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Newsletter of the Nevada Archaeological Association

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Eva Jensen, NAA President

I will try to be brief since you have analysis to complete, reports to edit, journals to read, and generally, other things to do this time of year.

Eureka!

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Our October board meeting included a fall storm sweeping the Great Basin valleys driving the Loneliest Highway to Eureka. Wally Cuchine, director of the Eureka Opera Center arranged for us to use the Eureka Senior Center for our meeting. (Very appropriate since some of us are old and most of us can't sing.) We continued the strategic planning session with a board review of mission and goals. These will be presented for your review in the spring with a possible update of by-laws that reflect the new information age of doing business.

Digging deep.

The 2009 Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month theme will focus on cave excavations throughout the state that have provided a wealth of information for Nevada, Great Basin, and North American prehistory. Please consider hosting exhibits, talks, tours, and activities that will inspire public support for archaeology and historic preservation.

I'm going to Lovelock, Nevada!

Our annual meeting will be held April 3rd through 5th in Lovelock to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the original Lovelock Cave excavation reports (see Daron's article this issue). David Hurst Thomas of the American Museum of Natural History, and NAA member, will be our guest speaker on Friday evening.

Peggy McGuckian is assisting with planning and has proposed a Lovelock Cave Back Country Byway tour on Sunday. Mark Giambastaini is the program chair and is soliciting presentations. Mark will provide some suggestions to help presenters. The Committee for Auction Affairs is revamping the evening shopping spectacular. Look for your registration information in early February.

Suzan Slaughter and Greg Haynes are retiring from the board of directors this spring. Suzan joined the board in April, 2004 and served as secretary and later as newsletter editor. Greg began as a board member in 2005 and has served as secretary over the last two years. Thanks to both Suzan and Greg for all of their help! And remember, we will be looking for a new board members, newsletter editor, and secretary this spring.

Look for your next Nevada Archaeologist Journal early next year. Greg Haynes is finishing that up before he departs for Flagstaff, AZ.

NAA membership "priceless", sort of!

Please remember membership renewals are due every January. Consider giving a membership as a gift to our 'not so exclusive but really cool because we love Nevada Archaeology Association'.

Thank you for your support!

Have a wonderful winter. I look forward to seeing you all in the coming year! Now you can go back to your analysis, editing, reading, and other things.

Next Board Meeting in Goodsprings, January 10, 2009

Our next NAA board meeting will be held at the community center in Goodsprings, at 2:00 p.m., Saturday January 10, 2009. Elizabeth and Claude Warren will guide a tour of archaeology and history in Goodsprings in the morning. We will meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Community

Center for a walking filed trip. Please check the web site at nvarch.org for directions to Goodsprings. All members are welcome to

come for the field trip and the board meeting. Bring a lunch. We will picnic at the elementary school/community center park after the field trip. Bring a lunch. If anyone would like to come Friday night there are rooms available at the Goldstrike Hotel in Jean (7 miles from Goodsprings). For reservations contact the hotel at www.goldstrikejean.com or (800) 634-1359 (702) 477-5000.

NEWS FROM AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

Lincoln County Chapter Report

Barbara Rohde, Secretary/Treasurer

We haven't had many meetings this fall - just one, on Nevada Statehood Day (OK, some of you insist on calling that Halloween). Keith Stever presented a wonderful program on the petroglyphs at Lagomarsino Canyon (near Reno). He pared it down to 100 slides, and we were clamoring for more! We will be planning field trips for our winter meetings, since it will cool down enough in the Pahranagat Valley for us to hike safely (the rattlesnakes will have "gone to bed" for the winter). The Pahranagat Valley is filled with sites that some of us have not seen (I personally have lived in Lincoln County for 24 years, and have yet to go see the White River Narrows site!). That, and the fact that we love to "do lunch" at the Windmill Ridge restaurant! I think for some of us, that is the highlight of the trip. I think that is one of the sayings on the new Lincoln County T-shirt. "You Know You're In Lincoln County When...." Oh, I am mistaken, it is not – here are the sayings: "You swerve to miss a deer and hit another one. Your 4-wheeler gets more mileage than your car. The new courthouse was built in 1938. Three cars on the road at the same time are considered a traffic jam. A billboard is a metal stick. You're and the second of shifts a first on the name him to a second of shifts of piece of cardboard on a metal stick. You're

walking your sheep down the road and people stop to take pictures. The entire town shuts down at six o'clock. You can drive hundreds of miles without stopping at a stoplight. You get into trouble and the cops get to your house before you do. A trip to Wal-mart takes all day." These sayings were written up by the high schools, for a promotional contest sponsored by the Lincoln Communities Action Team, part of the Lincoln County Chamber of Commerce. The artwork from the winning entry in the art contest graces the front of the t-shirt. I shall be donating one at the NAA meeting next spring!

At the last Site Steward Coordinators Meeting, it was reported that there is still a need for site stewards in Lincoln County – our population is right around 4,000, but there are many sites that need monitoring. With gas prices higher this summer, site stewards may not have gotten out as often, but it doesn't seem to deter those who would plunder Nevada's past, to make a profit out of selling items, or to deface irreplaceable petroglyph sites. We welcome new stewards, or those from Clark County that want to adopt a site in Lincoln County! Talk to Anne Carter if you might be interested!

SHPO News

Alice M. Baldrica, State Historic Preservation Office

Historic Preservation/ Archaeological Awareness Month 2009

It isn't too early to start planning activities for Historic Preservation/Archaeological Awareness Month in May 2009. This year, the NAA has chosen archaeology from Nevada's caves as a theme. A great deal of what we know about the past is based on data collected from sites such as Hidden Cave, Lovelock Cave, Smith Creek Cave and other dry sites where perishable artifacts and organic remains have been preserved. Some of these caves are interpreted while many others are protected because of their remote locations, their continued ability to contribute data, and their status as traditional cultural properties. Tours of interpreted sites would be appropriate as would exhibits and talks on cave sites that are protected. If you need help thinking of activities or events in your area please give me a call. I will be sending a letter asking for events at the beginning of January.

NVCRIS Data

Karyn deDufour, the SHPO data manager is currently assigning Smithsonian site numbers for the entire state of Nevada. In addition, Gnomon, the SHPO's contractor, will be presenting SHPO with an architectural database layer to NVCRIS by January of 2009. It will have many of the same functions as the

archaeological database. For more information on these matters call Karyn at 775-684-3447.

State Site Stewardship Program

As some of you are aware, the Department of Tourism has been funding the State's Site Stewardship program including the site stewardship coordinator's position. In July, without warning, the Department of Tourism submitted its biennial budget omitting funding of the site stewardship program in its FY 2010-2011 budget which will effectively suspend the program as of July 1, 2009. The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) will no longer have funding for the program or its coordinator. The move by the Department of Tourism at the late stage of budget preparation did not allow any time for the SHPO to respond to the termination of funding for the next biennium. Legislature meets in February of 2009 to consider the SHPO budget. If you have strong feelings about the matter, please let your legislator know your position on the subject.

National Register Program

Sara Fogelquist, an architectural historian, is SHPO's new National Register coordinator. Sara will juggle this responsibility with Section 106 review and compliance responsibilities. If you have questions about listing a property, give her a call at 775-684-3427.

The Nevada Archaeological Site Stewardship Program Update

Sali A. Underwood

On September 30th, the end of the federal fiscal year, the total number of site stewardship volunteer hours donated is generated and turned in to the participating public land managing agencies for each of the stewardship regions, (Northwestern, Elko, West Central, White Pine/Lincoln Counties, and Little Red Rock.

Once these numbers are submitted they are reviewed by the land managing agencies and can be used to justify the continued participation within in this State program, as well as justify the purchase of needed equipment to support the volunteers efforts (GPS's, Satellite phones, etc.)

In addition to the number of field hours that volunteers have donated to the Nevada SHPO Site Stewardship Program, there have been 9 basic stewardship classes taught this year with 152 new volunteer stewards trained. Field hours include time on the ground and the time it takes to get to the site and back. A total of 3,833 volunteer field hours and 27,033 miles have been donated this federal fiscal year to public land agencies through the Nevada Archaeological Site Stewardship Program. Volunteer

stewards are active on BLM, Forest Service, National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service managed lands throughout Nevada.

As indicated by the table below the State Site Stewardship Program is really starting to take off. The number of hours and miles donated is phenomenal and all volunteers should be very proud of their dedication and service as Nevada Site Stewards! Thank you also goes out to the partners of the site stewardship program, especially the NAA, who have made this program such a great success!!

Table 1. Summary of 2007-2008 Fiscal Year Stewardship Hours.

Oct. 2007- Sept 2008 FY	Training Hours	Field Hours	Travel Hours	Total Hours	Value of Service x \$18.77 hr	Mileage	Impacts	
Northwestern Region	540	355	517	1412	26503.24	14495	17	
West Central Region	274	155	122	551	10342.27	4009	4	
Elko Region	66	25	117	208	3904.16	258	1	
White Pine/Lincoln Region	162	930	0	1092	20496.84	6223.7	5	
Little Red Rock Sites	216	256	98	570	10698.9	2048	16	
Totals	1,552	2,851	3,540	7,943	\$149,090.11	27,033.7	126	

SOLICITATIONS, EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Comstock Wind Energy Project EIS

Ron Reno, PhD RPA

The New Comstock Wind Energy Project has announced plans to build about 69 wind turbines on BLM land within or on the edge of the Virginia City National Landmark District. These turbines are huge. The towers are 210 to 330 feet tall, supporting a nacelle and three blades 115 to 170 feet long. They are to be placed on ridge tops above Virginia City, Gold Hill, and American Flat. Based on preliminary inspection of the project maps, many of these machines will be very visible from highly visited parts of the district.

Nevada has only seven National Historic Landmarks, which in the aggregate cover only a

miniscule part of the state. Due to previous impacts to the integrity of the district, it is already classified as threatened by the National Park Service. If you have concerns regarding this incursion on one of the most significant districts in Nevada, please convey them to the BLM, which has initiated the New Comstock EIS regarding the project, and ask to be added to the list of interested parties. Project information and contacts are available on the BLM Carson City Field Office webpage.

Comments and concerns regarding scope of the EIS are due January 30, 2009 at the BLM. The Draft EIS is due October 2009.

New Great Basin Archaeology Book

Eugene M. Hattori, Ph.D., Curator of Anthropology, Nevada State Museum, Carson City

The Great Basin: People and Place in Ancient Times edited by Catherine S. Fowler and Don D. Fowler was published this fall by the School for Advanced Research in Santa Fe, New Mexico (www.sarpress.sarweb.org). Kay and Don assembled a huge cast of academic, agency, museum, and CRM colleagues to contribute chapters on Great Basin prehistory for SAR's Popular Southwest Archaeology Series. Authors address their specialties and summarize many of their findings. In some instances these results and some data were previously unpublished and only presented at conferences and in the gray literature.

This book and the Popular Southwestern Series are written for an interested general readership, and, as such, the book contains numerous illustrations, including 24 color plates of archaeological sites, petroglyphs and pictographs, landscapes, and some very spectacular artifacts. Similarly, it lacks numerous technical details, including citations, because of its intended audience. The authors' informed discussions, however, provide excellent overviews of a very wide variety of topics with information for professionals and paraprofessionals alike. The book is an up to date background for Great Basin archaeology in a well edited format. The paperback sells for \$24.95 and a cloth bound edition is available for \$59.95.

Chapters

- 1. Stories of a Place and Its People Don D. Fowler and Catherine S. Fowler
- 2. Great Basin Natural History Donald K. Grayson
- 3. Building an Environmental History of the Great Basin David Rhode
- 4. Great Basin Cave Archaeology and Archaeologists C. Melvin Aikens
- 5. The Early Peopling of the Great Basin Bryan Hockett, Ted Goebel, and Kelly Graf
- 6. Archaic Times Charlotte Beck and George T. Jones
- 7. Tosawihi Quarries and Sacred Sites Robert Elston
- 8. The Great Basin's Oldest Textiles Catherine S. Fowler and Eugene M. Hattori
- 9. Great Basin Sandals Thomas J. Connolly and Pat Barker
- 10. Hats, Baskets, and Trays from Charlie Brown Cave Edward A. Jolie and Ruth Burgett Jolie
- 11. The "Good Sweet Water" of Great Basin Marshes David B. Madsen and Robert L. Kelly
- 12. High Altitude Sites in the Great Basin Robert L. Bettinger
- 13. Making a Living in the Desert West Steven R. Simms
- 13. The Enigmatic Fremont Joel C. Janetski
- 14. Range Creek Canyon Duncan Metcalfe
- 15. Fremont Basketry James M. Adovasio, David R. Pedler, and Jeffrey S. Illingworth
- 16. Who Lived on the Southern Edge of the Great Basin? Richard V.N. Ahlstrom and Heidi Roberts
- 17. Rock Art in the Western Great Basin Alanah Woody and Angus Quinlan
- 18. Shamans, Shields, and Stories on Stone Polly Schaafsma
- 19. Rediscovering and Appreciating Ancient Knowledge David Hurst Thomas

Great Basin Anthropological Association's Student Poster Award Winner

Leticia A. Neal

Congratulations to Mark B. Estes, University of Nevada – Reno for receiving second place at the 2008 Great Basin Anthropological Association's Student Poster competition for his poster, *Differences Between Fluted and Stemmed Point Occupations in a High Elevation Valley in Eastern Nevada*. The award was presented at the 31st Great Basin Anthropological Conference in Portland, Oregon.

Lincoln County Archaeological Initiative Round 2

Colleen Beck

In mid December, the BLM will be announcing the Round 2 priorities for the Lincoln County Archaeological Initiative (LCAI). The request for submissions will be posted on Grants.gov and FedBizOpps.gov. These announcements have a 30-day timeline for responses from the posting date. For additional information, go to the Ely BLM website:

http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/ely_field_office.1.html
or contact Colleen Beck at email Colleen.Beck@dri.edu and phone 702-862-5323,
Donna Schlemmer at email Donna.Schlemmer@dri.edu and phone 702-862-5321, or
Lynn Wulf at email Lynn_Wulf@blm.gov and phone 775-726-8134.

National Park Service's 2009 Archaeological Prospection Workshop

Steven L. DeVore, Archeologist, National Park Service, Midwest Archeological Center

The National Park Service's 2009 workshop on archaeological prospection techniques entitled Current Archaeological Prospection Advances for Non-Destructive Investigations in the 21st Century will be held May 18-22, 2009, at the National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, Natchitoches, Louisiana. Lodging will be at the Ramada Inn. The field exercises will take place at the Los Adaes State Historic Site (a Spanish presidio and capital of the Spanish province of Texas between 1719 and 1772). Co-sponsors for the workshop include the National Park Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Adaes State Historic Site, Northwestern State University of Louisiana, and the Louisiana Division of Archaeology. This will be the nineteenth year of the workshop dedicated to the use of geophysical, aerial photography, and other remote sensing methods as they apply to the identification, evaluation, conservation, and protection of archaeological resources across this Nation. The workshop will present lectures on the theory of operation, methodology, processing, and interpretation with on-hands use of the equipment in the field. There is a registration charge of \$475.00. available on the Midwest Archeological page at history/mwac/>. For further information, please contact Steven L. DeVore, Archeologist, National Park Service, Midwest Archeological Center, Federal Building, Room 474, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508-3873: tel: (402) 437-5392, ext. 141; fax: (402) 437-5098; email: <steve de vore@nps.gov>.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Leavin' Las Vegas – The Hendersons move to New Mexico Renee Kolvet

Mark and Yolanda (Vigil) Henderson are moving to Taos to breathe fresh mountain air and to be closer to Yolanda's mother. They recently purchased a beautiful new custom home with views of mountains all around. Yolanda is a native of New Mexico and Mark worked in that area before he and Yolanda moved to Ely twenty-some years ago. Mark recently retired from the Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office, and Yolanda left her long-time position with the State Public Defender in Ely. Their departure will certainly leave a void. For years, Mark and Yolanda have been very active in the Nevada Archaeological Association (NAA). We will especially miss Mark's auctioneering talents, unless they just can't stay away (which we hope is the case). Mark is also active in other organizations including the Spanish Trails Association and site stewardship programs in eastern Nevada. We hope they make lots of new memories in the "Land of Enchantment" but look forward to seeing them in Nevada from time to time.

Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

Fred Frampton, Heritage Program, Tribal Relations Program Manager Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

Jack Scott, District Archaeologist on the Bridgeport Ranger District is leaving the Humboldt - Toiyabe National Forest, the first of January, 2009, for a position as Archaeologist with the Alturas District, Bureau of Land Management.

The Bridgeport Ranger District, while being one of the smallest ranger districts on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, has the largest number and most diverse archaeological resources on the National Forest. Approximately 2,000 sites are documented on this 350,000 acre ranger district. Plans have not been formalized, as yet, to advertise for Jack's replacement. Jack will be missed.

PROJECTS, ARTICLES, MINI REPORTS

Lovelock Cave - 80 Years Ago

Daron Duke, Director, Desert Branch, Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc

With its publication in 1929, the report on findings from Lovelock Cave gave North American archaeologists a compelling view of ancient material culture. The over 10,000 artifacts collected from the cave include a wealth of textiles, bone, wood, and stone items representing both utilitarian tools and unique art objects. The famous Lovelock Cave duck decoys still stand out as emblematic of the rich potential in western dry caves to inform us about the past.

The eminent University of California, Berkeley anthropologist Alfred Kroeber sent Llewellen L. Loud—an experienced outdoor enthusiast who was employed by the university for various jobs and occasional archaeological fieldwork—to conduct excavations at the site in 1912. Further excavations took place in 1924 under the direction of archaeologist Mark Harrington, Loud's coauthor on the final report. Loud's excavation in 1912 was the first of a cave in the state of Nevada, and may rightly be considered the best early example of a crucial role played by an amateur archaeologist to Great Basin research.

Expeditions

Eva A. Jensen, NAA President

There are probably some of you out there who remember when field projects were called "Expeditions"; no ground penetrating radar, or infra-red satellite imagery, or DNA testing, or internet; just trucks, pack horses, shovels, and great expectations. Every now and then I wish I could travel there, to that time, when archaeology was a little more Indiana Jones and a little less 36CFR 800.

I am an old book junkie. Admittedly there could be worse habits. I am drawn to early editions that have gilt edge and embossed covers and, to odd titles that appeal to my slightly eclectic, if not eccentric nature. It isn't always the cover that matters. Diverse titles from Asparagus Horticulture 1919, to Count of Monte Cristo, and of course the Bureau of American Ethnology Reports, wait quietly on my shelves. At the Pecos Conference in Flagstaff this summer I browsed through stacks offered by the Ancient Society book seller. I perused the pages beneath stunning view of Sunset Crater, bouts of lightning, monsoon rains pouring off the tents, shifting sun and rainbows of the Arizona summer? Old books put me in that frame of mind.

Among the treasures culled from institutions and retiring personal libraries, I noticed several with 'J. O. Brew' written on the front cover. One book formerly in Brew's library had a plain blue construction paper cover with "ARCHAEOLOGY OF **ETNA** CAVE, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEVADA, by S.M. WHEELER", in simple typewriter print. It had beautiful black and white photo prints all still glued in place. So with prompting from the spirits of Pecos I bought one more old book.

What I found beneath the blue construction paper cover was more than just a report. It was a glimpse of people I never met and a small bit of time travel to when archaeology was described in terms of "expedition". A few lines of correspondence in two letters tucked between the yellowing pages of mimeograph type pulled me into the personal and professional stories of

people living and doing archaeology in times of uncertainty. They were times when national and world events were filling pages in the pages in the broad patterns of world history.

S.M. Wheeler excavated Etna cave in 1934. He was in Nevada working with Civilian Conservation Corps crews as a part of Roosevelt's New Deal programs designed to pull a struggling nation out of the Great Depression. By 1941 Wheeler, as he was known by friends, was named Curator of the newly created Nevada State Museum. In 1942 he wrote and produced 100 copies of the Etna Cave report on "a shoestring".

Correspondence in letters from the Society for American Archaeology to J.O. Brew at the Peabody Museum laments, "it is certainly discouraging to see such work [as Wheeler's] being starved out." And it was also unfortunate that the SAA or the Peabody could not "advertise a price or the means of obtaining these reports". Wheeler had "done all the work on the publication himself, it was fairly apparent from what he said that he had contributed most of his time toward making the drawings, cutting the stencils, making the prints, and pasting them on to the pages," for the 100 copies. Brew in turn offered to turn his personal copy over to the Peabody Museum Library.

John Otis Brew was director of the Peabody Museum. He served as President of the SAA and the American Anthropological Association. His work with Harvard and the Peabody included directing the following archeological expeditions: Alkali Ridge Expedition 1931; Harvard Irish Expedition 1934; Awatovi Expedition 1936–1939; Upper Gila Expedition 1949 – 1954. At Alakli Ridge, Brew continued work begun by J. W. Fewkes, S. J. Guernsey, A. V. Kidder, Jesse Nusbaum, and Neil Judd.

Jo, as he was known by friends and colleagues, married Evelyn Nimmo in 1939 at the Awatovi Expedition site. They had two children. In 1944 the letter to Brew from Douglas Byers of the SAA reads:

Dear Jo:

I was delighted to get your note of June 1st and learn of the arrival of Lindsay Edward Brew. By now he is twelve days old and I hope that he and his mother are both doing well. With his additional sixteen points each week you certainly ought to be ahead of the rationing board.

Brew practiced archaeology during the Great Depression, married his wife at a site during an expedition, directed a museum and started a family during World War II. Thank you for the book and the story Jo and Wheeler.

Life and archaeology should always be an expedition.

Fishing in Nevada Greg Seymour

Trout fishing offers recreation to residents and tourists alike. Herbert Hoover, 31st President of the United States once said "Two months after you return from a fishing expedition you will begin again to think of the snowcap or the distant mountain peak, the glint of sunshine on the water, the excitement of the dark blue seas, and the glories of the forest. And then you buy more tackle and more clothes for the next year. There is no cure for these infections. And that big fish never shrinks."

Nevada is endowed with some extraordinary trout fishing in its streams. Starting in 1871, a bill was introduced in the state for game and fish protection. By 1877, a bill provided for a State Office of the Fish Commissioner to "protect, conserve, and propagate fish." This was the beginning of wildlife management in Nevada by the state government. It was not until 1917 that a game commissioner was added to the commission with the hiring of a State Game Warden. H.G. Parker was appointed the first Fish Commissioner, a volunteer position in those days. He spent as much as \$1000.00 per biennium to introduce many species of fish including perch, catfish, and whitefish. Perhaps he is best known for his biggest mistake, the introduction of carp into Nevada's streams. A German carp was selected in order to make this fish "as plentiful to our people as chickens to the table of the prudent farmers." Despite this blunder, he was successful in stocking many fish along the Central Pacific and the Virginia Railroads. He also was instrumental in stopping people from using dynamite to catch fish. The first hatchery was established near Carson City by W.N. Carey in 1889, second Fish Commissioner. Before the hatcheries, German Browns were brought in from California and introduced into the Truckee River. Rainbows had been planted by individuals across the state starting in the 1860's.

The next commissioner, George Mills, tackled the problem of poaching in Nevada's waters. He also teamed up with local ranchers, W. N. McGill in Steptoe Valley, who had already hatched trout in Mills also was responsible for introducing Mackinaw trout eggs from Minnesota into eastern Nevada. Lake Tahoe.

The next big change in the commission was in 1905 when the legislature created a three-man board called the "State Fish Commission". They appointed George Mills, E.B. Yerington and H.H. Coryell to fill these positions. They oversaw the Carson hatching operation as well as the newly established native Lahontan Cutthroat. White Pine County also maintained a small hatchery. In 1907 a hatchery in Verdi was built. Black-spotted trout (Lahontan cutthroat) were being raised at all of the hatcheries by this time. Eastern Brook trout were also being hatched at the Verdi hatchery. Most of the trout fingerlings at this time that were stocking White Pine County's streams were from the Verdi hatchery.

Beyond Nevada's early fish stocking, native trout species survived from the late Pleistocene 12,000 years ago. At that time portions of Nevada and northern Utah were covered with water. Lake Lahontan and its tributaries contained Lahontan Cutthroat. Lake Bonneville, located in what is eastern Nevada and north central Utah, supported a population of Bonneville Cutthroat trout. The Explorer Peter Skene Ogden reported catching these trout from the Humboldt River in 1829. John C. Fremont also reported large trout he called *Salmon trout* from Pyramid Lake in 1844. Since then, many people have caught cutthroats from Walker, Pyramid, and Winnemucca lakes.

Between the native trout and those introduced to the area, we are blessed with opportunities to chase wild and semi-wild trout. After all, Hoover declared that "Man and boy, the American is a fisherman. That comprehensive list of human rights, the Declaration of Independence, is firm that all men (and boys) are endowed with certain inalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, which obviously includes the pursuit of fish." Besides, he wrote, no one ever went to jail while fishing "unless they forgot to buy a license."

Stewart Cemetery Cleanup Project, An Example of Creative Mitigation Sabra Gilbert-Young, NDOT

Personnel from the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California (WTNC), the Nevada Indian Commission (NIC), the Stewart Facility, and the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) recently undertook a project out at the old Stewart Indian School Cemetery this Fall to clean up the cemetery and document the individuals interned there. The cemetery had recently become overgrown with vegetation and some of the headstones had become damaged.

from Over 50 volunteers organizations and the larger Washoe community came out on September 27th and October 4th, 2008, freely giving up their Saturday in service for this cemetery work. Their hard work is appreciated. This was truly a greatly effort; collaborative across cultures generations and in the spirit of what is best in us all. Additionally, an anonymous donor provided funds to the NIC to purchase box lunches and Tshirts for the project participants on those two days.

NDOT will be furnishing WTNC with an electronic map of the cemetery, copies of all of the grave photographs, and copies of all of the headstone forms. If you would like to view this information when it becomes available please contact Darrel Cruz (WTNC) at 775-265-8692. Elizabeth Dickey (NDOT) is also updating the individual entries for the public to view at http://www.findagrave.com/. If you go online to this website and enter "Old Stewart Indian Cemetery" in the "Search for a Cemetery" option you will be able to see all the entries made to date. During the two Saturdays, NDOT

trained members of the WTNC and NIC in how to record headstones. There are over 247 graves or grave-like depressions out at the cemetery. Of that number only 136 have headstones with inscriptions identifying the deceased. If you have knowledge of who is buried out at this cemetery that may not have a formal headstone please contact Elizabeth Dickey at 775-888-7478 to get that information recorded.

Lichen, algae, and grime all take their toll on headstones and these agents of destruction need to be removed in order to keep these markers intact and legible for future generations. NDOT is awaiting the shipment of a safe cleaner for treating the headstones. Anyone interested in volunteering to help clean the stones should call Elizabeth Dickey at the number above to sign up.

A research trip to the National Archives in San Bruno, California, where most of the records from the Stewart Indian School are cared for was scheduled for November. It is hoped that these records can be used to identify any individuals who passed away during the years the cemetery was in operation (circa 1890s to 1940s). This list of individuals will be checked against those who have formal headstones and oral interviews with those familiar with the cemetery to provide some clues to who might be in the unmarked graves. The trip had to be cancelled due to the current statewide budget crunch, but will happen, hopefully, in the next couple of months. Anyone willing to contribute resources towards this trip should contact Sherri Rupert (NIC) at 775-687-8333.

Date Street Building 100 in Boulder City, Nevada

Laurie Perry, Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado Regional Office

In the early 1940s, the Bureau of Mines constructed electrometallurgic laboratory facilities on lands located on Date Street, at the western edge of Boulder City, Nevada. At that time, construction of Hoover Dam was complete, and the dam was operating.

The availability of inexpensive power and water coupled with accessibility to desired minerals made Boulder City an ideal location for the experimental facilities. The federal government identified a need for manganese metal, searching for methods to process domestic low-grade ore rather than depending on foreign sources; accordingly, defense funds were used to start the experimental station. Besides manganese, other experimental recovery and processing tests were conducted on magnesium, aluminum, and chromium, along with sponge-iron tests and processing alumina from clay.

The facilities operated full-time during World War II in support of testing mineral use for the war effort. In the early 1950's, the facility was chosen for a titanium pilot program. Eventually funding was reduced for the Boulder City station as programs were moved to other facilities. Although research continued into the early 1980's, the Bureau of Mines closed its facilities at that time and the land and buildings were transferred to the Bureau of Reclamation in 1984.

Reclamation planned to use the properties for office space and related facilities, however most of the buildings and land contained hazardous materials, limiting their use due to costs associated with cleanup.

In 2000, Reclamation demolished five buildings and moved the Scale House to the Clark County Museum in Henderson. In addition, the contaminated soils at the site were remediated, and the hazardous materials were disposed of in accordance with appropriate guidelines. Reclamation continued to use Building 100 for offices throughout this process.

Building 100 was originally built with two wings in 1941 and used by the Bureau of Mines for offices and a laboratory; an additional wing was added in 1945. It is a contributing resource to the Boulder City Historic District, listed in the National Register of Historic Places on August 1983 for its contributions to the 1940's era of government development in Boulder City.

In the early 2000s, required testing revealed the need for seismic retrofit, as the un-reinforced block walls and lack of wall-roof connections, often found in buildings of this era, did not meet current safety codes. Reclamation made plans to correct these problems and, at the same time, the building was documented by Statistical Research, Inc., as supplemental information to the Bureau of Mines Buildings Historic American Building Survey Number 35, on file with the National Park Service's Historic American Building Survey Program.

Reclamation started seismic retrofitting and roof replacement activities at Building 100 in February 2007. Complete interior renovation and designs for an energy efficient building were subsequently added to the project. As the retrofit progressed, additional structural problems were identified and Reclamation examined alternative methods for completing the project, including demolition and rebuilding with a similar design.

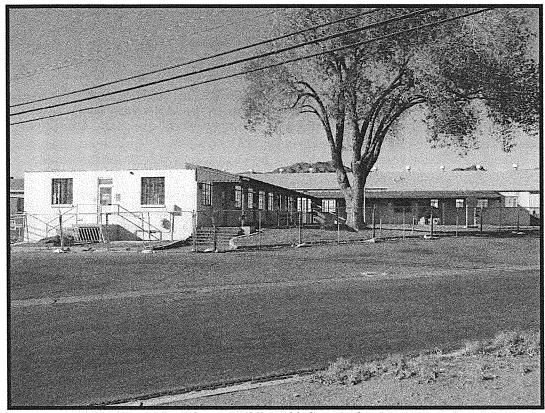
In response to comments received from the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, plus identification by Preserve Nevada of the building as one of the eleven most endangered buildings in Nevada, Reclamation placed the project on hold in May 2008. Currently, we are seeking detailed recommendations on historic preservation methods that meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and best practices for historic buildings. Once recommendations are received, we will evaluate alternatives, in consultations with SHPO, ACHP, the preservation community, and the public, to determine how to complete the project. Date Street Building 100 currently stands with no roof and no interior walls. Periodic inspections are being performed and bracing is being installed to secure the outer walls until a final determination is made.

Consultations are ongoing and public comments are welcomed in writing, via email, or by telephone. We have a public meeting scheduled in Boulder City on January 27, 2009, to present and discuss Reclamation's Boulder City properties and related activities. For additional information contact:

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Date Street Building 100-Pre-construction



Date Street Building 100-Current Status

MEETING MINUTES

Nevada Archaeological Association Board Meeting Minutes April 11, 2008

Location: Waterford/Galway Room, Carson Valley Inn, Minden

Board Members Present: Eva Jensen, Daron Duke, Suzan Slaughter, Mark Giambastiani, Liz Russell (NAA Site Stewardship Representative), Dave Valentine, Sali Underwood (SHPO Site

Stewardship Representative), Alice Baldrica (SHPO Representative), Greg Haynes

Board Members Absent: Greg Seymour, Hal Rager

Other Members Present: William White, Mark & Yolanda Henderson

A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Eva Jensen at 5:20 pm. The meeting ran from 5:20 to 6:30 pm.

B. Approval of Minutes: The minutes for the NAA Board Meeting of January 26, 2007 were unanimously approved. (Motion for approval was made by Liz R.; seconded by Mark G.)

C. President's Report (Greg Seymour): No President's report was given. Greg S. was unable to attend this year's annual meetings. Eva stated that Greg S. no longer wishes to serve as President of the organization, but would like to remain active on the Executive Board as a member-at-large.

D. Treasurer's Report (Eva Jensen): Eva distributed a three page handout covering expenses for the NAA from January 1 to March 31, 2008. As of March 31, the NAA had \$16,685.90 in its checking account. Our non-profit status paperwork for the state is complete.

None of the invoices for the Nevada Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month posters and brochures have been paid. (Copy Cat Printing produced the brochures, Las Vegas Color Graphics produced the poster, Opportunity Village did the mailing.) Many federal agencies and private contract firms donated monies for production costs. Everyone who spent time and money for the posters and brochures needs to get that information to Eva.

Income taxes have to be paid by a non-profit organization like NAA if the average income over three years exceeds \$25,000. Since the NAA has fallen well-below this average monetary threshold over the last three years, we will not have to file federal income tax. All we have to do is declare this on an "e-card" that gets sent to the IRS. However, if in the future we expect to exceed the \$25,000 three-year average threshold for income, then we will have to file an income tax return.

E. Secretary's Report (Greg Haynes): Greg H. said that during the past quarter, he word-processed the minutes for the January 26 Executive Board meeting and distributed them electronically to the members. Copies of these same minutes were printed and brought to the current Board meeting. Greg stated that he requested the Webmaster (Hal) to post past Board minutes on the NAA website, rather than have them printed in the newsletter. However, Dave V. pointed out that the Bylaws state that the minutes (or a summary of the minutes) will be published in the newsletter. Eva suggested we revisit this problem at the next Board meeting, that is, revise the Bylaws in order to have the minutes posted on the web, instead of published in the newsletter.

Greg H. also helped ensure that both the Nevada Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month posters and brochures were printed, mailed out and available at the NAA Annual Meetings. This included reviewing the poster's final proof before printing; transporting all of the 5,000 brochures to Opportunity Village; coordinating with Opportunity Village for a successful mailing; transporting the posters and brochures to various agencies and organizations in Las Vegas (Nevada State Museum, Springs Preserve, DRI, UNLV, NPS, BOR); and transporting the posters and brochures to the Annual Meetings in Minden.

- **F. Newsletter Editor's Report (Suzan Slaughter):** Suzan stated that she mailed out 174 copies of *In-Situ* on March 31. Total cost of production was \$278.14. She handed out a report detailing the expenses to all present at the meeting.
- **G. Membership Secretary's Report (Daron Duke):** Daron said that he hoped everyone present has received a new membership card. As per our last Board meeting, cards will only be sent out to new members. A good sign in membership is that annual renewals are running higher this year than at this time last year.
- **H. Webmaster (Hal Rager):** No Report. Eva mentioned that the poster is on the NAA website and that new updates were posted several days ago.

I. Reports by Chapters and Affiliated Organizations:

- 1. Am-Arcs. No report. Dave mentioned that he was last month's speaker and that the turn-out was good.
- 2. Archaeo-Nevada Society. Mark Henderson said that the group met last night and that they are quite active.
 - 3. Churchill County Chapter. No Report. (This group is still functioning.)
- 4. Elko County Chapter. No Report. Eva mentioned that this group is very good at paying their annual NAA membership dues. Also, they will be helping to host the California Trail Days during Memorial Day week-end.
- 5. White Pine Historical and Archaeological Society. No report. Mark Henderson stated that this organization is defunct; there has not been a meeting in three years. There is, however, a "Heritage" luncheon every other week.
- 6. Lincoln County Chapter. Liz Russell reported that the group meets every other month. Last month there was a field trip to the petroglyph site of "Pueblo Village". Barbara Rohde submitted information on Chapter activities to the NAA newsletter.

7. Site Stewardship Committee. Liz Russell reported that a "Train-the-Trainers" workshop was held in Tonopah this past quarter. The site stewardship training course has been reduced to about a ½ day in the classroom, coupled with a field trip to a site for in-field instruction. She thanked Dave V. for conducting a "Risk Assessment" workshop for the stewards. Liz wrote a description of her duties for the NAA Board Member manual, but she would like people to review it and let her know what else should be included.

Sali U. stated that a successful refresher course was held for the west-central region at Schurz. Site monitoring forms are now available on-line.

- 8. Nevada Rock Art Foundation. A ½ day symposium in honor of Alanah Woody was held today as part of the NAA Annual Meetings. NRAF has just moved their offices and are having problems with email.
- 9. State Historic Preservation Office: Alice Baldrica said that all of the NAA grants were completely funded this year and that satisfaction at SHPO with NAA products is very high. NRAF's Lagomarsino recording project will be funded at about 90% of what was requested for the upcoming year. Activities for the Nevada Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month continue to come in and all activities are posted on the SHPO website. There will be both state and federal budget cuts, but staff positions are secure. What this means, however, is that bits and pieces of various programs will be cut.

J. Old Business:

- 1. NAA Annual Meeting/2008 Poster and Brochure. Eva thanked a number of people for helping with the Annual Meetings: Mark G. for putting all the program together; Alice B. for booking the conference at Carson Valley Inn; Greg S. for coordination. Eva also thanked all the people who helped with this year's Nevada Archaeology and Historic Preservation month poster and brochure.
- 2. Ting Perkins / Lifetime Achievement Awards. Eva had a local artist make three slightly different versions of the Ting Perkins award. The cost per award will be decided when the board approves the prototypes and the artist will be able to make them as needed. Anne McConnell is the recipient of this year's award.
- 3. Culture History Faire Las Vegas. This event will be held on May 17 at the Springs Preserve. No one from the NAA has been able to participate with the planning committee. A vendor application has been mailed out. Mark Henderson said that he will be there on behalf of the Archaeo-Nevada Society and he will be happy to include the NAA at the ANS table.
- 4. NAA Executive Board Liability Insurance. Eva said that we need to renew the NAA Board Liability insurance. This policy covers all of the Board members. We have to pay for a special policy to cover the Annual Meetings. Liz R. made a motion that we approve any payments for this insurance; Suzan S. seconded the motion; unanimous approval.

K. New Business

- 1. Board Member Guide Book. The book is just about done. It is missing a statement of duties for the NAA Site Stewardship Liaison (see above, Liz Russell has completed a statement), and SHPO Representative (Alice Baldrica to do). Dave V. stated that he will finish this project, even after he is no longer on the Executive Board.
- 2. Nevada Archaeologist Journal. Greg H. will take over the Southern Nevada journal from Eva J. and Laurie Perry. Dave V. has four papers on the Black Rock journal.

Mark G. is going to put together a journal that includes papers from past conferences. He would like to send out an email to everybody who has contributed papers to see if they would like to make a contribution. He will go through the last several programs to see which papers might be appropriate for just such a journal. He envisions part of the volume being devoted to the special sessions honoring Alvin McLane (2007 Annual Meetings) and Alanah Woody (2008 Annual Meetings), along with part of the volume devoted to general papers. He thinks it would be a rather lengthy volume with 10-20 papers.

- 3. Eva mentioned that Google Earth now has locations of rock art and other archaeological sites on their website. A brief discussion regarding the merits of hiding versus interpreting archaeological sites ensued.
- L. Next Meeting: The General Meeting of the Nevada Archaeological Association will be held tomorrow afternoon, April 12 (Saturday), following the General Presentation Session, in the Waterford/Galway Room of the Carson Valley Inn.

There being no further business, Greg H. moved for adjournment, Dave V. -- who for the last time in his illustrious decadal career on the NAA Executive Board – seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous approval. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Greg Haynes (Secretary)

Nevada Archaeological Association General Meeting Minutes April 12, 2008

Location: Waterford/Galway Conference Room, Carson Valley Inn, Minden.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Eva Jensen at 3:35 pm. The meeting ran from 3:35 to 3:50 pm.

2007-2008 Summary of NAA Activities (Eva Jensen). On behalf of the entire Nevada Archaeological Association, Eva J. summarized some of the major activities that the organization has accomplished this past year. These accomplishments include two strategic planning retreats, four newsletters, production of posters and brochures for the Nevada Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month, and the 2008 Annual Meeting. She also noted that over the past several years, the NAA membership numbers have been holding steady above 200 members. She then turned the meeting over to Dave Valentine and Steve Daron for the election of 2008-2009 NAA officers.

Election of the 2008-2009 Board of Directors. Steve Daron stated that all but one of last year's officers (Dave Valentine) would like to continue to serve on the Board of Directors. Since the Board is composed of nine officers, that leaves one vacancy. Having stated that, Steve D. said that Mr. George Phillips would like to serve on the Board for the upcoming year. As a point of order, an NAA member asked if Mr. Phillips was a member of NAA and Steve D. said that Mr. Phillips was a member of the association. With that, Steve D. made a motion to place Mr. George Phillips on the slate of officers for the election. Mark Giambastiani seconded the motion, which carried without any dissent. A call for any further nominations was made. Being no further nominations, the following was submitted for approval of the membership. The slate of officers for the 2008-2009 Board of Directors of the Nevada Archaeological Association includes:

Daron Duke
Mark Giambastiani
Greg Haynes
Eva Jensen
George Phillips
Hal Rager
Elizabeth Russell
Greg Seymour
Suzan Slaughter

Dave Valentine made a motion to approve this slate of officers. This was seconded by Alice Baldrica. The motion obtained unanimous approval. Steve Daron then said that the duly elected Board of Directors would go into Executive Session to appoint its officers at Fiona's Bar & Grill

Adjournment: Dave Valentine made a motion to adjourn the 2008 General Meeting of the Nevada Archaeological Association. Greg Haynes seconded the motion. All NAA members present voted in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Haynes (Secretary)

Nevada Archaeological Association **Board of Directors Executive Session** April 12, 2008

Location: Fiona's Bar & Grill, Carson Valley Inn, Minden.

Board Members Present: Eva Jensen, Liz Russell, Suzan Slaughter, Daron Duke, Mark

Giambastiani, Greg Haynes

Board Members Absent: Greg Seymour, Hal Rager, George Phillips Other Members Present: Steve Daron (NAA Past President), Leticia Neal

A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Eva Jensen at 4:07 pm. The meeting ran

from 4:07 to 4:35 pm.

B. Election of Officers for the NAA Board of Directors

The 2007-2008 Board of Directors was composed of the following officers:

Greg Seymour – President

Eva Jensen – Treasurer

Greg Haynes – Secretary

Daron Duke – Membership

Suzan Slaughter – Newsletter Editor

Hal Rager – Webmaster

Liz Russell – NAA Site Stewardship Liaison

Mark Giambastiani – Member-at-large

Dave Valentine – Member-at-large

Eva stated that Greg Seymour no longer wants to serve as the NAA President, but would like to continue serving on the Board as a member-at-large. Eva then asked if anybody else would like to change their current position on the Board? Everyone present agreed to their current assignment. With Greg S. stepping down as President, Eva said that she would like to be President, so long as everyone agreed to this change. That would leave open the Treasurer's chair and she suggested placing George P. as Treasurer, since he has a professional financial background.

Liz Russell motioned that we approve Eva J. as President, George P. as Treasurer, Greg S. as a Member-at-Large, with all other positions remaining the same. Suzan S. seconded the motion. All of the members present gave their approval.

The 2008-2009 Board of Directors is composed of the following officers:

Eva Jensen – President George Phillips – Treasurer Greg Haynes – Secretary Daron Duke - Membership

Suzan Slaughter – Newsletter Editor Hal Rager – Webmaster Liz Russell – NAA Site Stewardship Liaison Mark Giambastiani – Member-at-large Greg Seymour – Member-at-large

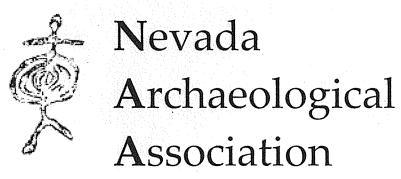
C. 2009 Annual Meetings. Steve Daron suggested that the 2009 Annual Meetings be held in Boulder City, since the geographic rotation would place them in the southern part of the state this next year.

Daron Duke and Mark Giambastiani suggested that the 80th anniversary of the Lovelock Cave monograph will be next year and that perhaps the meetings could be held in Lovelock. Moreover, perhaps next year's archaeology and historic preservation month could have a prehistoric cave theme? There was general consensus that we should not necessarily adhere to the geographic rotation rule and that Lovelock would be a nice place to hold the meetings. Eva asked Duke and Giambastiani to see if there was an appropriate place in Lovelock to hold the meetings, along with places to stay, and to report on their findings at the next board meeting.

- **D. Other Business.** Eva mentioned that we had at least 115 people register for the meetings, more than at any previous annual meeting. We pre-sold 49 tickets for the banquet and 16 people have requested banquet tickets at the door; we estimated 66 meals for the banquet!
- E. Next Board Meeting. The next board meeting will be held on July 19-20. It will take place at Bob Scott Campground, located along Highway 50, just east of Austin, Nevada.

Adjournment. There being no further business, Greg H. made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session; Eva J. seconded the motion; there was unanimous approval. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Greg Haynes (Secretary)



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