there is among the most unusual you'll ever see and other motifs are more characteristic of the southern part of the state. There is a new housing development in the planning stages very near to Arrow Canyon, so this site was recorded just "in the nick of time."

And finally, everyone is invited to come and celebrate at NRAF's very FIRST ANNUAL gathering! The meeting will be in Logandale (near Overton) for a day of presentations, followed by a visit to nearby Lost City Museum. There will be a banquet, awards and a "special guest speaker," followed by field trips the next day. Contact [info@nevadarockart.org](mailto:info@nevadarockart.org) for information.

### **Southern Nevada Rock Art Association (SNRAA)**

SNRAA members have been active with the Nevada Rock Art Foundation, participating in a two day Recording Workshop last November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Saturday was spent at the joint Bureau of Land Management/Forest Service office in Las Vegas getting training presented by Alanah Woody. Sunday was spent in the field at the Yellow Yucca site.

SNRAA members have also been active with the Friends of Sloan organization, which is involved with the planning process for the Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area. Scoping meetings were held throughout the Las Vegas metropolitan area last November 17<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Don Hendricks has been active in monitoring BLM special recreation permits, although not with the expected results, and in nominating the Stuart Ranch in Meadow Valley Wash for acquisition under SNPLMA.

SNRAA's December meeting will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Las Vegas Library, 833 N. Las Vegas Blvd. The guest speaker is Barron Haley, who will be giving a slide presentation of his travels in Arizona.

Don't forget to check the SNRAA voicemail for information on group activities at (702) 897-7878.

### **White Pine Historical and Archaeological Society (WPHAS)**

An informal potluck gathering of ten WHPAS members was held August 31 at Larry and June Shaputis' home in Ruth.

On Saturday, September 13, WPHAS held their formal annual potluck at Ken and Patti Heinbaugh's place in Duck Creek. Seventeen members enjoyed great potluck fare.

The annual business meeting was held October 19 at the Silver State Restaurant in Ely. No news yet of any changes in society leadership, except that Newsletter editor Donna Frederick was retiring.

For additional information on WPHAS and its activities, visit their website at: [www.webpanda.com/white\\_pine\\_county/historical\\_society/index.html](http://www.webpanda.com/white_pine_county/historical_society/index.html).

### **NAA Website**

The NAA has developed a new website. Check out [www.nvarch.org](http://www.nvarch.org), which is being constructed and maintained by our very own Web Master, Hal Rager. Feel free to stop by for a visit on your next trip on the cyber highway. The website lots of useful information, such as how to order your very own NAA mug or back issues of *Nevada Archaeologist*, and contains links to related web sites.

## Spring Newsletter

The Spring issue of *In-Situ* is scheduled for publication in March 2004. If you have anything you want included, such as mini-reports, requests for information, announcements, letters to the editor, book reviews, etc., etc., send it to Dave Valentine by March 14, 2003, via e-mail to [david\\_valentine@nv.blm.gov](mailto:david_valentine@nv.blm.gov), or by snail mail to P.O. Box 1084, Winnemucca, NV 89446.

Photographs are welcome, but if making electronic submissions, please submit separate jpeg files for the photos.

A diverse and interesting *In-Situ* cannot be maintained without member support and participation.

## Upcoming Conferences

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Nevada Archaeological Association annual meeting will be held in Winnemucca, Nevada, April 16-18, 2004. Watch future issues of *In-Situ* for more information.

## Nineteen Baskets

Oyvind Frock, Am-Arcs & NAA Board

How did 19 baskets get to the Nevada State Museum?

Back in 1966, Charles "Charlie" Brown and a friend, Joe Ranson, spent their weekends doing what many Nevadans did then and now; follow dirt roads to see where they lead. One day, on their way back to Reno, they stopped at a side canyon to look at some interesting rocks. During this walk-about, they saw a slit shaped opening in the cliff above them. Climbing up, it turned out to be a fair sized rock shelter with fragments of matting, basketry, algae lined pits, etc.

When they returned six months later, the deposit had been trashed by someone else. They scratched around with their hands and, before the day was done, had 19 complete baskets.

They kept the items at their homes for some time. Both knew the baskets had monetary value, and Joe wanted to sell them. Charlie resisted and took them to Dr. Stephenson at the Desert Research Institute to learn more about their age, origins, etc. Ultimately, Charlie took most of them to the Nevada State Museum (Museum) and Don Tuohy, who almost stopped breathing when he saw them. Charles donated them to the Museum.

One result of his donation was an analytical article on the six feathered baskets and bowls by Don in *Nevada State Museum Anthropological Papers Number 16* (1974). Tuohy stressed in his report that the six feathered items are the first whole feather decorated baskets reported from western Nevada.

Another result is that the baskets are key artifacts in the Museum's current "Under One Sky" exhibit. Another result is that the baskets are the focus of two Master's theses currently in preparation at the University of Nevada Reno (UNR) by Ed Jolie and Ruth Burgett.

Subsequent to Charlie's contact with Tuohy, he became active in Am-Arcs and participated in excavations with Mary Rusco and Dr. Stephenson. Personal affairs kept him from remaining active until the couple of years. Lately, he has worked with the two UNR grad students, helped Dr. Hardesty's graduate level class and Am-Arcs excavate at Jameson's

Station near Reno, and has helped Am-Arcs in their surveys in Sarcobatus Flat and along the Amargosa River.

The value of the baskets goes beyond any monetary value. The research opportunities and the public education possibilities when coupled with their protective custody at the Museum makes them priceless.

This is a perfect example of the role that amateurs have played, and will continue to play, in Nevada archaeology. If any of the readers of this newsletter have friends with old collections that they want to put in a good home, have them contact Dr. Gene Hattori at the Nevada State Museum ([775] 687-4811 ext. 230).

### **Fuels Reduction Survey a Boon to the Archaeology of the Ely Area**

Tom Flanigan, United States Forest Service

During the course of the 2003 field season, the Ely Ranger District performed a cultural resource inventory of an area slated for a fuels reduction project near Ely, Nevada. The high site density in the area will greatly help the Ely District to better understand prehistoric land use patterns in the area, and play a role in future predictive modeling projects on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest.

The survey identified 50 plus new archaeological sites. These sites have the recurring pattern of existing on long low ridges that stretch down from the Egan Range into the White River Valley. This places the sites within the interface between the piñon and sagebrush ecotones. Even a cursory look at the patterning of sites within the area reminds one of the work done by Thomas and Bettinger (1976) in the Upper Reese River Valley of Central Nevada.

Many of the sites cover relatively large areas and are surface manifestations on lithosols. The sites contain many different lithic raw material types. Artifacts found on these surface sites include late period projectile points, Shoshonean pottery sherds, and a number of manos. Features include stone rings, which average around 1.5 to 2 meters in diameter, and numerous hearths. Unfortunately, the sites are known to looters. Although the sites have high densities of lithic debitage, and in some cases features, there is a low number of complete artifacts left on the surface. This is also illustrated by the fact that manos were recovered that had partly settled into the residual soils on the ridges, however, no metates were found during this project.

This project is still in its initial stages of recording and Section 106 compliance. Much like with Thomas and Bettinger's Upper Reese River Valley study (1976), the area has the potential to test Julian Steward's model of great basin settlement patterns (Thomas 1973). In addition to Steward's model, other research could easily focus on archaeological problems associated with surface sites, spatial analysis dealing with the relationship of artifacts and features, and functional inferences about their use. The area has great potential for archaeologists to pursue problem oriented research.

For more information contact Tom Flanigan at the Ely Ranger District (775-289-5124) or via e-mail at [tflanigan@fs.fed.us](mailto:tflanigan@fs.fed.us).

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A Sample of Artifacts from the Fuels Reduction Survey: Manos, Pottery Sherds, Bifaces, and Projectile Points.  
Photo courtesy of Tom Flanigan.

### **When Someone Reads the Rules**

Or someone reads the NAA by-laws, you find out what you've been neglecting. According to Section 7 of Article VI of the by-laws, the minutes of the board meetings will be published in the NAA newsletter. In attempt to make up for past sins, minutes from the first three meetings of 2003 are presented below. Minutes from the last meeting will be published in the next issue of *In-Situ* after their approval by the board.

### **NAA Board Meeting Minutes March 14, 2003**

*Recorded by O. Frock; transcribed and submitted by T. Goebel.*

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm. Members present included Anne DuBarton, Steve Daron, Laurie Perry, Renee Kolvet, Oyvind Frock. Dave Valentine, Ted Goebel, and Hal Rager were tardy, arriving at

5:15 pm due to car trouble. Visitors included Mark and Yolanda Henderson, Tom Flanigan, Susan Edwards, Eva Jensen, Daron Duke, Mark Rozenweig, Monique Kimball, and Bob Hafey.

The August and October 2002 minutes were approved.

**President's Report:** Anne DuBarton distributed a written copy of the President's Report.

**Secretary's Report:** Ted Goebel distributed copies of the minutes for the two prior meetings.

**Treasurer's Report:** Oyvind Frock distributed copies of the check register and bank statement showing a balance of \$7831.85, as of February 19, 2003. An application for renewal of the NAA Sales Tax Exemption was submitted to the State of Nevada. Informal notice of approval has been received. NAA Federal Income Tax paperwork also has been filed.

**Newsletter Editor's Report:** David Valentine reported that 160 Newsletters were mailed. May 3 is the deadline for the next issue.

**Membership Secretary's Report:** Laurie Perry reported that NAA has 67 paid members to date with more expected at the conference. She plans a membership drive in April and has started a complete overhaul of the database.

#### **Chapter Reports:**

The Am-Arcs group is active in Reno. Their monthly meetings continue and field trips will resume in April.

Archaeo-Nevada has some students attending. A Test Site trip is planned and they are working on a local site steward program.

No representatives from Churchill, Elko, and Lincoln counties were present at the meeting.

White Pine chapter has been active. At a recent meeting Tom Flanigan presented a slide program that he found "buried" in some Forest Service files.

SHPO was not represented at the meeting, but Laurie Perry reported that the 1982 Southern Nevada Prehistoric Context is being rewritten to update the cultural resource goals.

**Old Business:** The 2002 *Nevada Archaeologist* should be out by late fall. Five papers have been received and one more is promised. Two papers have been promised for the 2003 issue.

This year's award will be presented to Farrel and Manetta Lytle at the banquet. Solicitations for the 2004 award will continue to be published in the newsletter.

The 2004 annual meeting will be held in Winnemucca. Dave Valentine will suggest a date after consulting with the Humboldt museum. Roberta McGonagle volunteered to chair the paper presentations.

The Gerlach Water Tower letter needs to be revised and mailed by our 2003 president.

It was decided not to renew June Shupotes' web page contract. It is out of date. Hal Rager has an alternate source he will pursue.

Renee Kolvet and Anne DuBarton are continuing the NAA history project. Oyvind Frock will contact Jean Myles (early president) to see if she has any information on the original grant establishing the NAA.

Ted Goebel and Dave Valentine distributed an outline for the Student Grants. A motion was approved to award 70% of the grant on acceptance of an application, 20% on a progress report, and 10% at the presentation at the annual meeting. A committee will be named to review all applications and recommend acceptance or rejection. This year's applications will be due by May 1.

Ted Goebel and Dave Valentine outlined plans for the new publication series. It will include two issues a year. The first will have an emphasis on Paleoindian reports. One issue will be on a special topic, the other will be a catch-all. Long articles, shorter reports, book reviews, letters and comments are planned. A contact in Sacramento will likely publish the first issue at cost. This publication will be free to NAA members and sold to non-members. The tentative name is "Journal of Desert West Archaeology and Anthropology."

The COAS renewal is due. Sue Edwards will replace Bill Johnson as our representative.

Mark Henderson urged the NAA and members to reply to the Ely BLM's request for comments on their Resource Management Plan.

The board approved a gift of \$50 and a T-shirt to the college representative for monitoring the building Saturday in place of a hired guard.

Renee Kolvet and Anne DuBarton are retiring from the board.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

### **NAA Post-Conference Board Meeting Minutes**

**March 15, 2003**

*Recorded by T. Goebel*

Members present included Anne DuBarton, Daron Duke, David Valentine, Hal Rager, Eva Jensen, Tom Flanigan, Steve Daron, Laurie Perry, Oyvind Frock, and Ted Goebel.

Earlier in the day at the close of the Annual Meeting of the NAA, Daron Duke, Tom Flanigan, and Eva Jensen were unanimously elected to the board.

Anne DuBarton called the meeting to order, described the order of meetings, and called for volunteers and/or nominations for officers. Oyvind Frock volunteered to continue as treasurer, David Valentine volunteered to continue as newsletter editor, and Ted Goebel volunteered to continue as secretary. Oyvind Frock nominated Steve Daron for president, and he agreed to do it. Dave Valentine seconded Oyvind's motion and Steve was unanimously elected to be the next president of the NAA.

Daron Duke pointed out the need for someone to take over his past responsibilities with the NAA. These include coordinating Archaeology Week, including scheduling events and designing a poster. Posters are typically mailed out by April 15, and we need to know about the BLM poster. Hal Rager volunteered to help Laurie Perry with a poster; her design idea is water in the desert. Brochures in the past were printed at CopyCats. They will need a letter from Steve Daron introducing the concept of archaeology week. He needs to update the database of addresses, including schools, legislators, federal agencies, etc. A private distributor in town will stuff tubes and send posters/schedules out in the mail. All of this needs to be put up on the website, too.

Oyvind Frock will manage change of check signatures for Steve Daron.

The board scheduled the summer meeting for June 14 in Ely. Ted Goebel suggested that Dave Rhode might be able to give a presentation on paleoecology of western North America or Tibetan archaeology. The presentation and meeting could be held at the local museum, library or USFS office.

Oyvind Frock moved to adjourn; Hal Rager seconded the motion.

### **NAA Board Meeting Minutes**

**June 14, 2003**

*Recorded by T. Goebel*

Steve Daron called the meeting to order. Board members present included David Valentine, Tom Flanigan, Ted Goebel, Eva Jensen, Hal Rager, Steve Daron, and Oyvind Frock. Visitors included Mark Henderson.

No minutes from the previous spring meetings were presented.

**President's Report:** Steve Daron announced that NAA was a paid member of the SAA's Council of Affiliated Societies for this year, but that we need to update the webpage link. Recently Sue Edwards was elected President of the latter organization. The Nevada Historic Preservation poster won the SAA archaeology week contest at the SAA's annual meeting in Milwaukee. NAA sent a letter supporting the preservation of the Gerlach water tower in the spring, but no acknowledgement of the letter had been received. Historic Preservation Week posters were sent out on time, but the whole affair was very confused, with BLM making the posters and NAA mailing them out. The new NAA web site has been set up by Hal Rager. It is up and running. The Las Vegas site steward program meeting was well-attended and volunteers have begun to monitor a few sites in the region.

**Treasurer's Report:** Oyvind Frock presented and reviewed the current check register, bank statement (showing balance of \$7535.65), and conference expense report (showing net income of \$421.50). He also noted that new tax exempt letters had been printed.

**Secretary's Report:** Ted Goebel had nothing to report.

**Newsletter Editor's Report:** David Valentine announced that 136 newsletters had been recently mailed out. The next deadline for submissions is September 10.

**Membership Secretary's Report:** Laurie Perry was absent from the meeting. She sent a written report with Steve Daron, stating that the NAA currently had 127 members and that no newsletters had been returned due to an incorrect mailing address.

**Chapter Reports:** Oyvind Frock reported that Am-Arcs participated in a clean-up program of the High Basins archaeological area, with 22 people volunteering their time and filling a 280-cubic-foot dumpster with trash. The dump was free. They have several field trips planned for the summer.

Tom Flanigan reported that the White Pine Chapter of the NAA had presumably organized a clean-up of the White River Narrows archaeological area, and that they had several field trips planned for the summer.

No representatives of Archaeo-Nevada, Churchill, Elko, and Lincoln chapters, or SHPO were in attendance.

**Old Business:** 2002 *Nevada Archaeologist*: Steve Daron is currently editing this issue.

2003 *Nevada Archaeologist*: Renee Kolvet is out of the country, and there was no current report. It was thought that perhaps she had one submission so far.

Ting Perkins Award for 2004: Terry Robertson has been suggested. Don Hendricks will write a nomination letter. The board agreed that past winners should be regularly listed in the newsletter, and perhaps should be listed on the back cover of *Nevada Archaeologist*.

2004 Annual Meeting: David Valentine reported that the Humboldt County Historical Society will host the reception. The Winnemucca Convention Center will not charge the NAA for the convention facility. Three dates are open—April 16-18, May 14-16, and May 21-23. After some discussion, the board chose April 16-18 as the date for the annual meeting. Catering may be provided by the Country Kitchen restaurant. They will provide meals for a minimum of about \$15/plate. There was some discussion of a Friday workshop. Perhaps the NAA should ask Catherine Fowler to present a workshop on textiles analysis. Possible field trips include the Idaho Stage Road, possibly led by Mark Ennis.

The new NAA web page is up and running, reported Hal Rager, but no graphics have been uploaded.

There were no reports on the special publication series, student grant competition, or peer-reviewed publication.

**New Business:** Nevada Historic Preservation Week, especially poster for next year, was discussed. Oyvind Frock agreed to phone Pat Barker to ask about BLM's plans, and Steve Daron agreed to phone Alice Baldrice about SHPO's plans.

The Board decided to consider an increase in membership rates. Currently, individuals are charged \$12/year, and families are charged \$15/year. The board agreed that it needs to know the breakdown of membership categories, the projected revenue from a potential increase, and to check the bylaws for proper procedures.

The board also discussed possibly raising the institutional rate from \$10/year. Laurie Perry agreed to provide a list of institutions that currently subscribe to the journal so that revenue from a potential increase could be projected.

Steve Daron introduced the topic of producing and selling NAA promotional material. There was discussion of designing a flashy brochure, poster, and various logo items (e.g., mugs, bandanas, hats). Oyvind Frock agreed to try to come up with something for a poster and brochure. Mark Henderson offered \$250 to help cover the cost of the production of a plastic ruler with the NAA logo. Hal Rager agreed to work on a design for a possible bandana with the NAA logo.

Eva Jensen presented new information on recent activities of the Friends of Gold Butte organization. Terry Robertson asked whether NAA could send a letter arguing for a new cultural resource management plan that would review the management and protection of the Gold Butte area south of Mesquite near Lake Mead. Dave Valentine and Eva Jensen agreed to draft a letter for later review by the board.

Dave Valentine proposed that the Nevada Rock Art Foundation be listed as an affiliated society of the NAA. Ethics information from Alanah Woody, however, was required before the board could discuss this proposal in detail.