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Greg Seymour, NAA President

April is the month to be in Ely. That is when the annual Nevada Archaeological Conference is going to happen on Friday the 20^{th} through Sunday the 22^{nd} . This year we are holding two days of sessions and training. The Hotel Nevada will be opening the Postal Palace for us to use. It has been recently listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The conference starts with a training consisting of a lithics workshop by Daron Duke of UNR and an NAA Board Member. The class has limited participation, so hurry and sign up. Fridav afternoon. an honorary session remembering Alvin McClain will be held. A mixer sponsored by the Nevada Rock Art Foundation will be held on Friday evening. Then, Saturday has a full day of papers that can be enjoyed. Topics include everything form fluted points to railroad camps. The SHPO will discuss the NVCRIS system will be discussed at lunch time. The banquet and raffle will be at the Postal Palace on Saturday night. The conference will be concluded on Sunday with tours. Please check the enclosed information on the conference for details.

If you have never been to Ely, this is your chance. Ely is one of the special places in our state with its own unique character. The town is situated in a canyon in the middle of the long, beautiful Steptoe Valley and is surrounded by snow covered mountain peaks. From some parts of the state, you drive to Ely on US 50, the "Loneliest Highway." Born in the history of mining, Ely has gone through boom and bust. Right now they are enjoying an increase of activity and new restaurants and watering holes have sprung up.

On Saturday night, Sean Pitts, of the East Ely Railroad Depot Museum will be speaking about transportation in Nevada with an emphasis on eastern Nevada. Did you know that the Pony Express crossed Nevada just north of Ely? That the Lincoln Highway passes through Ely and was commemorated there in 1930 with a big party dubbed the "Lincoln Highway Days?" How about that the movie the Great Race (1965), starring Jack Lemmon, Tony Curtis, Natalie Wood, and Peter Falk? It was filmed in part in Steptoe Valley.

Come support the NAA and the local economy of eastern Nevada. Come learn about you fellow colleagues are doing in archaeology. Enjoy the town and the company.

At the meeting, the board will be passing out a questionnaire. The NAA is going to go through a process of reassessment. We want to look at all aspects of what we do as an organization. We want to look at strengths and weaknesses to address what we do and how we do it. The Board would like the memberships help with this process. If you cannot make the meeting, everyone will have an opportunity to complete the form in a future newsletter.

Next Board Meeting

The Spring Board and Site Steward meeting will be held in Ely, Nevada in conjunction with the Annual Meeting. The board will meet Friday, April 20 at 11 AM at the Postal Palace. The last board meeting was held in Beatty on Feb 2 and 3 at the Beatty Community Center. Dave Valentine treated the board to a field trip to view petroglyphs at Sober-Up Gulch, north of Beatty.



Your Board Hard at Work



Example of Petroglyphs at Sober-Up Gulch

NEWS FROM AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

Am-Arcs

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It still is winter in Reno and the back roads are not conducive to field trips. Our monthly meetings continue and we have a full schedule of sites to visit starting in April. Our January program featured Dr. Dave Rhode of DRI who brought us current on their ongoing research on the Tibetan Plateau. In February our speaker was Miles McCallum of the UNR Staff. His topic was 'The Distribution of Pottery at Pompei''. The year 2007 marks the 40th year for Am-Arcs and we undoubtedly will have some ceremony to celebrate.

Archaeo-Nevada Society (ANS)

A member meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 12, at 7:00pm at the Nevada State Museum at 700 Twin Lakes Drive, inside Lorenzi Park. The speaker this month will be Jeanie Howerton, giving a lecture on Gold Butte or Railroad Valley.

A field trip to Gold Butte is planned. You must be a member of Archaeo-Nevada to participate in field trips.

The 15th annual Atlatl Competition will be held March 31st & April 1st. Join us at the at Atlatl Rock Picnic Area in the Valley of Fire. Registration for the event is at 10:00am. You can use your own equipment or the park has a limited amount of equipment that they allow the competitors to use. The competition has 3 divisions, men's, women's and youths. Competitors are scored for accuracy and distance, with 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place awards. Visitors can learn how to use an atlat1 through various demonstrations or can volunteer to assist with the event. There is no fee for entering the contest but there is a fee to enter the Valley of Fire State Park. For more information contact Jim Hannond at 702-387-2088.

For further information regarding ANS please contact Helen Mortenson at (702) 876-6944 or Cheryl Martin at <u>cheryl.martin@dri.edu</u>.

Elko County Chapter, Nevada Archaeological Association

A Meeting was held on March 2 at the Elko Community Hospital. JoAnn Shearer made a presentation on the Peace Park. Elections for officers will be held at the April Meeting.

On May 5th the Archaeology Fair will be held at the Northeaster Nevada Museum. May 12th is the California Trail Days Celebration: Because of construction going on at the Trail Center site the event will be held at Sherman Station, the Museum and at the city park. Events include oxen pulled wagon rides, cooking, gold panning, and any archaeological activities that we want to do. See you all there and please call if you have any questions! Donna Murphy 738-6269 or 778-2555 or murphys@citlink.net.

Nevada Rock Art Foundation News

Alanah Woody, PhD, RPA, Executive Director Nevada Rock Art Foundation

The Nevada Rock Art Foundation will be celebrating its 5th Anniversary at its 4th Annual Meeting in beautiful Boulder City – April 27-29. Festivities begin on Friday evening April 27th at 7pm with a reception at the historic Boulder Dam Hotel. The meeting will begin on Saturday morning April 28th at 9am at the Best Western Lighthouse Inn. The Annual Awards Banquet (in the same room) begins at 6pm. David Valentine (BLM Archaeologist for the Black Rock Desert NCA and NRAF Steward Member) will give a presentation on a very interesting rock art site in the western side of the state that blends both traditional and historic themes. A variety of field trips are planned for Sunday April 29 and this year Jon Harmon will be giving a workshop on Sunday morning on photo enhancement techniques using "D-Stretch." This technique can bring long faded pictographs into view, so if you're into digital photography (and who isn't these days), you won't want to miss this opportunity. If you need information on lodging or registration, contact info@nevadarockart.org.

Things are gearing up in the north for the spring and summer, and our two long-term northern projects will again be the focus of our attention this year. We'll return to the Dry Lakes area and, with ongoing support from the BLM Carson City Field Office, we'll work on remaining large sites as a group project, as well as help to finalize the baseline Site Steward documentation for all the scattered smaller sites. We'll also return to Lagomarsino for our 4th season and this year as part of our 5th Anniversary celebrations, we're planning a barbeque in Virginia City and everyone who has worked on the Lagomarsino project is invited!

The NRAF Lecture Series began again in February with a presentation by NRAF Executive Director Alanah Woody and Dr. Karen Nissen is scheduled to speak on hunting magic and rock art for the Lecture Series in June (fourth Wednesday). We also hope to organize a field trip to one of the sites Dr. Nissen included in her doctoral research ... and where our logo is thought to be from – we'll see if we can find it! Ken Hedges, one of the founding members of the American Rock Art Research Association, will be our speaker in August. Shamanism and rock art will be the topic of his presentation. And for the October presentation, as part of our year-long Five Year Anniversary Celebration, we have the one and only Dr. Paul Bahn! If you're not familiar with the name, Dr. Bahn is one of the world's most respected authorities on Paleolithic art and did his doctoral research in the painted caves of Europe. From there he expanded his rock art expertise around the world, doing research from Russia to South America. He's a highly respected archaeologist and has published many books on rock art and on archaeology, including co-authoring "Archaeology: Theories, Methods and Practice" with Lord Colin Renfrew who is among the most highly regarded archaeologists in the world. Dr. Bahn's presentation will allow us to explore a dazzling variety of rock art around the world and it's not to be missed! Dr. Bahn will be presenting in BOTH Reno and Las Vegas.

NRAF will also be guiding tours to rock art sites developed for public access all over the state in May as part of Archaeology Awareness and Historic Preservation Month. There is at least one tour every weekend and sometimes there's two ... so go to <u>www.nevadarockart.org</u> for more information on those and all of our activities.

SOLICITATIONS, EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Central Pacific Railroad Exhibit

Mella Rothwell Harmon, Curator of History Nevada Historical Society

The Nevada Historical Society celebrated the opening of their newest exhibition, The Central Pacific Railroad and the Comstock, with a reception on Friday, March 23rd. The exhibition, featuring Nevada's first railroad and the nation's first transcontinental railroad, can be seen between March 23 and December 14, 2007 at the UNR campus, 1650 N. Virginian Street, Reno, Nevada. For further information call (775) 688-1190.

Lost City Museum

Terri Wade, Lost City Museum Attendant

The Lost City Museum has an art exhibit each month. Between May 1 and June 30, Michael Plyler presents a Paiute Elder Oral History Exhibit. This exhibit of oral histories and photographs of Paiute Elders from Moapa, Pahrump and southern Utah was funded in part by a grant obtained by the museum from the Nevada Arts Council.

Nevada Archaeological Association 2007 Student Research Grant Competition

The Nevada Archaeological Association announces 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 60% of the grant at the time of the award, 20% upon receipt of a progress report, and 20% upon completion of the project and presentation of results at the next Annual Meeting of the NAA. A progress report will be due from the student-grantee by September 15, 2007, and the student-grantee will be required to present her/his research findings at the NAA's annual meeting in 2008.

Grant applications will be accepted until June 29, 2007 and the grant will be awarded by mid-September 2007. The student-grantee will be notified by mail and an announcement of the award will be made in the fall *In-Situ* newsletter.

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 1,000-word, single-spaced description of the proposed research, clearly documenting research questions or goals, materials, methods, and significance to archaeology in Nevada.
- A bibliography of relevant literature, cited in the text (not included as part of the 1,000-word limit).

- A one-page budget narrative.
- 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 June 29, 2007, and addressed to:

Mark A. Giambastiani ASM Affiliates, Inc. 120 Vine Street, Suite A Reno, Nevada 89503

If you have questions regarding the grant or application process, please contact Mark Giambastiani at (775) 324-6789 or by e-mail at mgiam@asmaffiliates.com.

Call For Papers

Second Three Corners Conference

Greg Seymour, President

The conference will be held **OCTOBER 13**, **2007** at the campus of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). Archaeology in the tri-state area of California, Nevada, and Arizona has grown in scale and the orientation of archaeological research has shifted over the last decade. Due to the increase in the number and types of archaeological sites discovered, and their interpretation, there is a need for the regional researchers to present and discuss findings among professionals to promote the development of regional theory, methodologies, and management goals. **AND, IT'S FREE!**

Deadline for abstracts is August 24, 2007.

Oral presentations will be 12 minutes. Presentations may be on any research domain and time period within the region. Papers should cover topics and research themes within southern Nevada, southeastern California, southwestern Utah, and western Arizona. PowerPoint or slide presentations are highly encouraged. Proceedings of the conference will be published. A copy-ready document will be submitted to organizers after the conference.

Email:

threecornersconference@yahoo.com Contacts: Mark Slaughter 702.293.8143 or Laurie Perry 702.293.8619

The proceedings journal of the Three Corners Conference held in October 2005 is available at nvarch.org. Your purchase will help finance the second conference in the fall of 2007.

NAA Website

Check out www.nvarch.org, NAA's official website, constructed and maintained by Web Master, Hal Rager. Feel free to stop by for a visit on your next trip on the cyber highway. The website has lots of useful information, such as how to order your very own NAA mug or back issues of *Nevada Archaeologist*. It also contains links to other related web sites.

Spring Newsletter

The Summer 2007 issue of *In-Situ* is scheduled for publication in late June. If you have anything you want included, such as mini-reports, requests for information, announcements, letters to the editor, book reviews, etc., send it to Suzan Slaughter, via e-mail to: roses4@unlv.nevada.edu, or by snail mail to 1208 Nelson Court, Boulder City, Nevada 89005. Photographs are welcome. Remember, a diverse and interesting *In-Situ* cannot be maintained without member support and participation. All comments, complaints and suggestions are welcome.

Personnel Movements

Bureau of Land Management

A number of personnel changes have been made in various BLM field offices around the state. Mark Henderson officially retired as of March 2 after 29 years with the Federal Government. Nate Thomas transferred from the BLM to the Ely USFS District as of March 16th. The Ely BLM has a new archeologist Tim Smith from Tennessee and a new Technician Josh Hopper from North Carolina.

Christopher J. Cook has just come on board as an archaeologist at the BLM Battle Mountain Field Office. Although originally from Pennsylvania, Chris has joined us from Texas where he has been working and attending Texas A&M University in pursuit of his PhD., which he hopes to have completed within the year. His research focuses on Central and Western Nevada and involves the application of GIS technology to the study of prehistoric landscape utilization.

A former U. S. Army paratrooper, Chris has pursued his childhood love of archaeology

for over 15 years. He has engaged in field work and research ranging from the underwater excavation of a butchered Wooly Mammoth and the excavation of a high altitude Folsom site, and the analysis of 17th century hull timbers and the early history of the American timber and oil industries. His work for various private and academic CRM interests as well as the Forest Service has taken him from Pennsylvania to West Virginia, Wisconsin, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Colorado and Nevada, as well as abroad where he conducted research for his Master's thesis on prehistoric coastal adaptation in Denmark and southern Sweden.

An avid WWII buff, musician and bibliophile, Chris, his wife Valerie, and their new baby Rhiannon are very excited about living in Nevada and Chris looks forward to getting involved with the management of Nevada's fascinating cultural heritage.

U.S. Forest Service Fred Frampton, Archaeologist Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

The US Forest Service is pleased to have some new people on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. Kelly Turner has joined our Spring Mountains National Recreation Area as District Archaeologist. Kelly moved to Las Vegas after most recently working with Death Valley National Park. Nathan Thomas starts with us March 17th as District Archaeologist on our Ely Ranger District. Nate comes to the Forest Service from the Ely Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. Starting in early April, Joseph Garotto will become the new District Archaeologist on the Carson Ranger District. Joe is moving from Reserve New Mexico where he was a District Archaeologist on the Gila National Forest. All three bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to our Forest. And, finally, Kelly Green, District Archaeologist on the Austin and Tonopah Ranger Districts left the Forest Service in October of 2006, and is now working for NRCS in central Washington.

PROJECTS, ARTICLES, MINI REPORTS

Scales Archaeological Research Project

Efstathios I. Pappas, Doctoral Candidate Department of Anthropology/096 University of Nevada, Reno

During the summer of 2006, the University of Nevada, Reno successfully completed its archaeological field work at the site of Scales, Nevada. This research was undertaken as part of a field school in industrial archaeology under the direction of myself and Donald Hardesty and was partially funded by an NAA student research grant. The site is an example of a railroad section camp devoted to track maintenance for the famed Virginia and Truckee Railroad and was in use between approximately 1900 and 1938. This project is timely in that it coincides with the efforts of the Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V & T's efforts to rebuild the portion of the railroad running between Virginia City and Carson City, Nevada, which was abandoned in 1938. The findings of this study will aid public education and possible reconstruction when the railroad is once again in operation.



Photo 1: Overview of field school students excavating root cellar of section foreman's house, (Photograph by Robert Leavitt)

This project was conducted in order to accomplish the following goals. First, railroad section camps have been mostly ignored in the historic and archaeological communities due to their small size, unglamorous labor, and general paucity of documentation. However, in 1890, almost 25 percent of the entire railroad labor force was made up of section laborers and their foremen. This figure is due to the fact that every railroad was divided into sections between six to twelve miles in length, each with its own crew of two to eight trackmen and a foreman. Although section camps were not often built by the

railroad in urban settings, they were necessary for maintaining a labor force in remote areas, particularly the American West.

Excavation focused on the section foreman's dwelling and privy, as well as the trackmen's bunkhouse. At the section foreman's compound, fourteen 1x2 meter units were excavated both within the boundaries of the foreman's dwelling and in the compound surrounding the structure. A root cellar with intact wooden floor and walls was uncovered which yielded finds such as faunal remains, food related utensils and vessels, clothing items. Also documented were landscape and architectural remains such as fence posts, tree locations, plumbing, and house foundations. A number of artifacts relating to the section foreman's wife and children were also recovered.



Photo 2: Excavating worker bunkhouse (Photograph by Efstathios Pappas)

The section bunkhouse was excavated in the same manner with twelve 1x2 meter units being placed in and around the bunkhouse and dwelling house. These units produced personal adornment items, food related remains such as bone and bottle glass, architectural remains such as water lines, and foundation piles. Again, artifacts relating to women and children were present as well as more expensive items of personal adornment. This questions typical interpretations of bunkhouses as areas of single gender and low status. These excavations were supplemented with surface collection of the trash scatters associated with each dwelling, and collected large amounts of bottle glass, tin cans, faunal remains, and personal items to round out the collection. Mapping of the excavated units and surface features was accomplished using both GPS and total station.

A second aim of field-work was to highlight section camps as typical in many ways of the many types of long-term, isolated labor camps which appeared during the industrialization of America. They were long term settlements devoted to maintenance of industrial infrastructure, and in this way are quite different than periodic camp life or construction camps. The section camp allows for the examination of change over time within an industrial system and is emblematic of sustainability, maintenance, and stewardship within an industrial context. Scales exhibits an industrial trajectory tied to the prolonged contraction of the Virginia and Truckee Railroad, as well as shifting ethnic compositions, gender ratios, and changing corporate policies. Instead of viewing these camps as static, Scales allows the observer to note how dynamic both the inhabitants and company could be within the encounter embodied in the camp.

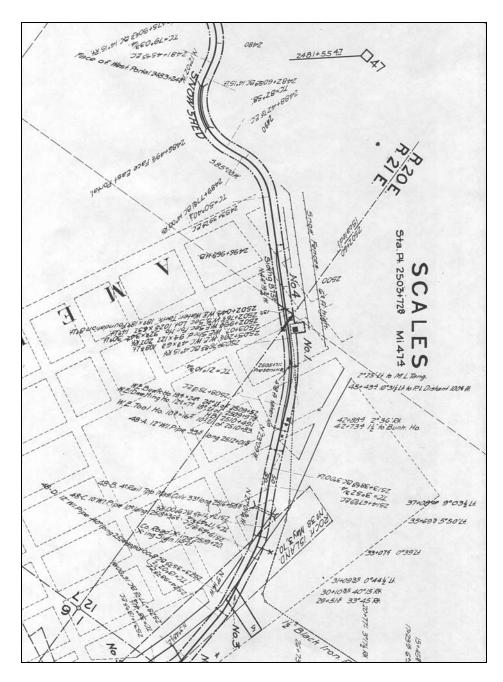


Photo 3: 1916 ICC assessment map of Scales, UNR Special Collections)

Finally, section camps offer a unique opportunity for archaeologists to examine the affect of personal identities operating within an industrial labor environment. These identities include but are by no means limited to class, ethnicity or gender. From primary source literature and trade journals, section camps can be typified in the following manner. The section camp was located at the least influential extreme of a corporate hierarchy, thus its workers were part of a social landscape, which reaffirmed low class and status upon its inhabitants. The camps were made up of mostly immigrants, single male laborers with only the section foreman integrating his family. However, the site of Scales challenges these models of section camp life.

Although laboratory analysis is still ongoing, it is clear from the archaeological record that section camp laborers did not completely absorb the character of low class or low status living. Items of personal adornment, material culture associated with public display, and land use patterns indicate that residents aspired at least some degree to middle class ideals. In the case of the section foreman, he and his family appear to have manipulated their compound in order to mimic an agrarian homestead. This appeal to the nobility of landscape renewal and improvement was in keeping with dominant American middle class values. This landscape orientation also resulted in the implementation of middle class gender roles for the foreman and his wife as reflected in the public/domestic dichotomy found in white Victorian America. Additionally, the presence of families associated with the bunkhouse also contradicts the idea that corporations sought to enforce industrial ideologies on its labor force by denying the gender role of male head of family to low-skilled labor. Although it will require more research to determine, it appears this trend was common amongst most section camps and reflects the agency and rational choices this class of railroad employee.

This project was funded from a variety of sources including the Society for Industrial Archaeology, Nevada State Historic Preservation Office, Nevada Archaeological Association, Am-Arcs of Nevada, Bureau of Land Management, and University of Nevada, Reno. Special thanks is extended to the many volunteers, field school students, and graduate students who made this project a reality. Any questions, comments, or additional information regarding this project should be addressed to Efstathios I. Pappas at <pappase@unr.nevada.edu>.

Restoring High Rock's Yellow Rock Garage

David Valentine, Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails NCA

Back in 1914 the General Land Office was attempting to finish land surveys in the High Rock Canyon region of northern Washoe County. A survey was done for the township south of the one that covers High Rock Canyon. The township covering High Rock was surveyed in 1873, and corner monuments should have been in existence. Unfortunately, in 1914, monuments could not be located and a new boundary between the two townships was laid out. Even more unfortunate, this new line was in the wrong place.

Some cagey homesteaders picked up on the error, and in 1915 filed on some choice bottom-land in High Rock Canyon. Because of the error in survey, the legal description they used to describe the land they settled on was different than the legal description used when the land was patented in the 1880s. The real owners of the land, the Pacific Livestock Company, figured out something was wrong when they tried to run some cattle up High Rock Canyon in 1916 and found their drive blocked by a series of new fences, fields, and homes. Since it was past the turn-of-the-century and the West was officially settled, the cowboys eschewed their Colts and Winchesters and drew something even more lethal—lawyers. The homesteaders opted to fight, and a court battle raged for four years. It was eventually decided in favor of the Pacific Livestock Company. The homesteaders had to pay a fine before abandoning their High Rock homes.

One of the homesteaders was a man named Fox who attempted to settle on a nice piece of ground at the confluence of Yellow Rock and High Rock Canyons. He was usually referred to as Michael Fox in the legal documents, but is sometimes identified as Thomas or David B. Fox. Regardless of his name, Mr. Fox owned an automobile that he was proud of and chose to house in a garage. After vacating his Yellow Rock estates, his house quickly became a ruin, but the garage stood on. It is an unusual light structure, built of a volcanic rock that is mostly pumice (lapilli tuff). The roof's beams, pole plates, and rafters are all aspen tree limbs and trunks, and the roof was covered with dirt. The mortar holding the walls together is simply mud collected from nearby High Rock Creek.

The private property was eventually traded back to the government, and High Rock Canyon was designated part of the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area (BRD-HRC ET NCA). The garage was now the responsibility of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The structure was recorded in 2003 and later determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

After 90 or so years the structure was starting to show its age. Most of the roof dirt was gone. The aspen poles and beams are dried out, and the cross beam over the door entrance was extremely warped. The northeast corner was pulling away from the rest of the structure and one of the keystones had split in half. It appeared as though collapse was imminent. Fortunately, David Lefevre, Recreation Specialist for the BRD-HRC ET NCA, had acquired some money ear-marked for celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Antiquities Act. What better way to spend it than on preserving a cultural resource?

Eric Obermayr of MACTEC, who has expertise in stone structure restoration (See Lou-Ann Spuelda's article on the Longstreet Cabin in the Winter 2005 *In-Situ*), was hired to assess the damage and supervise the restoration efforts. Aspen poles were collected from a BLM fuels reduction project near Winnemucca. Volunteers from Burning Man and a four-wheel drive group called the High Rock Trekkers stepped forward to help, and restoration work on the garage was started during the week of National Public Lands Day in September/October of 2006.

Restoration work completed last fall involved dismantling and rebuilding the collapsing corner. A new stone, collected from the base of nearby cliffs, was carved to replace the split one. This turned out to be one of the most difficult tasks associated with the project, because the local rocks tend to break unpredictably. The warped beam over the door was replaced, and some new rafters were added. Although the structure now appears to be safe from eminent collapse, more work needs to be done. Only about 40 percent of the roof was completed, and the entire structure needs to be re-pointed (new mortar added). With the completion of these tasks, the garage should be good for another 90 years!

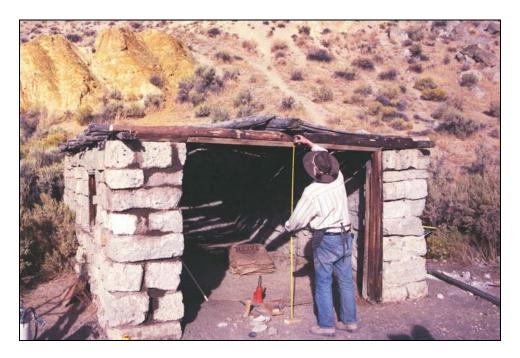


The collapsing corner prior to restoration

Plans are afoot to complete this work early in June, 2007. If you're interested in helping out, please contact David Valentine at (775) 623-1766 or at via e-mail at David Valentine@nv.blm.gov.



Eric is really on top of the restoration work.



Perfect!

Rockshelter 26CK3244 At Las Vegas Wash

By Dr. Kevin Rafferty, Chairman, Department of Human Behavior, Community College of Southern Nevada

In the mid-to-late 1980s and early 1990s, a significant amount of survey and data collection work was conducted in the lower Las Vegas Wash area in preparation for the construction of a man-made lake that has since become the centerpiece of the current Lake Las Vegas development. The history of this project is long and convoluted, and the overall results were important in terms of our understanding of the prehistory of southern Nevada and the Las Vegas Valley. These results will not be repeated here. For an excellent overview of the history of the work in the wash and the results, see Ahlstrom (2005).

This short report deals with the excavation of a small rockshelter which was a component of a larger site, 26CK3244, in January and February of 1985 (Rafferty 1985). Although not a large or complex site it contained some interesting data that shed some light on settlement and subsistence patterns in the Las Vegas Wash area. It was excavated by what was then the Division of Anthropological Studies (DAS) located in the Museum of Natural History at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV; now called the Harry Reid Center for Environmental Studies). The crew members consisted of Kevin Rafferty, Richard Brooks, Lynda Blair, Dawna Ferris, and Keith Myhrer.

The rockshelter had been written up earlier by an undergraduate student in anthropology at UNLV, who recorded the shelter, and a prehistoric trail that passed above the shelter. The trail also passed adjacent to a basalt boulder that contained five 'bull's eye' petroglyphs that measured between 5 cm and 10 cm in diameter (Johnson 1974). It was redefined during the initial surveys of the proposed lake area in1984 as part of a larger surface site situated on the northern terrace of Las Vegas Wash (Rafferty 1984). This larger site was mapped and surface collected, but time and budgetary constraints threatened the rockshelter with destruction without any data recovery. Fortunately the crew volunteered their time to conduct the work at the shelter so the data would not be lost.

The shelter was located in a conglomerate deposit in the wall of the wash, and opened to the northeast. It measured 7 m long (NE-SW) by 2 m deep (NW-SE) behind the drip line, and ranged between 2 m and 3 m high. A midden sloped downward 4-5 m into an erosional cut that entered Las Vegas Wash. The shelter interior was badly damaged by erosion and some illegal excavation, but the floor consisted of ashy midden soil, and the shelter floor surface contained several chert flakes and cores, several possible sandstone mano fragments, and three slab metates.

Three, 1 m by 1 m test units were excavated into the shelter floor in 10 cm levels. Test Units 1 and 2 were excavated to a depth of 30 cm while Test Unit 3 was excavated to a depth of 50 cm. The midden sloped downward in depth from north to south in the shelter, and ranged in depth from 12 cm to 21 cm. The midden was underlain by a reddish silt and sand level that contained pea gravels a fist-sized cobbles from the conglomerate ceiling of the shelter. Artifacts were recovered from the entire midden layer and in the first few centimeters of the underlying silt layer. A large rodent burrow that redeposited artifacts within the burrow was recorded in Test Units 2 and 3. In addition a back dirt pile left by a pothunter in front of the shelter's mouth was screened for artifacts that may have been left behind.

The Artifacts

The three slab metates were recorded during the initial work at the shelter. The first metate was made of granite, measuring 50 cm long by 45 cm wide by 23 cm thick. It exhibited an oval grinding depression measuring 36 cm long by 25 cm wide by 3 cm deep. Metate number two was made of vesicular basalt, and measured 35 cm long by 27 cm wide by 24 cm thick. It exhibited grinding wear on its' surface. The third was actually outside of the shelter on a slope below the midden. This sandstone grinding stone was rectangularly shaped and measured 70 cm long by 46 cm wide by 20 cm thick. It also exhibited surficial grinding wear on its' surface.

A total of 159 lithic artifacts were recovered from the excavations and surface collections. The majority were comprised of chert (155/97.5%), with limestone (2/1.3%), granite (1/.6%), and limestone (1/.6%) making up the rest. The flakes, which were weighed and bagged rather than counted because of their extreme small size, demonstrated a similar pattern. Chert flakes comprised 96% of the total by weight, with quartzite (1.1%), rhyolite (1,1%), basalt (.9%), obsidian (.5%), and limestone (.4%) making up the rest.

Nine categories of flake stone tools were recovered from the rockshelter. A total of 65 blades were recovered, all but 16 of them from the upper two levels of the test units. Six were recovered from levels three through five of the test units, while the remaining 10 were recovered in the pothunter's backdirt pile. Two bifaces were collected from the rockshelter's floor, and five knives were also recovered, 3 from the upper two levels of the excavation units and 2 from the lower levels. In addition, 3 drills were recovered from the upper two levels of the shelter excavations.

The flake totals in the shelter were surprising. Rather than count them, due to their sheer numbers (1000+ estimated) they were sorted by lithic material and weighed. The flake size pattern revealed interesting data on tool manufacturing and maintenance at the shelter. Smaller size flakes, under 30 mm in length, dominate the collection in the first two excavation levels, in terms of both weight and sheer numbers. Larger flakes, 40 cm long and longer, comprised 50 percent or more of the collections from levels three through five in the test units. In an analysis of similar types of flake materials in Pine Valley, Nevada, Miller (1984) argued that the larger flake category corresponds to biface thinning and trimming activities, while the smaller classes of flakes were associated with pressure flaking and billet or retouch flaking. This may suggest that the earliest use activity in the shelter included initial tool manufacturing while the latest occupation (the upper two levels) involved mostly trimming and retouching of tools used for the hunting and processing of wild game.

Also in the flake categories were utilized flakes, larger flakes exhibiting evidence of microflaking from use wear or retouch sharpening. A total of 49 such tools were recovered from the shelter: 35 from the first two levels of the three test units, 10 from level three in Test Unit 3, 1 from level four of the same unit, and 3 from the backdirt pile. In addition a single chert core was recorded in the second level of test Unit 3.

There were a surprisingly large number of projectile points recovered from the shelter. A total of 25 were recorded, including 7 Desert Side-notched examples, 9 Cottonwood triangular varieties, 4 Rose Spring points, and 5 fragmentary pieces. Three cam from the site surface, 16 came from the first two levels of the excavation units, 4 from levels three through five, and 2 from the backdirt pile. They comprised 15.5% of the total lithic assemblage of the shelter, affording a clue to the use of the rockshelter, probably hunting small and medium-sized game.

Three additional tool categories were recovered at the shelter. These included a single granitic one-handed oval mano, excavated from level two in Test Unit 3; 2 sherds of Paiute corrugated brownware; and a single finely ground oval 'pendant' or smoother that measured 6.7 cm long by 4.4 cm wide by .35 cm thick. Although it had no drill hole for looping string through, it resembles some general forms of pendants found in the Lost City excavations in the Moapa Valley (Shutler 1961).

Finally small quantities of artiodactyl and rabbit bone were collected during the excavations. Unfortunately time and budget prevented a detailed analysis of the faunal material from being conducted and this has not been followed up on in trhe ensuing two decades since the shelter was excavated.

Interpretation

The data from 26CK3244 suggests a late prehistoric/early protohistoric use span for the site. Desert Side-notched points date from A.D. 1100/1200 to the early historic period, while Cottonwood triangular varieties are associated with radiocarbon dates ranging from A.D. 900-1630. Rose Spring points appear in abundance from A.D. 600/700-1100 with specimens continuing in use into historic times (Heizer and Hester 1978). The Paiute ceramics have a date range from A.D. 900 to approximately 1890

(cf. Baldwin 1950; Colton 1952). Thus a late Saratoga Springs-Shoshonean period assignment is suggested for the rockshelter (cf. Warren and Crabtree 1986).

As to function, the inhabitants of 26CK3244 appear to have employed the location for two purposes. The three slab metates and the mano, along with the presence of mesquite, catclaw, and other flora in the immediate area suggests a plant processing function for the site. The large number of projectile points (25), blades (65), utilized flakes (49), and microflakes from retouching activities suggested a hunting function for the site as well. It appears that the shelter was a multi-functional *location* (*sensu* Binford 1980) where local wash resources were acquired a processed for later use.

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In Memoriam

Gretchen Burris

Gretchen Burris passed away on December 29, 2006 when she, her husband Joel, and their 6 year old, Sammy, were involved in an automobile accident in Oregon. Gretchen and Joel both sustained severe head trauma. Gretchen passed away from her injuries and Joel is still recovering.

She was born Gretchen Elizabeth Randolph in Charlottesville, VA in 1964. She graduated from South Eugene High School in Oregon in 1982, and received a Bachelor's in Archaeology from the University of Washington in 1988. She worked in archaeology and recreation for the Forest Service (Monogehela, George Washington, Wallowa-Whitman, Okanogan and Humboldt-Toiyabe Nat'l Forests), Park Service (North Cascades, Olympic and Grand Canyon Nat' Parks), and BLM (Ely and Lakeview).

Gretchen met Joel Burris while working on a trail crew in the Grand Canyon and they were married in 1993. Sam, their son, was born in 2000. The Burris' moved to Lakeview, Oregon in 2002 where Gretchen worked as a Outdoor Recreation Planner and Joel worked in the fire program. Gretchen was an active member of the NAA, serving as the Newsletter editor until the birth of her son in 2000. She is universally remembered as a warm, level headed, fun woman that was always a pleasure to be around and work with.

Gretchen is survived by her husband Joel, son Sam, a stepson, mother, stepfather, sister, stepsister, four brothers and two stepbrothers.

A bank account has been set up in Lakeview to help Joel and Sammy. Donations can be sent to:

Gretchen and Joel Burris South Valley Bank 125 North E Street Lakeview, OR 97630

Cards can be sent to Gretchen's family at: Gretchen Burris Family 2603 NE 15th Av Portland, OR 97212

Garth Portillo

Garth Portillo passed away March 3, 2007 after a short battle with leukemia. Garth was the BLM Utah State Archaeologist and Native American Issues Coordinator for the past 14 years. Prior to that he worked in the BLM California Desert District and in Bishop, California. Garth's professional career spanned more than 30 years with BLM, and he was known as a consummate professional. He was widely sought out not, only for his for his knowledge, but also for his wisdom, his wit and his unflappable way of solving complex problems. Garth was a leader in cultural resources management and a valued mentor to many who now follow. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on March 7 at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Sandy, Utah.

Cards and condolences can be sent to his wife Stella, daughter Yvonne, and sons David and Jesse at: 1447 East 9090 South, Sandy, UT 84093.

NEVADA ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION 36TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

April 20-22, 2007 Old Hotel Nevada's Postal Palace Ely, Nevada

Schedule and Location of Events

(Unless otherwise noted, all events are located at the Postal Palace)

Friday April 20, 2007

8:00-9:00	Meeting Registration
8:30-11:00	Workshop: Lithic Analysis - Daron Duke. Limited to 18 participants, \$10/person.
11:00-1:00	NAA Board Meeting
12:00-1:00	Conference Registration
1:30-4:00	Presentation Session in Tribute to Alvin McLane - Alanah Woody (Nevada Rock
	Art Foundation) and William White (Statistical Research, Inc.), Co-Chairpersons

A legend in his own time, Alvin McLane was a Nevada archaeologist with many talents and interests that ranged from petroglyphs and pictographs to geoglyphs, from historical trails and personages to history in general, to cave spelunking and mountain climbing, naming just a few. His contributions to the professional field of archaeology in Nevada are many. The presented papers reflect just a few of Alvin's various interests and pay humble tribute to a colleague and friend who is greatly missed.

1:30-1:40	Opening Comments
	Alanah Woody (Nevada Rock Art Foundation)
1:40-2:00	One of Ely's Finest - S. M. Wheeler: Not Sessions, Not George, but Sidney
	Wheeler
	Diane L.Winslow (Harry Reid Center, University of Nevada, Las Vegas) and
	Jeffrey R. Wedding (Harry Reid Center, University of Nevada, Las Vegas)
2:00-2:20	Alvin's Landscapes
	Oyvind Frock
2:20-2:40	Recent Rock Art Research in Southern Nevada
	Angus R. Quinlan (Nevada Rock Art Foundation and Summit Envirosolutions)
	and Alanah Woody (Nevada Rock Art Foundation)
2:40-3:00	Archaeology at the Top of Nevada: Geodetic Surveys of 1878-1895
	Gregory R. Seymour (Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc.)
3:00-3:10	Break
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3:10-3:30	Another Kind of Glyph: The Sunflower Mountain and Indian Campground
	Geoglyphs in Lincoln County
	Alvin R. McLane, Oyvind Frock, Keith Stever, Manetta Lytle and Farrel Lytle
3:30-3:50	The Author was an Archaeologist: George R. Stewart and the Black Rock

	David Valentine (Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area)
3:50-4:10	Alvin McLane and the High Basins: Sunshine and Starbursts Signa Pendegraft
4:10-4:30	Alvin's Last Road Trip: Pictograph Sites in the Snake Range Jon Harman
5:00-7:00	Evening Mixer, Hors d'Oeuvres, and No-Host Bar, Maggie's 484 Aultman, in the Mr. G's Building - Sponsored by Nevada Rock Art Foundation
Evening	Desperation Arts, 421 Aultman - Ely's own art gallery, will keep their doors open for anyone interested in visiting

Saturday April 21, 2007

- 8:00-9:00 Meeting Registration
- 8:00-9:00 **Continental Breakfast** Sponsored by Robinson Mining Company
- 9:00-3:45 **Poster Session**
 - The Graham Alley Privy, 1885-1906: A Microscopic View of the "Back Side" of Ely Before the Copper Boom. Vickie Clay, C. Lynn Furnis, Erich Obermayr, and Sarah Branch (MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc.)
 - An Evaporation Timeline to Predict Paleoindian Occupation Surfaces in Spring Valley, White Pine County, Nevada. Jerry Fuller (Ely BLM Volunteer)
- 9:00-3:45 **Paper Presentations**
- 9:00-9:15 *First Impressions of the Rabbithole Springs Project, Pershing County, Nevada* Ben Barna (University of Nevada, Reno)
- 9:15-9:30 The Aultman Mine and Mill Traveling Exhibit: An Examination of Process and Development Amie Gray (Western Cultural Resource Management)
- 9:30-9:45 Preliminary Results from Investigations at Paiute Creek Shelter, Black Rock Desert, Humboldt County, Nevada Geoffrey M. Smith (Desert Research Institute)
- 9:45-10:00 Paleoindians in Jakes Valley: A Report on Recent Investigations in Eastern Nevada Mark B. Estes (University of Nevada, Reno)

- 10:00-10:15 Below the Surface Manetta Lytle, Suzette (Lytle) Bruggeman, and Farrel Lytle
- 10:15-10:30 Break
- 10:30-10:45 Variations in Fluted and Concave Base Projectile Points from Pleistocene Lake Tonopah and Mud Lake, Nevada Gary Noyes and Samuel Coffman (University of Nevada, Reno)
- 10:45-11:00 A Comparison of Great Basin Fluted Points from Jakes Valley, Lake Tonopah, and Mud Lake, Nevada
 Mark B. Estes (University of Nevada, Reno) and Samuel Coffman (University of Nevada, Reno)
- 11:00-11:15 *Lincoln County Archaeological Initiative* Nathan Thomas (Bureau of Land Management, Ely District)
- 11:15-11:30 *Travel Nevada's Past* Eva Jensen (Lost City Museum) and David Valentine (Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca District)
- 11:30-11:45 *The Arrowhead Trail: An Early Transportation Corridor in Southern Nevada* Kevin Rafferty (Community College of Southern Nevada)
- 11:45-12:00 Current Research at the Virgin Anasazi "Lost City" Community near Overton, Nevada Greg Haynes (University of Nevada, Las Vegas)
- 12:00-1:30 Lunch and SHPO Roundtable and NVCRIS Discussion
- 1:30-1:45 *Decomposition and Decay in Arid Southern Nevada* James Munkres (University of Nevada, Las Vegas)
- 1:45-2:00 *Early Basalt Use in the Bonneville Basin of Eastern Nevada and Western Utah* Dave Page (Desert Research Institute and University of Nevada, Reno)
- 2:00-2:15 *A Use-Wear Study of Great Basin Stemmed Points* Linsie M. Lafayette (ASM Affiliates, Inc.)
- 2:15-2:30 *Playing with Parts: Fragments of Children's Toys from Railroad Pass* Annette "A.J." Smith (Harry Reid Center, University of Nevada, Las Vegas) and Jeffrey Wedding (Harry Reid Center, University of Nevada, Las Vegas), with illustrations by David C. Smee
- 2:30-2:45 Break

2:45-3:00	<i>The Cliquot Club: Sodas and Song</i> Suzan F. Slaughter (Harry Reid Center, University of Nevada, Las Vegas) and Jeffrey Wedding (Harry Reid Center, University of Nevada, Las Vegas), with illustrations by David C. Smee
3:00-3:15	Scales: A Nevada Railroad Section Camp Efsthasios I. Pappas (University of Nevada, Reno)
3:15-3:30	26WP4629, A Heat Treatment and Projectile Point Manufacture Site Near Ely, Nevada: The Rosegate Type Site Ed Stoner (Western Cultural Resource Management)
3:30-3:45	Potential Chipped-Stone Tool Sources of Upper Meadow Valley Wash, Eastern Nevada Clint Cole (University of California, Davis)
3:45-4:30	NAA General Membership Meeting
4:30-5:00	NAA Board Meeting
5:00-6:00	No-Host Bar
6:00-7:00	Banquet Dinner
7:00-8:30	Guest Speaker (included with banquet dinner): <i>Rails to Ely: An Evening of History and Lore</i> Sean Pitts (East Ely Railroad Museum Director)
8:30-11:00	Auction
	Sunday April 22, 2007
9:00	Field Trips (To Be Announced)

NAA Board Meeting Minutes 19 October 2006, Las Vegas, NV

Board members present: Daron Duke, Mark Giambastiani, Greg Haynes, Liz Russell, Greg Seymour, Sali Underwood, and David Valentine.

Board members absent: Hal Rager, Eva Jensen, and Suzan Slaughter. Other members present: Steve Daron and Helen Mortensen.

A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

B. Approval of Minutes: Greg Haynes had a number of changes. Board moved to accept minutes with the changes.

C. President' Report: Seymour wished to expedite the meeting and so had no report.

D. Treasurer's Report: Eva Jensen was absent due to family matters. She provided Steve Daron with copies of her usual handouts. The organization currently has approximately \$12,100 in the bank.

E. Secretary's Report: None.

F. News Letter Editor's Report: None

G. Membership Report: Daron Duke reported that a number of membership applications have been coming in and that he has assigned them to 2007. The NAA has 224 members, with 33 of them new. In 2005, we had 226 members and 220 members in 2004. We are getting a lot of new members, but are having problems with old members dropping out. Greg Seymour stated that we need to be more proactive with our membership to increase it. We will have forms at our table in the Great Basin Anthropological Conference bookroom table. Duke's report also suggested pursuing more student members, increasing professional involvement, and having a join NAA message on the poster, as well as information on the website where folks can join.

H. Web master: Hal was absent, so Greg Seymour presented. He said that our yearly membership for the server was due and needed to be paid. Hal also suggested the mention of the possibility of obtaining a lifetime hosting agreement for a one time fee of \$475 which would include the capability of running pretty much anything we would ever want to for a web site-- forums, 5x as much disk space, online store with a database backend, etc... That fee doesn't include and annual domain registration (~\$15). The board didn't quite understand what was involved and tabled any action on this until we could get a direct report from Rager.

I. Stewardship: Liz Russell reported that the quarterly meeting was yesterday. The committee approved \$8 each to buy T-shirts for fund raising. The NAA had approved \$2,500 to buy materials for the Stewardship program: they need \$257 to buy the yearly pins, and need some extra money to buy 250 T-shirts at the \$8 price. Valentine moved to give them the \$53 to make up the shortfall. Duke wanted to know if they needed more money. Seymour seconded motion: passed.

Site stewards are interested in having GPS training, and it was suggested that it be offered at the next annual meeting. Sali is still working on the new training manual, and will be sending CDs to the agency representatives soon.

J. Reports by Chapters and Affiliates:

1. Am-Arcs: They've had a joint meeting with Nevada Rock Art Foundation to attend a lecture.

2. Archaeo-Nevada Society: Helen Mortensen provided an update on the groups activities. This is a special year—the 40th anniversary of their organization. They've had meetings with Sali and Phil on membership at the Nevada State Museum in Lorenzi Park. They hosted desert at a University forum on paleontology that 60 people attended. They are supporting a student, Andreas Scharest that is researching the Berger site—a site that was excavated by Crabtree and Warren, but was never written up because Crabtree passed away. They are also having speakers: Amy Gilreath is the next planned speaker. They are planning a field trip to Kirk's Grotto in November, and a Christmas Party at the museum. They are writing letters of support for funding the Red Rock/Spring Mountain inventory with SNPLMA round seven dollars.

3. Churchill County Chapter: The chapter is active, although with few members. Employees of Kautz Environmental are giving presentations.

- 4. Elko County Chapter: No report.
- 5. White Pine Historical and Archaeological Society: No report.

6. Lincoln County Chapter: Liz Russell said that the chapter is still active and having monthly meetings. They are looking for presenters. During the winter they are meeting at the Cathedral Gorge State Park at 2 p.m. There is no December meeting due to conflicts with the holidays, but they will be meeting in January. During the summer they meet at the train depot in Caliente.

7. Nevada Rock Art Foundation: No report.

8. State Historical Preservation Office Report: Alice Baldrica is in Italy, so Sali Underwood delivered the report. The SHPO participated in the Preserve Nevada conference. Preserve Nevada has completed the goals in their five year plan. They need to set goals for the next five years and get new, active board members. SHPO continues to work on register nominations. The deadlines for SHPO grants are coming soon.

K. Old Business

1. Nevada Archaeologist:

a. 2004 (Perry and Jensen). They are not moving fast—having difficult time scheduling time to work on it with their other duties and commitments.

b. 2005 (Linsie and Geoff): They are making some progress. Most of the papers have been collected, and some are in their final edit and getting ready for formatting.

c. 2006 (Heidi Roberts): She will be initiating work on this after the GBAC.

d. 2007 (Valentine): Have six promised papers, one submission from Alvin McLane.

2008: It was suggested that use this issue as a conference proceedings. Mark Giambastiani is willing to work on it.

2. 2007 Annual Meeting. Eva had attempted to contact Alanah Woody about having the meetings in the Gardnerville area, but didn't have any volunteers to take over the arrangement. Greg Seymour said that there are three folks in Ely (Nate Thomas, Kurt Braun, and Mark Henderson) that are volunteering to do all the work for setting up the meetings there. Seymour moved that we have the meetings in Ely. Greg Haynes seconded—passed.
3. Special Publications

a. Short History: Someone needs to contact Renee Kolvet and Anne DuBarton to see what is happening with this.

b. Occasional Papers: Valentine reported that Ted Goebel is willing to work on this—he needs unpack it after his move to Texas A & M.

4. Nevada Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month: Eva is collecting pictures for the poster.

5. Position Statement on Geocaching: Mark Slaughter is checking on Arizona's position.

6. Board Insurance: The organization needs to be audited. We are looking for an auditor.

7. Scanning Nevada Archaeologist: Valentine passed out a report. The Nevada State Museum had to use an internal state office to have the Anthropological papers scanned and placed on CD. Gene Hattori wasn't particularly happy with the end result, and would not recommend going that way. Tom Burke with the Nevada BLM was involved with them scanning all of the BLM publications onto CD. He used a local Reno business, Hi-Desert Mircoimaging, to create CDs with searchable pdf files. He is happy with the results. He plans on scanning a series of Tosawihi reports in the neighborhood of 5,000 pages. Scanning of the reports and making 250 copies of the CD will be a little less than \$5,000. Valentine will contact the Reno business to find out cost for the NAA.

8. Three Corners Conference Proceedings: Seymour reported that the order form is up on the web site. They are starting to plan the next Three Corners Conference, again to be held at UNLV.

9. Student Stipend: Mark Giambastiani had been trying to contact Ted Goebel to see how he handled that, but had not heard back. Board members will find old examples of past announcements to give to Mark as an example.

L. New Business

 Cultural History Fair: There are no empty spaces in the gardens anymore. The next meeting is November 8th. Helen Mortensen suggested we try to hold an event at Lorenzi Park, Old Mormon Fort, Spring Mountain Ranch or the Clark County Museum. Greg Haynes is concerned about entrance fees and no advertising. Bob Stoldal will provide advertising. Helen Mortensen will talk to parks and ask about a fee waiver. We will need to decide what to do after that.
NAA Chapter in Pahrump. Helen Mortensen said that there is interest in forming a NAA chapter in Pahrump and we should talk to Don Hendricks about that. There is a possibility for another chapter in Mesquite, and we should coordinate with the Friends of Gold Butte and the Friends of Nevada Wilderness. Following was some discussion of the difference between affiliation and chapter. Liz Russell gave some information n how the Lincoln County Chapter was started and the make-up of the organization—roughly three-fourths of the members are NAA members who joined the NAA on their own.

M. Next Board Meeting: Eva had suggested to Greg that we hold it in Pioche. Steve Daron suggested that we have it in Beatty. After some discussion, it was decided to meet in Beatty. Greg Seymour will make arrangements. It was tentatively scheduled for January 3rd. Later, through e-mail communications, this was changed to February 3rd at 2 p.m. in the Beatty Community Center.

There being no more business, Greg Seymour moved for adjournment, seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

David Valentine

ANNOUNCING <u>NEVADA ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION</u> 36TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE APRIL 20-22, 2006

At the Old Hotel Nevada's Postal Palace Ely, NV

(The Postal Palace is located behind Hotel Nevada in Downtown Ely Unless otherwise indicated, all activities are in the Postal Palace)

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Lithic Analysis workshop by Daron Duke, Cost \$10.00, limited to 18 people on Friday 8:30 to 11:30.
- NAA Board of Directors Meeting on Friday from 11:00 to 1:00 pm lunch meeting.
- Special presentations in remembrance of Alvin R. McLane on Friday from 1:30-4:30.
- Friday Evening Mixer at Ely's new Maggie's Restaurant Sponsored by the Nevada Rock Art Foundation, 5:00 to 7:00.
- Paper Presentations on Saturday starting at 9:00 ending at 3:30 pm.
- Nevada SHPO Roundtable Discussion on the Nevada Cultural Resource Inventory System (NVCRIS) at Lunchtime on Saturday.
- NAA General Membership Meeting on Saturday at 3:45-4:30.
- Board Meeting-Saturday 4:30-5:00.
- No Host Bar-5:00-6:00
- Dinner- 6:00-7:00
- Awards and Guest Speaker Sean Pitts. "Rails to Ely an Evening of History and Lore." Sean is the Director of the East Ely Railroad Depot Museum 7:00-8:30.
- Auction 8:30-11:00.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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Friday	12:00-1:00	Conference	Postal Palace	
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Friday	1:30-4:30	Presentation Session in	Postal Palace	
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Friday	5:00-7:00	Evening Mixer with	Maggies 484	Sponsored by the
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Saturday	3:45-4:30	NAA General	Postal Palace	
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Saturday	4:30-5:00	Board Meeting	Postal Palace	
Saturday	5:00-6:00	No Host Bar	Postal Palace	
Saturday	6:00-7:00	Dinner Banquet	Postal Palace	Cost \$30.00
Saturday	7:00-8:30	Guest Speaker. East	Postal Palace	Included with dinner
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PLACES TO STAY

Conference Hotels

Hotel Nevada and Gambling 501 Aultman (it is the tallest building in Ely) (775) 289-6665 A block or rooms has been set aside at discounted rates including mini suites, regular rooms and small rooms. Please mention the Nevada Archaeological Association when making your reservation. This is hotel is next to the Postal Palace.

Four Sevens Motel 500 High Street (775) 289-4747 This motel also has discounted rates for the Nevada Archaeological Association. It is approximately two blocks from the postal palace.

Other Motels

Bristlecone Motel 700 Ave I (775) 289-8838 About 1 mile from the Postal Palace. A favorite place to stay for many folks that come to Ely often.

Best Western Main Motel or the Best Western Park Vue Both on Aultman Street (775) 289-4529 and 4497

Steptoe Valley Inn 220 E 11th Street (877) 289-6991 A nice bed and breakfast near the Railroad Depot

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